

Optimize *Pseudomonas Aeruginosa* Treatment with MolecuLight *i:X*[™]

Pseudomonas aeruginosa is a significant contributor to hospital acquired infections where delay of targeted treatment, including antimicrobial therapies, is associated with increased morbidity and mortality.¹

Unlike porphyrin-producing bacteria which are visualized by a red fluorescence signal on the MolecuLight *i:X*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* uniquely produces a cyan color fluorescence signal due to intrinsic pyoverdine pigments.

In this case study, the clinician used MolecuLight *i:X* to confirm the presence and location of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in a venous leg ulcer. As seen in [Figure 3](#), the white/cyan color suggests heavy microbial levels of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* pre-debridement (the white/cyan color is due to signal oversaturation), which would otherwise be invisible to the unaided eye. The clinician used this information to guide debridement of the wound to remove bacteria-colonized tissues, and subsequently re-imaged the wound after debridement to assess effectiveness of the procedure. [Figure 4](#) indicates a reduction in overall wound bioburden post-debridement, but not the complete eradication of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in the wound.

The MolecuLight *i:X* images ([Figure 4](#)) provided important evidence that *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* was still present after debridement, which helped the clinician make the decision at the point of care to select antimicrobial (silver) cream and dressings as well as applying a larger dressing to fully manage the remaining bacterial load. This example shows how the MolecuLight *i:X* may provide important insights about the location of bacteria so clinicians can target debridement and treat wounds more effectively, compared to the standard of care.



Practitioner

Rose Raizman RN-EC, MSc, with over 19 years of experience, leads the Save Our Skin (SOS) team at Scarborough & Rouge Hospital located in Toronto, Canada, to combat pressure ulcers of hospital inpatients. She also oversees the wound care clinic for inpatients and outpatients.



Patient Condition

78-year-old female patient with a venous leg ulcer received local wound care and negative pressure wound therapy. Against the clinician's orders, home care nurses stopped using a prescribed antimicrobial paste. After guided fluorescence visualization of the wound, the clinician added larger silver dressings and antimicrobial cream to the patient's treatment.

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Figure 1: Standard Imaging Mode[™]
Venous leg ulcer pre-debridement.

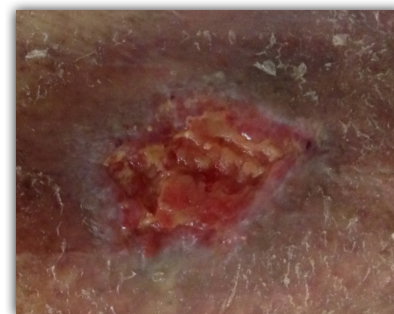


Figure 2: Standard Imaging Mode[™]
Venous leg ulcer post-debridement.

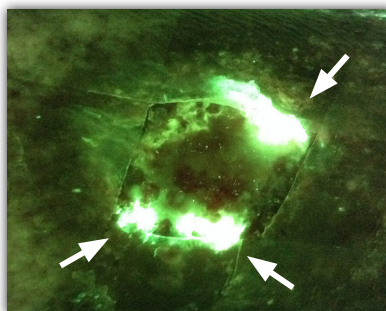


Figure 3: Fluorescence Imaging Mode[™]
Venous leg ulcer pre-debridement.
White/cyan regions suggest heavy levels of *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

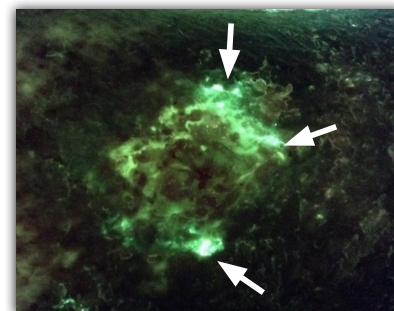


Figure 4: Fluorescence Imaging Mode[™]
Venous leg ulcer post-debridement.
Less white observed, cyan fluorescence suggests *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

MolecuLight *i:X*[™] Wound Intelligence Device

The MolecuLight *i:X* allows clinicians to quickly, safely and easily visualize bacteria² and measure wounds³ at the point of care so they have maximum insights for accurate treatment selection and accelerated healing.²

Testimonial

“I suspected colonization, and MolecuLight *i:X* guided me to efficiently target debridement and topical therapy application to ensure maximum removal of the bacterial load and prevent further contamination.”

— Rose Raizman RN-EC, MSc

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Bacteria appear white/cyan in image