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Compounding for Wound Healing

Wound care is a specialty in which compounding pharmacists can play an important role. Our pharmacist can customize medications to help during all stages of wound healing that can improve circulation to the wound and speed healing while reducing pain, and fighting inflammation and infection. The benefit of compounding is that the treatment can be modified as the wound enters each stage of healing.



Wound healing is a multi-stage process:

- Homeostasis This stage begins as soon as blood begins to flow, and clotting occurs.
- Inflammation The injured blood vessels begin to swell. Inflammation controls bleeding and helps prevent infection. It becomes problematic when this stage is prolonged or excessive.
- Proliferation The body begins to form new tissue consisting of collagen and the wound begins to retract.
- Maturation The remodeling stage begins approximately 21 days after the injury and is when the new tissue becomes stronger.

Disruptions in the wound healing phases can lead to long-term problems. Our compounding pharmacist can work with patients and their practitioners to help prevent disruptions or address issues that result from disruptions in the healing process.

- Chronic wounds are wounds that have failed to heal in 4 weeks. Many factors can play a role in slow healing wounds, including age, nutritional deficiencies, infection, smoking, medications, and other diseases just to name a few.
- Excessive wound healing can lead to a build-up of new tissue which leads to scars and keloids.

The International Journal of Pharmaceutical Compounding published a four-part series on Wound Care and included suggested formulations that can be compounded to heal various types of wounds at the different stages of healing. Compounding allows not only different medications to be used, but different combinations of medications, and innovative dosage forms and bases.

Medications can be chosen based on the wound healing stage and treatment needed. Some medications increase blood flow, provide pain relief, decrease inflammation, etc. Commonly compounded medications for wound healing include:

- Doxycycline
- Phenytoin
- Misoprostol
- Gabapentin
- Ketamine
- Sildenafil
- Naltrexone
- Insulin

People of all ages and medical conditions can benefit from customized wound preparations.

- Diabetic patients with foot ulcers.
- Hospice patients with persistent bed sores.
- Babies or children with persistent diaper rash.
- Patients with scars or keloids that cause them physical or emotional discomfort.

Our pharmacist will be happy to work with patients and their physicians to compound a medication specifically to meet that individual's unique wound care or scar treatment needs.

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- Up to date information
- Health tips
- Behind the scenes compounding
- Offers
- And more!

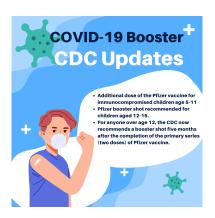
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