



### ESWT in skin & aesthetic indications

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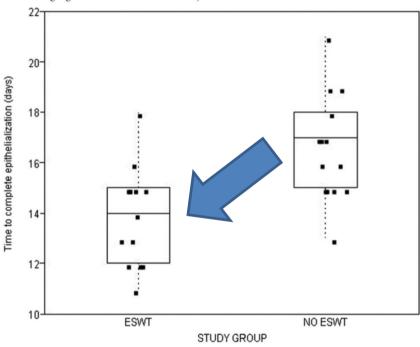


#### ESWT in skin graft epithelization

#### 3 days faster healing

#### Prospective Randomized Trial of Accelerated Re-epithelization of Skin Graft Donor Sites Using Extracorporeal Shock Wave Therapy

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**Figure 2.** Time to complete split thickness skin graft donor site re-epithelialization in patients with and without single postharvest defocused shock wave treatment to the donor site. ESWT, extracorporeal shock wave therapy.



# 3 days faster healing by ESWT



#### ESWT in 2a° burn injuries

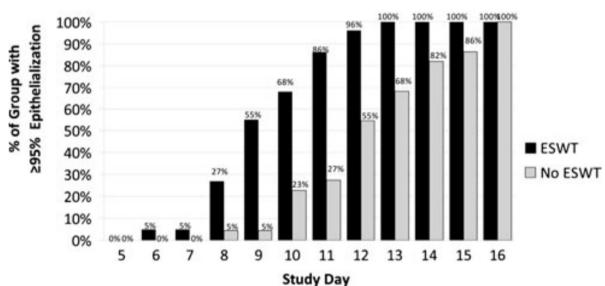
3 days faster healing

RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIAL

#### Prospective Randomized Phase II Trial of Accelerated Reepithelialization of Superficial Second-Degree Burn Wounds Using Extracorporeal Shock Wave Therapy

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### Proportion of patients with ≥95% epithelialization on each study day







#### Reduced burn scar pruritus/itchiness

#### after 3x focused electromagnetic ESWT

The clinical utility of extracorporeal shock wave therapy for burn pruritus: A prospective, randomized, single-blind study

So Young Joo, Yoon Soo Cho, Cheong Hoon Seo\*



Fig. 2 – The extracorporeal shock wave therapy was administered to burn patients. The administered shock wave dose was 100 impulses/cm<sup>2</sup> at 0.05 to 0.20 mJ/mm<sup>2</sup> with a total of 1000-2000 impulses.





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after 3x focused electromagnetic ESWT

Table 3 – The changes in numerical rating scale (NRS), 5-D pruritus scale, Leuven Itch Scale.									
	ES	SWT	р	Co	р				
	Before therapy	After 3rd therapy		Before therapy	After 3rd therapy				
NRS	6.30±1.29	3. 57±2.09	<0.001*	6.87 ± 1.32	$5.35 \pm 2.31$	0.002 <sup>a</sup>			
5-D pruritus scale	-45	5%							
Duration	$1.96 \pm 1.87$	$1.39 \pm 0.66$	0.046*	$2.00 \pm 1.17$	$1.65 \pm 1.07$	0.118 <sup>a</sup>			
Degree	$3.52 \pm 0.79$	$2.52 \pm 0.59$	<0.001*	$3.48 \pm 0.73$	$2.96 \pm 0.93$	0.017 <sup>a</sup>			
Direction	$4.17 \pm 0.83$	$2.78 \pm 0.90$	<0.001*	$4.21 \!\pm\! 0.90$	$3.48 \pm 1.08$	0.028 <sup>a</sup>			
Disability	$3.30 \pm 1.15$	$2.35 \pm 1.23$	0.004*	$3.21 \pm 1.04$	$2.87 \pm 1.18$	0.057 <sup>a</sup>			
Leuven Itch Scale									
Frequency	$78.26 \pm 18.93$	$67.39 \pm 23.15$	0.075*	$79.35 \pm 12.28$	$72.83 \pm 19.81$	0.107 <sup>a</sup>			
Duration	$33.00 \pm 34.47$	$20.09\!\pm\!25.83$	0.12*	$45.91 \pm 34.09$	$43.04 \pm 37.80$	0.79 <sup>a</sup>			
Severity	$63.04 \pm 12.95$	$35.22\!\pm\!20.20$	<0.001*	$68.70 \pm 13.25$	$53.48 \pm 23.08$	0.002 <sup>a</sup>			
Consequences	$32.51 \pm 21.50$	$17.19 \pm 16.24$	<0.001 <sup>b</sup>	$37.85 \pm 23.39$	$32.60\!\pm\!21.84$	0.20 <sup>a</sup>			

Values are mean ± standard deviation.

### -45% pruritus/itchniness within 14days

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Wilcoxon signed rank test.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Paired t-test.

 $<sup>^*</sup>$  p < 0.05 between groups.

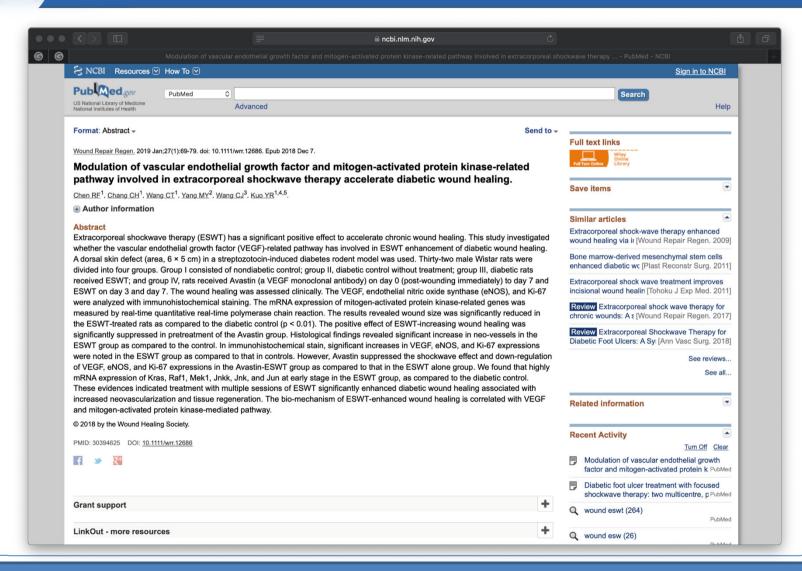


# Literature ESWT in soft tissue wounds

- 208pts with non-healing wounds with 75% complete wound epithelization
  - ESWT: 100-1000 shots/cm<sup>2</sup> 0.1mJ/mm2, 3x
    - » Schaden W et al. J Surg Res 2007;143(1):1-12.
- Potential mechanisms for ESWT in wounds:
  - Initial neovascularisation with functional angiogenesis
  - Recruitment of mesenchymal stem cells
  - Anti-inflammatory effects
  - Antimicrobial effects
    - » Mittermayr R et al. Wound Repair Regen 2012;20:456-65



### Diabetic foot ulcer - experimental





#### ESWT for diabetic foot ulcers

- Meta-Analysis of 5 trials with 255 patients
  - » Hitchman LH et al. Ann Vasc Surg 2018 Nov 26.
- ESWT was superior to standard wound care
  - At complete wound healing (Odds ratio 2.66)
  - Time to healing (65±8days vs. 81±4days)
  - ESWT was better than hyperbaric oxygenation (HBO) for diabetic foot ulcers



#### ESWT for diabetic foot ulcers

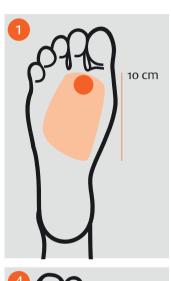
- Randomized-controlled trial (N=23)
  - » Jeppesen SM et al. J Wound Care 2016;25(11):641-9.
  - Six ESWT treatments in 3 weeks and standard care vs. standard care alone
    - » 250shots/cm2 plus 500 shots on arterial beds supplying ulcer location
  - Transcutaneous oxygen saturation was significantly increased in ESWT vs. standard therapy alone (p=0.044)
  - Ulcer area reduction was 35% in the intervention and 6% in the standard care group at week 7

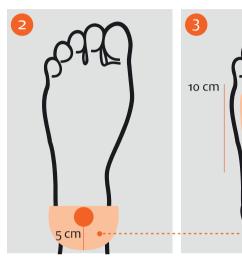


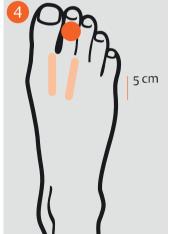
### Proposed region for ESWT application on ulcers (darker point) with the recommended treatment area (orange)

Jeppesen S/Lund L. ESWT in diabetic foot IN: Knobloch: ESWT in Aesthetics, Burns and Dermatology, 2018

Figure 3 Illustration of the area that was treated with 500 shocks deep focus ESWT using the **DUOLITH SD1 (STORZ MEDICAL** AG). ESWT was aimed at the medial plantar artery if the ulcer was located on the plantar surface medially (1), the small calcaneal branches if the ulcer was located on the heel (2), the lateral plantar artery if the ulcer was located on the plantar surface laterally (3), the interdigital arteries on each side of the metatarsal bone if the ulcer was located on a toe (4), and the proximal perimeter of the ulcer if the ulcer was located on the dorsum of the foot (5)





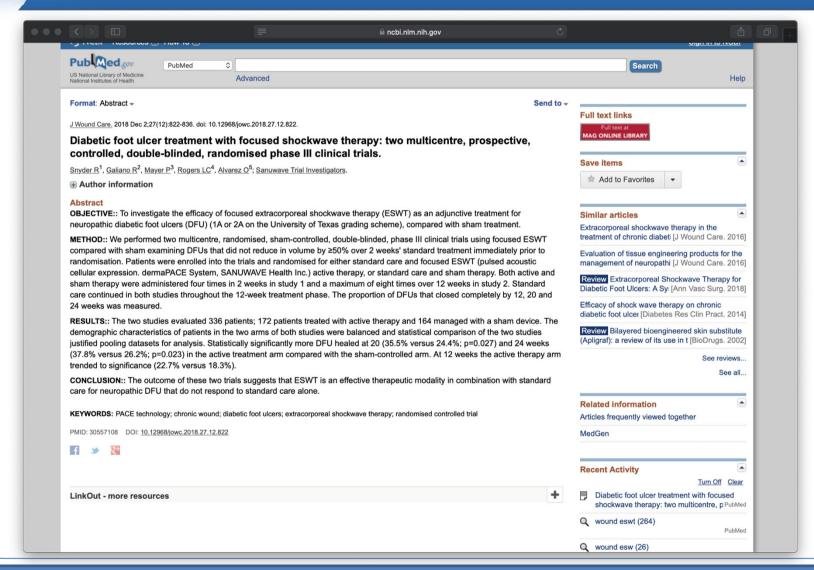








# FDA approval for Sanuwave for diabetic foot ulcer



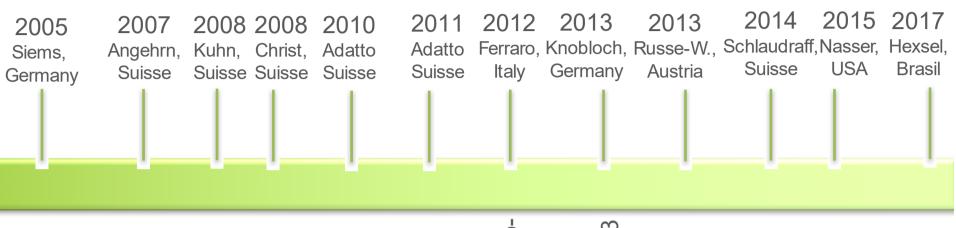


### Recommended ESWT wound protocol

- De/-Focused ESWT
  - 0.1-0.2mJ/mm<sup>2</sup>
  - 2-5 Hz
  - 3-6 sessions
  - Wound size:
    - 350+100 impulses/cm<sup>2</sup>

wound size	wound area	number of
		pulses
1 x 1 cm	1 cm <sup>2</sup>	350 + 100
		= 450
2 x 2 cm	4 cm <sup>2</sup>	350 + 400
		= 750
2 x 4 cm	8 cm <sup>2</sup>	350 + 800
		= 1.150
4 x 4 cm	16 cm <sup>2</sup>	350 + 1.600
		= 1.950

### Timeline of ESWT in cellulite



electro**magnetic** ESWT, n=14

Cohort study, radial & focused

electromagnetic ESWT, n=59

Sohort study, focused

RCT, radial ESWT, n=25

ESWT, n=26

electromagnetic

Cohort study, focused

electro hydraulic ESWT, n=2

Sohort study, defocused

electro*hydraulic* ESWT n=1

Case study, focused

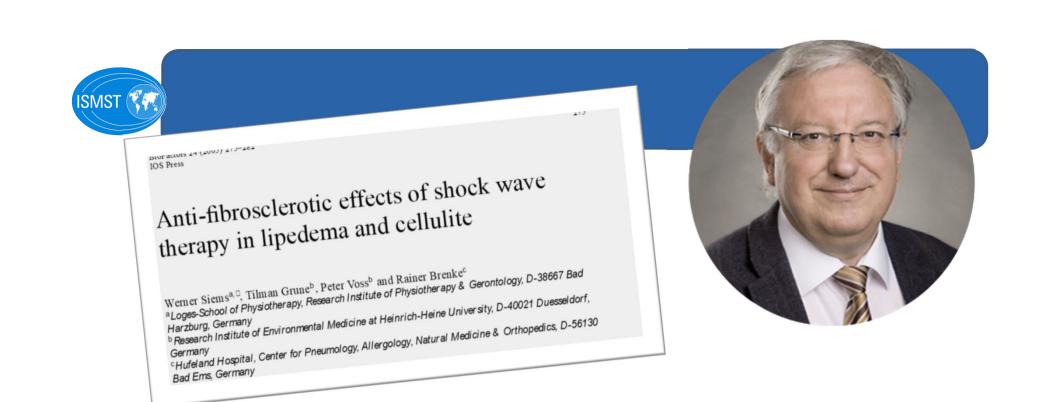
Cohort study, radial ESWT + cryo-Lipolyis, n=50 RCT, focused electromagnetic ESWT, n=53

RCT, radial ESWT, n=16

RCT, radial ESWT, n=14

RCT, radial & focused electromagnetic ESWT, n=15

Cohort study, radial & focused electromagnetic ESWT, n=30



26 females with cellulite with lymphdrainage with or without ESWT

# ESWT reduces oxidative stress and improves cellulite

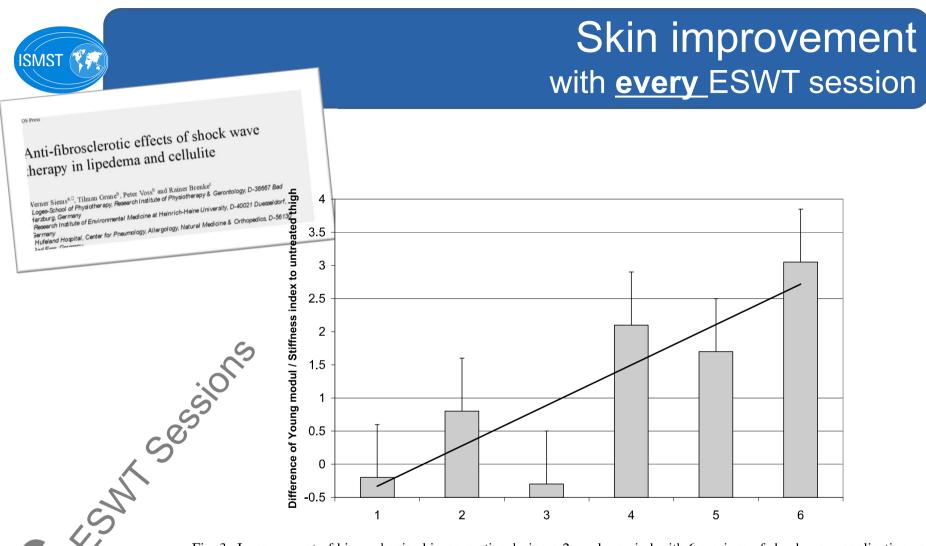


Fig. 3. Improvement of biomechanic skin properties during a 2 weeks-period with 6 sessions of shock wave application each for 8 minutes (1.000 impulses) in 5 patients with cellulite. In this part of the study the patients were treated only with SWT, but without parallel CPDT. Therefore, the increases of smoothening and elasticity (Young modul or stiffness index) which are given as difference between Young modul/stiffness index of the treated and untreated extremity are completely due to SWT. Values as Young modul/stiffness index without dimension; trend was calculated as linear trend.

### CelluShock RCT Knobloch K

#### Intervention group

 6 sessions of focused extracorporeal shockwave therapy 0,35mJ/mm2 2000 shocks and daily gluteal strength training (Storz Duolith SD1)

#### Control group

 6 sessions of SHAM focused extracorporeal shockwave therapy 0,01mJ/mm2 2000 shocks and daily gluteal strength training



#### RCT Cellushock Knobloch et al.

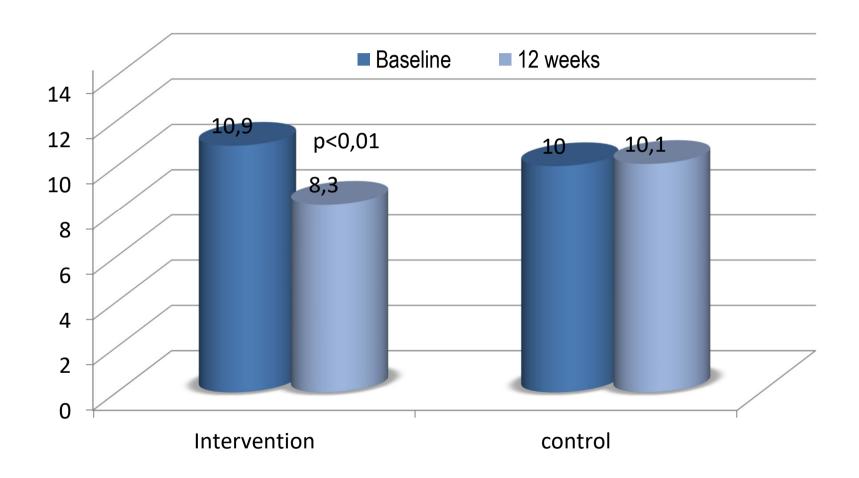
Before and after 6x focused ESWT



Intervention group A 3 months post intervention

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### Metaanalysis ESWT in cellulite

Knobloch & Krämer 2015

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#### Review

### Extracorporeal shock wave therapy (ESWT) for the treatment of cellulite — A current metaanalysis



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#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Both, focused & radial ESWT devices are effective in treating cellulite.
- Typically, one or two weekly sessions and 6–8 sessions overall were studied.
- Outcome parameters mainly focused on photographs, circumference measurements and ultrasound.
- Reporting quality showed substantial heterogenity from 22 to 82 points with a mean of 57 points.

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 Table 1

 All included clinical studies on the effects of extracorporeal shock wave therapy (ESWT) on cellulite with details on study design, number of participants, type, device and treatment parameters, number of treatments, follow-up and main results of the trials.

Author	Year Study design	Level of evidence	Number of patients	Type of ESWT	Device type	Energy flux densities	Pressure	Number of sessions	Follow-up	Outcome measures
Siems et al.	2005 Cohort study	3	26 (intra-individual control, one treated leg)	Focused ESWT	DermaSelect, Storz Medical	0.16 mJ/mm <sup>2</sup> , 1000 impulses	=	3–6 sessions	2 weeks	Mitigation of oxidative stress
Angehrn	2007 Cohort study	3	21	Low-energy defocused ESWT	ActiVitor-Derma	0.018 mJ/mm <sup>2</sup> , 40.000 shots	_	12 (twice a week)	8 weeks	<ul> <li>Improvement of high resolution ultrasound with collagen remodelling</li> </ul>
Kuhn	2008 Case study	4	1 (intra-individual control, one treated leg)	Focused ESWT	ActiVitor-Derma electrohydraulic device, SwiTechMedical	0.115 mJ/mm2, 4 Hz, 800 impulses on $2 \times 2 \text{ cm}^2$ sample	_	4	unclear	Epidermal improvement, neocollagenogenesis
Christ	2008 Cohort study	3	59	Planar ESWT	Storz CellActor SC1	0.25 mJ/mm2, 3200 impulses per session	_	6 (n = 15)  or  8 (n = 44)  sessions (twice a week)	3 & 6 months	<ul> <li>Skin elasticity improvement 105% at 6 months f/u</li> </ul>
Adatto	2010 RCT, 1:1 allocation	1b	25 (intra-individual control, one treated leg)	Radial ESWT	Storz D-Actor 200	_	2.6–3.6 bar, 15 Hz, 3000 impulses on $10 \times 15$ cm rectangle	6 twice a week	12 weeks	<ul> <li>Improvement on skin roughness, number of depressions and elevations</li> </ul>
Adatto	2011 Cohort study	3	14	Radial and focused ESWT	Storz CellActor SC1	0.45-1.24mH/mm2, 1500 impulses	3–4 bar, 3000 impulses	8 (twice a week)	12 weeks	<ul> <li>Reduction of subcutaneous fat layer</li> </ul>
Ferraro	2012 Cohort study	3	50	Radial ESWT + cryo-lipolysis	Proshockice (PromoItalia)	- '	50-500 bar, 1–6 Hz combined with a freezing probe for cryolipolysis	4 sessions every 15 days	12 months	<ul> <li>Mean fat thickness reduction by 3 cm</li> <li>Circumference reduction by 4.5 cm</li> </ul>
Knobloch	2013 RCT, 1:1 allocation, gluteal strength training ± focused ESWT	1b	53	Focused ESWT	Storz Duolith	0.35 mJ/mm <sup>2</sup> 2000 impulses	_' ' ' '	6 (once a week)	12 weeks	• Improvement of Cellulite Severity scale CSS from 10.9 to 8.3 by 24% (double-blinded standardized photographic evaluation)
Russe- Wilflingseder	2013 RCT, 2:1 allocation	1b	16 (11 verum, 5 placebo)	Radial ESWT	Storz D-Actor 200	_	2–3 bar, 3.500 impulses	8 (once a week)	12 weeks	<ul> <li>Subjective patient improvement</li> <li>Photoscore improvement</li> </ul>
Schlaudraff	2014 RCT, 1:1 allocation	1b	14 (intra-individual control, one treated leg)	Radial ESWT	EMS Swiss DolorClast	_	3.5–4 bar, 15.000 impulses, 15 Hz	8 (twice a week)	4 weeks	<ul> <li>Improvement of cellulite grade by 0.93 grades</li> </ul>
Nassar	2015 RCT, 1:1 allocation	1b	15 (crossleg study, 1 leg being treated, one served as intraindividual control)		Storz SC1	0.56–1.24 mJ/mm <sup>2</sup> 1500 impulses, per leg	2.6—5 bar, 16 Hz, 3.000 impulses	8 (twice a week)	12 weeks	<ul> <li>Crossleg study</li> <li>Reduction of subcutaneous fat layer from 1.4 ± 0.4 cm to 1.0 ± 0.3 cm at 3 months follow-up</li> <li>1.7 cm circumference reduction</li> </ul>

# Metaanalysis ESWT in Cellulite Knobloch & Krämer 2015

- Both, focused as well as radial ESWT devices have been found effective in treating cellulite so far
- Typically, one or two sessions per week and 6—8 sessions overall were studied in the published clinical trials
- Follow-up typically ranged between three and six months
- Overall, outcome parameters mainly focused on digital standardized photographs, circumference measurements and specific ultrasound examinations
- Only one RCT to date used a non-validated patients' questionnaire to assess the patients' evaluation of the treatment



### Timing of ESWT





# ESWT - Improved scaring after body lift Thanks to Dr. Wolfgang Schaden, AUVA Vienna





### Russe E et al. in press

Improved scaring after a single preventive F-SW



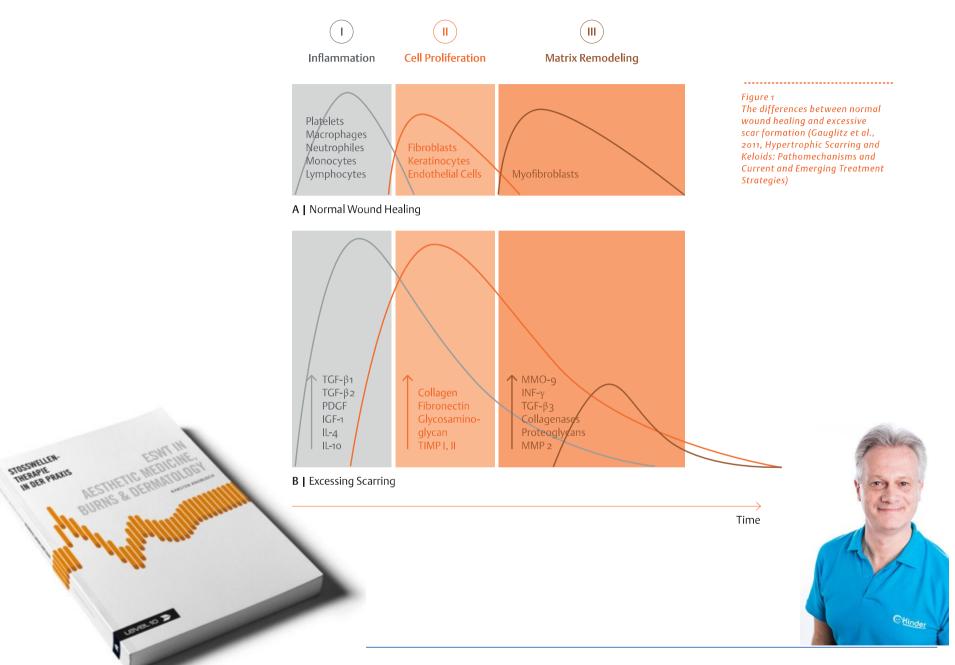
45yrs female 6 weeks postoperatively

(BMI: 24.4 kg/m2)





#### THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN NORMAL WOUND HEALING | Figure 1



#### CASCADE OF WOUND HEALING PROCESSES AFTER SWT | Figure 3

#### **Wound Healing**



NO + VEGF expression *¬* 

Vasodilatation *¬*I Angiogenesis *¬*I

Vascular and capillary density 

Local blood flow 

✓

Apoptosis ≥ ECM ⊅

### SUGGESTED SWT SETTINGS FOR FOCUSED ELECTROMAGNETIC DEVICES WHEN TREATING WOUNDS OR SCARS | Table 1

	Energy Flux Density	Number of pulses	Pulse Frequency		Number of treatments
SWT for Wound Healing	0,03-0,20 mJ/mm²	500-1,000	4-6 Hz	1 x per week	1–3
SWT for scar treatment	0,15-0,33 mJ/mm²	800-1,500	4-6 Hz	1 x per week	8–12





#### ESWT in skin & aesthetics

#### ESWT can

- Accelerate skin epitheliziation
  - in burns
  - In diabetic ulcers
- Improve scaring
- Improve cellulite

