

**Case of Ulceration of traumatic pressure callus on lateral malleoli in a diabetic treated with SILICEA**

A 60 yr old diabetic female came with ulceration of lateral malleoli of rt leg. She had this ulceration that developed in the traumatic pressure callus on the lateral malleoli as a result of sitting crossed legs for long time on floor, causing friction induced callus formation. The ulcer measured almost an inch and a half in diameter, had resisted conventional treatment and was painless (the patient was a diabetic and suffered from diabetic neuropathy). She was advised to undergo skin grafting as a result. She had mild varicosity. The ulcer was indurated and had suppurated. She was given silicea 1m / 3 doses to be taken once in 10 days, along with dressing with calendula dressing powder.

Follow up after a month showed dramatic improvement with ulcer size reduced to almost half, suppuration cleared and healthy granulation tissue. she was advised to continue only dressing and given placebo for another month.

The wound completely healed at the end of second month and averted the need for skin grafting.

**Explanation**

This was a very simple prescription based on pathological similarity (the character of lesion similar to that of medicine) of the lesion with those of the homoeopathic medicine silicea (viz ulceration, induration, suppuration). The ulcer was non healing that resisted treatment (non- healing ulcer- silicea). Silicea worked its charm and healed the ulcer.

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