

Clinical Cases Wounds and Lymphedema

Chronic edema/lymphedema and its relationship to chronic wounds particularly of the lower extremity is underrecognized and undertreated. Data involving a total of 21,253 patients in 11 countries who met the criteria of chronic edema lasting more than 3 months were reviewed. Overall prevalence of wounds was 32.7%. Wounds were primarily seen in patients with complex lower extremity chronic edema who were older and had multiple co-morbid conditions. Clinical cases will be presented. To develop treatment plans requires a complete assessment of the wound, the patient and their environment.