



WOUND THERAPY WITH 'WEE BEASTIES' (larval therapy)

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Maggots: an ancient remedy

“Leave them, they will clean it wait and see”
(Gladiator, Dreamworks SKG, 2000)



Lucilia sericata (green bottle fly)



Core effects

➡ Debridement

➡ Disinfection

➡ Enhanced healing



Warning! Rest of slides contain “Yuck” factor, real maggots at work

Case 1



Signed patient consent was obtained for the use of case histories and photographs in this presentation



Next slide is a bit yuck







Healed
six months, foot still present



Case 2



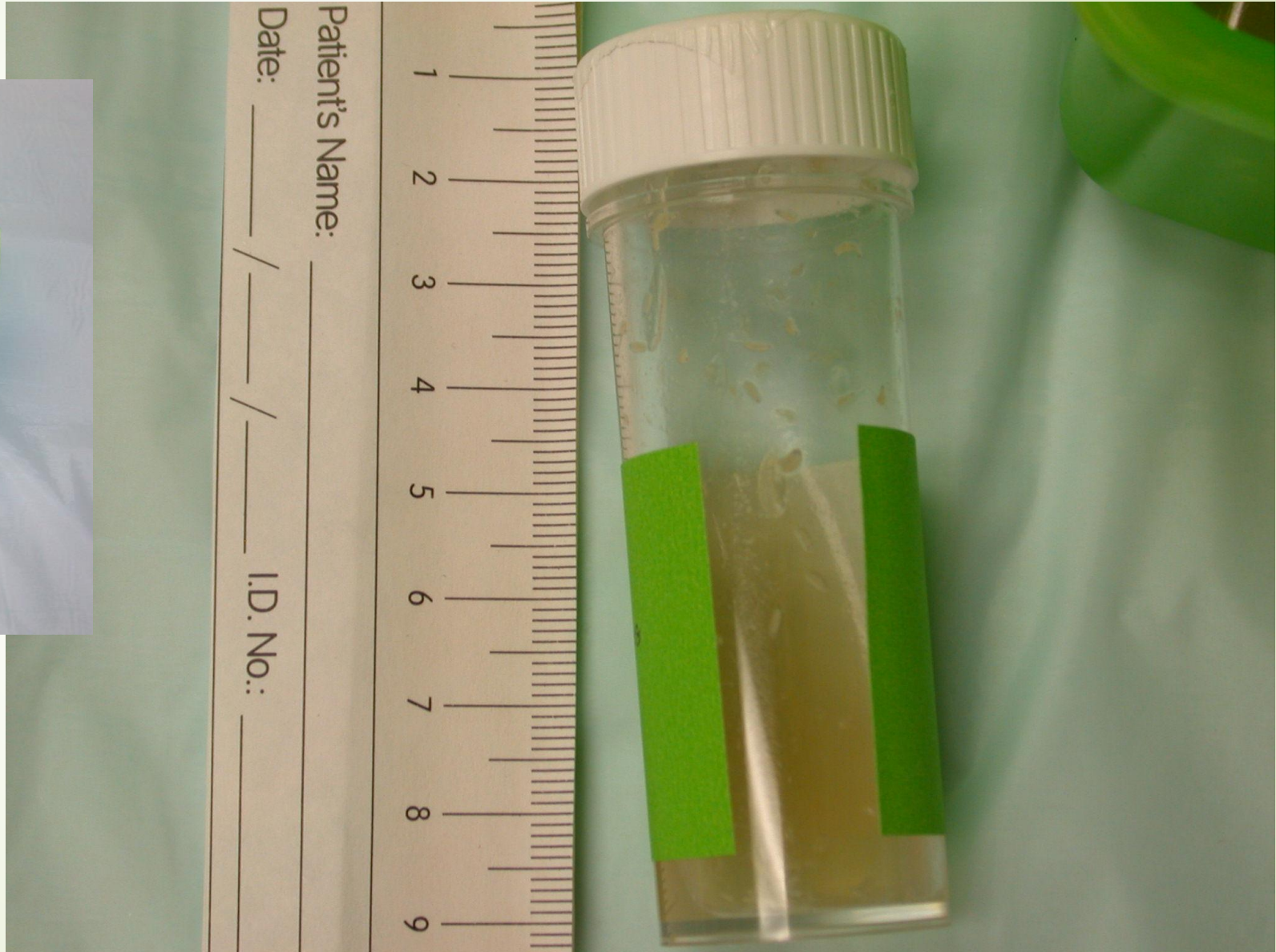




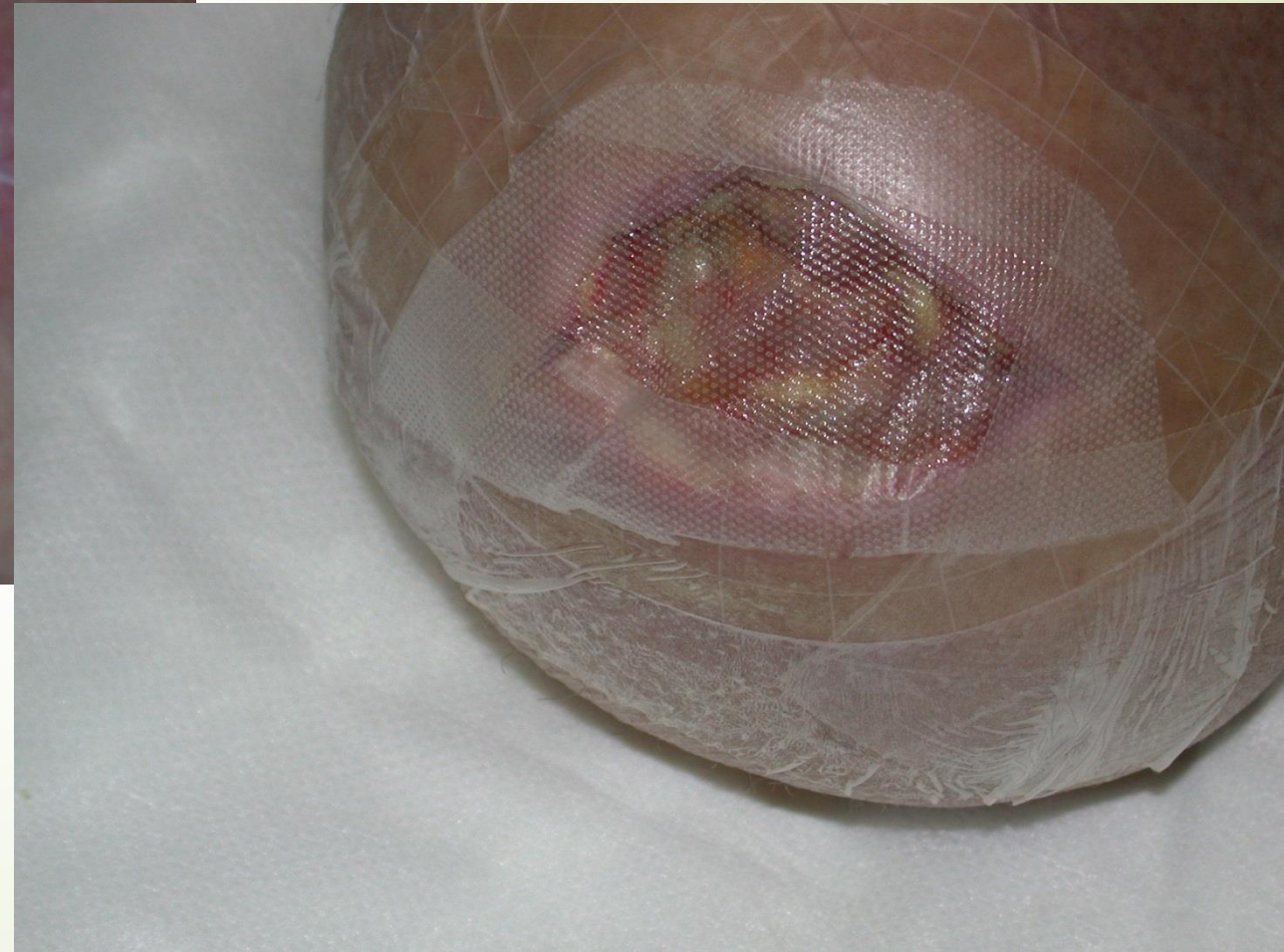
(Almost) Healed @ four months



Case 3



29.05



10.06



19.06





If history has taught us anything,

- It is that the ancient remedy of maggot therapy still has an active role in modern medicine

- Roman proverb

“Medicus curat, natura sanat”

The physician treats, nature does the healing



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