Welcome to the 28th issue of DARCO India Newsletter

Dear Reader,

Welcome to the 28th issue of the DARCO India Innovation News. After a two-month shutdown COVID-19 is still topic of the day and a big burden all over India. Some staff returns to work, others are only able to work with skeleton stuff. Our lives are far from normal and even after the initial days of lockdown release, we are heading to difficult times all over the country.

Guaranteed ability to deliver
The current situation is a major challenge for everyone involved. DARCO would like to say THANK YOU to everyone who contributes to coping with this situation every day. We have implemented numerous actions to fulfill our part so that we remain a reliable partner for you even in these difficult times. DARCO Medical India adheres strictly to the legal rules of Ministry of Health as well as the WHO.

In order to remain fully operational, our inventories are continuously checked. We are in constant communication with our production facilities and suppliers. In order to provide our employees with the best possible protection and to keep the risk of infection with the corona virus as low as possible, we have moved almost all of our employees to homeoffice. Nevertheless, we can be reached by phone or email as usual. Orders leave our warehouse in the usual time. We will continue to monitor the situation very closely and take all necessary measures to protect our employees and at the same time be available to you as a reliable partner.

Stay healthy and enjoy reading!

DARCO – Your partner for professional foot care!

Yours sincerely

Shashi Surpali
CEO DARCO Medical India Pvt. Ltd.
COVID-19 pandemic is driving significant change in the healthcare system and disrupting the best practices for diabetic limb preservation, leaving large numbers of patients without care.\footnote{https://diabeticfootonline.com/2020/03/26/}

Time alone does not heal wounds

After observation of the ulceration and treatment of the wound it is of utmost importance to care for pressure relief and offloading by means of an individually adjustable device. The intention is to pay particular attention to the improvement of the healing process as well as to the restoration of the patient’s mobility.

Treatment and prevention of diabetic pressure ulcers is not only complex, it also requires a long-term approach. In doing so, the patient education is crucial. Preventive or corrective actions can reduce or eliminate the risk of harm.

One of DARCO’s main products for effective pressure redistribution in diabetic foot is the WCS™ Wound Care Shoe. It is recommended for the treatment of open and closed ulcerations and other conditions of the foot where it is desirable to redistribute weight away from specific areas. The circumferential counter of the shoe forms a deep pocket in the sole to accommodate a variety of insoles under the ulceration or area of pressure.

We would like to point out that we are convinced that the need for wound care and diabetes products will increase in the very near future, as many patients shy away from treatments in hospitals or podiatric practice due to their fear of COVID-19. Which will result in increasing DFS indications.

What International Working Group of Diabetic Foot says:

“What can we do to provide evidence-based care with increasingly limited physical resources?”

Learn more about COVID19 and DFD here:

[www.iwgdfguidelines.org/covid-19/](http://www.iwgdfguidelines.org/covid-19/)

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[www.darco.in/distributors-india.html](http://www.darco.in/distributors-india.html)
Resources and Education

DARCO India Informational Material for our readers!

Complete solution for immediate care and targeted pressure relief

**Highest level of customization**
The WCS™ can be individually customized to every patient’s foot in a very quick and easy process for targeted pressure relief.

**Construction of the upper material**
For targeted pressure relief in the dorso-medial or lateral part of the foot (Malum perforans), only the outer layer of leather of the shoe upper needs to be cut away in the area of the wound. The soft Plastazote® material of the inner shoe remains intact.

**Construction of the insole**
The exchangeable 4-sole system with a variety of Shore hardnnesses ensures optimal pressure relief. Thanks to its design and the manual customization of the inner sole, precise plantar, medial and lateral pressure relief is provided.

**Sole Structure**
A variety of Shore hardnnesses for optimal pressure redistribution

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This video provides you with information about the WCS™ Wound Care Shoe for diabetic patients and how to fit it and the options for customization.

Please visit the section “Videos” on our website:

www.darco.in
Unfortunately, all planned events had to be cancelled or postponed until further notice. We will of course inform you immediately when new events are possible again and can be planned.

Stay healthy.