

Improved Sclerotherapy by Transillumination

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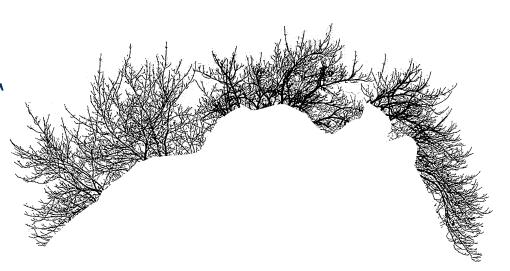
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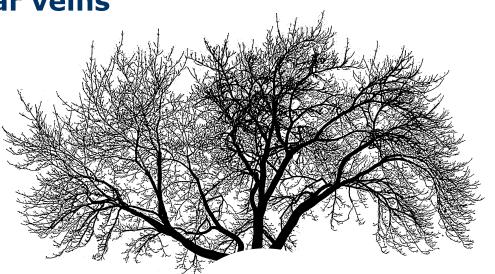




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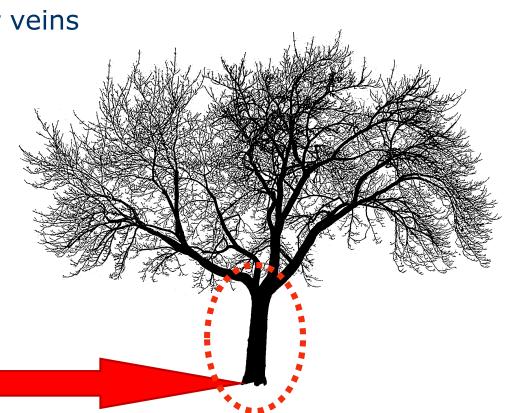


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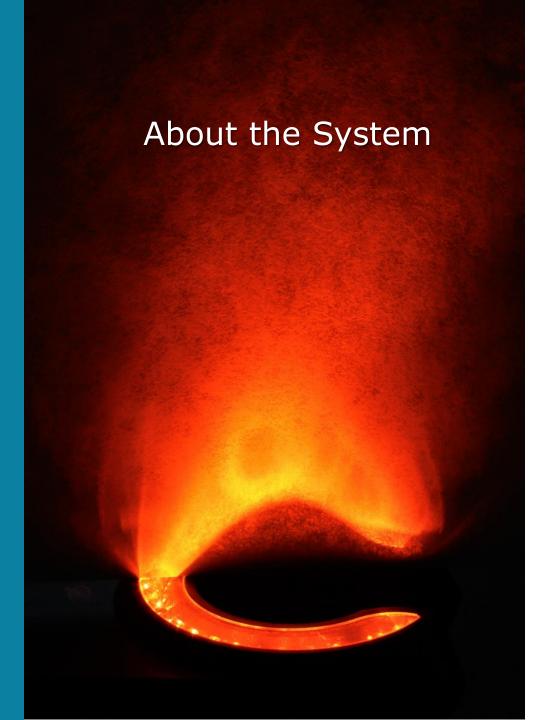
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Feeder vein

Visualized by Transillumination







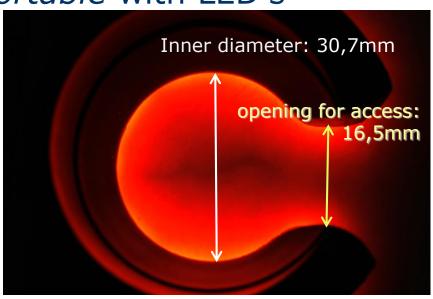




Device

Veinlite LEDX - portable with LED's







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Veinlite LEDX®

higher luminosity and brightness, higher contrast

32 LED

24 orange
8 red

superficial veins deeper veins darker skin

605 nm 660 nm

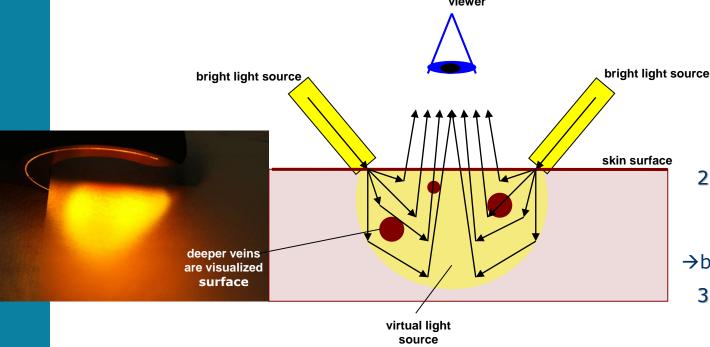
- Coloured diodes are switchable separately or combined
- Rechargeable battery (Lithium-Ion)







Side-Transillumination



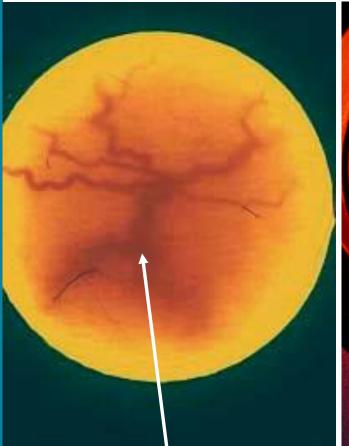
2-dimensional image on the surface

→based on experience
3-dimensional image

subcutaneous veins appear clearly visible



For visualisation of all intra/subcutaneous venous structures, esp. Feeder Veins





also mind:
jammed veins all
around and below
an ulcer



Infection Control During Sclerotherapy





"3 step procedure"

- 1. "Find" Easy and precise detection of veins, spider veins and reticular veins down to 1 cm depth (>1 cm: ultrasound guided punkture)
- ✓ for liquid and micro/foam sclerotherapy* (bubbles are very well seen)
- 2. Push down to compress blood-flow with the C-shaped ring
- > 3. Pull back to stretch skin = makes vein puncture easier

(→ taboret, tambour frame)









- Punction and Obliteration of the "trunk" ("very point method")
- control of optimal amount of sclerosant fluid

(Äthoxysklerol

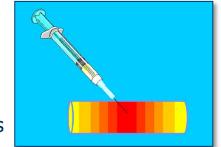
Polidocanol

Lauromacrogol 400)

- guide the fluid or the bubbles through the vein
- Patient can rest in supine position

(gently to cardiovascular system; take advantage of local effect = higher and longer lasting concentration on site » longer interaction with vessel intima)

By the way: direction of blood flow can be determined by wiping out and can be used for diagnostic purposes





Important notice

Light should be dimmed down to benefit from higher contrast

Illuminance: 40 - 80 lx



Further Applications

Prior to Operations
(in particular for Mini-Phlebectomy with Várady-Hooks)

Mapping of veins prior to operation with legs positioned exactly as it will be after skin prepped and legs draped

- → faster
- → accurate position for incision (veins shift cm's from upright standing to lie)





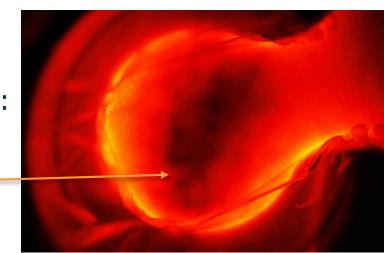
Advantages following sclerotherapy

- (Technique "sewing machine") Occasionally blood becomes trapped in treated veins: painful, annoying, discomforting to patients and → causes skin discoloration (hyperpigmentation)
- Veinlite guides your way to trapped blood
- stabilized through the ring
- •Stab puncture with 18 gauge needle (1,2mm), blood lancet or microscalpell
- Evacuate ("blackberry jam")
- → avoid discoloration





- → Every venous structure can be visualized e.g.:
- > i.v. lines (see video on YouTube and homepage)
 - → Tourniquet-free injection
- ➤ Visualise veins prior to estetic intervention/plastic surgery to avoid perforation and cause hematomas
- ➤ Difficult on-site procedures (first aid, pediatric, paramedics, oncology, ...)
- Congenital Vascular Malformations (neonates, infants)
- To establish a differential diagnosis: hematomas, foreign bodies
- > and ...



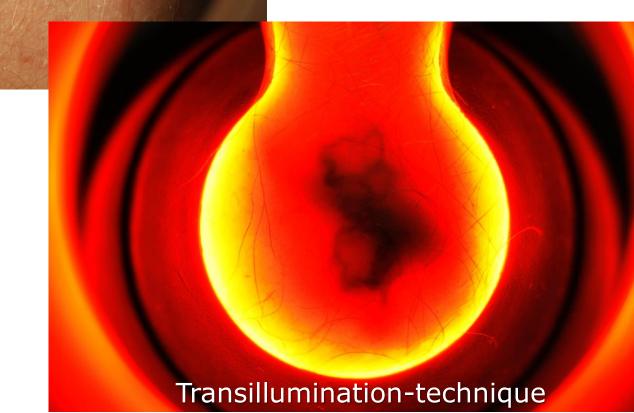


Precaution:

Over-treatment

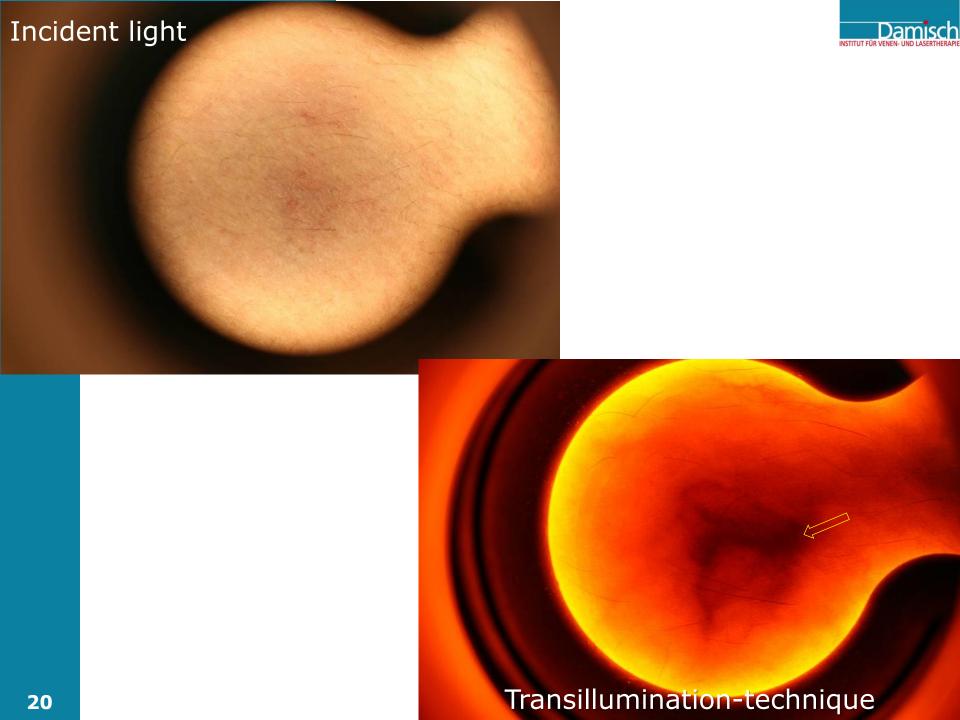
- > concentration %
- > the amount which is needed ml "Quantum satis"
- ➤ inject slowly v
- ▶ low pressure p
- fractional / intermittent ~



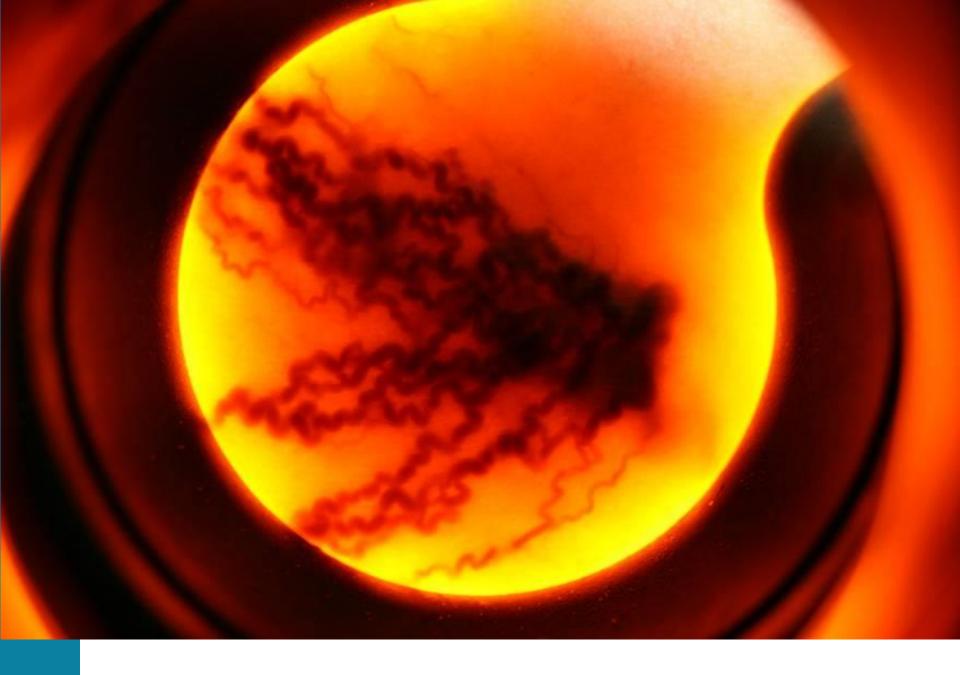


Notice: all pictures without any postprocessing!

Surface illumination







with transillumination much higher contrast





Transillumination with orange light / LED





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Consequent Benefits

- exact localisation of vein puncture
- optimum amount of fluid

- → "where"
- → "how much" *
- Patient Satisfaction and excellent Patient Care
- → Doctor's Satisfaction → "happy to go to work every day"
- better "Compliance" according to this principle: "WYS/WYG"
- Patient understands circulation
- Patient understands the logic principle ("rationale")
- behind treating reticular veins
- simplifies education and clarification (re-calling)
- easier to explain treatment target (operation / sclerotherapy)
- √ Hand-held device

WYSIWYG is the abbreviation for "What You See Is What You Get"



Randomized Clinical Trials

Randomized Clinical Trials Show That Veinlite® Is Better Than AccuVein® and VeinViewer® for Venous Access

Randomized Clinical Trials are the gold standard for assessing how a device compares to standard of care (current method of vein access). Several clinical trials have now been done to assess whether vein finder devices help improve vein access in children and adults. These devices include the Veinlite®, AccuVein®, VeinViewer® and VeinLuminator™.

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A randomized clinical trial was carried out in 240 patients with hard to find vein in a pediatric emergency department

RESULTS – The study showed that Veinlite® improved cannulation success rate within two attempts in comparison to standard care.



"Gold Standard" for Visualizing of Veins

and to

Improve considerably the Success rate of Sclerotherapy



Greetings from Salzburg



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