Smart Wearable and Autonomous Negative pressure device for wound monitoring and therapy





SWAN iCare



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General Information

Project full title:

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Call identifier: FP7-ICT-2011-8

Work programme Objective:

Smart Components and Smart Systems integration (b) Micro-Nano Bio-Systems

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Total budget: € 8.079.179 **Funding**: € 6.113.999

Start date: 1 September 2012 Duration: 48 months

Coordinator: EXUS Greece

Project website: http://www.swan-icare.eu/



Consortium







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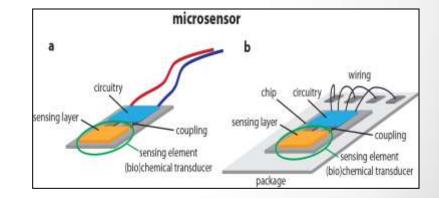


Project goal

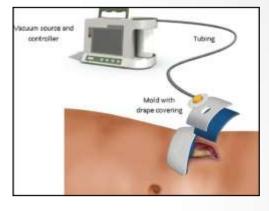
SWAN-iCare aims at developing an integrated autonomous device for the monitoring and the personalized management of chronic wounds, mainly venous leg ulcers and diabetic foot ulcers

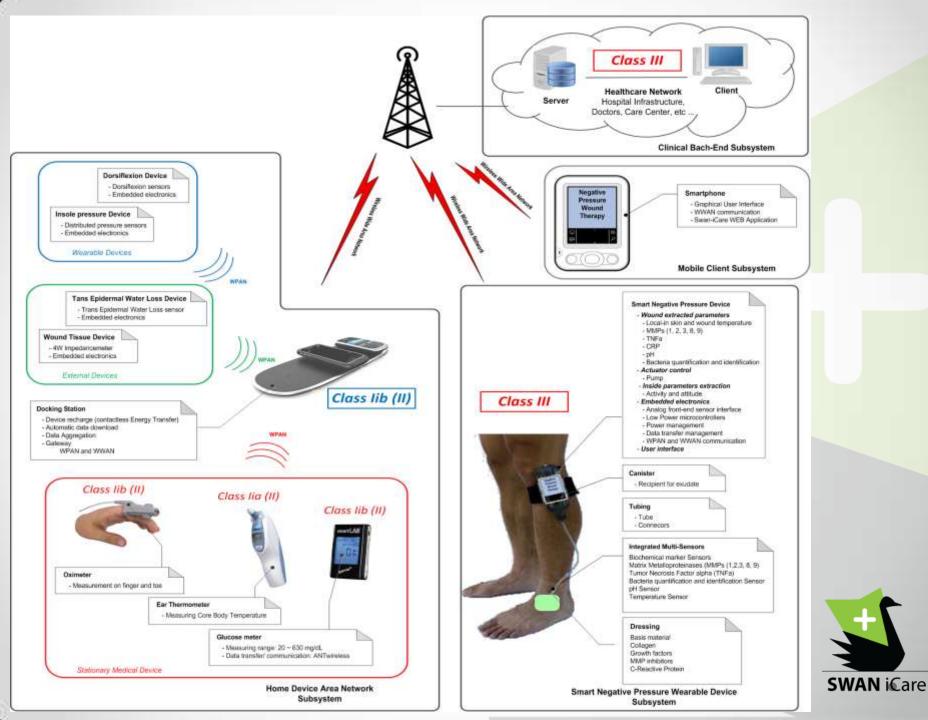
Such device will allow users to:

- accurately monitor many wound parameters via non-invasive integrated micro-sensors
- o early identify infections
- provide remotely an innovative personalised two-line therapy via noninvasive micro-actuators to supplement the negative pressure wound therapy





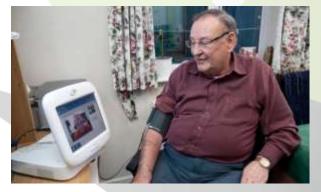




Expected Impact: the patient

Benefits for the patient

- Continuous home monitoring of a number of wound parameters
- Personalised therapy initiated by the physician remotely and adapted to the daily measurements
- Faster wound healing due to the early identification and therapy of potential problems
- Wound deterioration can be identified early and acted upon, therefore leading to reduced morbidity and amputation rates
- Reduced disturbance to patients life and possible need for hospitalisation
- Better quality of life with better mobility, more comfort ,less stress





Expected Impact: Society and Healthcare

Benefits for society and healthcare

- Reduced healthcare costs as a result of reduced need for hospitalisation
- Reduced burden for the patients relatives due to faster wound healing and remote monitoring
- Reduced social costs and improved productivity as the patient returns to work earlier
- Increased access to best practice wound care for patients living in remote geographical locations
- Reduced daily nursing visits allows for more new patients' to be added to the case load







Expected Impact: Medical science

Benefits for the medical science



- Advancement of wound care best practice, supply of the most effective wound care protocols available
- Continuous objective measurement contributing to evaluation of wound progress, and treatment effectiveness
- A better understanding of wound healing due to creation of a DATA base of continuous wound parameter measurements
- Potential for new wound healing research

