

# *Institute of Physics National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine*



**Visegrad – Accelerated Wound Healing**

Development of innovative polymers for wound healing and other biomedical applications

*How can sterility, antibacterial protection, pain relief, and continuous wound monitoring be combined in a single material?*

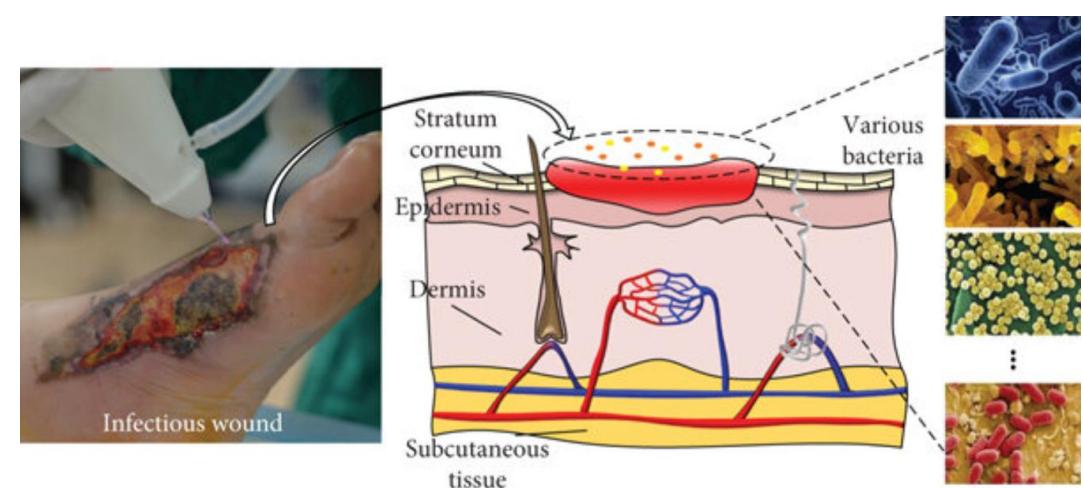
*Most existing solutions are only partially effective: some provide good absorption but adhere to the wound, while others offer antimicrobial activity but lack transparency and do not allow comfortable wound management.*



*Traditional wound dressings:*

Gauzes	Transparent films	Foams
 • Traditional gauzes • Impregnated gauzes • Wet-to-dry bandages	 • Bi-layer or multi-layer films	 • Traditional foams • Antibacterial foams

Hydrogels	Hydrocolloids	Hydroconductive dressings
 • Alginic-based hydrogels • Collagen-based hydrogels	 • Internal layer based on hydrogels • External layer based on synthetic polymers	 • Multi-layer structure



# HYDROBANDAGE as a Material Platform for different clinical solutions

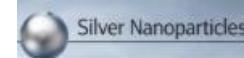
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## HYDROBYNT №1

Hydrogel (film) form



Silver Ag nanoparticles



"HYDROBANDAGE" contains 85% water and is the world's first medical product made of a gas-metal-water-polymer nanocomposite with a unique spectrum of antiseptic, sorption, mechanical and biological powers

## HYDROBYNT №2

Liquid form

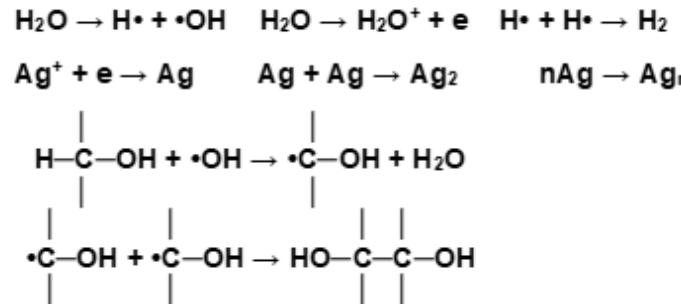


HYDROBANDAGE

Functions:

*First aid for thermal and mechanical injuries;  
Surface disinfection of wounds and mucous membranes;  
Prevention and suppression of bacterial and viral infections, including those affecting the respiratory tract.*

# Elastomer based on a Gas–Metal–Water–Polymer nanocomposite

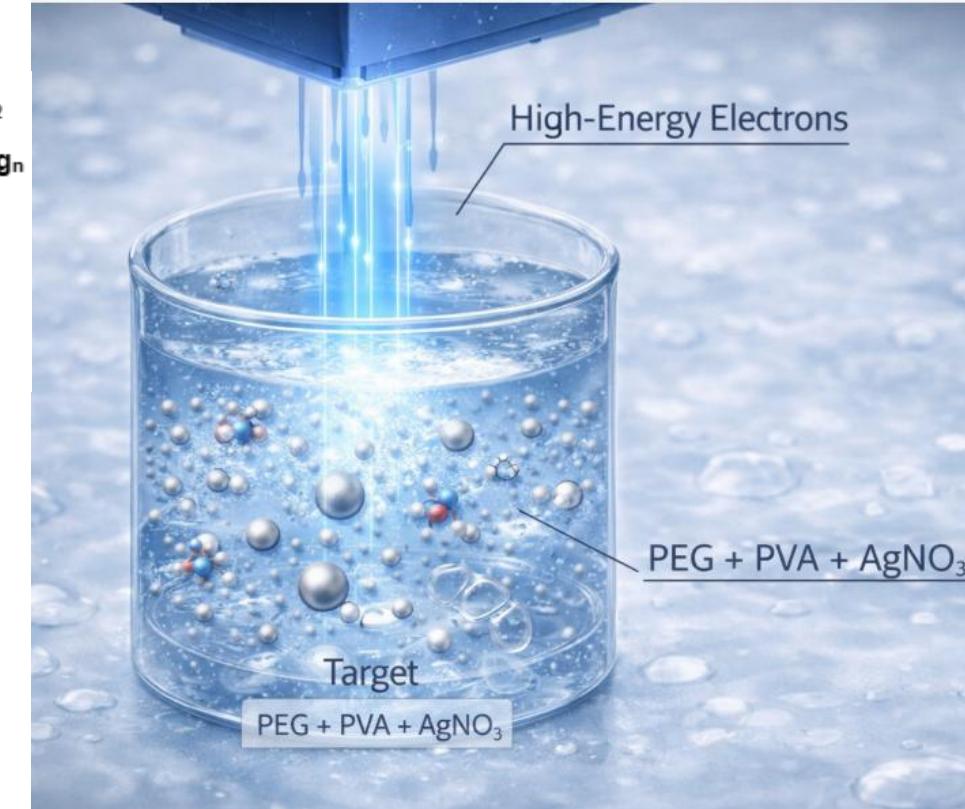


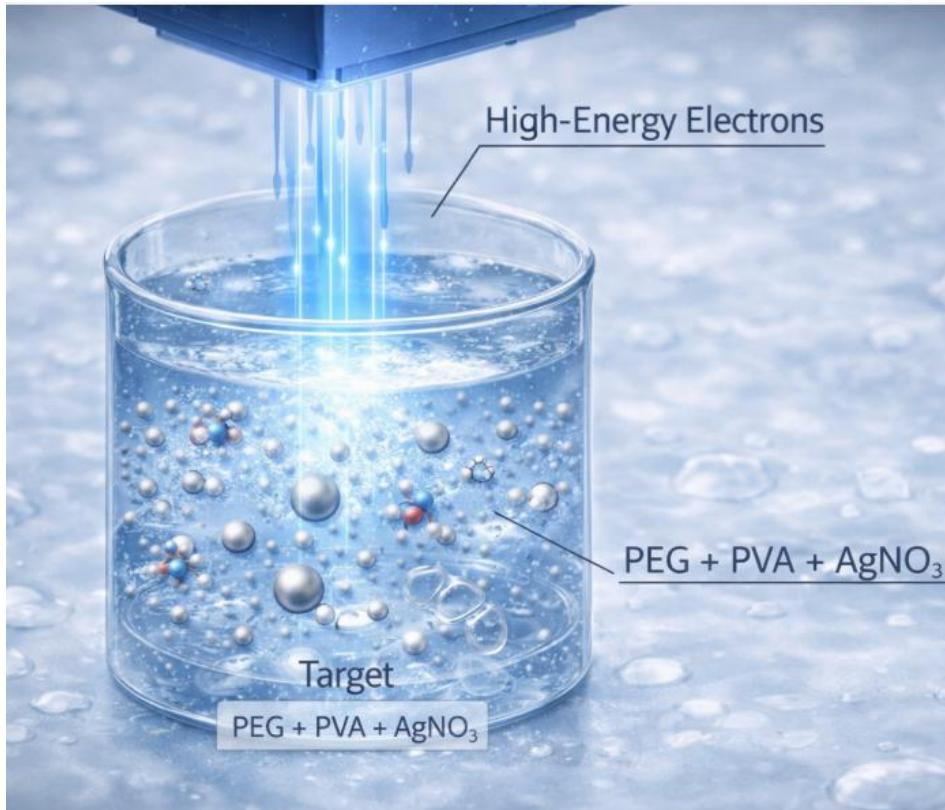
**Process** of high-energy electron irradiation (one-step synthesis + sterilization):

- 1) prepare aqueous PEG/PVA solution → add  $\text{AgNO}_3$  → electron irradiation;
- 2) irradiation causes water radiolysis →  $\text{Ag}^+$  →  $\text{Ag}^0$  → in situ Ag nanoparticles (size tuned by dose/time);
- 3) simultaneous polymer crosslinking forms a stable hydrogel/elastomer and immobilizes nanoparticles (no sedimentation/aggregation).

**Output:** transparent, water-rich, antibacterial dressing + radiation sterilized!

Mechanically robust



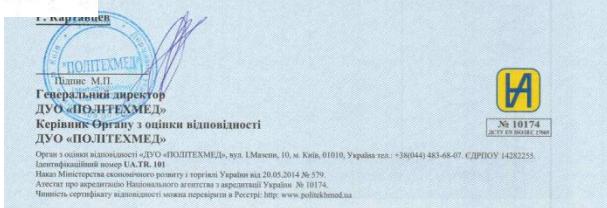


**HYDROBYNT №1**



**HYDROBYNT №2**





*HYDROBANDAGE medical products are patented and certified according with European standards*



*Clinical Use*  
*of HYDROBYNT № 1*  
*and HYDROBYNT № 2*



**HYDROBANDAGE**



*HYDROBANDAGE No. 1 is a bactericidal medical dressing for protecting and healing burns, wounds, and ulcers. It does not adhere to the wound.*

### **HYDROBANDEGE#1:**

Disinfects, cools, and relieves pain;

Protects against external contamination and mechanical impact;

Accelerates healing by maintaining a moist environment;

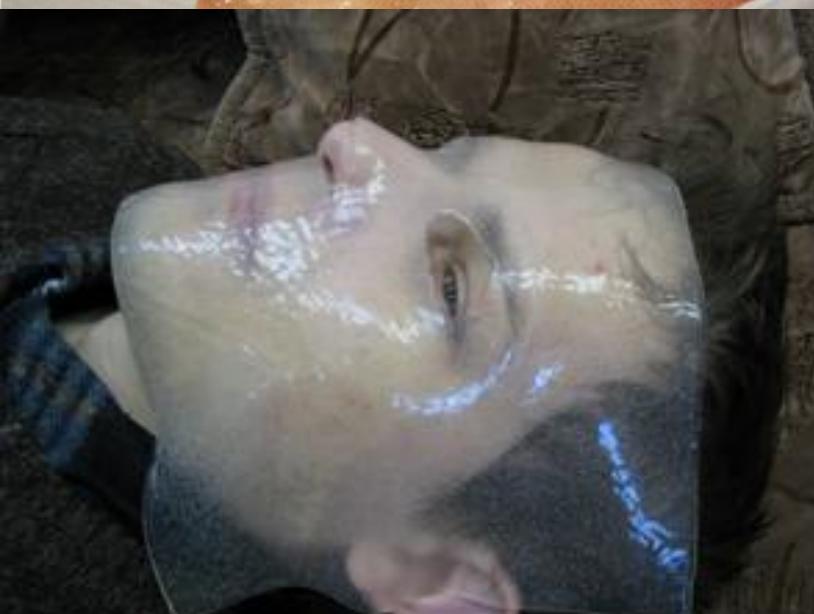
HYDROBANDAGE No. 1 removes painlessly because it does not stick to the wound



closest analogue: BurnTec

## HYDROBANDAGE No. 1 :

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- absorbs wound exudate;
- allows oxygen and medications to pass through, while blocking microorganisms;
- does not cause irritation or allergic reactions;
- its transparency enables wound monitoring without removing the dressing.

# HYDROBANDAGE #2 – a liquid or aerosol formulation for painless disinfection of wounds and mucous membranes.



- Effectively delivers silver nanoparticles to all areas of deep wounds, ulcers, and the nasopharynx.
- Eliminates or significantly inhibits the growth of most microorganisms without damaging human tissue.
- Reduces rhinorrhea and symptoms of mucosal inflammation, and helps soothe cough.
- - Forms an adherent antiseptic film/mesh on the nasopharyngeal surface, significantly reducing the risk of bacterial and viral pathogens spreading to the bronchi and lungs.

# The results of using HYDROBINT No. 1 + No. 2

**burn treatment for 10 days**  
(2nd degree burn, child 5 years old).



**A burn from a phosphorus bomb. (after 30 days of treatment, the soldier came back to the army).**



The result of treatment of a leg  
with traumatically impaired blood  
circulation



The result of treatment of trophic ulcer





Soldiers of the Armed Forces of Ukraine have given positive feedback on HYDROBANDAGE products.

# Modular hydrogel platform

- Both formats (film and liquid) can be functionalized with additional drugs (analgesic, antibacterial, anti-inflammatory, etc.).
- We plan to explore these modifications within our Visegrad-funded project, partially implementing drug-loaded formulations for research and evaluation...
- We welcome research and clinical partners for collaborative studies.



# *Proposed Plan for Collaboration*

- *IP (Institute of Physics) provides HYDROBANDAGE No. 1 & No. 2 samples: base and drug-loaded variants (salts, vitamins, antibiotics, analgesics, etc.).*
- *Partners characterize the samples using their methods and provide feedback / improvement suggestions.*
- *IP produces modified sample series based on feedback and resupplies partners — repeat for multiple cycles.*
- *Results are discussed online / in joint meetings and published & presented in journals and conferences.*



# The simplest scheme for preparing drug-loaded samples



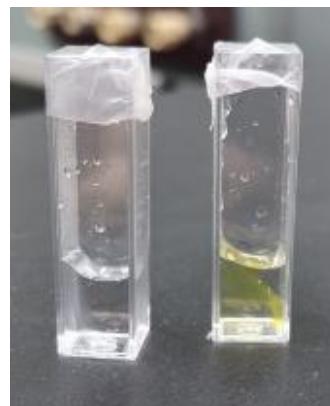
**STEP 1**



*Weigh the sample before immersion in the solution.*

*Weigh the sample after 1, 2, and 3 hours to achieve the required concentration.*

**STEP 2**



**STEP 3**

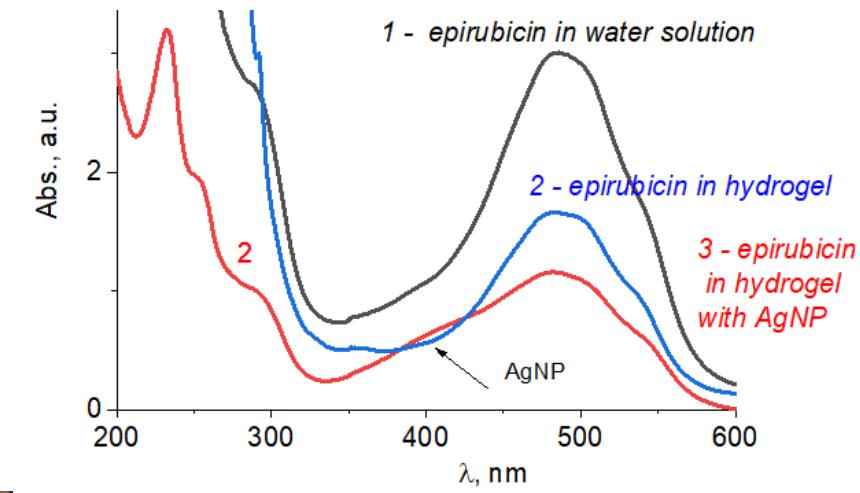


*-cut a piece of hydrogel from the sample;*

*-place into a solution containing the drug;*

*- get uniformly distributed drug within the elastomer;*

*To prevent drying, keep the samples in airtight (sealed) packaging.*



*Absorption spectra of epirubicine:*  
1) in water solution,  
2) in pure hydrogel,  
3) in hydrogel containing AgNP

*We invite you to collaborate in the development of new medical products based on HYDROBANDAGE technology.*

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**Thanks for your attention!**