

Reducing venous thromboembolism (VTE) risk in acute stroke patients¹

The prospective comparative study assessed 1,000 acute stroke patients for VTE incidence at 90 days post discharge: The study showed:

- 29.5% of patients were either contraindicated or unable to tolerate IPC*.
- 2.4% of patients prescribed IPC alone suffered a VTE event
- 0% of patients prescribed the geko[™] device alone suffered a VTE event. 0
- Patients reported greater tolerance of the geko[™] device compared to IPC.
- Health economics show the geko[™] device is cost saving vs. the cost consequence of no VTE prophylaxis.

Furthermore, the geko[™] device provided an anti-stasis intervention where previously patients would have had no other intervention available to them, ensuring no immobile stroke patient, with a high risk of VTE, was without a mechanical VTE prophylactic intervention.



No DVT or PE reported in patients in the geko™ device arm.



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Mechanism of action animation video:



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References

1. Williams et al The use of the geko[™] device (a neuromuscular electrostimulation device) and the resulting activation of the foot and calf muscle pumps for the prevention of venous thromboembolism in patients with acute stroke



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