

# InterDry<sup>®</sup> improves patient satisfaction and is a preferred treatment protocol over traditional therapies<sup>1</sup>

## Patient evaluation using InterDry<sup>1</sup>

### Aim

The aim of this product evaluation is to evaluate InterDry<sup>®</sup> for skin fold management.

### Methods

A total of 54 evaluations of subjects with affected skin areas on different body locations were included in this product evaluation. The product evaluation was performed in Canada between 2014-2016. InterDry was placed on the affected skin fold areas. The use of InterDry was evaluated by a health care professional on a 5-point scale with respect to ease-of-use, skin improvement after 5 days, the ability to wick away moisture, the ability to reduce odor, the ability to reduce pain, the ability to reduce discomfort and overall patient satisfaction. According to the US/Canadian instructions for use, each piece of InterDry may be used up to 5 days, depending on fabric soiling, odor, amount of moisture and general skin condition. Hence, it is assumed that this information was taken into consideration during the product evaluation.

### Respondents

A total of 54 respondents have evaluated InterDry, see Table 1 for characteristics of the subjects involved. The distribution of the affected body areas is depicted in (Figure 1).

In the product evaluation, the respondents were asked about product currently used. The products currently used varied from nothing, powder and gauze to different kinds of topical product with or without antifungals.



	Number Total	Number Questionnaire Version 1	Number Questionnaire Version 2
Number of respondents	54	36 (67%)	18 (33%)
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	18 (33%)	15 (42%)	3 (17%)
Female	33 (61%)	21 (58%)	12 (67%)
N/A	3 (6%)	0 (0%)	3 (17%)
<b>Age</b>			
21-30 years	1 (2%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)
31-40 years	6 (11%)	5 (14%)	1 (6%)
41-50 years	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
>50 years	35 (65%)	28 (78%)	7 (39%)
N/A	12 (22%)	2 (6%)	10 (56%)
<b>Facility type</b>			
Community care	6 (11%)	4 (11%)	2 (11%)
Acute care	24 (44%)	20 (56%)	4 (22%)
Long term care	22 (41%)	10 (30%)	12 (67%)
Other (complex care)	1 (2%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)
N/A	1 (2%)	1 (3%)	0 (0%)
<b>Duration of evaluation</b>			
Range (in days)	3-31	3-31	3-28
Mean (in days)	10.4 (N=42)	10.2 (N=27)	10.7 (N=15)
Median (in days)	9.5 (N=42)	9.0 (N=27)	10.0 (N=15)

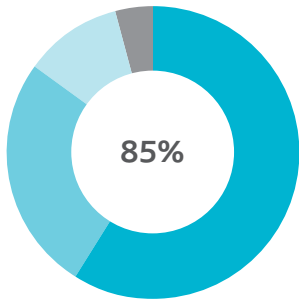
**Table 1: Baseline characteristics of the included subjects**

N/A: data missing/blanks/not filled out correctly or not evaluated

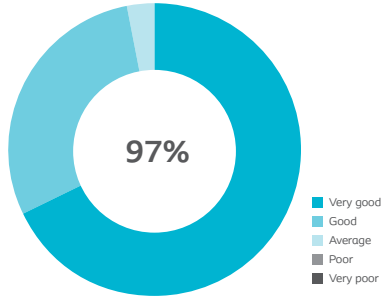
Affected body area	Number of respondents
Neck	2
Axilla	2
Under breast	15
Back	0
Abdomen	14
Groin	14
Fingers	0
Upper leg	0
Lower extremities	0
Between toes	1
More than 1	12

**Figure 1: Distribution of affected body areas**

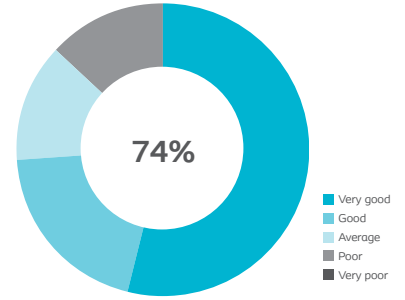
## Results



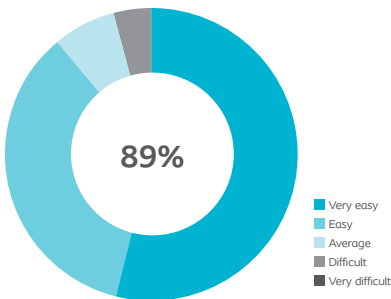
Skin condition rated as much better or better



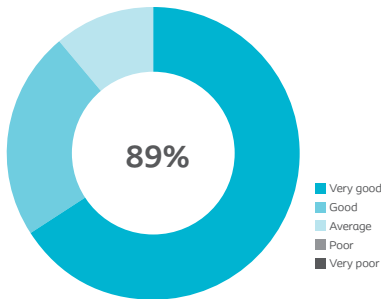
Ability to reduce discomfort rated as very good or good



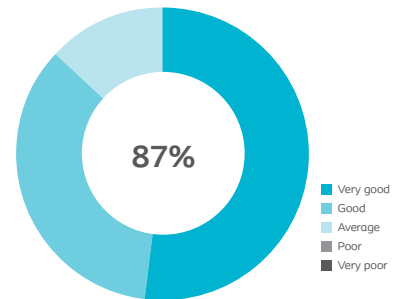
Ability to reduce pain rated as very good or good



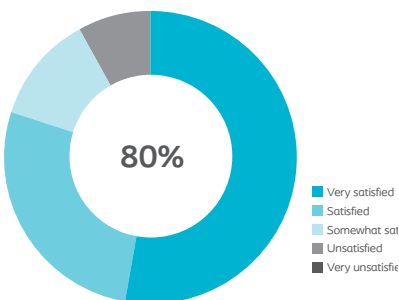
Ease-of-use as very easy or easy to use



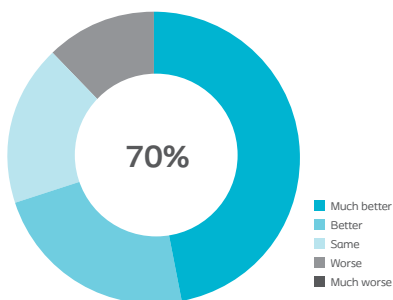
Ability to wick away moisture rated as very good or good



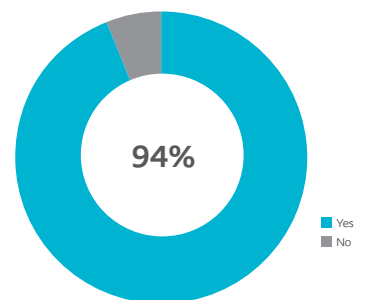
Ability to reduce odor rated as very good or good



Overall patient satisfaction was rated very satisfied or satisfied



Compared as much better or better to current product



Would recommend InterDry® for future use