

# A Review on Burn and it's Management Strategies

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## ABSTRACT

*Burn wounds is one of the most widely recognized wounds in the field medication. It can incidental, self-destructive and maniacal and caused because of assortment of reasons, for example, heat, synthetic compounds, power, daylight, and radiation. As indicated by WHO assessed 180000 passing yearly. For the most part these wounds can happen in all age and sexual orientation, greatest cases females somewhat at high danger of death from burn contrasted with guys. Burn harms the skin or harms the tissue, this harm is difficult and may cause incapacitating scarring, deforming and passing in serious cases. It very well may be treated by utilizing Topical antimicrobial operators, for example, Silver Sulfadiazine, Silver Nitrate, Bacitracin, Nystain and so forth are utilized in burn wound patients. In ayurvedic treatment Honey, Aloe Vera, Jatyadi tail and so forth use in wound recuperating. Characteristic or Homemade Remedies treatment utilized for burn wound healing clarified in this article well indeed.*

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## INTRODUCTION

Skin is the most sympathetic organ of the body which give safety to the tissue from heat, light, injury and contamination. Human body continually uncovered and colonized by various microorganisms that may cause neighborhood or fundamental diseases. Burn wound destinations give the most appropriate condition to colonization and increase of microbes because of the nearness of soggy necrotic tissue. These locales go about as perfect culture mode for the development of a wide assortment of Gram-positive microorganisms. Among others, Staphylococcus aureus (S.aureus) is one of the most dominating pathogen present in burn wound contaminations. It was seen that commonness of delicate just as safe strains of S. aureus further convolutes the circumstance.

## Degree of Burn Wound

Burns are classified as first, second, or third-degree, depending upon their depth and severity, as shown in Figure 1.

**First-degree or superficial burn:** Superficial burns influence just the epidermis layer of skin and prompts redness, torment and increment or diminishing in skin shading, with no rankles. For instance: mellow burn from the sun.

**Second-degree or partial thickness burn:** Second-degree burns involve the epidermis and tiny part of the dermis layer. In this the wound site appears red, painful with blisters and swelling.

**Third-degree or Deep partial-thickness:** Third-degree burns areas demolish both the epidermis and dermis and may go into the subcutaneous tissue as well. It seems white or singed in shading.

**Fourth degree burn or full thickness burn:** Fourth degree burns areas harm the hidden muscles, bones, and ligaments with no nerve sensation in the territory because of annihilation of nerve endings (**Figure 1**).

### Classification by the Degree and Depth of a Burn

There are three principle kinds of burns: first, second and third grade. Each evaluation depends on the seriousness of the harm to the skin, the primary evaluation being the littlest and the third grade being the most extreme.

#### First Degree Burn

First degree burns areas cause negligible harm to the skin. They are additionally called "shallow burns" on the grounds that they influence the furthest layer of the skin. Indications of a severely charred area incorporate.

- Redness
- minor inflammation, or swelling
- pain
- dry, peeling skin occurs as the burn heals

Since this burn influences the upper layer of the skin, the signs and side effects vanish when skin cells are discharged. Severely charred areas generally heal in 7-10 days without leaving cars. Severe singeing are normally rewarded with care at home. Healing time might be quicker before rewarding the burn. Medicines for a severe singeing incorporate. Absorbing the injury cool water for five minutes or longer taking acetaminophen or ibuprofen for relief from discomfort applying lidocaine (a sedative) with aloe vera gel or cream to mitigate the skin utilizing an anti-infection salve and free cloth to secure the influenced zone.

Be certain not to utilize ice, as this can exacerbate the harm. Never apply cotton balls on a burn on the grounds that little filaments can cling to the injury and increment the danger of disease. Likewise, stay away from home cures, for example, margarine and eggs, as they have not been demonstrated viable (**Figure 1**).



**Figure 1:** Image of first degree burn.

## Second-Degree Burn

Second degree burns are more serious because the damage extends beyond the upper layer of the skin. This type of burns causes skin blisters that become extremely red and painful. Some blisters open, giving the burn a wet or tearful appearance. Over time, thick, soft, scabies-like tissues called fibrous exudate can develop in the wound. Due to the delicate nature of these wounds, it is necessary to keep the area clean and dressing it properly to avoid infections. This also helps burn healing faster. Some second-degree burns take more than three weeks to heal, but most heal in two to three weeks without leaving scars, but often with changes in the skin pigment (**Figure 2**).

### Treatments for a mild second degree burn usually include:

- running the skin under cool water for 15 minutes or longer
- taking over-the-counter pain medication (acetaminophen or ibuprofen)
- applying antibiotic cream to blisters



**Figure 2:** Image of second degree burn.

## Third-Degree Burn

Third degree burns are the most genuine. They cause the most harm, spreading through each layer of skin. There is the misguided judgment that severe singeing are the most difficult. In any case, with this kind of burns, the harm is broad to such an extent that there might be no torment because of nerve harm. Contingent upon the reason, side effects of severely charred areas may show up.

- waxy and white colour
- char
- dark brown colour
- raised and leathery texture blisters that do not develop

Without medical procedure, these injuries mend with scars and serious contractures. There is no settled calendar for complete unconstrained healing of severe singeing. Never try to cure a third degree burn. While waiting for medical attention (**Figure 3**).



**Figure 3:** Image of third degree burn.

## TREATMENT

Most minor burns can be treated at home. They generally recuperate in a little while. The goal of wound administration is to recuperate the injury in the most limited time conceivable, with insignificant torment. For serious burns, after legitimate assessment of emergency treatment and wounds, treatment may incorporate drugs, wraps, treatment and medical procedure. The objectives of treatment are torment control, evacuation of dead tissue, anticipation of diseases, decrease of the danger of scarring and rebuilding of capacity.

### Conventional Treatment

Subsequent to getting emergency treatment for an extreme burns, clinical treatment may incorporate prescriptions and items planned to advance recuperating.

**Water based treatments:** The help group can utilize methods, for example, ultrasound nebulization treatment to clean and restoring the injury tissue.

**Fluids to prevent dehydration:** You may require intravenous (IV) fluids to prevent dehydration and organ failure.

**Medications for pain and anxiety:** Healing burns can be extraordinarily painful. You may require anti-anxiety and morphine medications, particularly for dressing changes.

**Burn creams and ointments:** On the off chance that you are not moved to a treatment place, your consideration group can look over an assortment of topical injury recuperating items, for example, bacitracin and silver sulfadiazine (Silvadene). These help prevent infections and prepare for wound closure.

**Dressings:** The consideration group can likewise utilize a few unique dressings to set up the injury for wound healing. In the event that you move it to a burn centre, your injury will presumably just be secured with dry bandage.

**Drugs that fight infections:** In the event that you build up a disease, you may require intravenous anti-toxins.

**Tetanus:** Your doctor may recommend a stroke against tetanus after a burn injury.

### Physical and Occupational Therapy

In the event that the burned area is large, particularly on the off chance that it covers the joints, physiotherapy activities might be required. These can help stretch the skin with the goal that the joints can remain flexible. Different sorts of activities can improve muscle quality and coordination. Also, word related treatment can help in the event that you experience issues playing out your ordinary every day exercises.

## Surgical and Other Procedures

One or more of the following procedures may be necessary:

**Respiratory assistance:** On the off chance that it has burned in the face or neck, the throat may grow. On the off chance that this appears to be likely, the specialist can insert a tube along the trachea to keep the oxygen provided to the lungs.

**Supply tube:** People with serious or malnourished burns may require dietary help. The specialist can insert a tube through the nose to the stomach.

**Facilitate the flow of blood around the wound:** In the event that burned scabies (escara) pivots totally around zone appendage, it can tense and disturb blood flow. A bed that totally encompasses the chest can make breathing troublesome. The specialist can slice the bed sore to relieve this pressure.

**Skin grafts:** A skin join is a surgery wherein segments of your solid skin are utilized to supplant the scar tissue brought about by deep burns. Contributor skin from perished givers or pigs can be utilized as a brief arrangement.

**Plastic surgery:** Plastic medical procedure (recreation) can improve the presence of burn scars and increment the adaptability of the joints influenced by the scars.

## Home Remedies for Burns

Minor burns generally take about up to 14 days to hale totally and for the most part don't cause scars. The objective of burn treatment is to diminish pain, forestall diseases and treat skin quicker.

**Cold water:** The principal activity while experiencing a slight burn is to let cold (not cold) water run over the ignition area for around 20 minutes. At that point wash the burn zone with mellow cleanser and water.

**Cold packs:** A clean moist material set over the burned region calms pain and swelling. The pack can be applied in time periods 15 minutes. Make an effort not to utilize packs that are excessively cold, as they can irritate the burn more.

**Antibiotic ointments:** Balms and anti-microbial creams help prevent diseases. Apply an antibacterial ointment, for example, bacitracin or neosporin, on the burn and spread with a glue film or a sterile, non-delicate fabric or material.

**Aloe Vera:** Aloe vera belonging to the Lily (Liliaceae) family is a perennial succulent plant. This plant has been known as "the healing plant". Aloe vera has been used for traditional medical purposes in several cultures for millennia [1,2] it has been demonstrated that Aloe vera has growth promoting activities.

To reduce pain and accelerate the healing process, many natural substances have been traditionally used and more recently have been scientifically studied, such as Aloe. Aloe vera has been used in a host of curative purposes including treatment of skin disorders and healing of wounds. The colourless gel that comes from the leaf parenchyma has been used to treat burns because, besides being a potent moisturizing agent, it helps in the healing process of skin lesions and alleviates pain.

Aloe Vera is often touted as a "burnt plant." Studies show that aloe vera is effective in curing first and second degree burns. Aloe is anti-inflammatory, promotes circulation and inhibits the growth of bacteria. Apply a layer of pure aloe vera gel taken from the leaf of an aloe vera plant directly on the affected area. If you buy aloe vera in a store, make sure it contains a high percentage of aloe vera and avoid products that contain additives, especially dyes and perfumes.

**Honey:** Honey has become sweeter. In addition to its delicious taste, honey can help cure a slight burn when applied topically. Honey is an anti-inflammatory and, naturally, antibacterial and antifungal.

Honey has been used to treat infected wounds since ancient times. Antibacterial properties of honey are derived from the high sugar content which inhibits bacteria. The natural acidity of honey will inhibit many pathogens. Honey also containing glucose oxidase enzyme that produced hydrogenperoxide when diluted. But honey is still used directly to treat the wound. Honey is a natural fluid generally has a sweet taste produced by insect called a bee. Honey had been used medicinal properties in many cultures throughout the world. Several studies have reported that honey is effective as a topical therapy on wound [3,4]. Honey is antibacterial, antioxidant and has a high nutrient content which good for wound healing process. In a study in India, honey can be used in healing burns. This is mainly because honey has a high osmolarity and content of some organic components. In

addition, the content of honey also has a composition that suitable with human body, so honey is not considered as a foreign compound [5,6]. One way of burn wound treatment is using topical antibiotic because there are many protein in the surface of burn wound that could facilitate the growth of bacteria. Honey can act as antimicrobial agents because honey contained hydrogen peroxide. Hydrogen peroxide is known as a major source of honey antibacterial capabilities. Hydrogen peroxide produced by enzyme glucose oxidase (glucosidase) reaction in honey, especially glucose. With the presence of that enzyme, glucose in honey will be converted into glucuronic acid and hydrogen peroxide. Mechanism of hydrogen peroxide as antibacterial is by ruin the outer membrane that protects the bacteria so that the bacteria will be die instantly. Honey has antimicrobial properties because honey has high osmolarity, acidic pH and relatively low water activity.

### Remedies to Stay Away From

The strange home remedies and stories of old wives to treat burns are widespread, but not everything your grandmother tells you to do is good for you. The following burns of home remedies should be avoided:

**Butter:** Do not use butter to burn. There is next to zero proof to support the effectiveness of butter as a remedy against burns. What's more, it could actually make combustion worse. Butter retains heat and may also contain harmful bacteria that can infect burned skin.

**Oils:** As opposed to prevalent thinking, coconut oil doesn't fix everything. For a similar explanation you not apply butter to burns, oils, for example, coconut oil, olive oil and cooking oils, hold warm and can likewise keep your skin from burning. Lavender oil has been accounted for to help treat burns, however there is minimal distributed proof to help this case. The solid source made in rodents, for instance, has not demonstrated any preferred position in the utilization of lavender oil to treat a burn.

**Egg Whites:** Another mainstream story, crude egg whites convey the danger of bacterial contamination and should not be burned. Eggs can likewise cause an unfavorably susceptible response.

**Toothpaste:** Never apply toothpaste on a burn. This is another well-known story without supporting proof. Toothpaste can aggravate the burn and make a progressively ideal condition for contaminations. Toothpaste isn't sterile.

**Ice:** Ice and freezing water can bother the burn zone more. Ice can likewise cause cold burns whenever utilized mistakenly.

### Current Strategies and Future Prospective

Agent	Antimicrobial coverage	Advantages
Bacitracin	Gram positive bacterial	Soothes and moisturizers
Mafenide	Broad spectrum antibacterial	Penetrate Escher well
Mupirocin	Anti-MRSA	Effective against MRSA
Nystatin	Anti-fungal	Provides fungal prophylaxis
Silver nitrate	Broad spectrum antibacterial	Effective for both prophylaxis and treatment of wound infection
Silver sulfadiazine	Broad spectrum antibacterial	Soothes on application, and cause no pain

**Table 1:** Topical antimicrobial agent used in burn care.

Most common and highly prescribed drug from Doctors for the treatment of burn is Silver Sulfadiazine, Silver Nitrate, Mafenide etc. drugs are used because they have broad spectrum antimicrobial activity (**Table 1**). An appropriate antibacterial therapy should be initiated in time to avoid serious damage to the skin by delivering topical antibiotics as an adjunctive therapy to the systemic dosing. This will reduce an overall serum antibiotic concentration, at the same time increases the local concentration to bactericidal levels [7,8]. The silver sulfadiazine (SSD) is one of the golden treatments in topical burn wounds. It combines the inhibitory action of silver salt and the antibacterial effect of sulfadiazine. SSD binds to various cell components including DNA and causes bacterial cell membrane damage [9].



There are many silver sulfadiazine creams available in the market, but these have tendency to form pseudo eschar, which is difficult to differentiate from burn-eschar and these may also impede the penetration of SSD into the burn wound. But hydration can clearly improve permeation of SSD and possibly other drugs through burn eschar [10,11]. Recent studies revealed that moist wound environment promotes better epithelialization of superficial burn wounds compared to the dry bandaged wounds. Hydrogel dressings were found to be more effective for reducing pain of burns than the conventional dressings with Silver Sulfadiazine & dry gauze [12].

The conventional topical preparations like gels, ointments or creams can be easily wiped off from the treatment site which will result in ineffective antimicrobial activity. To overcome these problems this work is concerned with the formulation of a film forming hydrogel loaded with silver sulfadiazine [13-15].

## CONCLUSION

Burn is major tissue damage injury in field of medicine in which severe pain and tissue damage comes. Topically anti-microbial drug which is used to cure the burn at present, Silver is approached into see for reasonable treatment choice for diseases in burns and open injuries. The best quality level topically utilized Drugs for burn treatment is silver sulfadiazine and silver nitrate. The silver may have genuine cytotoxic movement on different host cells and Broad range antibacterial action.

For future Prospective Natural Agents Having antimicrobial action or wound healing for burns like Honey, Aloe vera are utilized in the treatment. Growing new details as hydrogels, gels and film utilizing as topical anti-infection in light of the fact that there are numerous protein in the outside of burn wound that could encourage the development of microbes. The goal of wound administration is to heal the injury in the most limited time conceivable with least reactions.

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