

COMPARATIVE STUDY

FIT Therapy Patch VS Competitor FIR Patch VS Drug Release Patch VS Self-Heating Patch

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Table 1
Fit Therapy
Technology 2024

Paziente	VAS Before	VAS After	Difference	Percentage Reduction
PR	8	4	4	50.00%
LS	7	4	3	42.86%
GO	6	3	3	50.00%
BV	7	6	1	14.29%
RM	8	5	3	37.50%
BS	7	3	4	57.14%
EN	6	4	2	33.33%
PS	7	2	5	71.43%
SG	8	5	3	37.50%
MZ	9	4	5	55.56%
TF	6	4	2	33.33%
GN	7	3	4	57.14%
PD	8	5	3	37.50%
VT	7	7	0	0.00%
SL	9	5	4	44.44%
VB	6	2	4	66.67%
VR	8	4	4	50.00%
BR	7	3	4	57.14%
CA	6	3	3	50.00%
TO	7	4	3	42.86%
% Average Reduction				44.43%

% average
percentage of
pain reduction

44.43%

VAS scale

Paziente	VAS Before	VAS After	Difference	Percentage Reduction
BM	6	5	1	16.67%
GC	7	4	3	42.86%
GG	7	7	0	0.00%
CI	6	5	1	16.67%
BG	8	6	2	25.00%
TL	6	6	0	0.00%
BG	7	5	2	28.57%
VN	9	9	0	0.00%
BT	7	4	3	42.86%
CC	7	5	2	28.57%
LP	6	6	0	0.00%
DV	8	6	2	25.00%
GE	7	6	1	16.67%
FG	7	5	2	28.57%
TR	8	5	3	37.50%
DR	6	5	1	16.67%
DM	7	2	5	71.43%
TT	8	6	2	25.00%
SR	6	5	1	16.67%
FC	6	3	3	50.00%
% Average Reduction				24.44%

Table 2
Competitor Fir Patch

% average
percentage of
pain reduction

24.44%

VAS scale

Paziente	VAS before	VAS after	Difference	Percentage Reductions
GR	7	6	1	14.29%
BC	6	4	2	33.33%
GF	7	5	2	28.57%
LM	8	5	3	37.50%
JC	7	5	2	28.57%
PA	6	3	3	50.00%
FC	7	5	2	28.57%
MA	7	4	3	42.86%
AA	7	5	2	28.57%
MA	7	7	0	0.00%
CV	8	8	0	0.00%
FG	7	6	1	14.29%
AA	6	5	1	16.67%
EM	7	6	1	14.29%
UB	6	4	2	33.33%
CS	7	6	1	14.29%
SC	7	5	2	28.57%
DG	7	5	2	28.57%
LI	7	5	2	28.57%
NC	6	5	1	16.67%
% Average Reduction				23.66%

Table 3
Drug Release Patch

% average
percentage of
pain reduction

23,66%

VAS scale

Table 4
Self-Heating Patch

Paziente	VAS before	VAS after	Difference	Percentage Reductions
CF	6	4	2	33.33%
SM	6	5	1	16.67%
ZI	7	4	3	42.86%
MM	6	5	1	16.67%
OM	6	5	1	16.67%
ZS	7	6	1	14.29%
CE	6	6	0	0.00%
MC	7	5	2	28.57%
EG	8	6	2	25.00%
DN	6	4	2	33.33%
BT	6	5	1	16.67%
SF	6	5	1	16.67%
DR	6	5	1	16.67%
BV	6	6	0	0.00%
GC	6	5	1	16.67%
CD	6	6	0	0.00%
ZT	7	7	0	0.00%
SI	7	5	2	28.57%
RB	7	6	1	14.29%
JS	7	5	2	28.57%
% Average Reduction				18.27%

% average
percentage of
pain reduction

18,27%

VAS scale

Results

Analysis of a total sample of 80 subjects, 20 of whom were treated with **Fit Therapy technology**, 20 with **Competitor Fir Patch**, 20 with **Drug Release Patch** and 20 with **Self-Heating Patch**, shows that all four patches lead to a statistically significant reduction in VAS values between pre and post. Specifically:

- **FIT THERAPY TECHNOLOGY** an average reduction of **44.43%** is noted (Wilcoxon's ranks test: $p < 0.001$)
- **CEROTTO COMPETITOR FIR** an average reduction of **24.44%** is noted (Wilcoxon's ranks test: $p < 0.001$)
- **CEROTTO A RILASCIO DI FARMACO** an average reduction of **23,66%** is noted (Wilcoxon's ranks test: $p < 0.001$)
- **CEROTTO AUTORISCALDANTE** an average reduction of **18,27%** is noted (Wilcoxon's ranks test: $p < 0.001$)

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