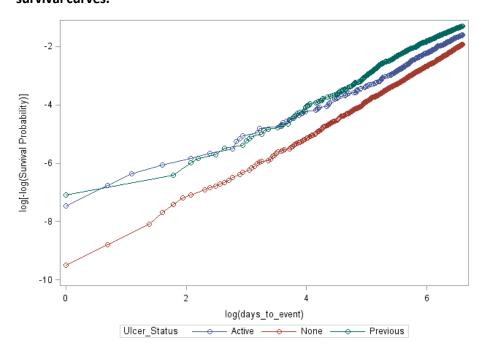
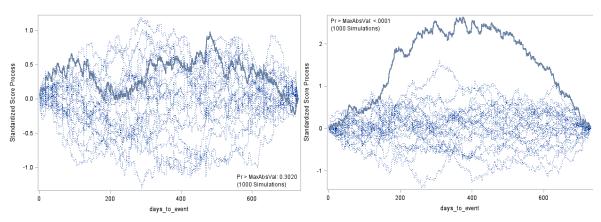
ESM Figure 1: Plot to assess the proportional hazard assumption of ulcer groups using log negative-log survival curves.



ESM Figure 2: Standardized Score Processes for active and healed ulcer group by Survival Time.



**ESM Table 1: Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates** 

Parameter		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq	Hazard Ratio
Ulcer status	Active	22.56	<0.0001	1.83
	Healed	134.93	<0.0001	3.07
Active ulcer*time		5.31	0.0212	1.00
Healed ulcer*time		30.48	<0.0001	1.00

**ESM Table 2: AIC statistics for the all the distributions** 

Distribution	AIC	
Gamma	18533.27	
Log logistic	18528.14	
Weibull	18533.78	
Exponential	18610.76	
Log normal	18668.69	