

1. Soft Tissue Coverage

Wounds

Definition: Discontinuity of epithelium caused by trauma or pathological causes (ulcers).

Types:

- **Partial Thickness:** Involves epidermis and part of the dermis; heals by **regeneration**. (functional+ cosmetic)
- **Full Thickness:** Involves epidermis and entire dermis; heals by **fibrosis**. (not got the function and from)

Tissue Transfer Criteria:

1. Replace Like with Like
2. Maximize Recipient Benefit
3. Minimize Donor Area Harm
4. Safety

Principles of General Management

1. Clean Wounds Before Closure:

- Clean wounds = can close immediately.
- Contaminated wounds = delayed closure after cleaning and debridement.

2. Method Selection for Wound Closure:

- **Direct Closure:** Simple wounds without significant tissue loss.



- **Secondary Intention:** Allow healing naturally for small, non-critical wounds. (no functional or cosmetic value)
- **Skin Grafting:** Use for defects needing durable coverage, require new blood supply. (using the skin or part of it)
 - Plasmatic circulation 1-2d and neovascularization 2-3d.
- a) **Split Thickness (STSG):** Epidermis and partial dermis; heals in two weeks; good for large areas. (donor heals by regeneration)



- b) **Full Thickness (FTSG):** Entire skin layer; used for face, hands, and small areas needing high-quality results. (donor→ loose skin→ direct closure) (dermatome)



Signs for take: adherent, pink, blanches with pressure.

- **Flaps:** For deep or complex defects requiring vascularized tissue.

Types:

1. **Local Flaps:** For nearby defects.
2. **Free Flaps:** Transferred with vascular pedicle and connected via microvascular surgery.



3. Wound Classification

1. **Incised Wound:** Clean edges; primary closure if <6 hours.
2. **Lacerated Wound:** Jagged edges; excision then direct closure.
3. **Crushed Wound:** Heavy contamination; repeated cleaning and delayed closure.



2. Prevent Complications:

1. Prevent infection (minimize bacterial load).
2. Avoid tension on wound edges to prevent poor healing.
3. Manage underlying causes (e.g., diabetes, ischemia).

2. Burns

1. Thermal Burns:

- Mechanism: Coagulative necrosis due to heat (temperature >45°C).
- Types:
 - Dry heat (direct flame).
 - Moist heat (scalds).
 - Contact burns (hot surfaces).
 - Friction burns.
- **Wound Zones:**
 1. Zone of Coagulation: Dead necrotic tissue.
 2. Zone of Stasis: Injured but salvageable tissue.
 3. Zone of Hyperemia: Peripheral vasodilation, viable tissue.

2. Chemical Burns:

- Acids: Coagulative necrosis, limited penetration.
- Alkalis: Liquefactive necrosis, deeper tissue damage.
- Management: Immediate irrigation (2-4 hours for alkalis, 30 minutes for acids).

3. Electrical Burns:

- Mechanism: Damage inversely related to tissue resistance (nerves and muscles most affected). **DECEIVING**

○ Complications:

- Head injury, PNS damage, arrhythmias, bone fractures
- Compartment syndrome.



compartment syndrome, severe leg pain and numbness, treated but fasciotomy

- **Myoglobinuria leading to renal failure.**



urine bag --> red dark urine bc of myoglobinuria--> AKI. to prevent this: good dehydration, alkalization

General Management of Burns

1. **Oxygenation:**
 - Ensure adequate oxygenation to support tissue perfusion.
2. **Fluid Resuscitation:**
 - Vital for maintaining perfusion and addressing electrolyte and acid-base imbalances.
 - Proper fluid management helps prevent shock and organ failure.
3. **Anemia Management:**
 - Address any blood loss and maintain hemoglobin levels.
4. **Nutritional Support:**
 - Provide adequate nutrition to support healing and combat the hypermetabolic state induced by burns.
5. **Minimize Tissue Edema:**
 - Avoid over-resuscitation of fluids to reduce the risk of edema, which can compromise circulation.
 - Elevate injured limbs to reduce swelling.

Fluid Resuscitation for Burns

1. Parkland Formula:

Fluid in first 24 hours = $4 \text{ mL} \times \text{Body weight (kg)} \times \% \text{ TBSA burned}$.

Half of the calculated volume in the first 8 hours, Remaining half over the next 16 hours.

2. **Monitoring Parameters:** Urine Output/ Hematocrit/ Central Venous Pressure (CVP).
3. **Type of Fluids:**
 - **First 24 hours:** Crystalloids (e.g., Ringer's lactate).
 - **After 24 hours:** Colloids may be used.

ABCD Approach in Burn Management:

A → airway:

- **direct thermal injury** → upper air way obstruction due to edema of the oropharynx and vocal cords
- Direct inspection by laryngoscopy or bronchoscopy then endotracheal intubation.
- Tachycardia, hoarseness and difficulty clearing bronchial secretions.
- **Carbon monoxide poisoning** → diagnosed by estimation of carboxyhemoglobin level in the blood, 100% O₂ for the treatment

Assessment of Severity

1. Depth of Burn:

- **First Degree:** Epidermis only, heals in 1-6 days, no scarring, erythema (sun burn).

- **Second Degree (Partial Thickness):** Epidermis + dermis, painful, blisters (bullae), wet, exudate, blanching denoting intact dermal vascularity, preserved skin elasticity. heals in 1-4 weeks. (regeneration)



- **Third Degree (Full Thickness):** Entire skin necrosis, lathery, insensitive, eschar, inelastic (gelatine), thrombosed dermal vessels, leaves scar, requires grafting.



2. Percentage of Burn:

- **Rule of Nines:**
 - Head & neck: 9%.
 - Each arm: 9%.
 - Each leg: 18%.
 - Front & back trunk: 18% each.
 - Perineum: 1%.
- **Children:**
 - head and neck: 20%
 - Lower limbs: 14%
- For small burns: the palm of the patient's hand : 1%

Management

1. Local Wound Care:

- Partial Thickness: Wet dressings, infection prevention.
- Full Thickness: Early escharotomy and skin grafting.

2. Complications:

- Edema → tissue ischemia: Requires escharotomy.
- Infections: No prophylactic antibiotics to avoid resistance only for treatment.
- Nutritional Support: High-calorie intake to counter hypermetabolism.

INDICATIONS OF ADMISSION TO HOSPITAL →

1. burns that need fluid resuscitation: Adults > 15%, children > 10%.
2. Full-thickness burns > 2%
3. Burns of special areas: face, hands, perineum.
4. Electric and chemical burns.
5. Inhalation injury.
6. Old age and co-morbidity.
7. Suspected child abuse.

3. Vascular Anomalies

1. Vascular Tumors:

- **Infantile Hemangiomas (95%):** strawberry naevus/ mast cells
- "M.C, endothelial proliferation.

- Benign, 2f:m, started noticed at week 2



Phases:

1. **Proliferating Phase (1st 5-8 months):** Rapid growth, bright red, potentially disfigured.
 2. **Involution Phase (7-9 years):** Darker, grey hue, loss of color, fine telangiectasia. (mottling)
 3. **Involution Phase:** soft lump, fibro-fatty residue, Regression in 70% by 7 years, 90% by 9 years.
- **Histology:** Placental-like, GLUT-1 positive, PHACE association.
 - **Predilection:** Head and neck (10% of full-term, 20% of preterm infants).

Management: treatment is mostly expectant/ Biopsy, CBC, MRI/US

First Line: Propranolol (1-2 mg/kg/day): Causes vasoconstriction, inhibits growth, and promotes regression.

Second Line:

- Intra-lesional Steroids: 2 mg/kg every 4-6 weeks for localized lesions.
- Systemic Therapy: Reserved for refractory cases (monitor for rebound growth).

Surgical: Excision for lesions causing obstruction (airway (in subglossal space → tracheostomy), vision(amblyopia)) or large disfigurements.

Other Interventions:

- Laser Therapy: telangiectasias after 10y or ulcerated lesions.
- Embolization in high output cardiac failure

○ **Kaposiform Hemangioendotheliomas (KHE)**

Rare, aggressive tumor presenting in early infancy.

Often associated with **Kasabach-Merritt Phenomenon (KMP)**, causing high risk of systemic bleeding.

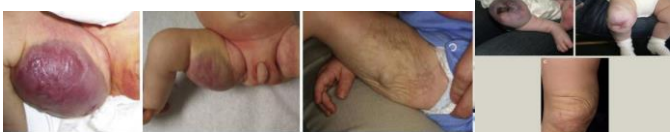


Management: Sirolimus: First-line treatment, particularly effective in MTOR-positive tumors.

- **Congenital Hemangiomas:** Fully developed at birth/ negative GLUT-1

• **Types:**

1. **Rapidly Involuting Congenital Hemangiomas (RICH):**



- involutes by 1 year.
- Large masses often on leg, firm, leave plaque-like → atrophic patch

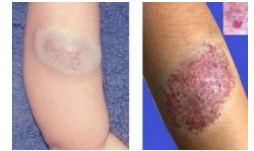
2. **Non-Involuting Congenital Hemangiomas (NICH):**

- does not regress+ no further growth
- Round or oval masses, flat shape, telangiectasia, halo
- Surgical excision



3. **Partially Involuting Congenital Hemangiomas (PICH):**

- Similar to NICH but slowly regresses by age 10.
- Management: Observation or surgery depending on symptoms.



○ **Pyogenic Granuloma (Lobular Capillary Hemangioma)**

- Rapidly growing (w-m then stabilizes) red papule with a friable surface.
- Bleeds profusely with minor trauma and may ulcerate.
- complete excision.

2. **Vascular Malformations:** normal turn over rate with abnormal architecture

Can lead to long term muscular and soft tissue hypertrophy, bone fracture, bleeding, distal parts atrophy, entrapment of platelets.

○ **Capillary Malformations:**

Includes **Port Wine Stains:**



- 0.3% of newborns, often on the face.
- Macular patch → purplish discoloration
- 2nd hypertrophy, skin nodules, incidence of pyogenic hemangioma, restricted to one or more of 3 trigeminal sensory area
- Sturge- weber syndrome.

Management: clinical psychologist, Laser therapy for lightening color, Surgery for tissue hypertrophy (e.g., lower lip).

○ **Nevus Simplex (Macular Stain)**

- **Features:** Single or multiple blanchable, pink-red patches in newborns. Affects 40-60% of infants.
- sites: Eyelids, glabella, neck ("stork bite" or "angel kiss"). Scalp, nose, lip, back.
- fade within 1-2 years. / Lesions on the back of the neck may persist without significant consequence.



○ **Venous Malformations:**

- Low-flow, Compressible blue masses, painful, empty on elevation, may cause coagulopathy.



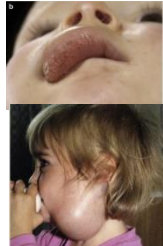
- Mortality → thrombi, emboli, bleeding, DIC
- 5% genetic → TIE-2 (**blue-rubber bleb syndrome**)



Management: Compression garments, NSAIDs, sclerotherapy, surgery.

○ **Lymphatic Malformations:**

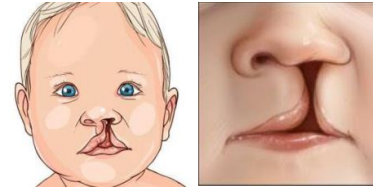
- **Microcystic:** superficial, well-circumference, small, raise.
- **Macrocytic:** neck, large, cystic hygroma subcutaneous
- Histo: dilated lymph channel without connection to the lymphatic system.
- **Management:** Sclerotherapy (e.g., OK-432), surgery.



Incomplete cleft lip



unilateral incomplete --> intact but hypoplastic



unilateral complete --> columella is displaced to the normal side/ Nasal ala on the cleft side displaced laterally and inferiorly/ Tip of the nose deviates toward the non-cleft side.

BILATERAL CLEFT LIP SPECTRUM



Orbicularis oris attaches at the lateral cleft margin bilaterally at the nasal ala, laterally displaced ala and extremely short columella, symmetrical nasal deformities.

○ **Arteriovenous Malformations (AVMs):**

- High-flow lesions with arterial feeders, fistulas and enlarged vein.
- Warm, pulsatile with bruit, Doppler signal, purplish discoloration, larger → cardiac failure
- **Management:** radiology → embolization (e.g., ethanol, coils) and surgical excision and reconstruction.

4. Cleft Lip and Palate

- 1 in 700 live births globally; 1.39 per 1000 in Jordan (2001).
- Cleft lip +/- palate: Male > Female (2:1).
- Cleft palate only: Female > Male (1:2).

Causes: Genetic and environmental interactions.

1. **Familial:** Recurrence risk increases with affected relatives: 1 child affected: ~4%, 1 parent affected: 3.2%, 1 parent + 1 child affected: ~15%.
2. **Nonsyndromic:** Multifactorial inheritance, influenced by genes (e.g., **IRF-6**, **TGF-B2**).
3. **Syndromic:** Associated with >300 syndromes (e.g., **Van der Woude Syndrome**). → low protein level, lower lip pits.



Environmental Factors: Smoking, viral infections, teratogens (e.g., Rubella virus, Cortisone/ steroids, Mercaptopurine, Methotrexate, Valium, Dilantin), maternal diabetes, advanced maternal age, and folic acid deficiency.

Formation:

Cleft lip → failure of proliferation of the mesodermal cells in the midline.

Veau Classification:

- **Class I:** Incomplete cleft involving only the soft palate.
- **Class II:** Cleft of hard and soft palate.
- **Class III:** Complete unilateral cleft lip and palate.
- **Class IV:** Complete bilateral cleft lip and palate.

Cleft palate → primary → failure of fusion of maxillary and medial nasal processes/ anterior to incisive foramen



→ secondary → failure of fusion of palatine shelves/ posterior to incisive foramen.

Associated Conditions and Complications

- **Otological:** Persistent otitis media with effusion; 80-95% require myringotomy (grommet) tubes.
- **Speech:** velopharyngeal incompetence, Hypernasality, articulation errors; may require pharyngoplasty or dental prosthesis.
- **Airway:** Rarely in isolated cleft palate, seen in Pierre Robin sequence. (Micrognathia, glossoptosis, and cleft palate) Management - prone positioning)/ Mandibular distraction.



- **Dental:** Malocclusion, missing teeth.
- **Psychosocial:** Social stigma and self-esteem issues.
- **Feeding difficulties:** limit ability to suck due to common cavity/ special bottles/ not in cleft lip alone.

Management

1. **Multidisciplinary Team:** Involves plastic surgeons, orthodontists, audiologists, speech pathologists, otolaryngologists, geneticists, pediatricians, psychologists, and oral maxillofacial surgeons.

2. Surgical Repair Timeline:

- **Birth:** Address airway and feeding issues.
- **Age 1-3 months:** Lip taping and nasoalveolar molding.
- **Age 3 months:** Repair cleft lip; ventilation tubes placed.
- **Age 9-12 months:** Repair cleft palate.
- **Age 7-8 years:** Alveolar bone grafting.
- **Age 18+ years:** Midface advancement and orthodontic treatment.

3. Techniques:

- **Lip Repair:** typically at 3 months of age/ rule of 10 → 10w, 10 lbs, Hemoglobin 10
Milliard rotation-advancement technique.
Goals of the bilateral → Symmetry, orbicularis oris closure, nasal tip alignment, proper philtral and tubercle formation.
- **Palate Repair:**

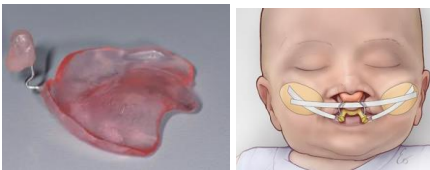
Primary goals → Create velopharyngeal valve for swallowing and speech/ Separate nasal and oral cavities/ Preserve midface growth. (dish face deformity).



Bardach two-flap palatoplasty/ Furlow double-opposing Z-plasty.

Special Devices and Preoperative Care

- **Lip Taping:** Reduces cleft width; worn 24 hours/day.
- **Nasoalveolar Molding (NAM):** Custom devices with nasal stents for shaping cartilage and alveolar ridge.



- **Lip adhesion:** Performed at 2-4 weeks of age to reduce tension and convert to incomplete clefts/ leaves ascar.

Indicated for: Wide bilateral clefts, Severe premaxilla protrusion.



5. Chronic Wounds

- Wounds that fail to heal in the expected time frame, usually more than 6 weeks.

1. Ischaemic Arterial Ulcers



- **Cause:** Lack of blood supply; associated with peripheral vascular disease (e.g., intermittent claudication, rest pain, color changes, night pain).
- **Symptoms:** Painful ulcers, diminished/absent pulses, decreased ankle-brachial index, poor granulation tissue.
- **Appearance:** Shallow, smooth margins, pale base, dry surrounding skin.
- **On examination:** diminished or absent pulse, decreased ABI, poor granulation
- **Management:**
 1. Revascularization (bypass/angioplasty).
 2. Wound care: Debridement, rest, antibiotics for infection.
 3. Address comorbidities: Glycemic control, smoking cessation.

2. Venous Stasis Ulcers



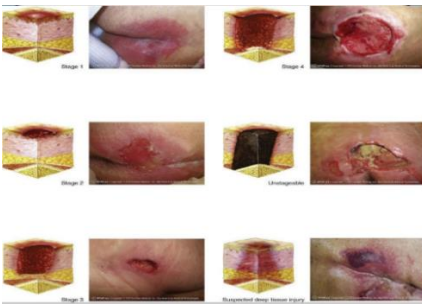
- **Cause:** Venous insufficiency; commonly due to deep venous system incompetence.
- **Symptoms:** Painless ulcers, pigmented surrounding skin.
- **Appearance:** Shallow, irregular margins, granulated; commonly above the medial malleolus (cockett's perforator)
- **Management:**
 1. Compression therapy (e.g., stockings).
 2. Address venous hypertension.
 3. Prevent recurrence with ongoing compression therapy.

3. Diabetic Foot Ulcers



- **Cause:** Prolonged inflammatory phase, neuropathy, immune compromise, microvascular damage.
- **Symptoms:** Painless initially due to neuropathy, poor healing due to ischemia and infection.
- **Management:**
 1. Blood sugar control.
 2. Multidisciplinary care (podiatrists, surgeons).
 3. Infection treatment (antibiotics, debridement).
 4. Advanced therapies: Arterial revascularization, platelet-rich fibrin.

4. Pressure Ulcers



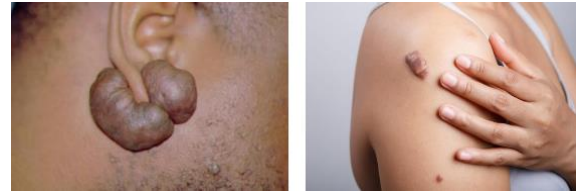
- **Cause:** Tissue necrosis from pressure over bony prominences.
- **Risk Factors:** Immobility, altered mental/nutritional status, friction, shear forces.
- **Stages:**
 - **I:** Non-blanchable redness, intact skin.
 - **II:** Partial dermis loss, pink wound bed.
 - **III:** Full-thickness loss; subcutaneous fat visible.
 - **IV:** Full-thickness loss; bone, tendon, or muscle exposed.
- **Management:**
 1. Pressure redistribution.
 2. Debridement & dressing based on stage.

Malignant Transformation (Marjolin Ulcer)

- **Cause:** Chronic wounds can transform into malignancies (squamous/basal cell carcinoma).
- **Signs:** Overtaken wound edges.
- **Action:** Biopsy for suspected cases.

Excessive Wound Healing

1. Keloids



- **Definition:** Overgrowth of scar tissue extending beyond the original wound margin.
- **Etiology:**
 - Genetic predisposition.
 - More common in individuals with darker skin tones.
 - Triggers: Minor injuries, surgeries, burns.
- **Histology:**
 - Thickened dermis with disorganized collagen bundles. (circles)
 - Increased fibroblast activity.
 - Increased number of mast cells → itching
- **Treatment:**
 1. **Steroids (triamcinolone):** Intralesional corticosteroids reduce fibroblast activity and collagen synthesis.
 2. **Silicone Gel/Sheets**
 3. **Pressure Garments:** Reduce scar volume through compression.
 4. **Laser Therapy:** Targets vascular components to flatten scars.
 5. **Surgical Excision:** Typically combined with adjuvant therapies to prevent recurrence.
 6. **Interferon Injections**

2. Hypertrophic Scars



- **Definition:** Raised scar tissue confined to the wound margin.
- **Etiology:**
 - Excessive mechanical tension on wound edges.
 - Often develops within 4-8 weeks of injury.
- **Histology:**
 - Collagen bundles in a parallel arrangement.
 - Increased vascularity.
 - Increased number of mast cells → itching
- **Treatment:**
 1. **Steroids:** Similar to keloid treatment.
 2. **Silicone Gel/Sheets**
 3. **Pressure Garments**
 4. **Laser Therapy:** Fractional CO2 and pulsed dye lasers are most effective.
 5. **Surgical Revision:** Often used for long-standing scars.

6. Common Hand Conditions

1. Paronychia

Acute Paronychia

- **Definition:** Sudden infection of the lateral or proximal nail folds.



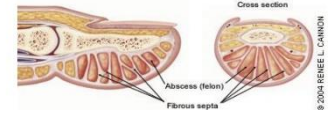
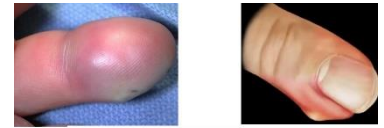
- **Etiology:**
 - Most caused by *Staphylococcus aureus* or *Streptococcus pyogenes*
 - Triggered by trauma (e.g., nail biting, hangnail removal).
- **Presentation:**
 - Pain, redness, warmth, and swelling near the nail fold.
 - Pus may accumulate under the nail fold.
- **Pathophysiology:**
 - Bacterial entry via minor trauma leads to localized infection.
- **Treatment:**
 1. Warm soaks to reduce pain and swelling.
 2. Incision and drainage if abscess forms. (partial nail removal may be needed)

Chronic Paronychia



- **Definition:** Gradual onset of inflammation involving the nail folds, persisting for over 6 weeks.
- **Etiology:**
 - Often caused by fungal infections (*Candida albicans*).
 - Exacerbated by repeated exposure to moisture and irritants.
- **Presentation:**
 - Mild pain, swelling, and redness.
 - Nail may become thickened or discolored.
- **Pathophysiology:**
 - Persistent moisture softens the nail fold, allowing fungal colonization.
- **Treatment:**
 1. Avoidance of prolonged moisture exposure.
 2. Topical antifungals (e.g., clotrimazole).
 3. Steroids for inflammation in combination with antifungal therapy.

2. Felon (Pulp Abscess)



- **Definition:** Abscess in the pulp space of the fingertip.
- **Etiology:**
 - Bacterial infection, often *Staphylococcus aureus*.
- **Presentation:** Severe throbbing pain, swelling, erythema, and warmth localized to the fingertip.
- **Pathophysiology:** Compartmentalized infection in the fibrous septa of the fingertip pulp, can lead to necrosis, osteomyelitis, tenosynovitis, septic arthritis
- **Treatment:**
 1. **Incision and drainage:** Careful approach to avoid neurovascular damage. (emergent)
 2. Antibiotics for cellulitis or systemic involvement.

3. Subungual Hematoma

- **Definition:** Collection of blood under the nail plate due to trauma.
- **Presentation:** Painful, discolored nail (red, purple, or black).
- **Treatment:**



1. **Simple Cases:** Nail trephination (electrocautery or needle) for pressure relief.
2. **Complex Cases:** (more than 2/3) Nail removal and nail bed repair for severe injuries or fractures.

4. Human Fight Bite (Fist Injury)



- **Definition:** Penetrating injury over the knuckles caused by punching another person.
- **Etiology:** Contamination with oral flora (e.g., *Eikenella corrodens*, anaerobes).
- **Presentation:** Pain, swelling, erythema, and puncture wound over knuckles.

5. Frostbite



- **Definition:** Tissue injury caused by freezing temperatures (subzero), leading to ischemia and necrosis.
- **Presentation:** Numbness, pale skin, and blistering in severe cases.
- **Pathophysiology:**
 1. **Ambient Temperature:** Ice crystals form, causing cell damage and ischemia.
 2. **Rewarming Phase:** Rewarming restores circulation but causes reperfusion injury.

3. **Complete Rewarming:** Reperfusion leads to oxidative stress and thrombosis.

Thromboxane A2: exacerbating damage.

Presentation: Swelling, blisters.

Post-Rewarming: Tissue repair or necrosis.

- **Treatment:**

1. **Rewarming:** Warm water immersion (42°C >).
2. Analgesics for pain.
3. Debridement or Amputation → only if demarcated
4. Thrombolytics, free radical scavengers for severe cases, topical thromboxane inhibitor

6. Trench Foot



- **Definition:** Non-freezing cold injury caused by prolonged exposure to wet, cold conditions. ($> 2^{\circ}\text{C}$)