Wound Healing

- 1. Inflammatory phase (days 1 to 6)
- 2. Fibroproliferative phase (day 4 to week 3)
- 3. Maturation/remodeling phase (week 3 to 1 year)

Inflammatory Phase

Vasoconstriction

Coagulation

Vasodilation and increased permeability

Chemotaxis

Cell migration

Cellular response

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Neutrophils (24-48 hours)
Macrophages (48-96 hours)
Lymphocytes (5-7 days)

Fibroproliferative Phase (Day 4 to Week 3)

Matrix formation
Angiogenesis
Epithelialization

Maturation/Remodeling Phase (Week 3 to 1 Year)

Factors Affecting Wound Healing

Genetic
Systemic Health
Vitamins
Drugs

Local Wound Factors

Oxygen delivery
Infection
Radiation therapy

Wound Evaluation

Wound history
Components of wound evaluation
Condition of surrounding tissue and wound margins
Condition of the wound bed

Laboratory Studies

Imaging

Diagnostic Tests

Reconstructive Ladder



Wound Healing Adjuncts

Hyperbaric oxygen

Platelet-rich plasma

Stem cells

Honey

Biologic dressings

Vacuum-assisted closure

Considerations

Functional impact

Durability

Individualize treatment to the patient

Appearance

Make sure the solution is not more complicated than the problem