Introduction in Plastic Surgery

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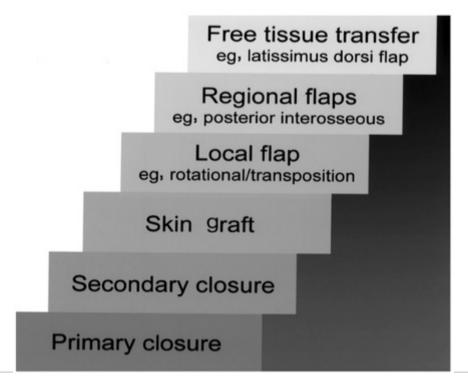
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1. History and concepts in Plastic Surgery

Reconstructive ladder

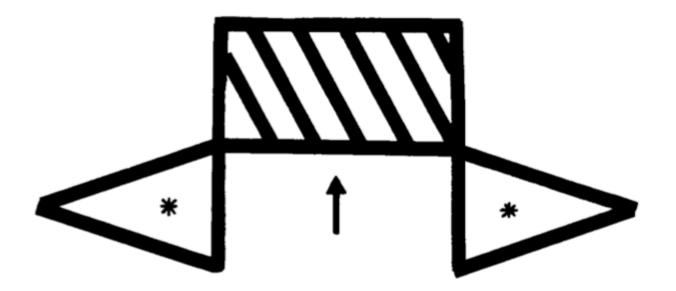


2. Types of local tissue transfer

- Advancement flap
- Rotation flap
- Transposition flap
- Turnover flap

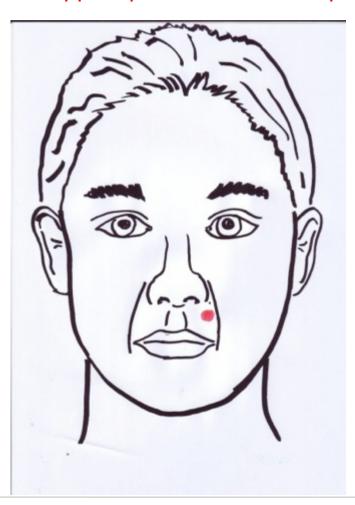
advancement

• Advancement is sliding, gliding, shifting in the plane of the skin.



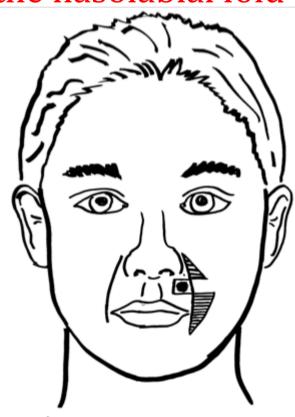
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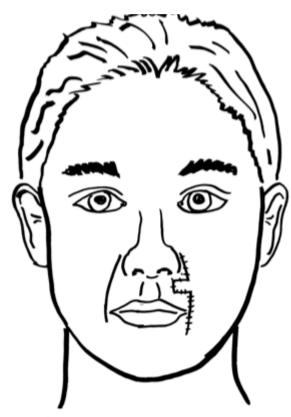
A tumor of the upper lip can be a difficult problem



A simpel solution for a dificult problem

Planning the triangels in such way that the scar is in the nasolabial fold

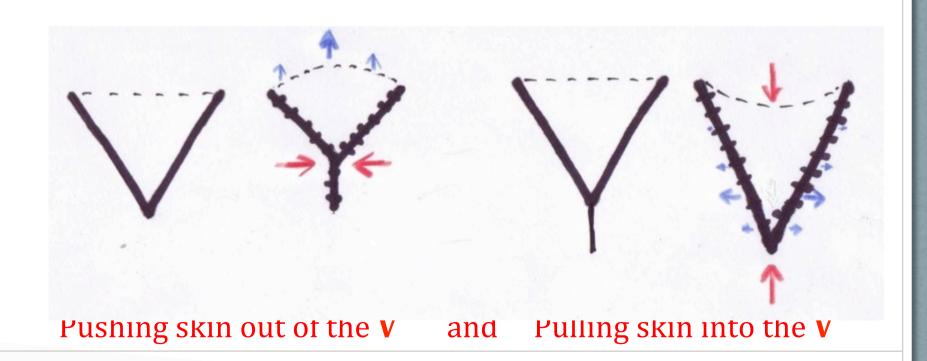




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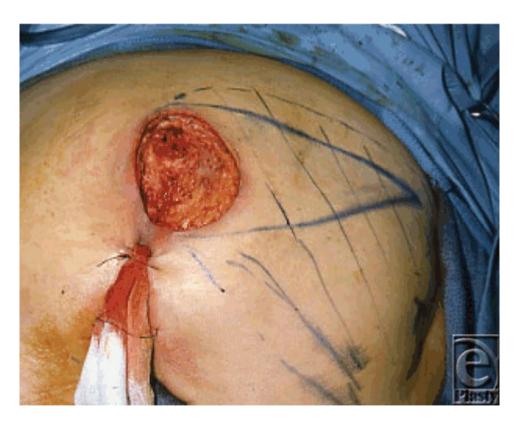
Triangular advancement:

2 different ways: V to Y and Y to V



Avancement

Myocutaneous advancement



sacral decubitus ulcer to be closed by V-Yadvancement with a myocutaneous flap

Muscle and skin sliding on the inferior gluteal pedicle



sacral decubitus ulcer to be closed by V-Yadvancement with a myocutaneous flap

Skills: V to Y advancement

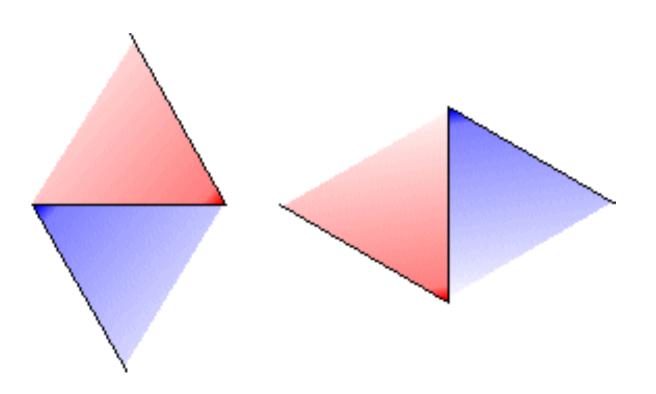
- Please create a defect of 2 by 2 cm
- And design a v>y advancement
- Now cut the V and be sure the center of the flap is still attached to the subcutaneous layer
- Shift it into the defect and suture.

Transposition: Z-Plasty

- A Z-plasty is a procedure in which two triangular flaps change position

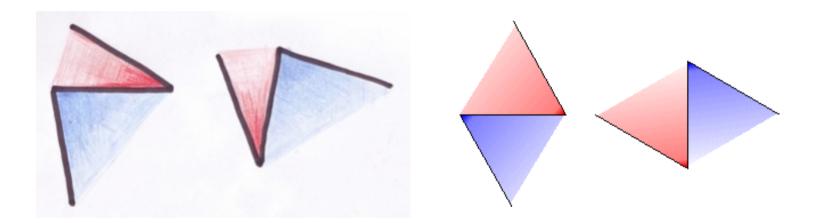
- Z-plasties are used in areas with contracture or contracture bands, where the tension in the skin is increased

Z-plasty



Z-Plasty

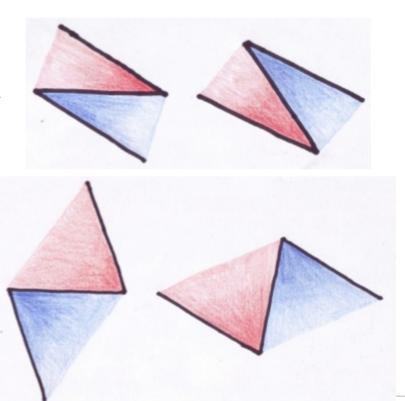
A Z-plasty changes the direction of tension in the area of the procedure



Z-plasty

The wider the angle, the more change of direction of tension and more redistribution of tissue

Angles ± 60 degrees



How should you define the length of the legs of the Z plasty?
By doing this:.....





The legs of the Z plasty should not exceed the slack of the skin

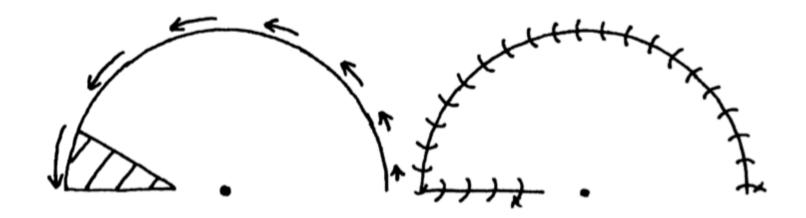
Skills: Advancement Flap Z-Plasty

Enough of this boring theory!

Let us make our favourite 60/60 degrees Z-plasty, but now in the design of the letter N with triangle sides of 5 cm, then cut the plasty and suture it with a few sutures

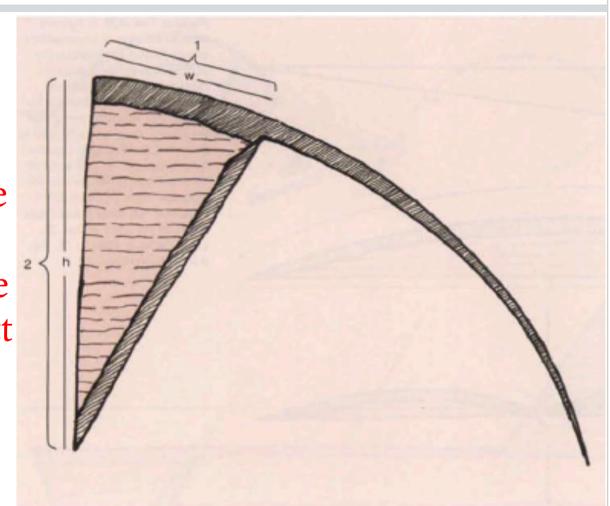
Clinical practice

Now design a Z plasty with 45 / 45 degree angles and 5 cm leg length measure the acquired length
What is now your gain and why is that important

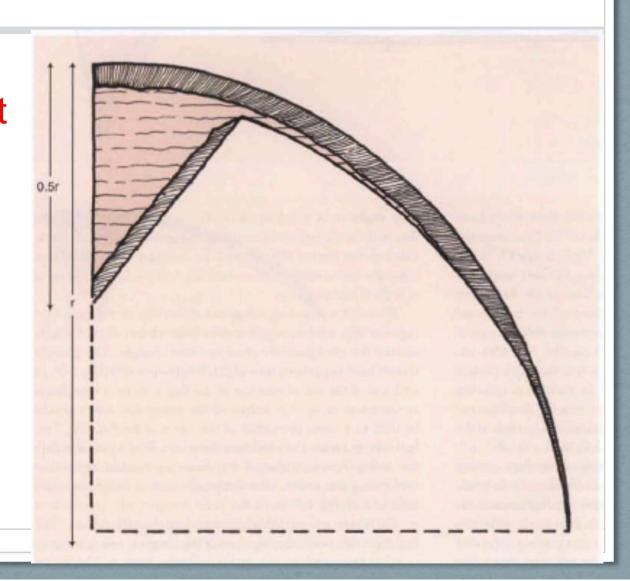


The principle: moving a large area of skin into a skin defect along a curved line

- To minimize standing cutaneous deformity at the base of the rotation flap the triangular defect has a height-towidth ratio of 2:1

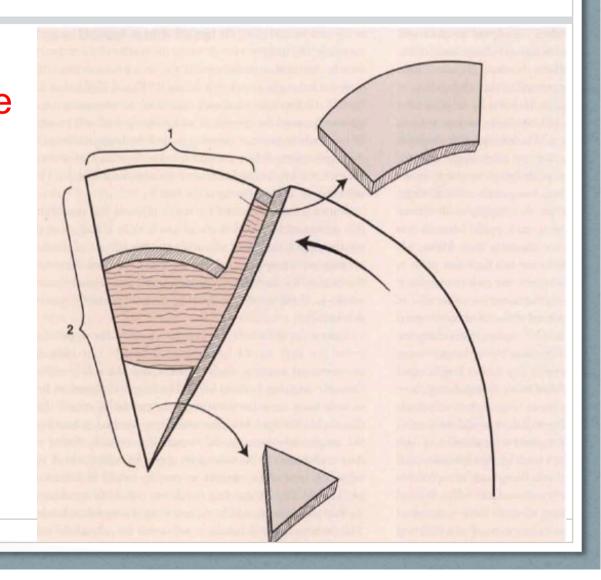


For symmetric rotation the height of the triangular defect should be 0.5 to 1 times radius (r) of the curvature of the flap's border



Rotationflap

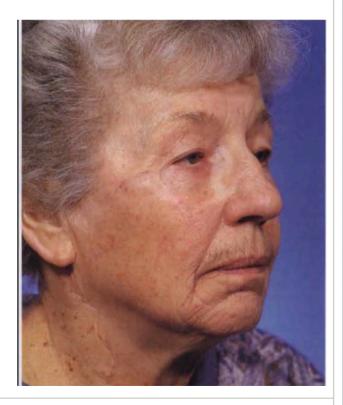
To create an ideal condition for the use of a rotation flap, the defect is enlarged by removing healthy tissue and convert the defect in the triangle (2:1)

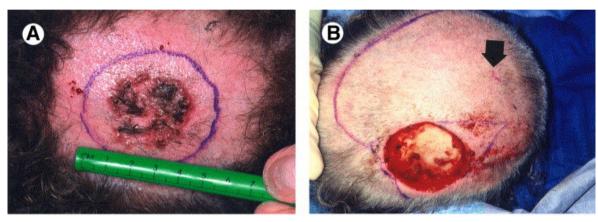


There is no exact defined pivot point as the flap is rotated and shifted (advanced) into the defect

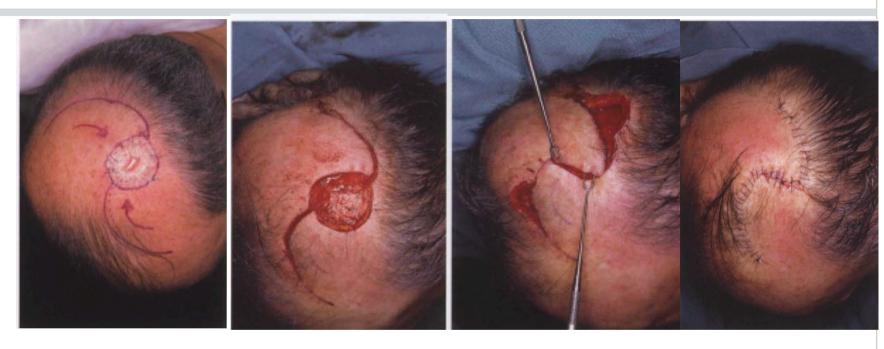








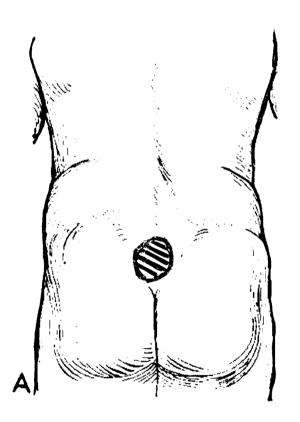




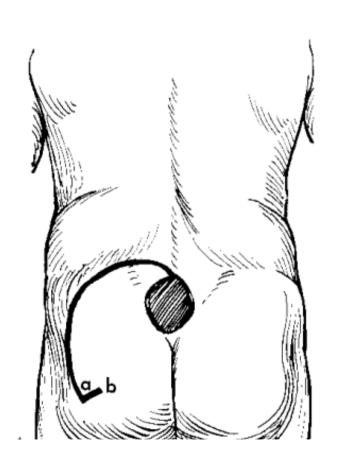
To minimize the circumference of the rotation flap 2 clockwise rotated flaps can be used

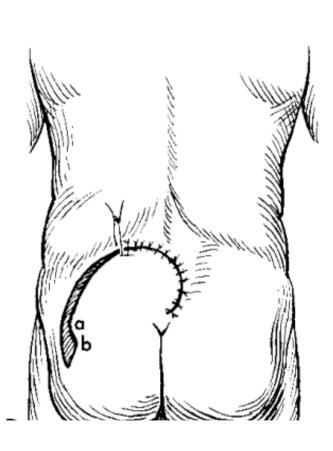
Make a sketch of this back

- add this sacral decubitus ulcer
- design an excision
- design reconstruction with a rotation flap



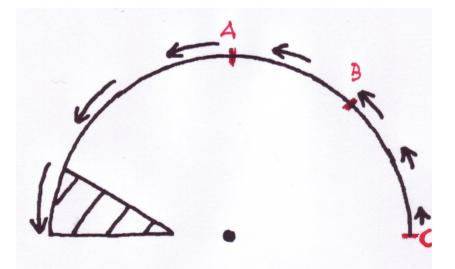
Excision and Reconstruction with a Rotation Flap





Skills: Rotation Flap

- Draw a circle with a radius of 8 cm
- Mark the points A, B and C



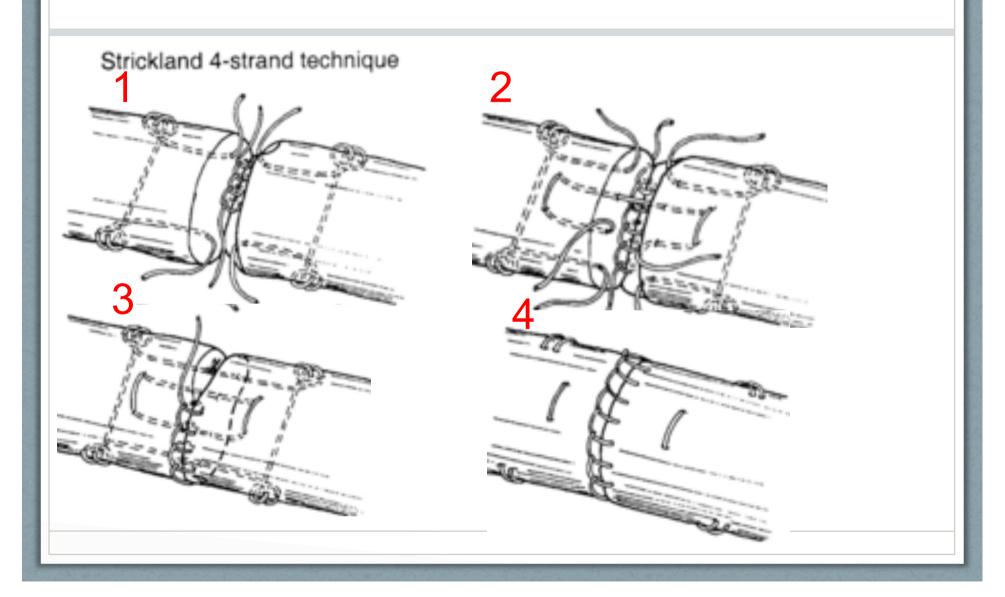
Skills: Rotation Flap

- 1. Cut out the triangle to make the defect
- 2. Cut the flap to A, try to close the defect
- 3. Cut the flap to B, try to close the defect
- 4. Cut the flap to C, try to close the defect
- 5. Observe
- 6. Make a small back cut at C, and see what happens

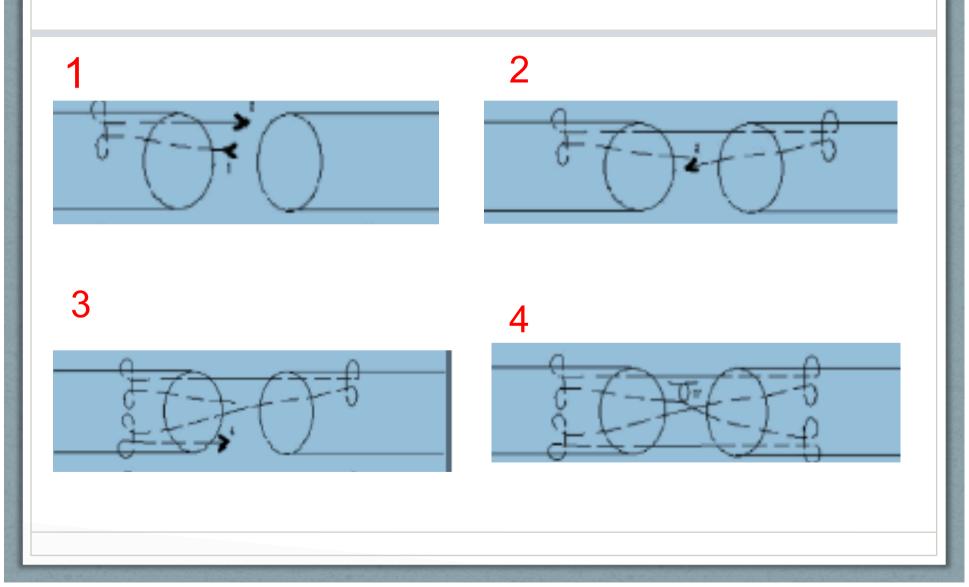
Tendon suturing



Strickland 4 - strand technique

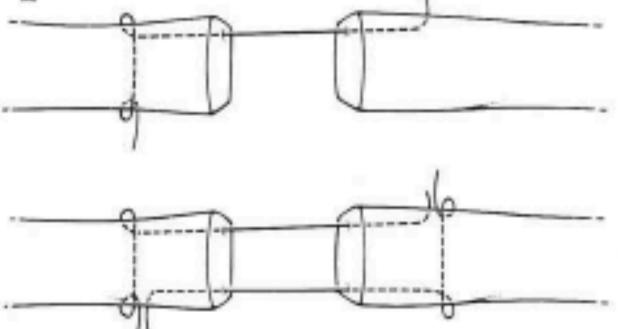


Lahey 4-strand repair



Kessler grabbing suture

Preferably used in small tendons inside the tendon sheat



A running suture to approximate the peritendinium is optional

more able hands give superior results

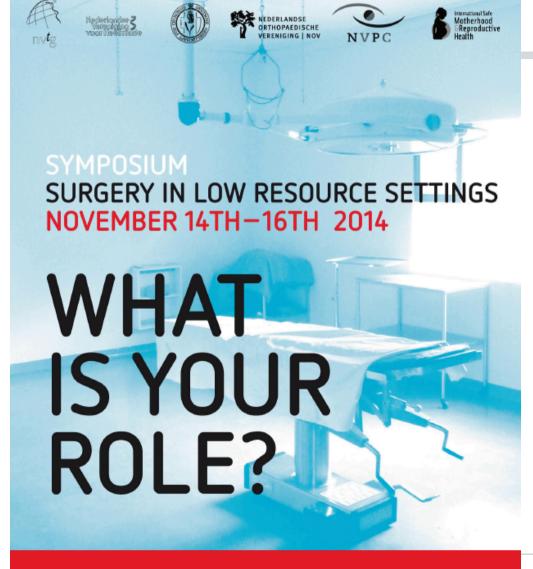
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