

## Case study: post-Mohs flap dehiscence and necrosis, mid-vertex scalp

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## **Patient**

65-year-old Caucasian male was referred by dermatology for Mohs micrographic surgery for treatment of a nodular basal cell carcinoma on the mid-vertex scalp. His past medical history is notable for radiation treatment of the scalp for tinea capitis and multiple scalp basal cell carcinomas.

## **Case history**

Tumor was cleared with one stage of micrographic surgery. The post-Mohs defect measured 1.8 x 1.5 cm and extended down to the level of the galea.

After necrotic tissue was debrided and the wound

at 3 weeks.

**Treatment** 

edges were freshened, OASIS Wound Matrix was applied to the open wound base and secured with Steri-Strip® closures followed by application of petrolatum, petrolatum gauze, and secondary dressings. Patient was instructed to leave the OASIS Wound Matrix and dressings untouched

Defect was repaired with an O-to-S rotation flap,

which was complicated by dehiscence and necrosis

for 7 days. After 7 days, treatment transitioned to use of diluted acetic acid and petrolatum until wound closure. Cephalexin 500 mg twice daily was prescribed for 10 days.

At 2 weeks, the wound showed a decrease in size with granulation and caramelisation. By 6 weeks, the wound continued to decrease in size with minimal patient concerns or complaints. At 3-month follow-up visit, the site was well healed with acceptable functional and aesthetic outcomes.



Day 0 Nodular basal cell carcinoma



Day 0 Wound after excision



Day 0 Wound closed with O-to-S rotation flap



After 3 weeks, the flap had necrosed and dehisced.

2 weeks after OASIS **Wound Matrix application** Wound shows decrease in size, with wound bed caramelisation



6 weeks after OASIS **Wound Matrix application** 



3 months after OASIS **Wound Matrix application** 

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