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Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

Prepare the surgical site by debriding devitalized or necrotic tissue using sharp excisional debridement (Figure 1). Measure the prepared site. Select a properly sized graft and trim if necessary such that the graft extends beyond the wound site by no more than 5mm in all directions (Figure 2). Rinse Meshed ALLOPATCH HD® graft in sterile saline

(Figure 3). Orient the graft so that the epidermal side is facing up and dermal side down. The epidermal side is dull in appearance. NOTE: For further verification, add the patient's blood on both sides of the graft. The dermal side will appear red in color (Figure 4).

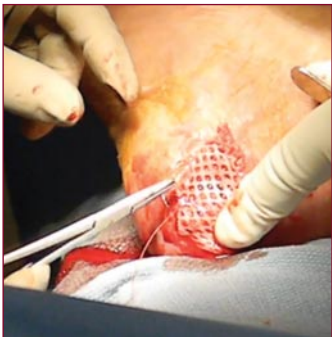


Figure 5



Figure 6



Figure 7



Figure 8

Employing absorbable suture such as 3-0 Vicryl, secure the graft using uninterrupted stitches (Figure 5). Trim excess graft leaving no more than 5mm excess around the entire wound (Figure 6). With the graft placement complete, cover the wound with a moist, non-adherent dressing of choice (Figure 7).

Cover and dress the surgical site with bulky dressing (Figure 8). Post-operatively, change initial dressing in approximately 5 days depending on drainage. If excessive drainage occurs, change outer dressing sooner.

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