

## Healing 2

\* First intention (primary union) → epithelial regeneration with minimal scarring as ① Healing of skin + ② Surgical incision

\* Second intention (secondary union) → combination of regeneration and scarring as (larger)

### \* Mechanism of tissue regeneration \*

① Restoration of normal tissue can occur only if the residual tissue is structurally intact as partial surgical resection of liver

② If the ~~entire~~ entire tissue is damaged by infection or inflammation → regeneration is incomplete and is accompanied by scarring as → liver abscess.

### \* Liver regeneration

#### \* Two major mechanisms

→ proliferation of remaining hepatocytes + progenitor cell → ~~depend~~ depending on nature of the injury

→ proliferation of hepatocyte following partial hepatectomy by (IL-6) + growth factor (HGF)

#### \* Steps of scar formation

① hemostatic plug comprised of platelets is formed → stop bleeding

② Inflammation ⑤ remodeling of CT.

③ cell proliferation

④ Activation of fibroblasts and deposition of CT



\* Inflammation \* (6-48h)

- recruit neutrophils and monocytes

\* The macrophage ~~clear~~ are the central cellular players in the repair process: → ① clear microbes and necrotic tissue  
② produce growth factor that stimulate proliferation

\* As injurious agents and necrotic cell are cleared → inflammation resolves.

\* Cell proliferation (10 days)

→ Functions of cells:-

① Epithelial cell respond to produce growth factor (+) migrate over the wound to cover it.

② Endothelial cell + vascular cell proliferate to form new blood vessel (Angiogenesis)

③ Fibroblasts → proliferate and migrate into the site of injury + lay down collagen fibers that form scar.

The Family of (MMPs)

① Interstitial collagenases (MMP-1, 2, 3) → cleave collagen

② Gelatinases (MMP-2 and 9) → degrade collagen and Fibronectin

③ Stromelysins (MMP-3, 10, 11) → degrade ECM constituents

\* Neutrophil elastase, cathepsin G, plasmin and serine proteinase → degrade ECM.



\* Angiogenesis → process of new B.V development from existing vessels

GF ⊕ VEGF-A → stimulates both migration and proliferation of Endothelial cell. and thus initiating process of capillary sprouting

VEGF-A → promotes vasodilation by production of Nitric oxide ⊕ Contributes to formation of vascular lumen.

FGFs → ① promote migration of macrophages and Fibroblasts to damaged area ② Stimulate epithelial to cover epidermal wounds

\* Stabilization of new formed vessel is done by:

- ① recruitment of pericytes and smooth muscle cell
- ② deposition of CT
- ③ PDGF → recruits S.M.C
- ④ TGF-β → suppresses endothelial proliferation and migration + production of ECM proteins.

Matrix metalloproteinases → degrade the ECM to permit remodeling and extension of vascular tube.

\* cell proliferation \*

\* Granulation tissue → combination of proliferating fibroblasts, loose CT, new B.V, scattered chronic infl. cells  
to healing wounds, it has pink, soft granular,

\* Activation of Fibroblasts and deposition of C.T

→ These processes orchestrated by ① cytokines

② growth factors (PDGF, FGF-2, TGF-β)

→ Fibroblasts may differentiate into myofibroblast

• Collagen → The major component of fully ~~developed~~ developed scar.

TGF-β

① The most important cytokines for synthesis and deposition of C.T protein ② produced by Activated macrophages ③ stimulates fibroblast migration and proliferation ④ increase the synthesis of collagen and fibronectin ⑤ decrease degradation of ECM ⑥ has anti-inflammatory effect.

\* Remodeling \* (2-3 weeks)

→ Wound strength increases because ① cross-linking of collagen + ② increased size of collagen fiber

→ \* Shift of the type of collagen deposition from III to I



## Healing 3

### \* Factors affecting wound healing

#### (\*) Local Factors

① Type, size and location



- Rapid wound

① clean

② small

③ ↑ vascularized

area (Face)

slow wound

① produced

by blunt trauma

② large

③ ↓ vascularized

area (Foot)

② Diminished Blood

supply (poor B.S) →

slowly heal

① Ischemia → bedsores

② Ischemia →

atherosclerosis

and arterial

obstruction

③ Infection (delays healing) →

① prolongs inflammation

② increase tissue injury

③ ↑ granulation.T + ↑ scar

④ Foreign Bodies

such as steel, glass

Fractured bone

⑤ Mechanical injury

↑ local pressure

⑥ Movement → ↑ exercise

→ ↑ circulating corticosteroids

which inhibit repair

⑦ Exposure to ionizing radiation + UV light

- block cell proliferation

- retards granulation

tissue formation

- interferes with blood supply

\* Accelerates of

healing (sterilization

and kill bacteria)

## \* Systemic Factors \*

- ① Cardiovascular circulation
- ② Systemic infections

Impaired circulation in old age → delay healing  
cause poor healing

- ③ Haematological disease  
neutropenia

- ④ Metabolic status  
delay healing - occur in

- ⑤ Diabetes mellitus

- ① protein caloric malnutrition

- ① Affecting the nerve

- ② vit. C deficiency

- ② Lead to poor blood circulation

- ③ Zinc deficiency

- ③ Lead to 2<sup>nd</sup> infection
- ④ effects on immune system function

- ⑥ Hormones (corticosteroids)

- ① inhibition of collagen synthesis

- ② Anti-inflammatory effect.

## \* Defects in Healing

### → Chronic Wounds

- ① Venous leg ulcers

- Most in elderly people

- As a result of chronic venous hypertension

- caused by severe varicose veins or congestive heart failure

- ② Deposits of iron pigments (Hemosiderin)

- resulting from red cell breakdown

- accompanying chronic inflammation

- ③ Arterial ulcers

- Most in atherosclerosis and diabetes



#### ④ Ischemia

- result in atrophy and necrosis of skin and underlying tissue.

⑤ pressure sores → skin ulceration  
caused by:

- bedridden

- immobile

+ elderly individuals with numerous morbidities

→ caused by: ① pressure ② local ischemia

#### ⑥ Diabetic ulcer

- in lower extremities (feet)

- ischemia - Tissue necrosis

- neuropathy - systemic metabolic abnormalities

- secondary infection.

- it characterized by

① epithelial ulceration ② extensive granulation tissue

→ Excessive scarring → give rise to:

#### ① Hypertrophic scars

- develop after thermal or traumatic injury

#### ② Keloid → accumulation of large amounts of

collagen at wound site. - give rise to prominent scar

- due to disturbances of cell growth

- Genetic - Most common in blacks

\* Excessive granulation is called (Proud Flesh) and must be removed by cautery or surgical excision.

\* Exaggeration of wound contraction give rise to (contracture)

↳ - develop in palms, soles and anterior aspect of the thorax - commonly seen after serious burns

→ Fibrosis in parenchymal organs

\* The main source of collagen in (lung, kidney) is myo fibroblasts

\* The major collagen producers in liver cirrhosis is → stellate cells



## Healing Bone Fracture

(\*) Hematoma (rupture of B.V)

↳ organization by Granulation tissue and phagocytosis End with (Fibro-vascular granulation T.)

PDGF, TGF- $\beta$ , FGF  $\rightarrow$  activate osteoprogenitor cells which ~~surrounding~~ soft tissue and stimulate osteoclastic and osteoblastic activity

(\*) Soft callus or procallus (mass of uncalcified tissue) is transformed into bony callus

(\*) Endochondral ossification

- activated osteoprogenitor cell deposit woven bone

The Fractured ends are bridged

(\*) Remodeling

$\rightarrow$  reduces the size of callus until the shape and outline of fractured bone are established as lamellar bone

$\rightarrow$  The healing complete with restoration of medullary cavity