Case report: Multiple DermaClose® devices achieve dramatic reapproximation of large wound on upper back following excision of squamous cell carcinoma.

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Prior to application of DermaClose: A 50-year-old male patient presented with atopic dermatitis and a large, poorly differentiated squamous cell carcinoma of the upper back. The carcinoma was excised resulting in a 15cm x 16cm deficit.

DermaClose application: The wound edges were undermined circumferentially 5 cm and three DermaClose External Tissue Expanders were applied. Adaptic was placed between the flaps and muscular tissue.

DermaClose removal: After two days the wound was reapproximated and sutured closed. One DermaClose was applied to off-load tension on the suture lines.

Conclusion: At follow-up 6 weeks later, the wound had healed nicely.

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