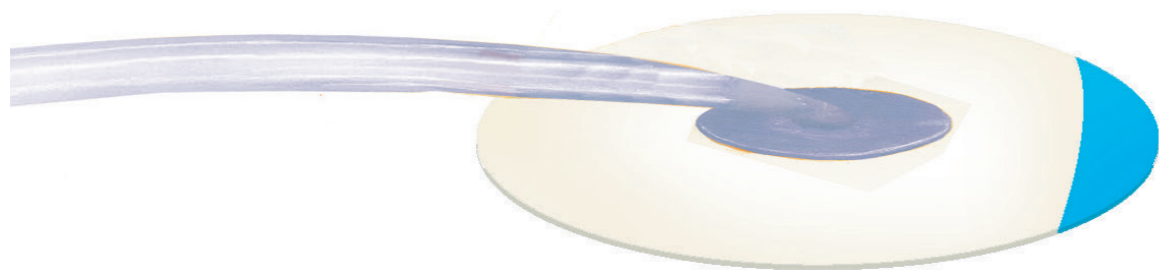




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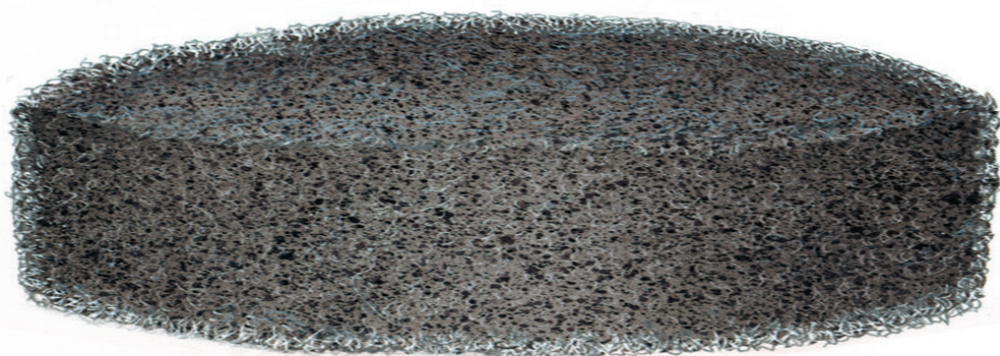
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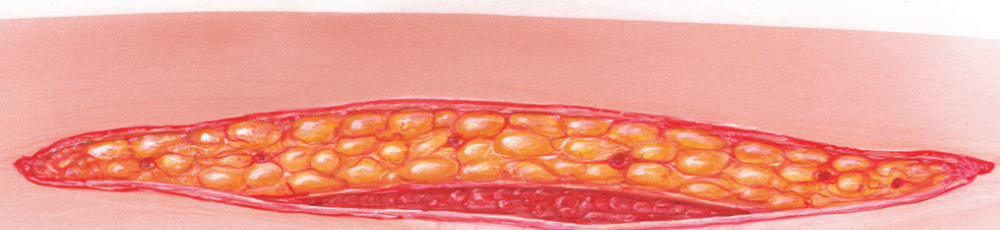
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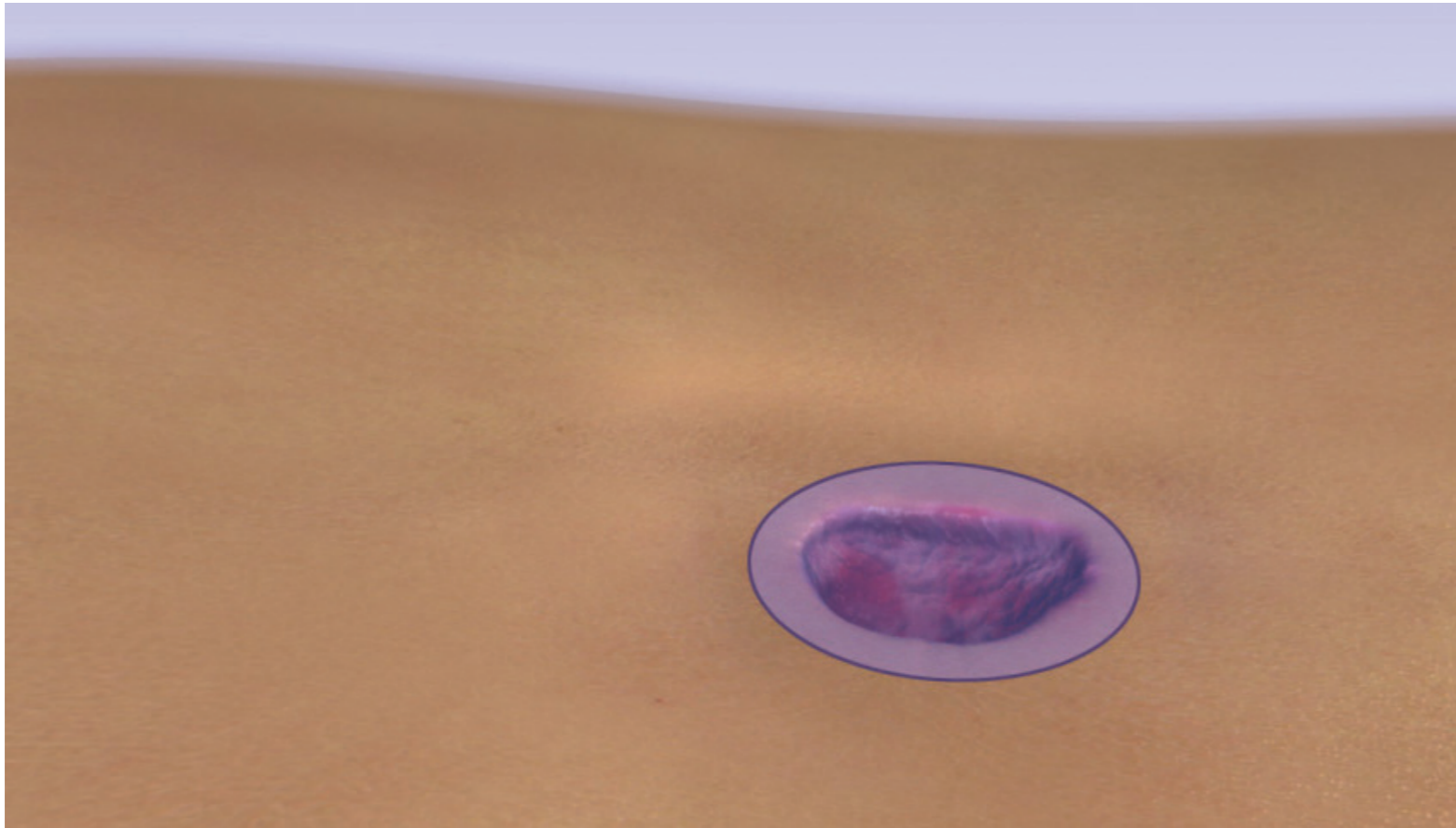
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Wound bed

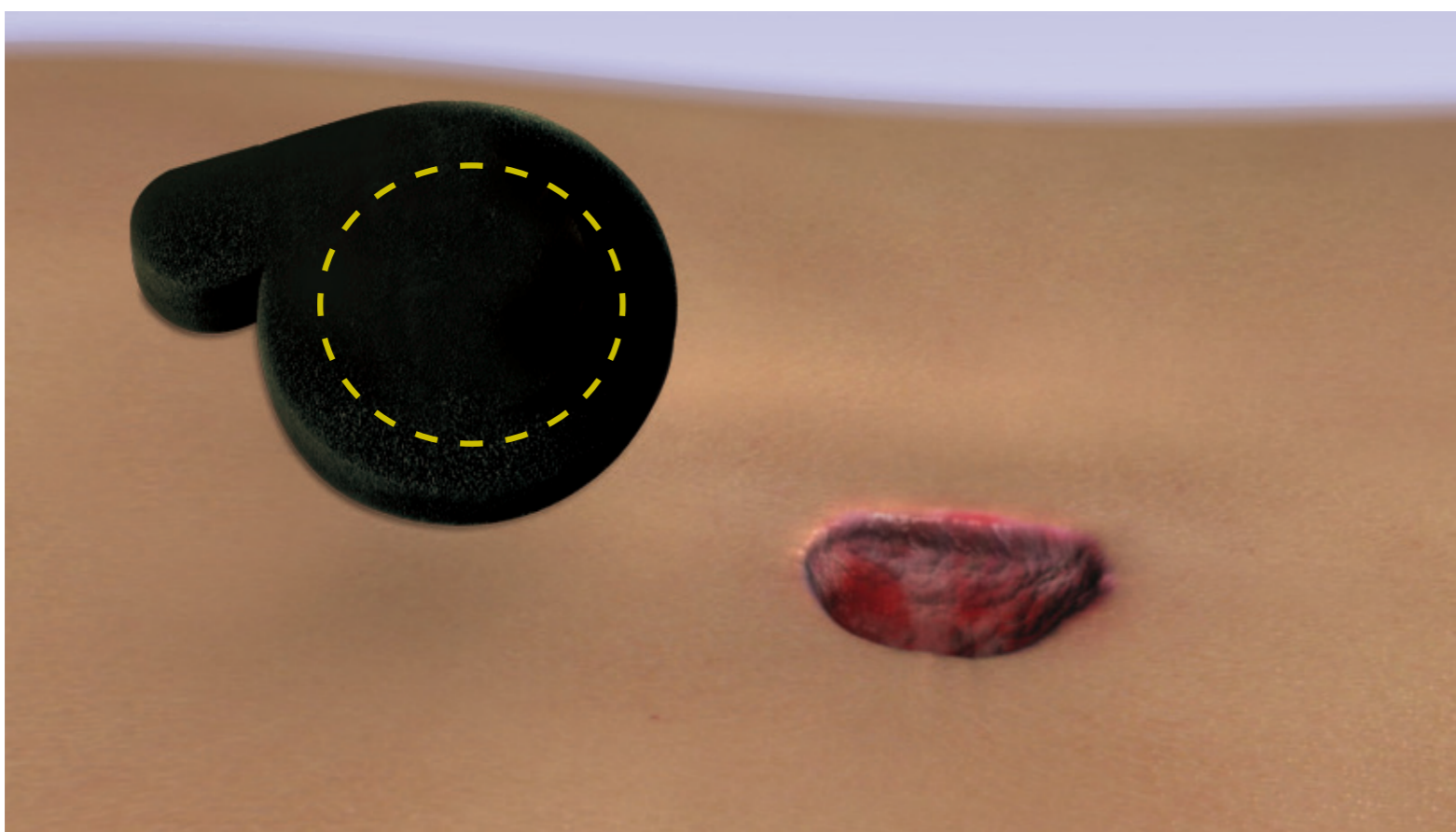
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## Step 1: Assess wound size and type



Prepare wound bed appropriately.

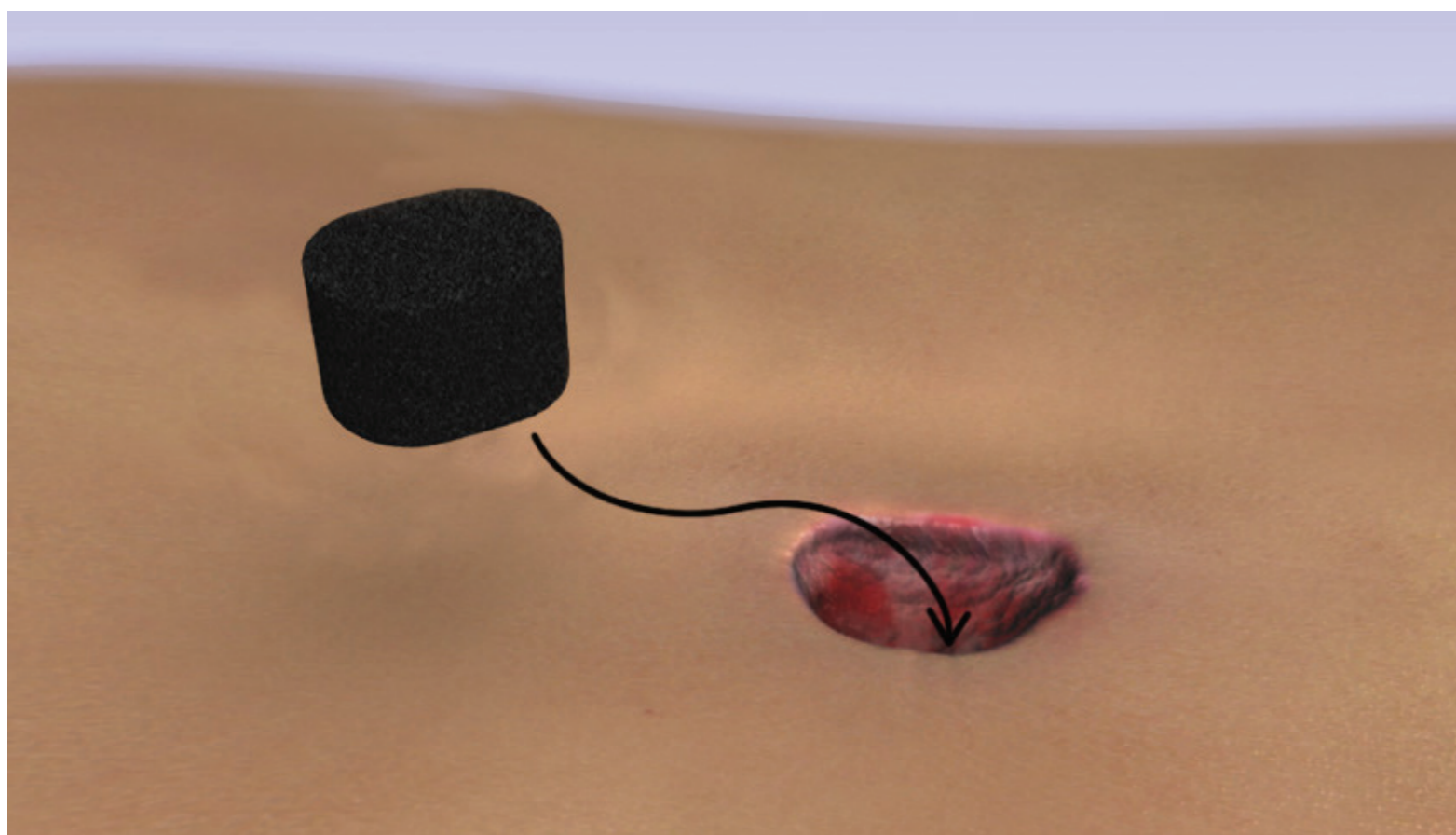
## Step 2: Cut appropriate dressing size



Do not cut dressing over wound as this could result in foam particles falling into the wound.

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## Step 3: Place dressing in wound



Note the total number of pieces of foam used in the wound.

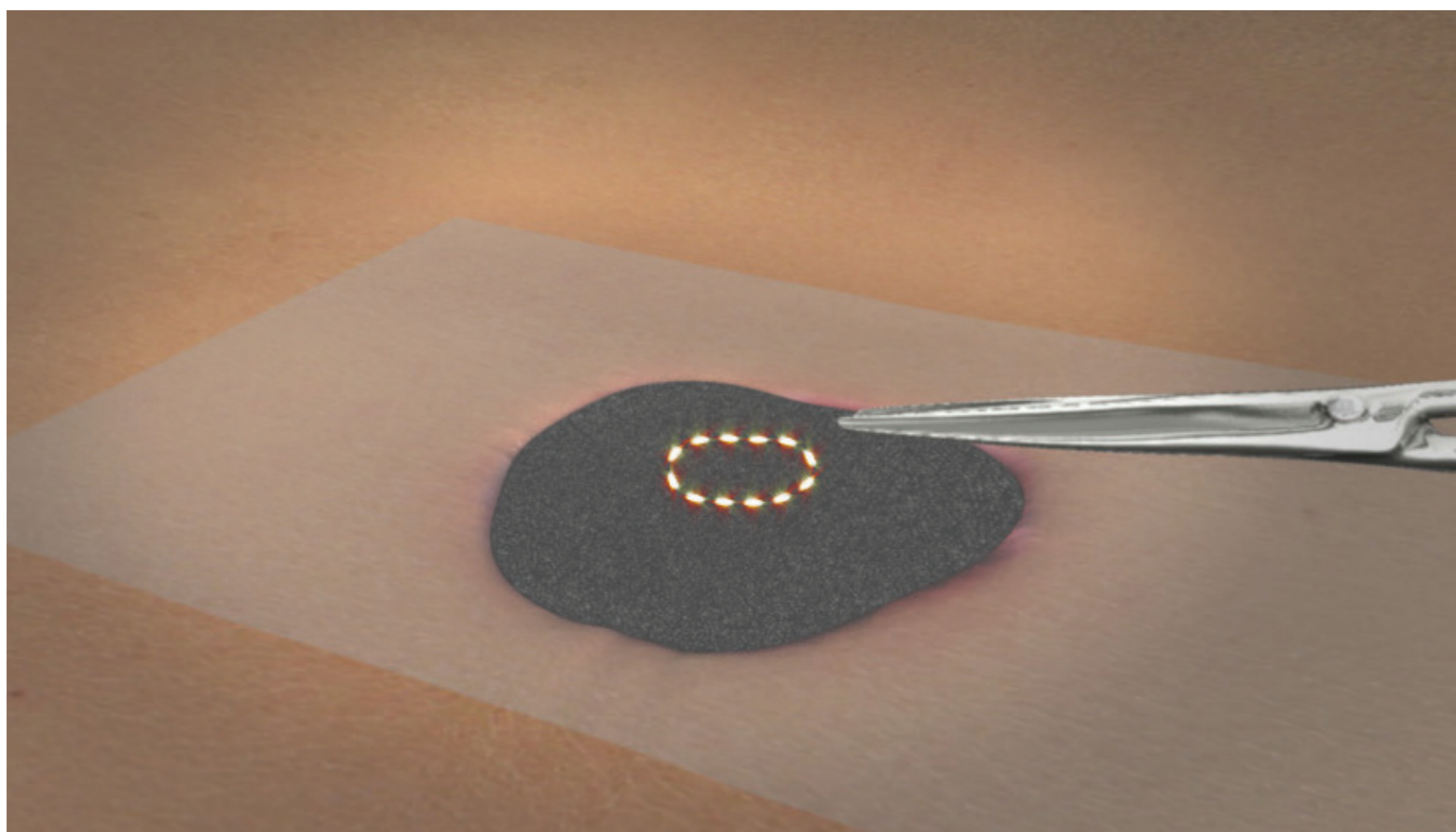
## Step 4: Trim 3M™ V.A.C.® Drape to size



Peel back one side of Layer 1 and place adhesive side down over wound. Remove the remaining side of Layer 1, the green striped stabilization Layer 2 and the perforated blue handling tab.

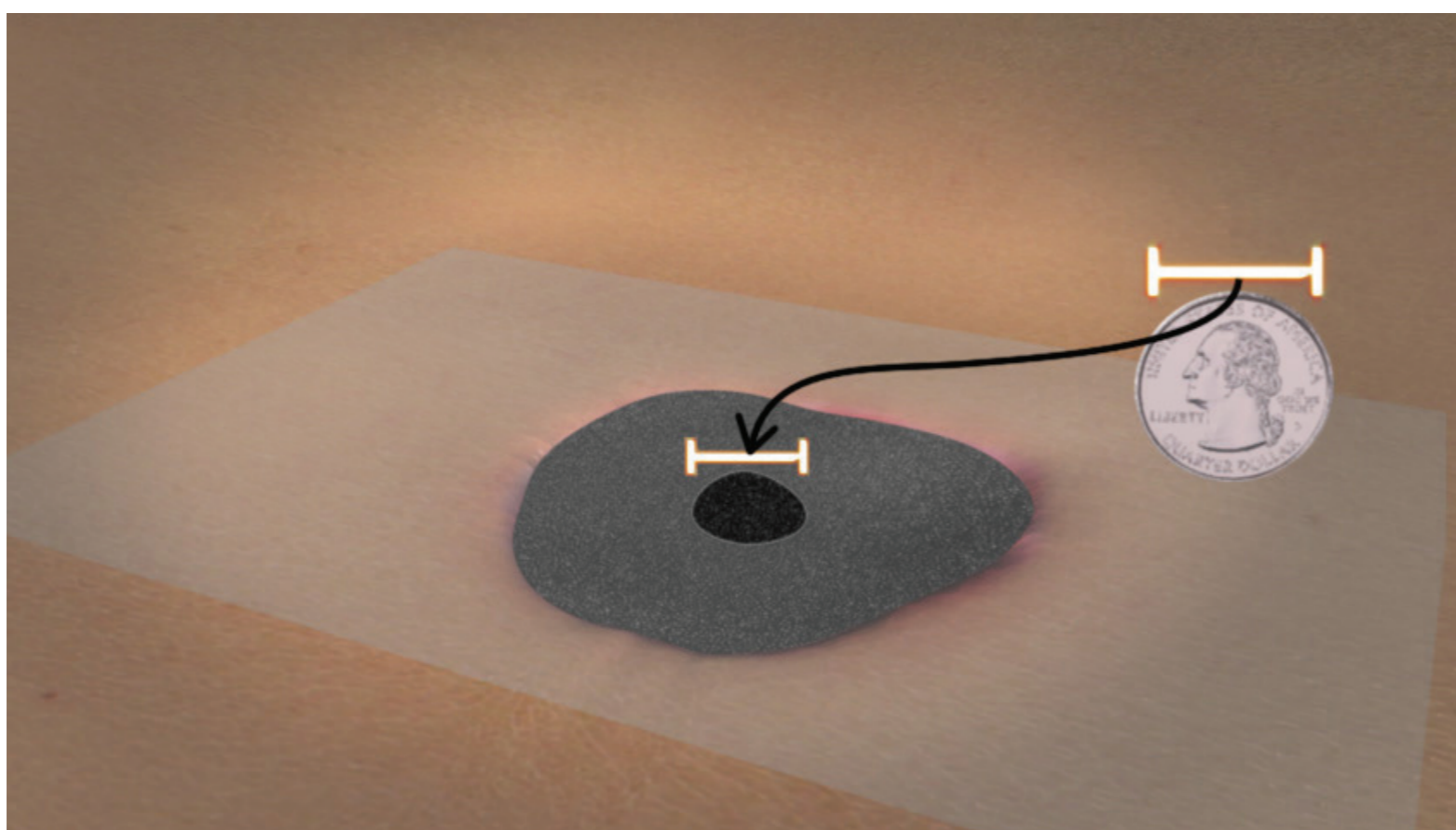
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## Step 5: 3M™ SensaT.R.A.C™ Pad application



Identify application site for SensaT.R.A.C. Pad.

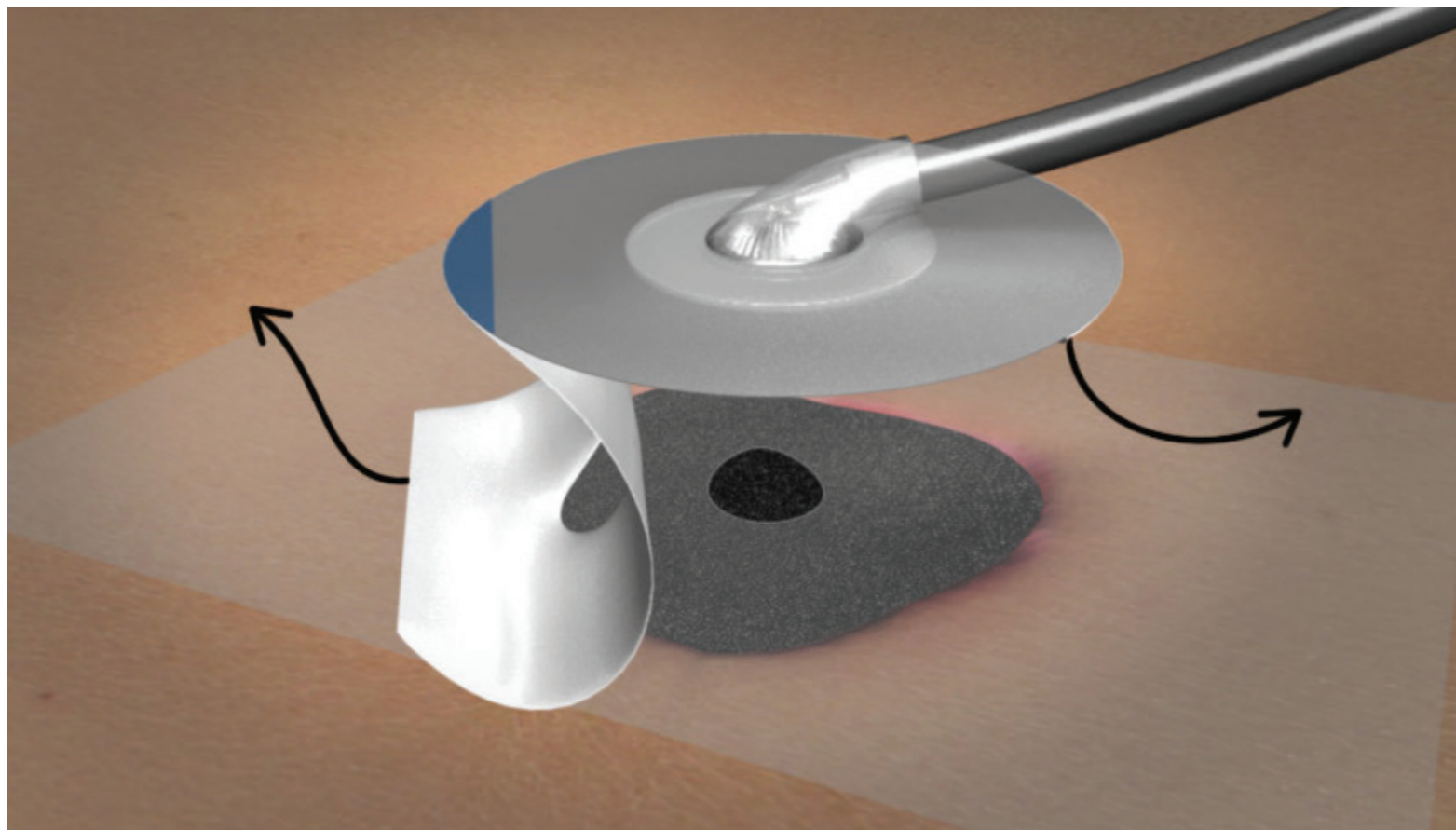
## Step 6: Pinch 3M™ V.A.C. Drape and cut a 2.5cm round hole



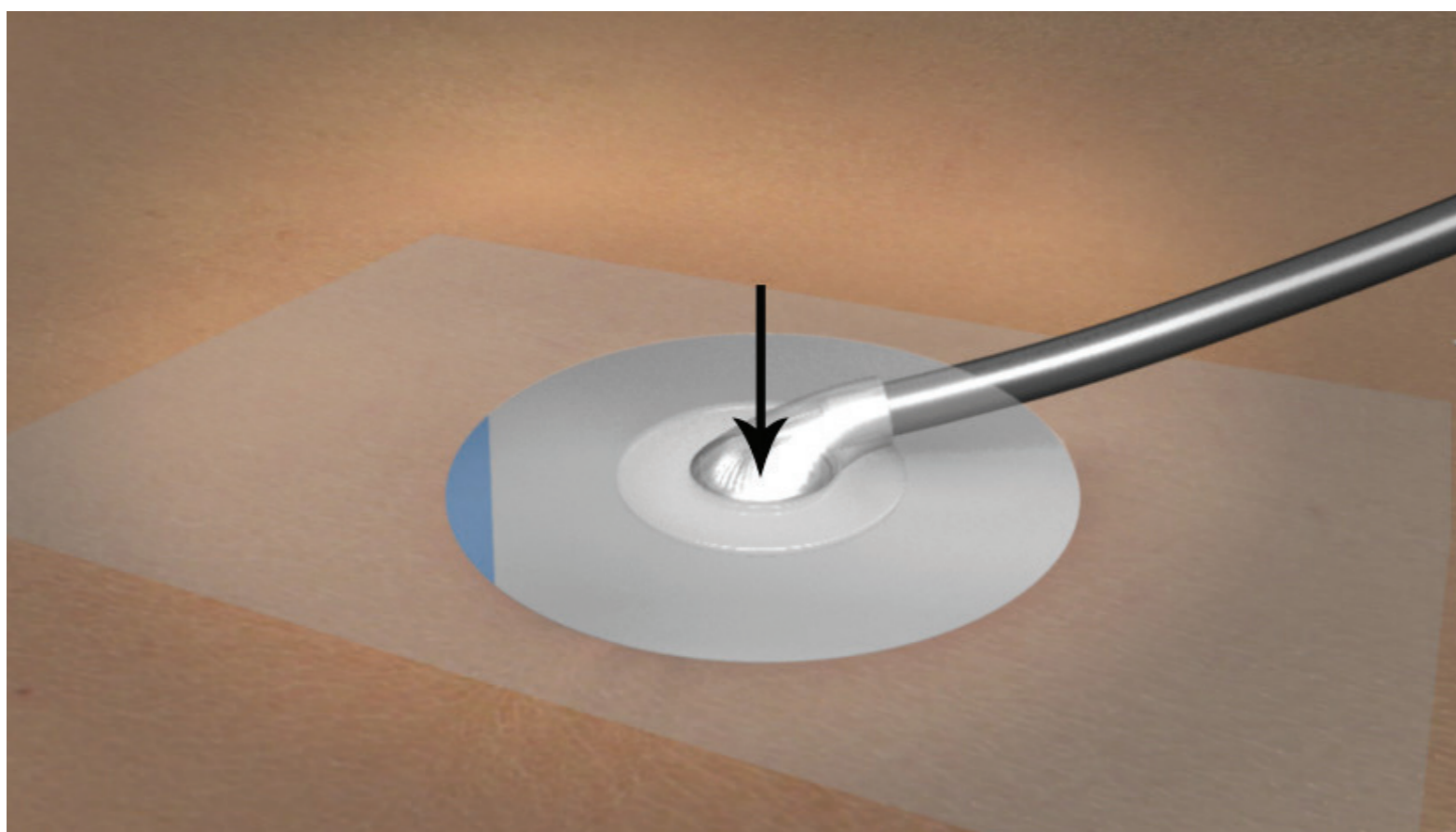
Consider the diameter of a quarter for size reference.

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**Step 7:** Remove backing Layer 1 and Layer 2 from 3M™ SensaT.R.A.C.™ Pad



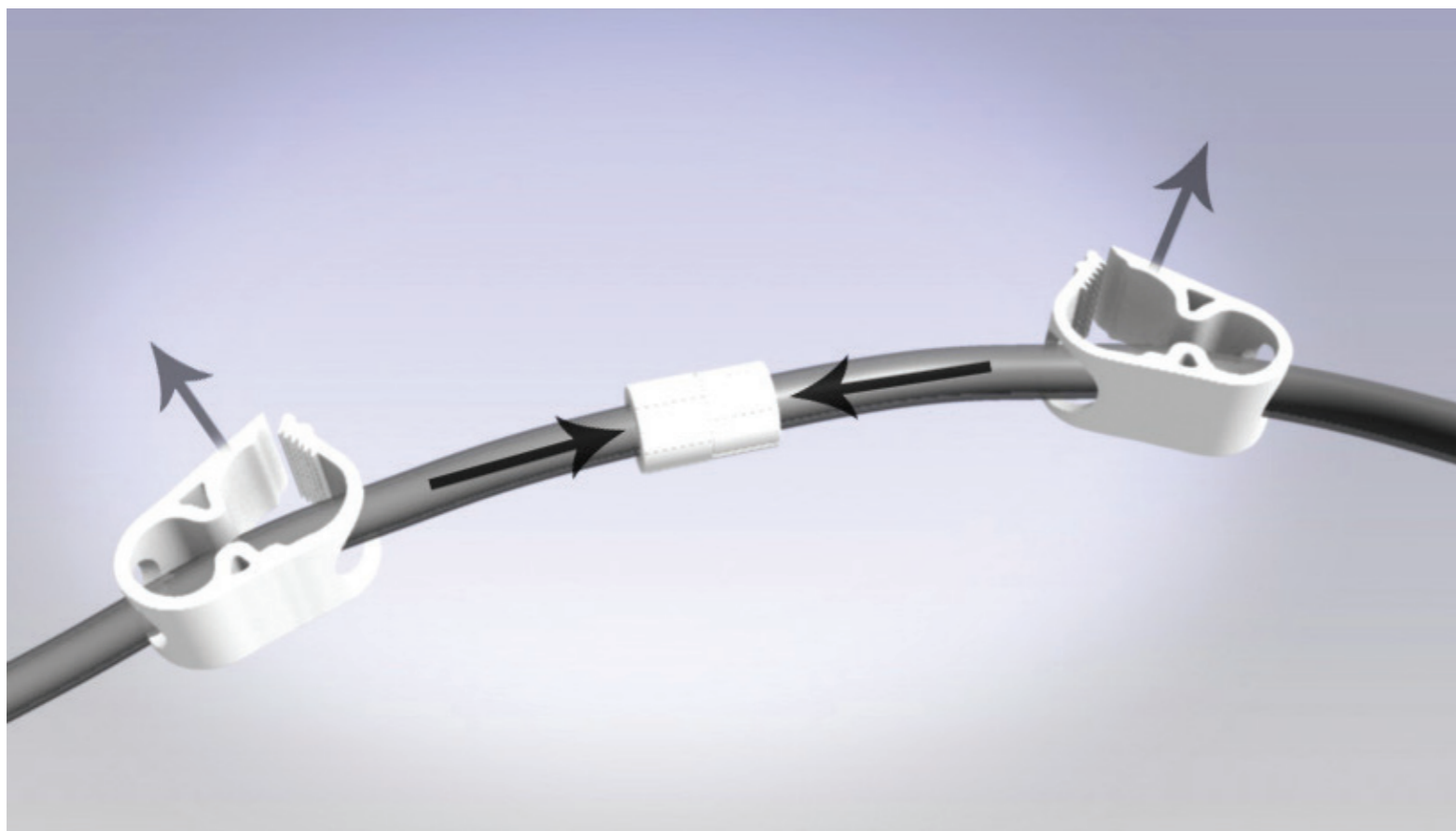
**Step 8:** Place 3M™ SensaT.R.A.C.™ Pad opening directly over hole



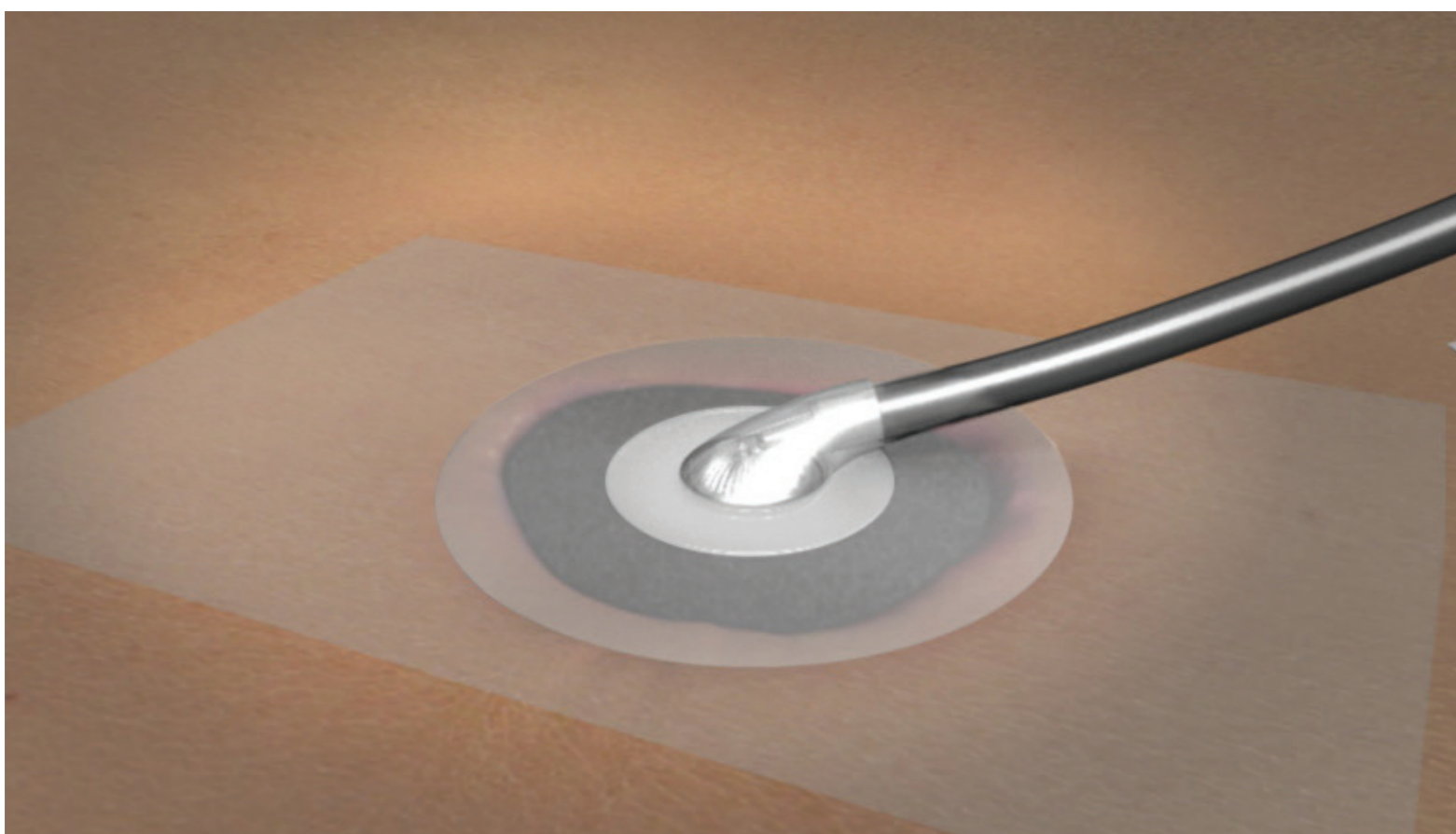
Pull blue tab to remove stabilization layer. Record date and number of foam pieces used on the foam quantity label and place in the patient record.

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**Step 9:** Connect 3M™ SensaT.R.A.C™ Pad tubing to canister tubing



**Step 10:** Turn on power to 3M™ V.A.C.® Therapy Unit



Set to the physician prescribed therapy settings to initiate therapy.

**Instructions for use and safety information:** This is a quick reference showing the basic steps in a typical dressing application. As with any device, it is important to read and understand the detailed instructions for use and safety information (including information on exposed vessels, organs, tendons, nerves, and infection) applicable to your 3M™ V.A.C.® Therapy Unit and dressing application that can be found with the therapy unit, disposables carton or in the 3M™ V.A.C.® Therapy Clinical Guidelines.

**Questions and information:** For additional, detailed information, please refer to specific dressing instructions for use (contained in disposables cartons) and the 3M™ V.A.C.® Therapy Clinical Guidelines. These sources provide information concerning the proper application of all 3M™ V.A.C.® Dressing including advanced applications and techniques. If you have product questions, please contact your local representative.

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