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## Numerical Characterization of Ultrasound Elastography for the Early Detection of Deep Tissue Injuries

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# Abstract

<sup>c1</sup>Deep tissue injuries are subcutaneous regions of extreme tissue breakdown generally induced by the application of significant mechanical pressure over extended periods of time through the biological mechanisms of ischemia and cell deformation causing rupture. These wounds are commonly suffered as a secondary wound or disease, often formed due to extended periods of motionless such as stationary sitting in spinal cord injured patients or those undergoing surgery.

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<sup>c1</sup>*Kenton: Way too long*