

Table 1. Relative contraindications to soft tissue rotation or transfer.

Limb characteristics
Lack of sufficient donor tissue
Local soft tissue injury/poorly demarcated zone of injury
History of flap failure
Vascular insufficiency e.g. single vessel limb
Patient characteristics
Diabetes mellitus
Immunodeficiency
Malnutrition
Obesity
Surgeon characteristics
Absence of surgeon with microvascular training