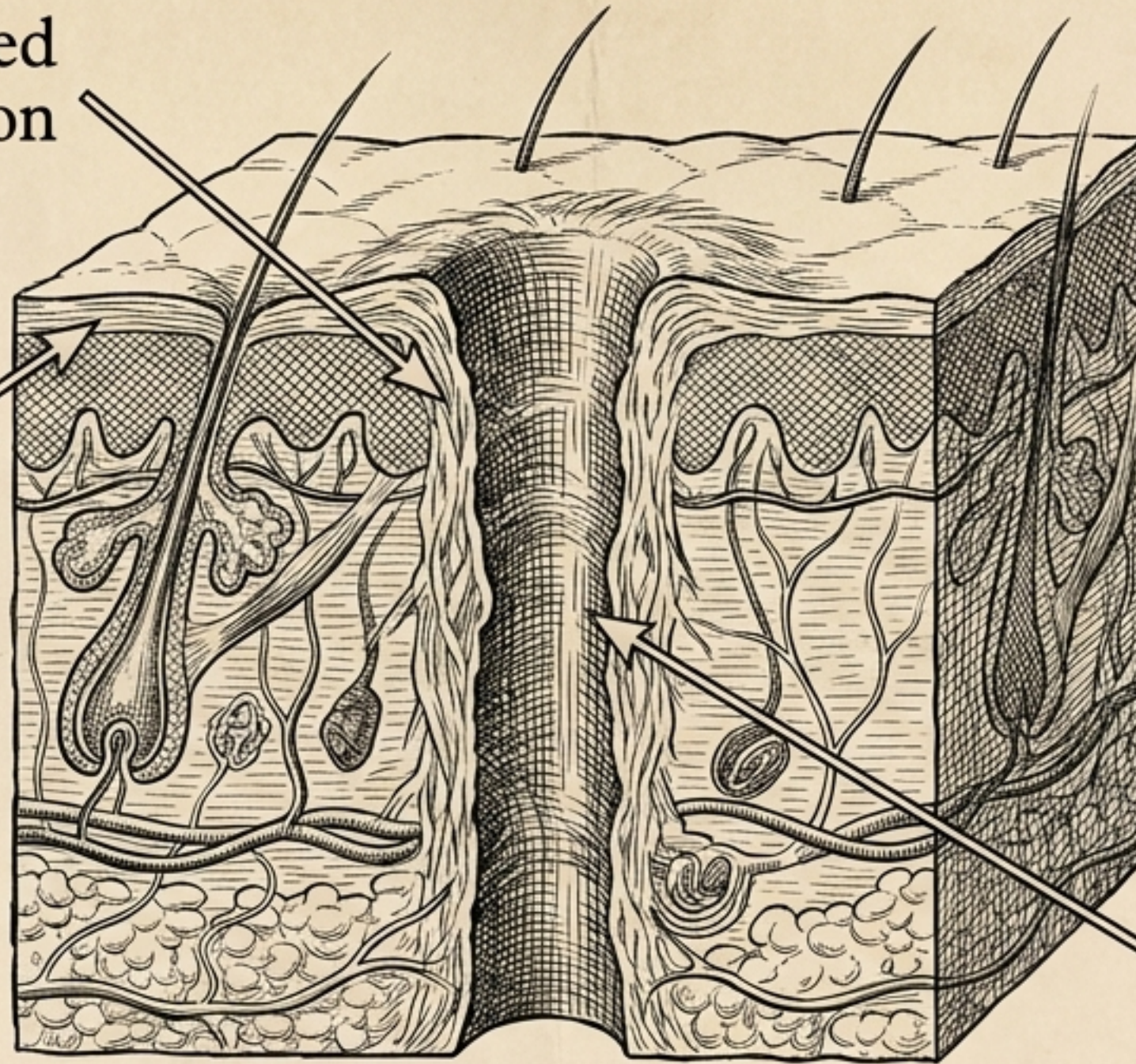


Fresh piercings need
stable passivation

Visible surface
tissue heals rapidly



Internal fistula requires
prolonged maturation

The visible surface heals in weeks while fistulas take months.
Assume the piercing is unhealed.