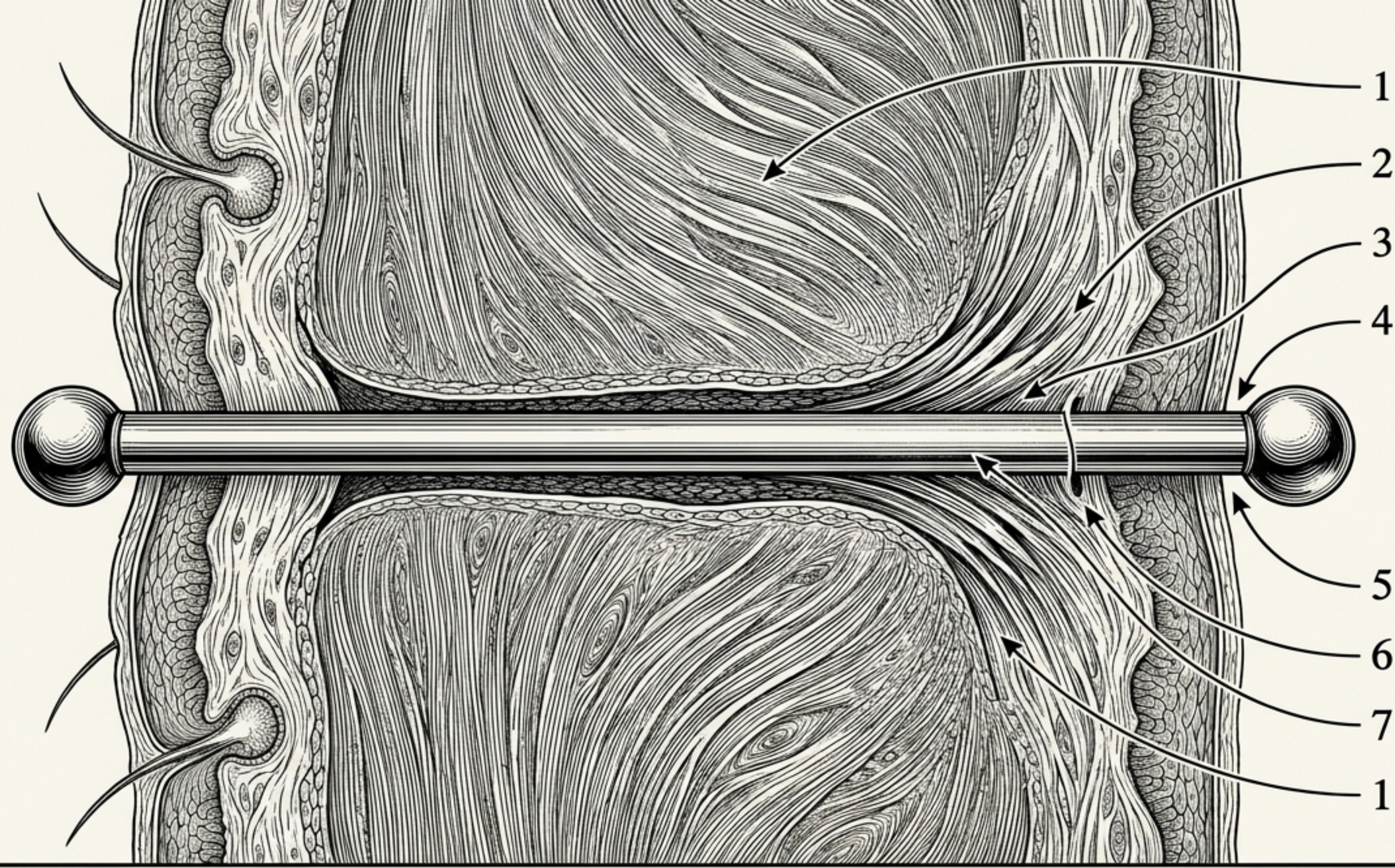




1. Ear cartilage tissue
2. Avascular diffusion zone
3. Implant-grade titanium barbell
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5. TiO₂ layer
6. Wound tension vector
7. Altered collagen architecture

Cartilage piercings obey different rules, relying on avascular diffusion and biomechanical tension vectors.

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