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To whom it may concern

The EPUAP pressure ulcer grading system was developed as a guide for clinicians in the assessment of patients, and as a platform for making informed clinical decisions regarding treatment. The provision of specialised pressure-reducing equipment would potentially be one factor within developing an overall programme of care and clinical treatment for an individual patient.

The EPUAP grading system was emphatically not developed as a means of grading individual products for use in conjunction with pressure ulcers.

At present there is no clear evidence to determine which support surface is most appropriate for a particular pressure ulcer grade.

This approach is erroneous, misleading, and is in no way supported or endorsed by EPUAP.

Yours faithfully

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