

**Place of arthroscopy
in
PF arthritis ??**

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Treatment options
Donnel The Knee 2007

- ✓ Medical
- ✓ Operative conservative
 - ✓ Lateral release, excision of lateral spurs
 - ✓ Tibial tubercle osteotomy
 - ✓ Cartilage replacement
 - ✓ Patellectomy
- ✓ PF arthroplasty
 - ✓ PF uni
 - ✓ TKA



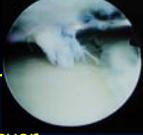
Pathoanatomy

- ✓ Remove locking cartilage flaps
- ✓ Decompression Dzioba Am J Sport Med 1990
- ✓ Remove lateral impingement
- ✓ Sensorial neural damage Mori Bull Hosp Jt Dis Orthop Ins 1991
Vega Arthroscopy 2006

Technique

- ✓ Debridement flaps
 - ✓ Mechanical basket forceps / shaver
 - ✓ Radiofrequency ?
 - ✓ Avoid chondrectomy / stable cartilage
- ✓ LLR with radiofrequency
- ✓ Lateral facetectomy

Martens Acta Ortho Belg 1990
Yercan CORR 2005
Paulos Arthroscopy 2008



Technique

- ✓ Scope @ anteromedial portal = spacer
- ✓ Needles
- ✓ Burr / spurs
- ✓ Electrautcautery @ inferolateral portal
 - ✓ Small hole at the upper part
 - ✓ Subcutaneous tissue inflating



Literature

Open debridement + LLR / Arthritis

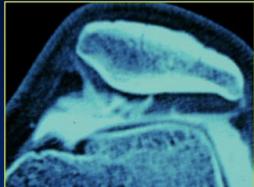
- ✓ Beltran Arthroscopy 2002
 - ✓ 33 knees : 60% painfree @ 31 mths
- ✓ Martens Acta Ortho Belg 1990
 - ✓ 90% good or mild @ 2 years
- ✓ Yercan Clin Orthop 2005
 - ✓ 11 cases @ 8 years sustained improvement

Literature



Arthroscopically done

- ✓ Indication?
 - Osborne JBJS 1982
 - Unneberg Arch Orthop Trauma Surg 1988
 - Ogilvie-Harris 1984



Literature



Arthroscopically done / Arthritis

- ✓ Aglietti Arthroscopy 1989
 - ✓ 6 cases failure @ 4 years
- ✓ Jackson Arthroscopy 1991
 - ✓ 39 cases 56% satisfied @ 3,5 years 31% resurgery
- ✓ Ewing in Mac Ginty 1991 Raveb Ed
 - ✓ 78% good results @ 6 years
- ✓ Landsiedl Z Ortop Ihre Grenzen 1992
 - ✓ 56% good @ 3,5 years

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Arthroscopically done / Arthritis

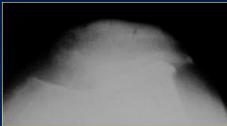
- ✓ Kelberine, Christel & SFA SFA 1995
 - ✓ 50 cases 60% good @ 5 years
- ✓ Aderinto Arthroscopy 2002
 - ✓ 53 knees LLR (some FT arthritis included)
 - ✓ Results worthwhile @ 31 mths, 4 TKA, 41% dissatisfied
- ✓ Alemdaroglu The knee 2008
 - ✓ LLR 35 patients early results from 3 months stable to 2 years

Literature



Combined open and arthro

- ✓ Paulos Arthroscopy 2005
 - ✓ 88% satisfied @ 5 y endure beyond
 - ✓ with 9 patients delayed UKA for 3 Y



Severity of chondral damages?



- ✓ No relation
 - Donnel The Knee 2007
 - Alemdaroglu The Knee 2008
- ✓ Better results in low grades
 - Osborne JBJS 1982
 - Shea Arthroscopy 1992
 - Panni Arthroscop 2005
- ✓ Better results in severe grade
 - Unneberg Acta Ortho Trauma Surg 1988
 - Aderinto Arthroscopy 2002

Conclusion



- ✓ Arthroscopy can be beneficial to treat PF arthritis
- ✓ Without instability
- ✓ Procedure reliable
- ✓ Temporary benefit
- ✓ Results unpredictable



Doesn't burn any bridge