Evidence in focus

FAST-FIX^o Meniscal Repair Systems:

The only family of all-inside devices with over 15 years of clinical evidence^{1,2}

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FAST-FIX⁰ Meniscal Repair Systems deliver high treatment success rates¹

Results of a systematic literature review and meta-analysis^{1,2}



86%

Mean success rate of all-inside FAST-FIX meniscal repair¹

(34 studies, 1,694 repairs)

Unique heritage of clinical evidence1-3



Restore healthy knee function with FAST-FIX Meniscal Repair Systems²

Lysholm Score

92.3

Mean postoperative score²

(11 studies, 380 patients)

0

Mean score in healthy adults⁴



Tegner Activity Score

6.3

Mean postoperative score² (7 studies, 164 patients)

Mean score in healthy adults⁴



IKDC Score

86.6

Mean postoperative score²

(5 studies, 224 patients)



91.6

Mean score in healthy adults⁵





FAST-FIX⁰ Meniscal Repair Systems: a unique heritage of treatment success^{1,2}



Overview

Meta-analysis of **treatment success rate** following all-inside meniscal repair with FAST-FIX Meniscal Repair Systems in clinical studies:¹

- 34 studies - 1,694 repairs

Results

Combined success rate¹

All outcome measures



86%

Mean success rate

95% CI: 83-89%

A meta-analysis considering success as defined by clinical assessment of symptoms only identified a mean success rate of 86% (95% CI: 83-89%) in 18 studies.

How does our success compare?

A 2012 review identified a success rate of 77% at a mean 7.4 years postoperatively for meniscal repair with inside-out, outside-in and all-inside techniques.⁶

Success rates¹

Outcomes used to determine treatment success in clinical studies included:

- Second look arthroscopy
- Reoperation rates
- MRI
- Clinical assessment of symptoms

Outcomes were pooled and analysed to determine overall success rates.

Meta-analyses made no allowance for follow-up duration.



Only FAST-FIX⁰ Meniscal Repair Systems are clinically proven to restore normal knee stability



Overview

Meta-analysis evaluating improvement in **Lysholm Score**⁷ following all-inside meniscal repair with FAST-FIX Meniscal Repair Systems in clinical studies:²

- 11 studies - 380 patients

Results



32.69

Mean improvement in Lysholm Score from preoperative values (95% CI: 28.74-36.65)²

92.3

Mean score after FAST-FIX meniscal repair²

94

Mean score in healthy adults from existing literature⁴

Lysholm Score⁷

Outcome measure primarily assessing knee instability.

Knee function is rated in eight categories: limp, locking, pain, stair climbing, support, instability, swelling and squatting.

Final score from 0-100, with a higher score indicating better function.

Rating scale

<65 = Poor

95-100 = Excellent 84-94 = Good 65-83 = Fair





Only FAST-FIX⁰ Meniscal Repair Systems are clinically proven to restore normal levels of patient activity



Overview

Meta-analysis evaluating improvement in **Tegner Activity Score**⁷ following allinside meniscal repair with FAST-FIX Meniscal Repair Systems in clinical studies:²

- 7 studies - 164 patients

Results



3.40

Mean improvement in Tegner Activity Score from preoperative values (95% CI: 2.50-4.29)²

6.3

Mean score after FAST-FIX meniscal repair²

5.7

Mean score in healthy adults from existing literature⁴



Tegner Activity Score⁷

Outcome measure assessing activities of daily living, recreation and sports.

Patient rates the highest level of activity they could do before and after their knee injury.

Final score from 0-10, with a higher score indicating a greater capacity for activity.



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Overview

Meta-analysis evaluating improvement in **IKDC Score**⁷ following all-inside meniscal repair with FAST-FIX Meniscal Repair Systems in clinical studies:²

- 5 studies - 224 patients

Results



30.76

Mean improvement in IKDC Score from preoperative values (95% CI: 22.02-39.51)²

86.6

Mean score after FAST-FIX meniscal repair²

91.6

Mean score in healthy adults from existing literature⁵

IKDC Score⁷

Outcome measure assessing knee-related changes in symptoms, function and sports activities.

Patient completes a questionnaire including: symptoms, sports and daily activities, and knee function.

Final score is scaled from 0-100, where 100 equates to unlimited symptom-free daily/sport activities.





Study design^{1,2}



Systematic literature review and meta-analysis to determine success rates and improvements in clinical outcomes related to all-inside meniscal repair with FAST-FIX[†] Meniscal Repair Systems.

Findings^{1,2}

A comprehensive literature search identified a total of 36 clinical studies with ≥10 adult patients for use in the meta-analysis. Studies reported on one or more of the following outcomes:



Success rate

34 studies

Mean success rate: 86%



Lysholm Score

11 studies

Mean postoperative score: 92.3



Tegner Activity Score

7 studies

Mean postoperative score: 6.3



IKDC Score

5 studies

Mean postoperative score: 86.6

A unique heritage

A separate systematic literature review evaluating competitor devices only identified 3 relevant clinical studies.³

Competitor devices assessed:

- AIR All-Inside Repair (Stryker, MI, USA)
- Truespan[™] Meniscal Repair
 System (DePuy Synthes, IN, USA)
- Meniscal Cinch[™] and Meniscal Cinch[™] II (Arthrex, FL, USA)
- MaxFire MarXmen Meniscal Repair Device and JuggerStitch™ Meniscal Repair Device (Zimmer Biomet, IN, USA).

Results are reported from a random effects model. Meta-analyses did not account for duration of follow-up. Analyses for clinical outcomes used estimated standard deviations for studies where no standard deviation was provided, using the method described by Weir, et al.⁸





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