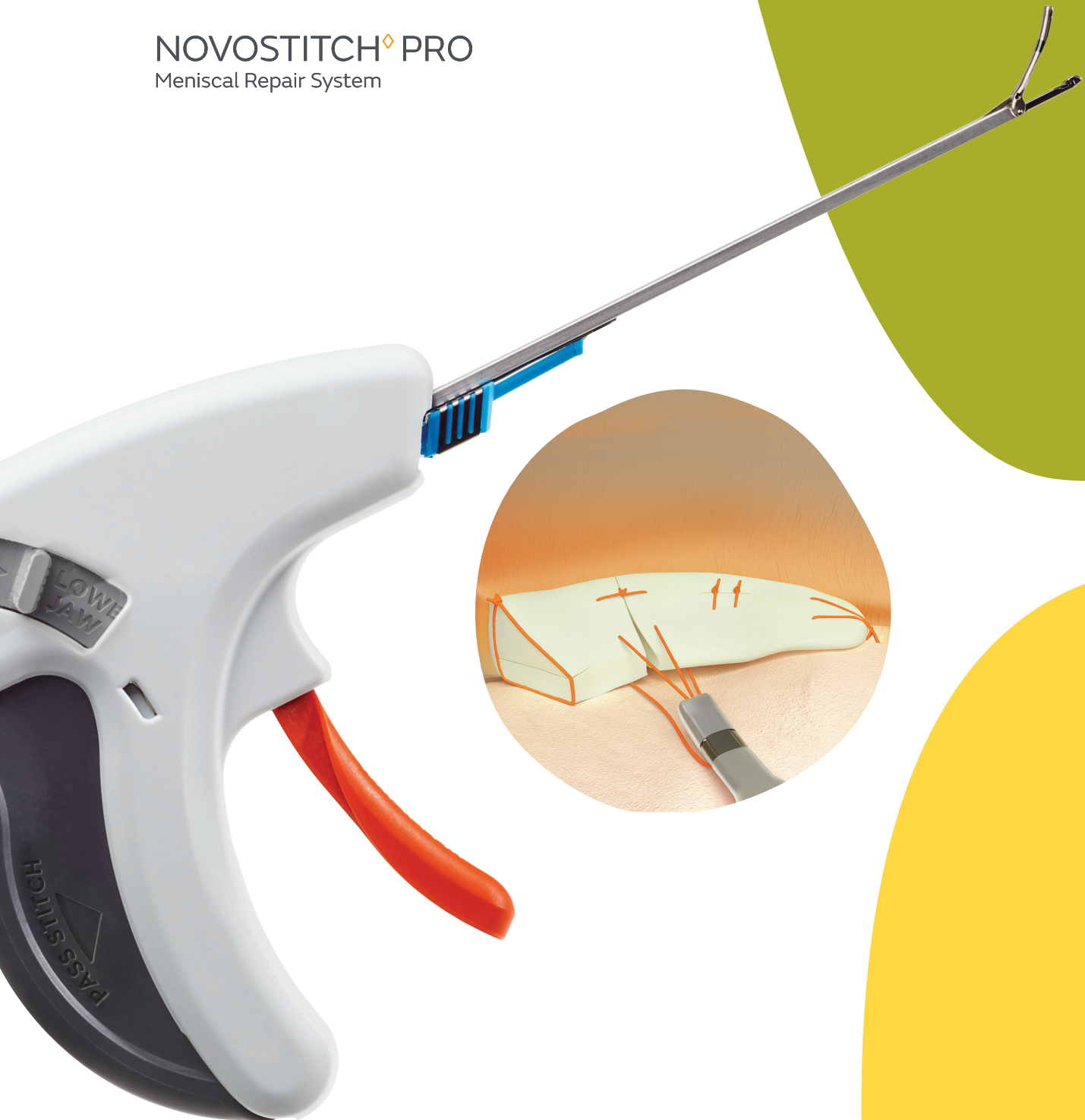


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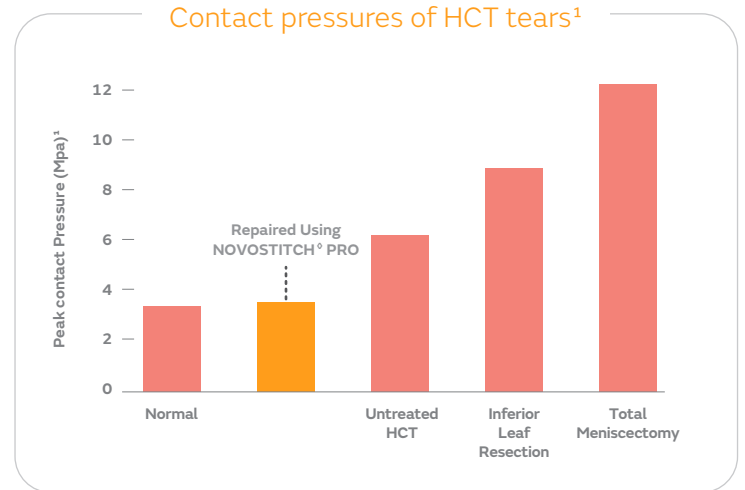
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Horizontal cleavage tears (HCT)

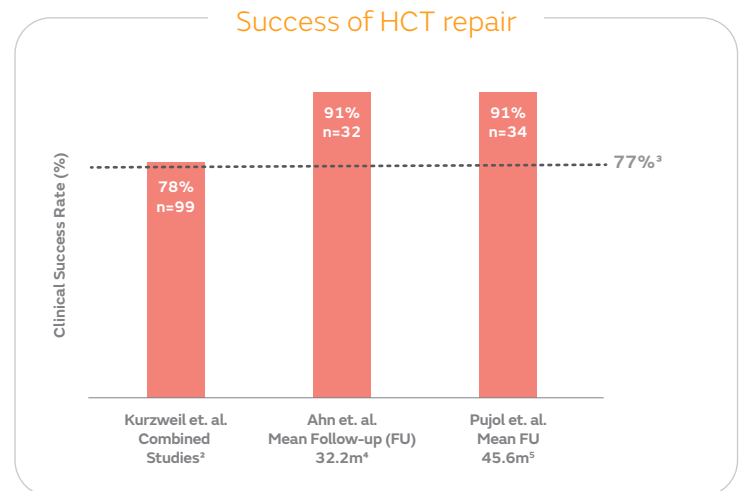
Contact pressures increased by HCT

- Based on in vitro data, pressure from untreated tear increases contact pressures by 70%¹
- Studies have shown unfavorable results in leaflet resection improving contact pressures¹
- HCT repair normalizes contact pressures¹



Successful HCT repair is possible

- 78% clinical success rate of HCT repair upon systematic review², similar to other tear types³
- 91% success rate in broad age range of patients (14-56) confirmed with second look follow up⁴
- 91% success rate with MRI follow up⁵



Note: Clinical success rates were calculated for different techniques including: inside-out (IO), IO with bioabsorbable and Biofix arrow anchors and open procedures. MRI follow-up success rate based on independent surgeon interpretations.

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Circumferential stitches enable HCT repair

- Technique articles from leading centers highlight NOVOSTITCH Meniscal Repair System proprietary Circumferential Compression Stitches (CCS) to repair HCTs^{6,7,8}
- Use of CCS eliminates posterior incision and minimizes risk of neurovascular injury⁶



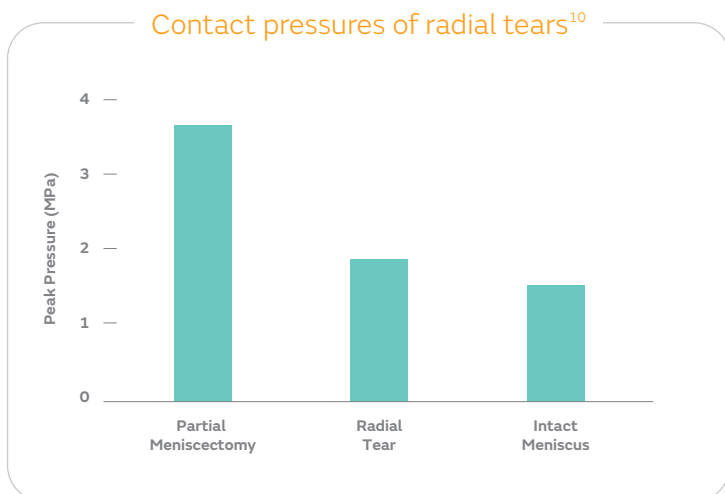
NOVOSTITCH PRO Meniscal Repair System is designed for HCT repair

- Low profile (1.6mm) and retractable lower jaw facilitate access to peripheral meniscus⁹
- Curved upper jaw and retractable lower jaw enhance maneuverability for HCT repair vs. other repair methods⁹

Radial tears

Meniscectomy of radial tears increases contact pressure

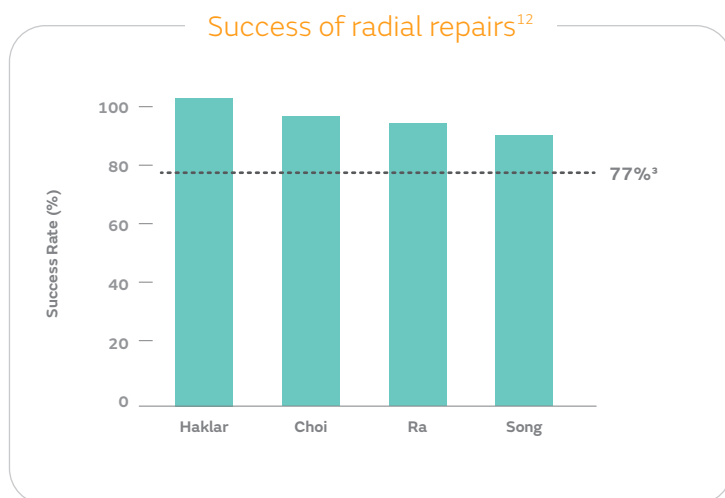
- Radial tears increase contact pressures within the knee¹⁰, and full-thickness radial tears render the meniscus non-functional¹¹
- Meniscectomy of radial tears increases contact pressures by more than 100% over baseline¹⁰



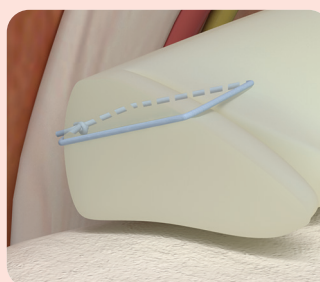
Note: Study data acquired from cadaver knees.

Robust radial repair is possible

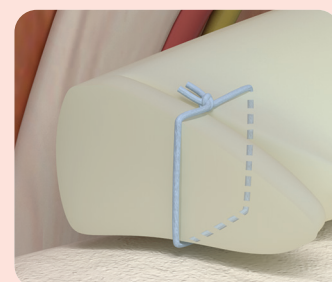
- 71-100% radial repair clinical success rates from follow-up results of systematic reviews, similar to other tear patterns.³
- Outcomes of full-thickness radial repairs are comparable to bucket handle repairs¹¹



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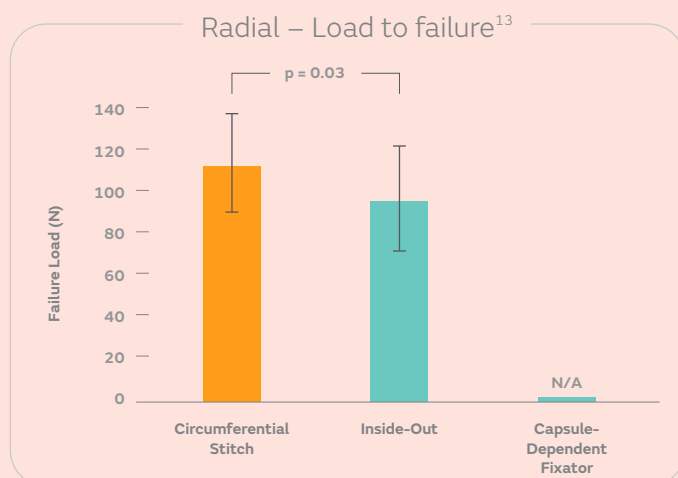
Inside-out repair



Circumferential compression stitch

Strong radial repair with circumferential compression

- Based on in vitro data, Circumferential Compression Stitches (CCS) are stronger than inside-out for radial repairs¹³
- CCS have less gap formation than inside-out repair for radial tears¹³
- CCS improve repair vectors for radial repairs by creating a stitch straight across the radial tear



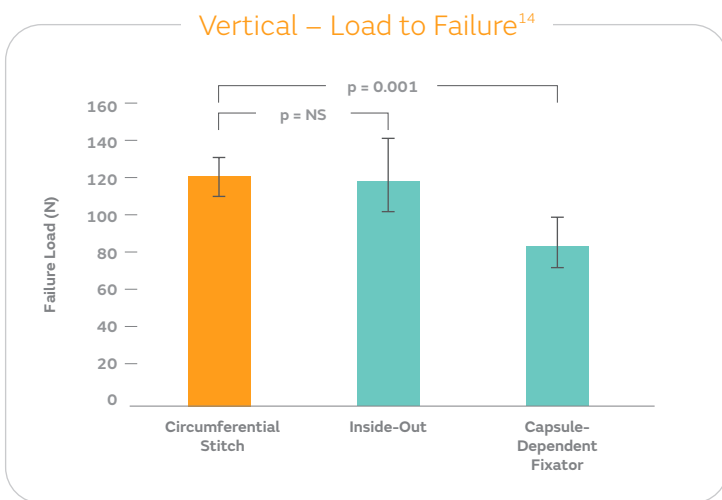
NOVOSTITCH PRO Meniscal Repair System designed for radial repair

- Low profile (1.6mm) and retractable lower jaw facilitate access to peripheral meniscus⁹
- Curved upper jaw and retractable lower jaw enhance maneuverability for radial repair vs. other repair methods⁹
- Cartridges enable placement of complete stitches without removing the device from the joint

Vertical Tears

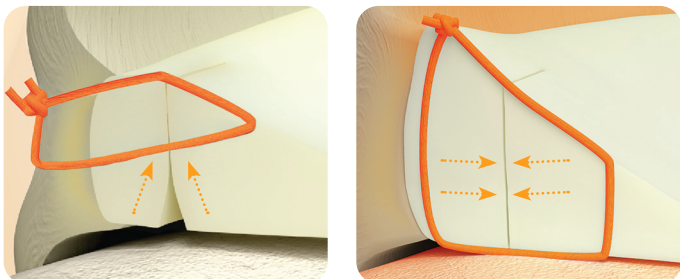
Stronger Vertical Repairs Possible with Circumferential Compression Stitches

- Based on in vitro data, Circumferential Compression Stitches (CCSs) are ~50% stronger than fixators in biomechanical studies of vertical tears¹⁴



Circumferential Compression Stitches Prevent Tibial Gapping

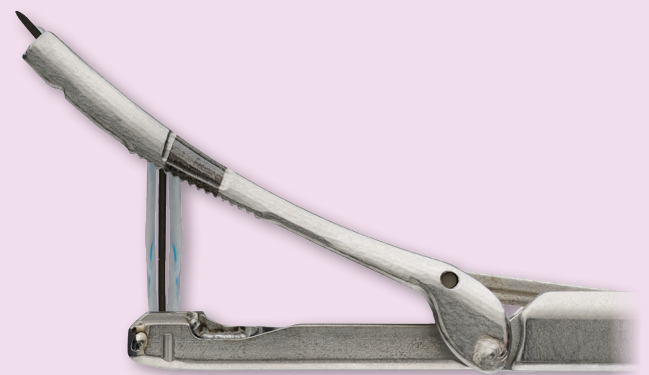
- CCSs provide tibial-sided compression and anatomically reduce the entire tear
- Based on in vitro data, CCSs produce less tibial gapping than inside-out¹⁴
- CCSs facilitate treatment of tibial-sided tears



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NOVOSTITCH PRO Meniscal Repair System Enables Safe Vertical Stitches

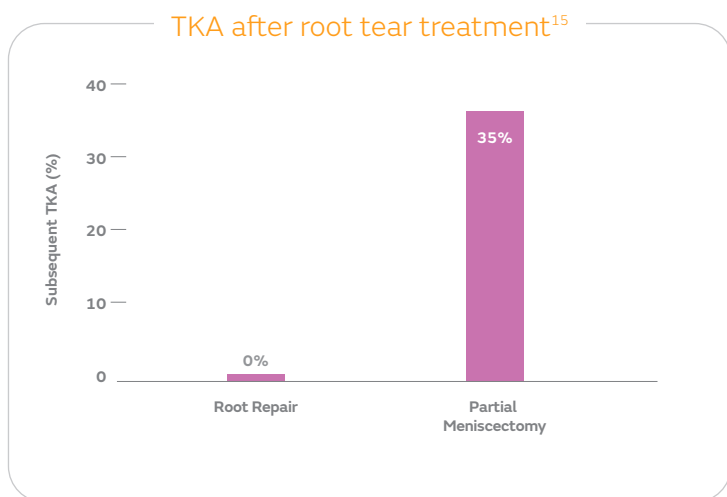
- Passing suture from bottom to top enables a meniscus-to-meniscus CCS placement with an all suture implant
- Needle remains inside the capsule to minimize risk to neurovascular structures
- Cartridges enable placement of complete stitches without removing the device from the joint



Root tears

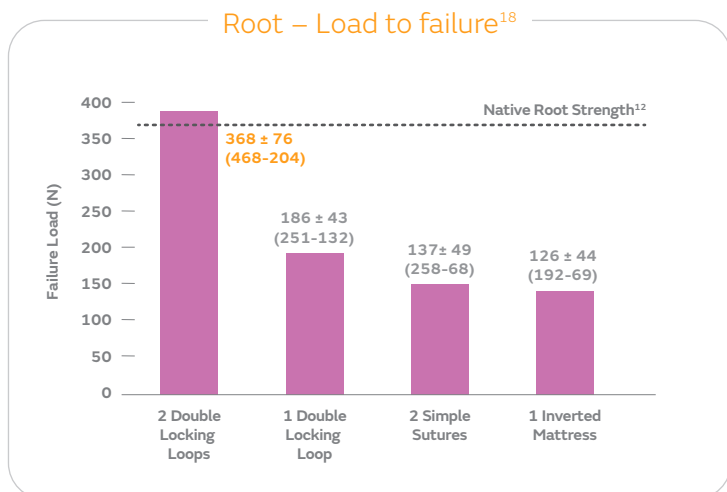
Meniscectomy for root tears increases osteoarthritis (OA)

- 35% of meniscectomy patients in root tear studies advanced to total knee arthroplasty (TKA) within 5 years¹⁵
- Meniscectomy to treat meniscal root avulsions leads to significant joint space narrowing within 5 years¹⁶



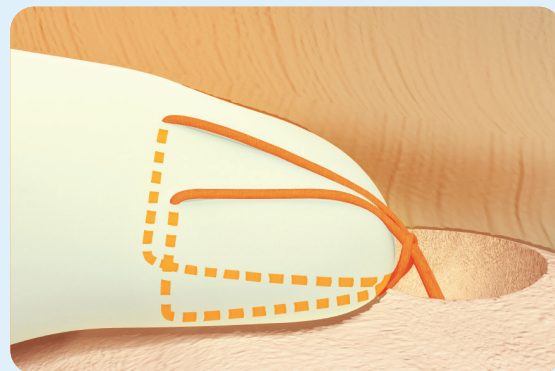
Stitch construct impacts root repair strength

- Most often root repairs fail due to suture pulling through tissue¹⁷
- One stitch with cross-fiber purchase and multiple points of fixation is stronger than two stitches without^{17,18}
- Placing stitches 5-7mm from the edge of the meniscus generates stitches that are 38-78% stronger¹⁹



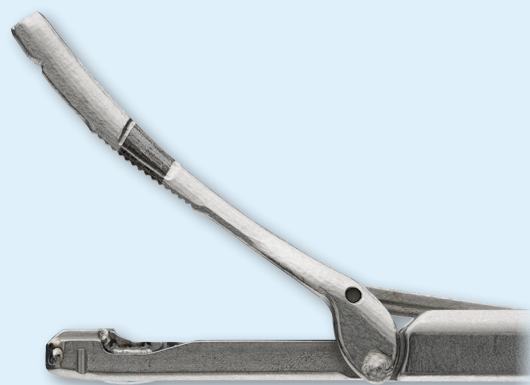
Note: Study data based on ex vivo analysis with cadaveric knees.

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Successful root repair is possible

- 0% of root repair patients advanced to TKA within 5 years, compared to 35% for meniscectomy¹⁵
- Root repair patients had greater function, less pain, and greater joint space compared to patients who received meniscectomy¹⁶



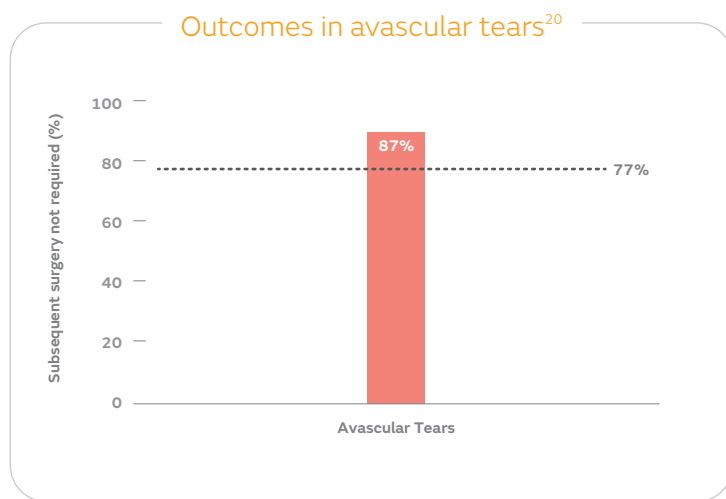
NOVOSTITCH PRO Meniscal Repair System enables strong root construct

- Cartridges with size 0 suture enable stitches with two points of fixation to create a double modified locking loop without removing the device from the joint
- Curved upper jaw and retractable lower jaw enhance maneuverability for root repair

Avascular tears

Successful avascular tear repair is possible

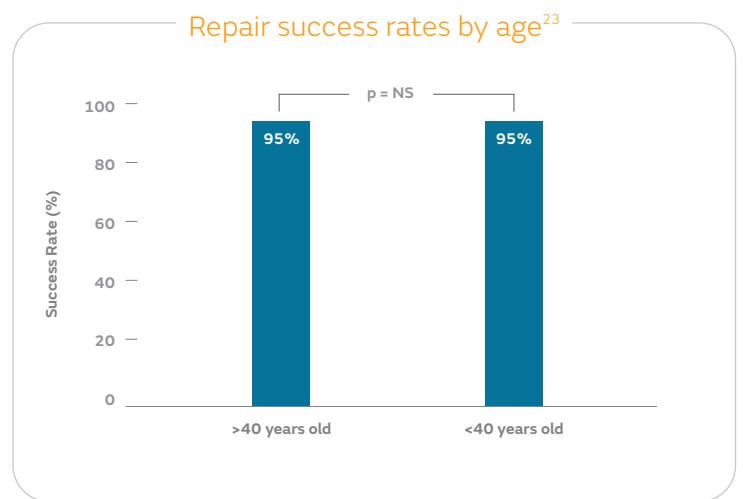
- 87% of repaired tears extending into avascular zone were asymptomatic upon follow-up²⁰
- Patients in the Noyes study were all 40+ years of age²⁰



Older patients

Age doesn't matter

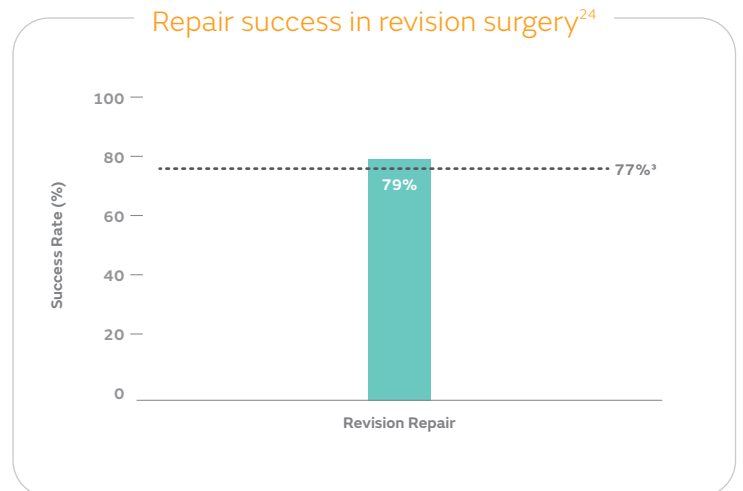
- Two systematic reviews found no difference in repair success between patients over and under 40 years of age^{21,22}
- Case review showed no difference in repair success in patients over and under 40 years of age²³
- Steadman also demonstrated a 94.7% success rate of repair in patients over 40²³



Revision repairs

Successful revision repair is possible

- 79% of revision meniscus repairs were pain-free at a mean of 6 years follow-up²⁴
- Failure of repair still resulted in more tissue preservation and less tissue removal during secondary meniscectomy procedures^{24,25}



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CTX-R001	NOVOSTITCH Cartridge (2-0)
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