

The foundation of the ISK

Lyon 1973







Columbus 1975-76



Columbus, Georgia 1975-76







New Orleans 1975





**During my stay in Columbus
we started the idea to build
the ISK and after few years of
diplomatic connexions and
various meetings we
organised the foundation
meeting in Roma 1977**

Callaway gardens 1976 preparing the ISK foundation









It was the time of the ACL season!







Roma 1977 the ISK foundation





















Lyon 1979
first Congress of the ISK









Ken De Haven and the meniscal suture

During this congress **Kurt Franke** described the use of a free patellar tendon graft (BTB). He published this technic and the results (130 patients) in 1976

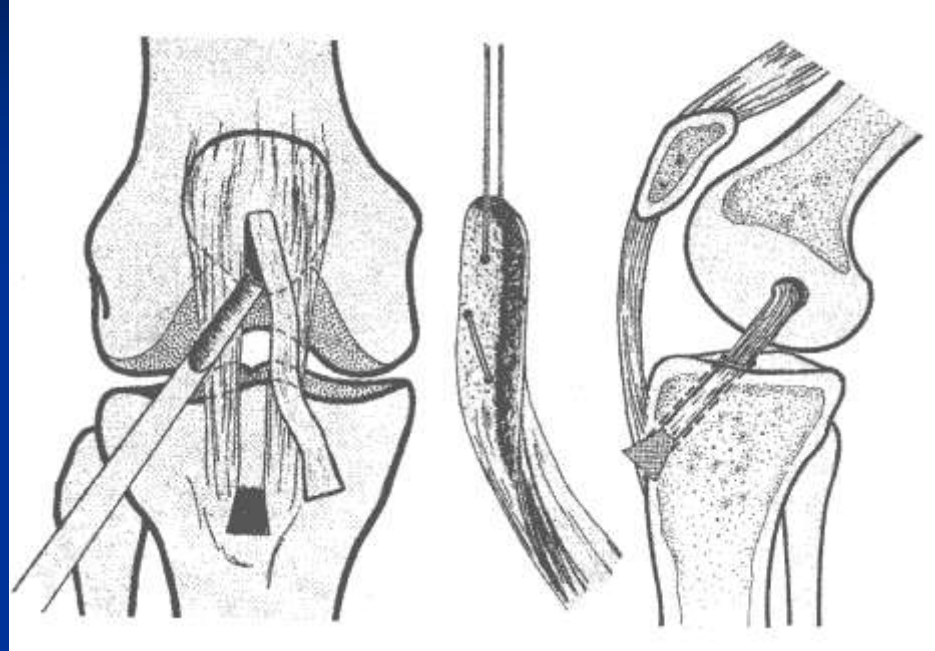


As an alternative technique Helmuth Brückner of Rostok recommended the use of a free central strip of bone-patellar tendon-bone graft (B-PT- B) taken from the contra-lateral knee in cases where the ipsi-lateral patellar tendon was compromised through pre- vious surgery.

In 1979 Kurt Franke of Berlin presented in Lyon his experience of 130 ACL reconstructions using a free graft of the central third of the patellar tendon as previously described by Brückner .

This was the first publication on clinical long-term results with a free bone-patellar-tendon-bone (B-PT-B) graft in a large patient cohort, providing good functional outcome in combination with a reliable and reproducible technique. Following Franke's publication, B-PT-B was to become one of the most popular graft sources and was further popularised through the work of Eriksson in Europe and Clancy in the United States

This technic was first described in 1969 by Brückner



**He used the mid third of the patellar tendon,
free graft with a press fit fixation in the tibia.**

The goal of this association:

- Protection of the graft during the ligamentization.
- Treatment of a potential antero lateral acute or chronic ligamentous lesions equivalent to a **Segond** fracture as described by **J Hughston**.

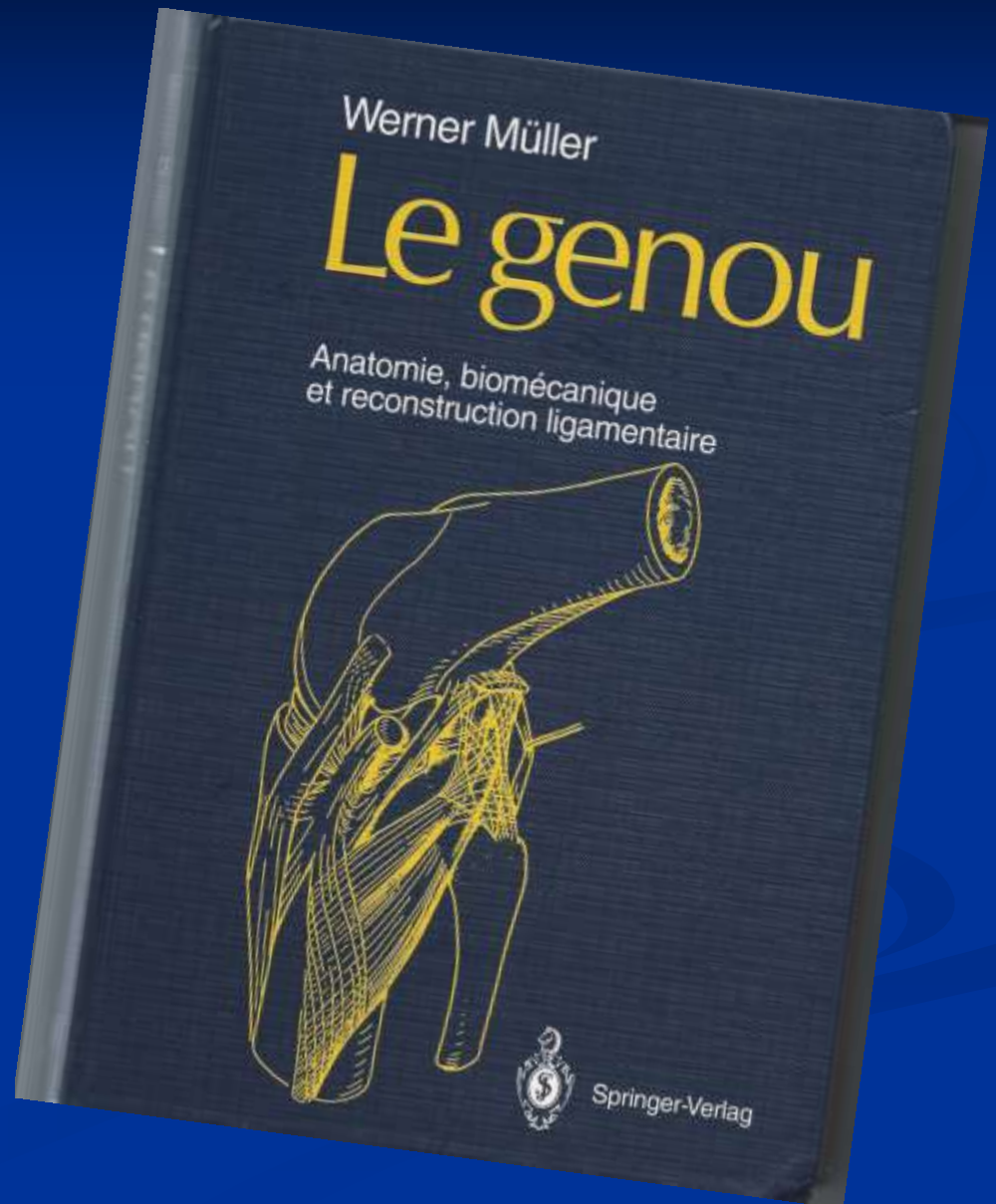


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German 1982

English 1984

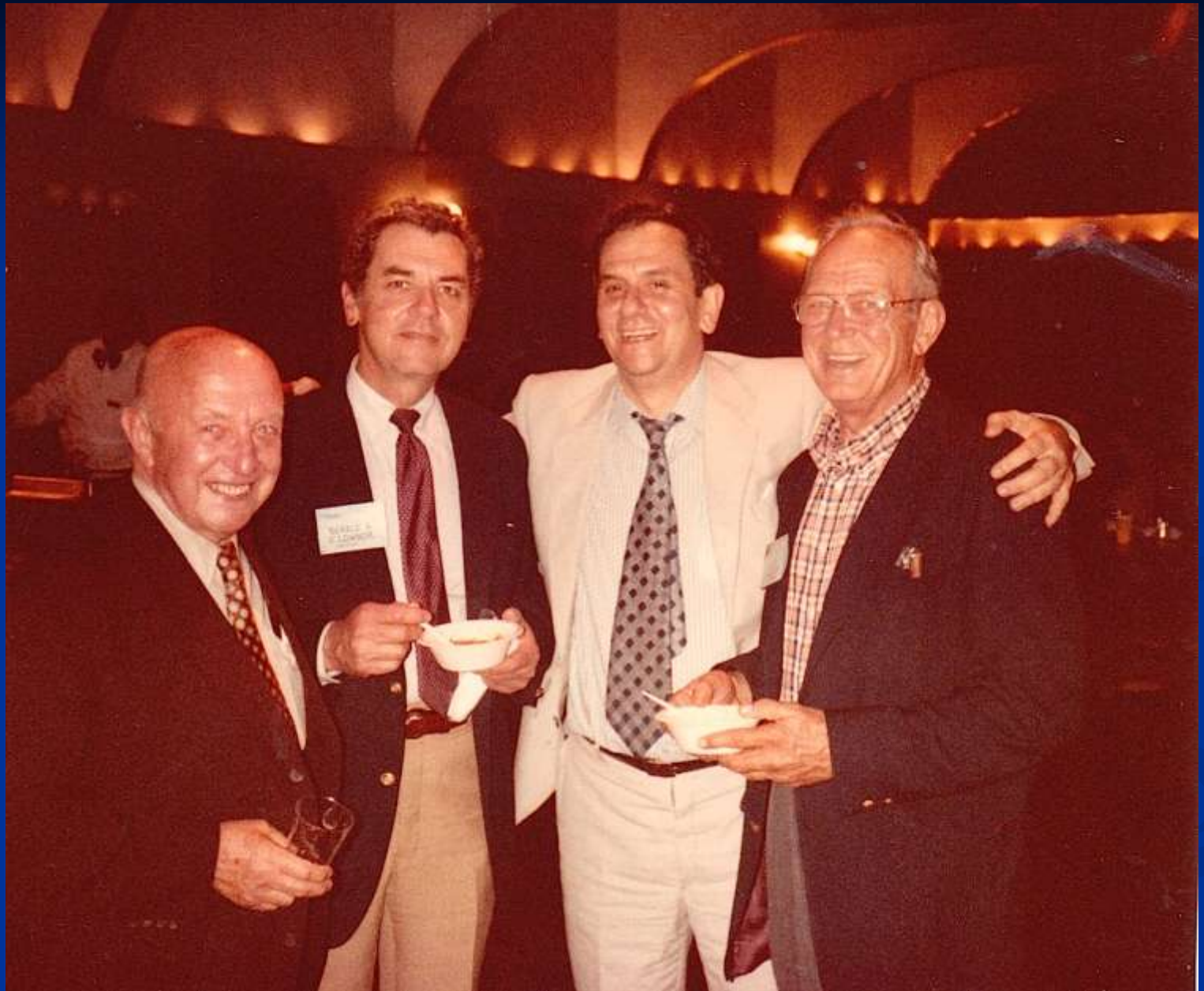
French 1994



New Orleans 1981









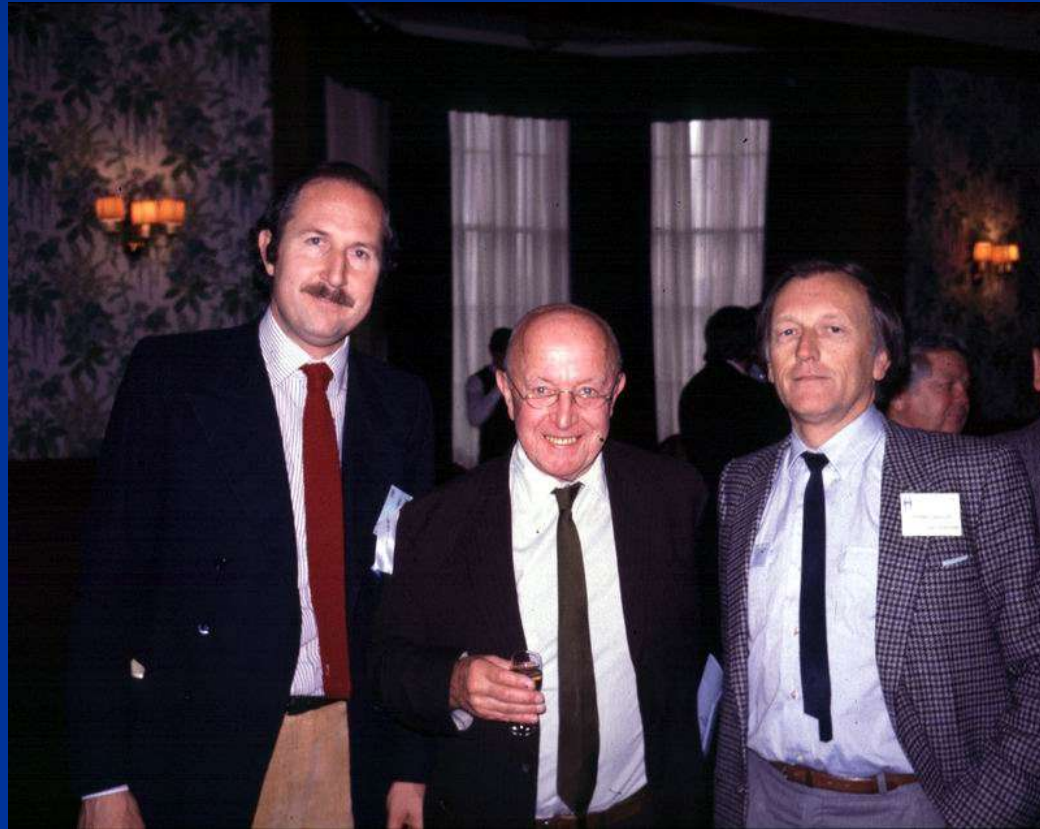


In the middle of 80's the most popular graft was the BPTB

“The gold standard”

- **With a classical two incisions technic (Out – In)**
- **Fixed by - a wire and an extra articular screw**
 - a press fit
 - an interference screw (AO screws **K Lambert Jackson Holes 1983**, specific screws **Kurosaka Kobe 1987**)
metallic then absorbable
- **Evaluation of the graft isometry to manage it's placement.**

1983 Glen Eagle



Since then is recent history....

The ESKA was founded
in Berlin in 1984
by W. Mueller, L. Trickey,
E. Eriksson, P. Hertel
and T. Van Rens