

# MEDIAL MENISCUS REPAIR ONLY PARTIALLY RESTORES IN-VIVO KNEE KINEMATICS

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# BACKGROUND

## **Kinematic Alterations After Anterior Cruciate Ligament Reconstruction via Transtibial Techniques With Medial Meniscal Repair Versus Partial Medial Meniscectomy**

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*Investigation performed at General Hospital of Southern Theater Command of PLA, Guangzhou, China*

*WANG et al, AJSM 2021*

ACL-R + MMR COMPARED TO ACL-R + PMM  
ACL-R + PMM → LARGER ADDUCTION AND EXTERNAL TIBIAL ROTATION AT 24 MONTHS FU DURING LEVEL WALKING

## **Anterior Cruciate Ligament Injuries Alter the Kinematics of Knees With or Without Meniscal Deficiency**

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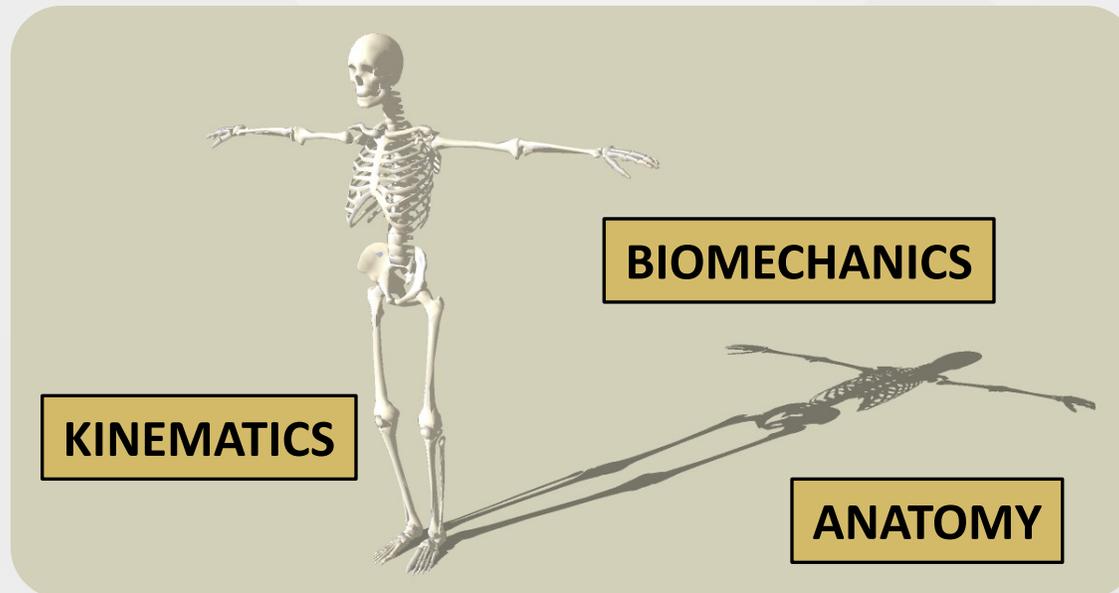
*ZHANG et al, AJSM 2016*

ACL LESION + MENISCAL INJURIES INCREASED A/P AND MEDIAL/LATERAL FEMORAL SHIFT  
COMPARED TO ISOLATED ACL



# PURPOSE

- TO COMPARE IN VIVO KNEE KINEMATICS OF ACL TEAR WITH COMBINED ACL AND MEDIAL MENISCUS TEARS;
- TO INVESTIGATE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ISOLATED ACL RECONSTRUCTION AND ACL RECONSTRUCTION PLUS MEDIAL MENISCUS REPAIR.



# METHODS

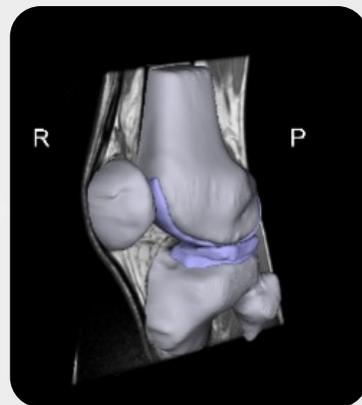
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10 ACLR + INTACT MENISCUS (IM group)

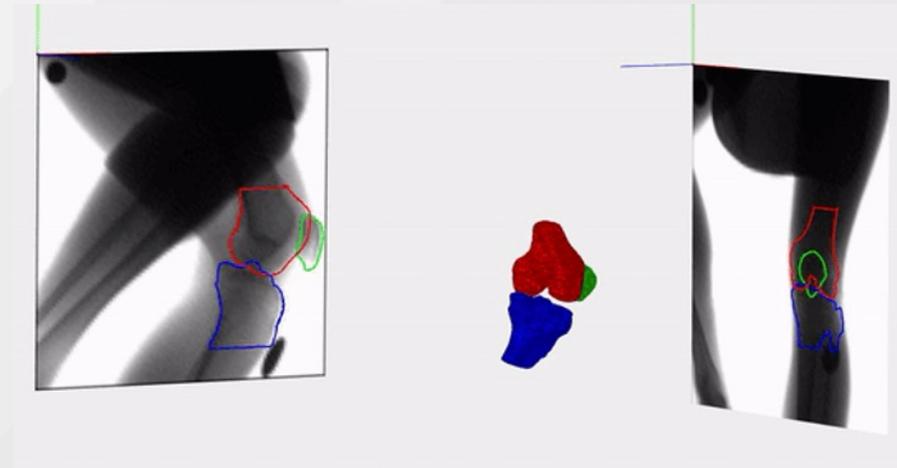
9 ACLR + MEDIAL MENISCUS ALL-INSIDE REPAIR (MR group)

**SINGLE-LEG SQUAT → PRE-OP AND 18 MONTHS AFTER ACL-R**

**MRI 3D BONE MODEL**



**DYNAMIC RSA**



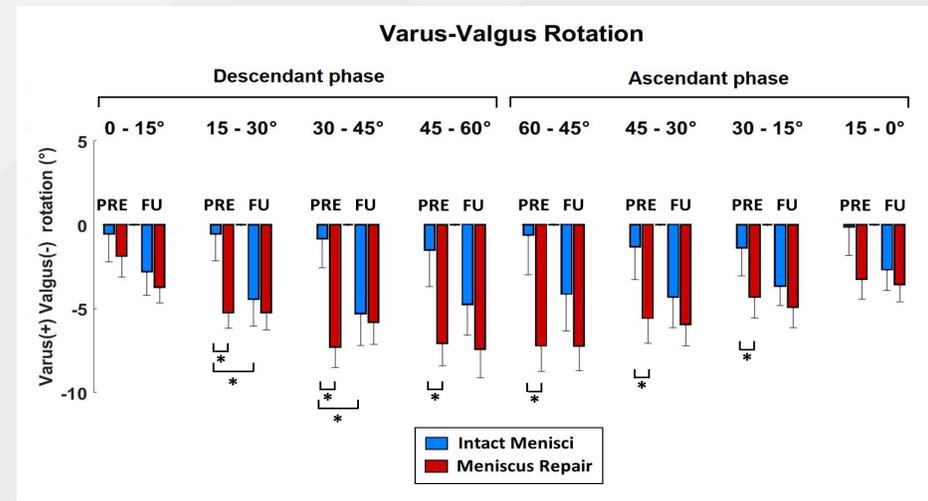
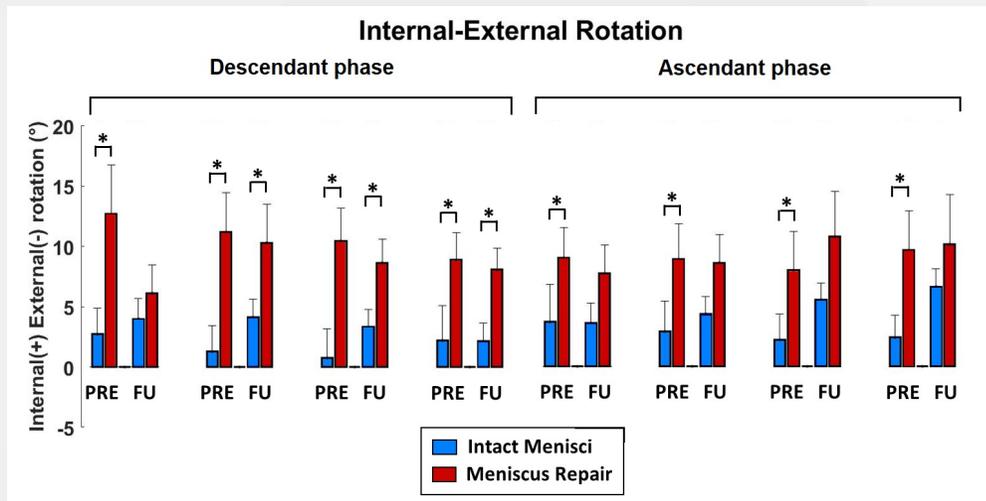
# RESULTS

## INTERNAL TIBIAL ROTATION:

- ↑ IN MR-GROUP BEFORE AND AFTER ACL-R

## KNEE VALGUS:

- ↑ IN MR-GROUP PRE-OP
- MR GROUP = IM GROUP AT THE 18 MONTHS FU



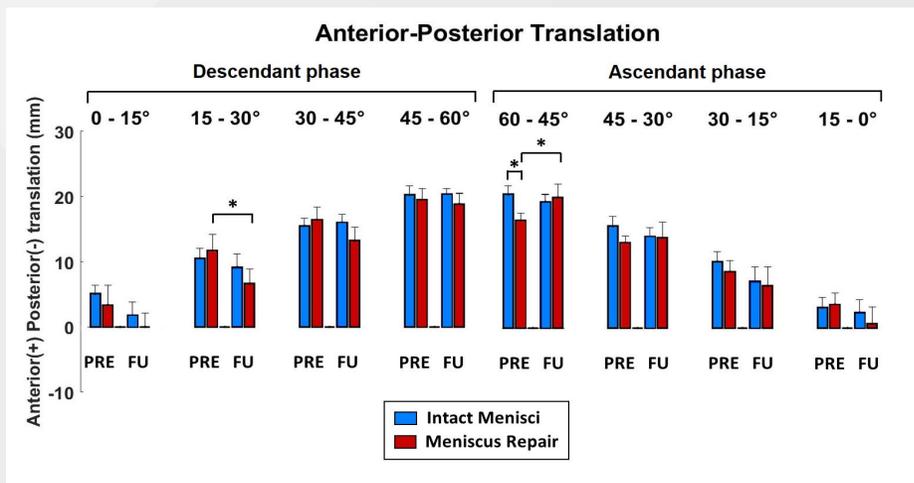
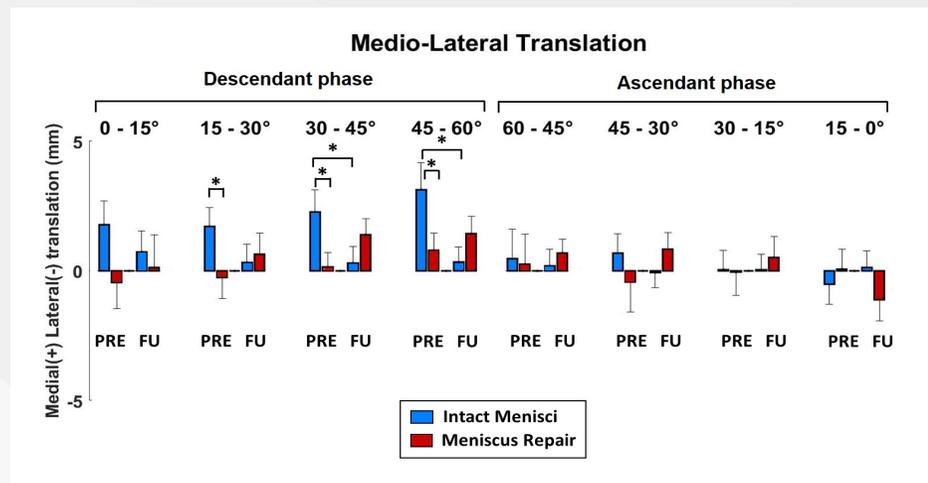
# RESULTS

## MEDIALIZATION OF THE PROXIMAL TIBIA:

- ↑ IN MR-GROUP BEFORE AND AFTER ACL- R
- PERSISTENT IN BOTH GROUPS FROM PRE-OP TO FINAL FU

## ANTERIOR TIBIAL TRANSLATION:

- IN MR-GROUP ↓ AT 15-30° OF FLEXION AND ↑ AT 60-45° COMPARED TO PRE-OP
- IN MR-GROUP ↓ AT 60-45° COMPARED TO THE IM-GROUP AT PRE-OP



# CONCLUSIONS

## IN ACL DEFICIENT KNEES:

**MEDIAL MENISCUS TEAR** → HIGHER VALGUS ROTATION, TIBIAL INTERNAL ROTATION, AND LATERAL TIBIAL TRANSLATION DURING SINGLE LEG SQUAT

## IN ACL RECONSTRUCTED KNEES:

**MEDIAL MENISCUS REPAIR** → HIGHER TIBIAL INTERNAL ROTATION DURING SINGLE LEG SQUAT



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Thank you!

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