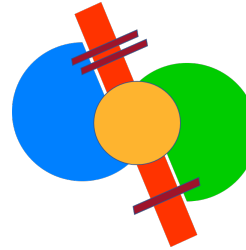




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Efficacy of Marrow-Stimulating Technique Through Nanofractures of the Greater Tuberosity in Arthroscopic Rotator Cuff Repair

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Background

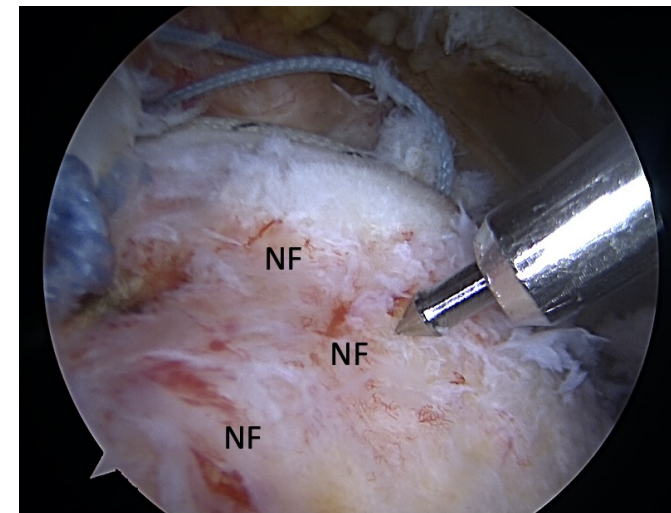
Bone marrow stimulation reduces re-tear rate after rotator cuff repair

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Microfractures

VS



Nanofractures:
Smaller & Deeper

Purpose

To evaluate the efficacy of the biological boost provided by
nanofractures of the greater tuberosity
on the healing of rotator cuff after arthroscopic repair

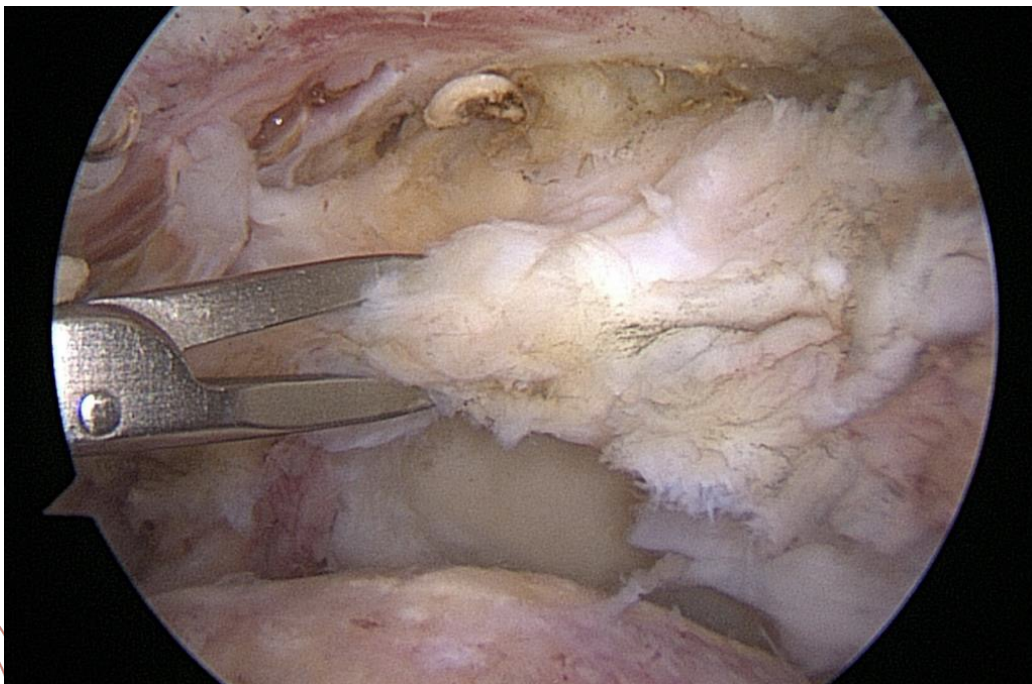
Methods

Study design: retrospective study

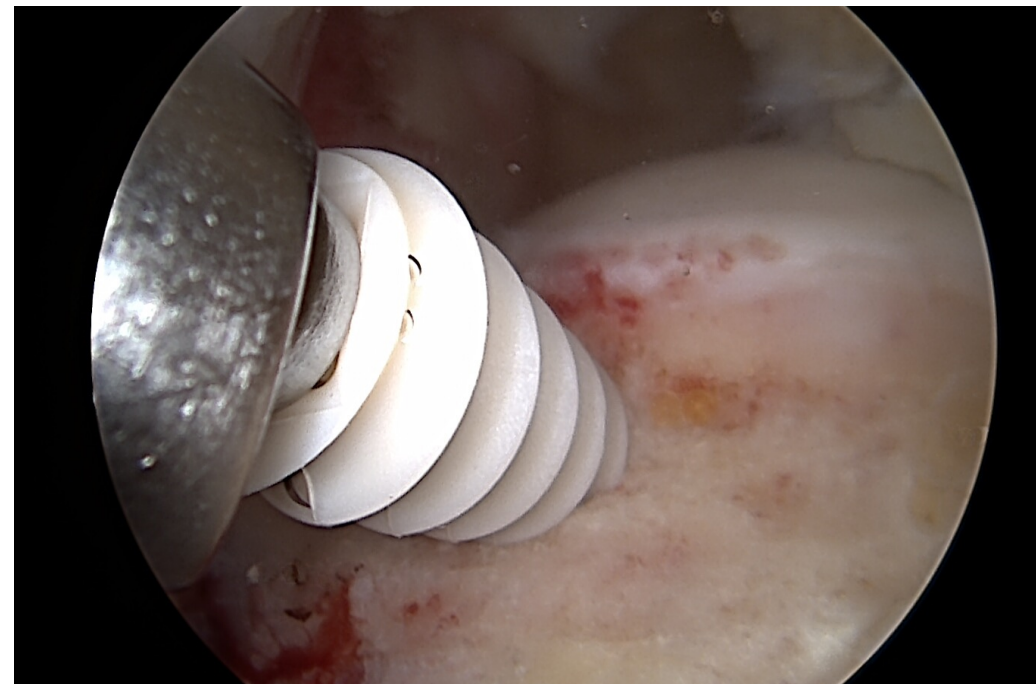
Participants

- Patients who underwent an arthroscopic repair of rotator cuff tears with nanofractures of the greater tuberosity
- Follow-up > 24 months

Surgical technique

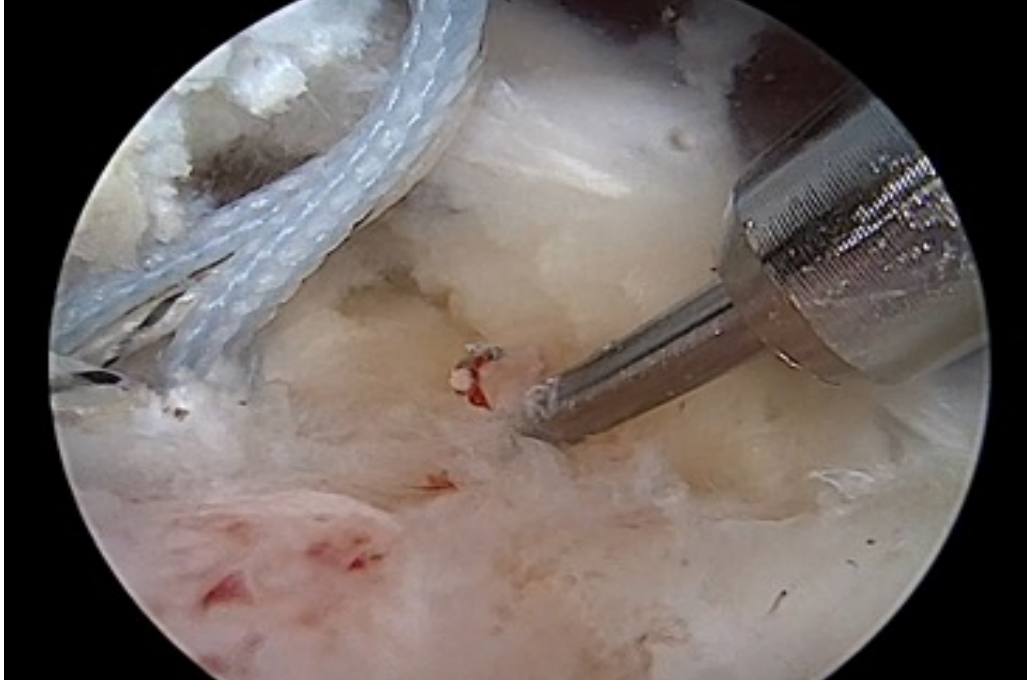


Tear size and mobility

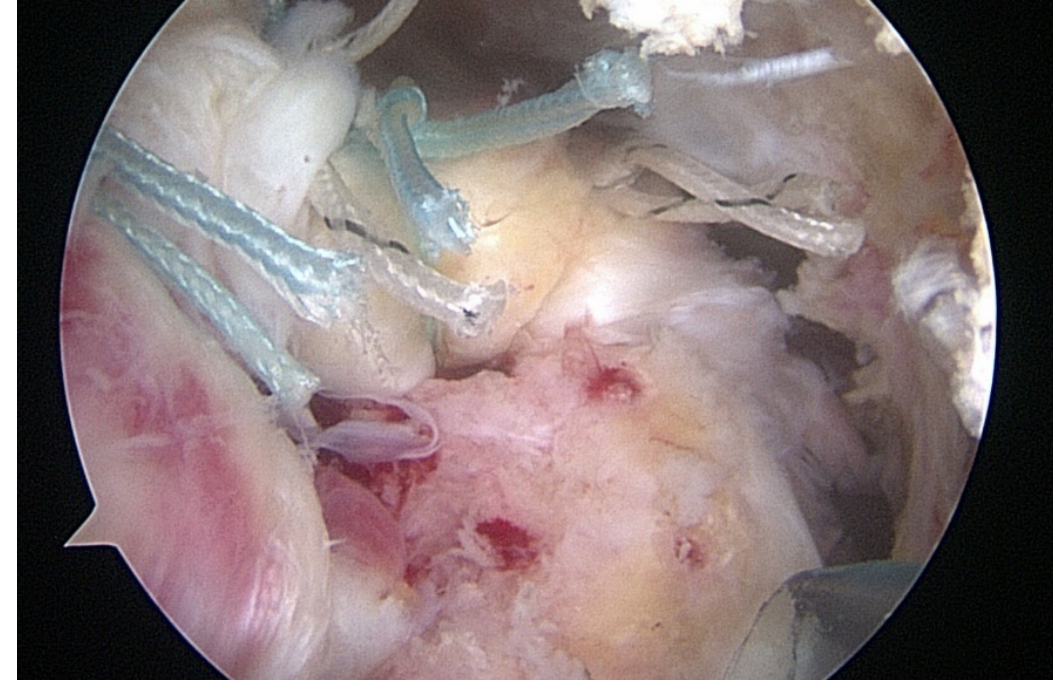


Rotator cuff repair
(No cortical abrasion)

Surgical technique



Bone marrow stimulation
with nanofractures



Final result

Methods

Outcome measures

- Primary: ASES score
- Secondary
 - Quick-DASH
 - WORC
 - Structural integrity (MRI) at 6 months
 - ✓ dichotomized Sugaya (I-II: healed; III-V: re-tear)

Results

- 29 patients
 - M:F= 20:9
 - Average age: 61± 6.9 y/o
- Average follow up
 - 31.5 ± 10.9 months

Baseline variables		N=29
Hand dominance	Yes N(%)	27(93.1%)
	No, N(%)	2 (6.9%)
Job description	Manual, N(%)	14(48.3%)
	Sedentary, N(%)	15 (51.7%)
Tear size	Medium, N(%)	5 (17.2%)
	Large, N(%)	10 (34.5%)
	Massive, N(%)	14 (48.3%)

Results

Comparison between pre- and postoperative functional scores

Outcome	Baseline	Follow-up	p
WORC	39 ± 17.6	94.1 ± 11.5	< 0.0001
Quick-DASH	51.3 ± 19.6	4.7 ± 10.3	< 0.0001
ASES score	50.5 ± 14.9	94 ± 14.5	< 0.0001

Results

Subgroup analysis for tear size

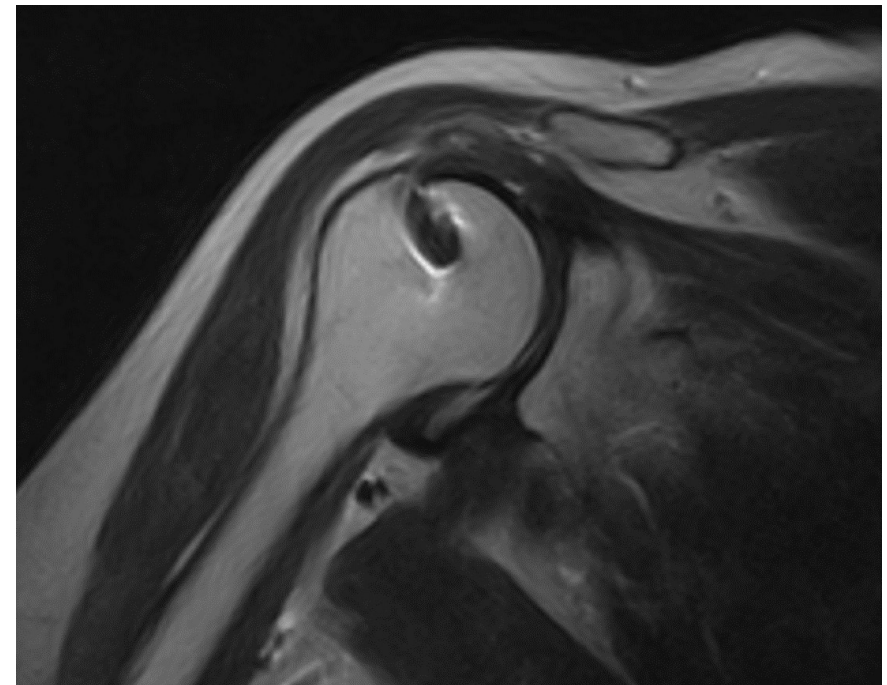
Variables		Size of the lesion			p
		Medium (N=5)	Large (N=10)	Massive (N=14)	
Quick-DASH	Mean \pm SD	4.1 \pm 6.9	6.4 \pm 14.8	3.7 \pm 7.5	0.828
WORC	Mean \pm SD	94.8 \pm 8.8	93.7 \pm 14.3	94.2 \pm 10.8	0.985
ASES	Mean \pm SD	95 \pm 9.4	92.8 \pm 18.1	94.4 \pm 14.2	0.956
Structural integrity	Healed, N (%)	5 (100%)	8 (80%)	12 (85.7%)	0.569
	Re-tear N (%)	0 (0%)	2 (20%)	2 (14.3%)	

Conclusions

Nanofractures of the greater tuberosity enhances functional and structural outcome after rotator cuff repair

LIMITATIONS:

- Retrospective study
- No control group



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