

# Primary versus Non-Primary Arthroscopic BMS for OLT: A 2-Year Prospective Follow-Up Study

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# Background

## Most frequent treatment for primary OLT

- + Good outcomes in 80%
- + Economical / technically feasible / less invasive
- Outcomes in Non-Primary OLT seems less favourable → clear evidence gap


### No superior treatment for primary osteochondral defects of the talus

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### Satisfactory long-term clinical outcomes after bone marrow stimulation of osteochondral lesions of the talus

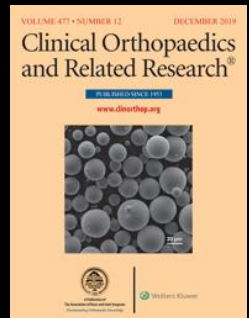
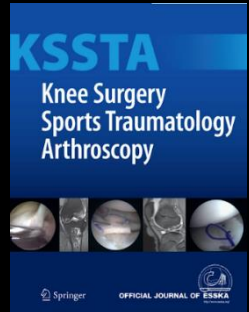
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# Background

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# Aims

## **Primary Aim**

to assess the PROMs of non-primary bone marrow stimulation (BMS) for osteochondral lesion of the talus (OLT) and to compare these with primary cases at 2-year follow-up.

## **Secondary Aim**

to assess the association of baseline factors with outcomes and the occurrence of the adverse events.

# Patient Characteristics

	Primary Group (n=25)	Non-Primary Group (n=19)
Male	10 (40%)	12 (63%)
Age	26 (19 – 37)	28 (24 – 34)
BMI	24 (22 – 25)	24 (21 – 27)
Trauma	82%	69%
Additional procedures	56%	53%
No. previous OLT surgeries		1 (1 – 2) mostly previous BMS

P > 0.05 for all

# Lesions Characteristics

## Morphology

Cystic

Crater

Fragment (non-fixable)

## Primary Group

9 (36%)

6 (24%)

10 (40%)

## Non-Primary Group

4 (21%)

12 (63%)

3 (16%)

**P = 0.03**

## Size

Area ( $mm^2$ )

Depth

77 (51 – 114)

6 (5 – 8)

78 (66 – 123)

5 (4 – 6)

**P > 0.05 for all**

# Primary Outcome

## Improvement

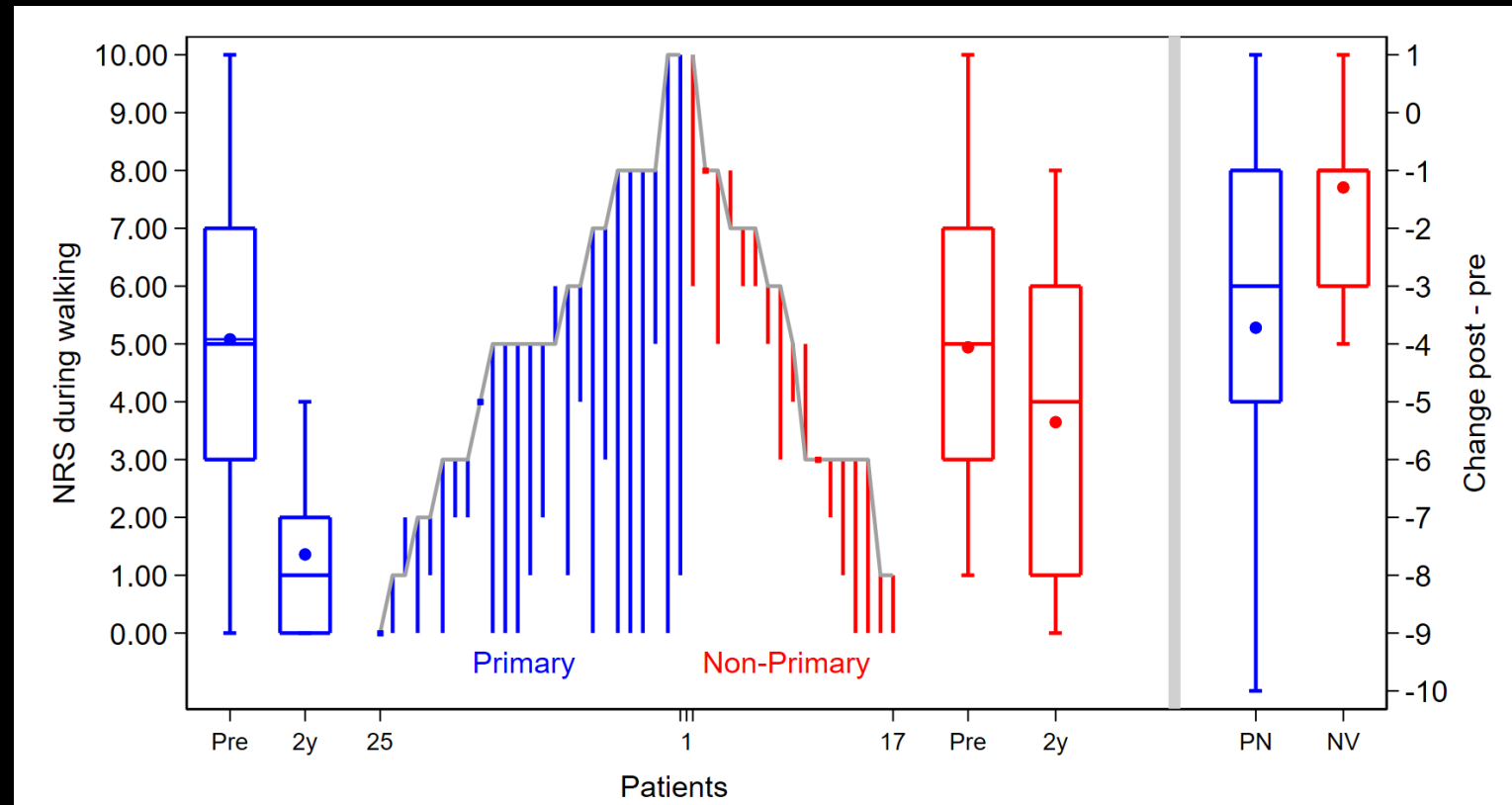
### Primary Group

3 (IQR: 1 – 5) points

### Non-Primary Group

1 (IQR: 1 – 3) points

P= 0.01



# Discussion

Findings support consensus that BMS for non-primary OLT results in a limited improvement in patient-reported outcomes

Previous literature quality: poor

Baseline factors:

Literature: lesion size

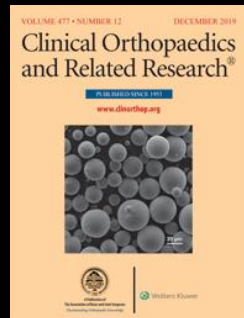
This study: none identified

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# Take To Work

Non-primary BMS yields a significant improvement in PROMs compared to baseline, but an inferior improvement compared to primary BMS at 2-years follow-up

The indication can be embedded in shared-decision making, but patient expectation management is crucial

# Thank You!

