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Title: Anterior Capsular Reconstruction with Human Dermal Allograft for Irreparable Subscapularis Tears

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Introduction

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- 1.1. Rotator cuff tears are degenerative conditions affecting the rotator cuff tendons, which play a key role in shoulder movement. It has been reported that more than half of patients over the age of 60 have rotator cuff-related pathologies. This study introduces the surgical technique and shares clinical outcomes of anterior capsular reconstruction for irreparable subscapularis tears.

1.1.1. *B-roll: 2.1.2*

What are the most recent developments in this field of research?

- 1.2. A number of innovative techniques, including superior capsular reconstruction and tendon transfers, have recently been introduced to address the surgical techniques on irreparable rotator cuff tears.

1.2.1. *B-roll: 2.4.1*

What are the current challenges in the field?

- 1.3. While various surgical techniques have been introduced for irreparable posterosuperior tears, there are still relatively few reported options for irreparable subscapularis tears.

1.3.1. *B-roll: 2.5.1*

What advantage does this protocol offer compared to other techniques?

- 1.4. Tendon transfer techniques for irreparable subscapularis tears do not offer an anatomical reconstruction. Hence, this study aims to present anterior capsular reconstruction, a technique that restores native shoulder stability in an anatomic manner.

1.4.1. *B-roll: 2.6.1*

What research questions will the group focus on in the future?

- 1.5. Future study aims to reinforce both static and dynamic stability by performing anatomical anterior capsular reconstruction in conjunction with tendon transfer for irreparable subscapularis tear.

1.5.1. *B-roll: 3.1.1*

Ethics Title Card

This research has been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee at the Myong-ji Hospital

Protocol

2. Anterior Capsular Reconstruction with Human Dermal Allograft

Demonstrator: Yong Girl Rhee

- 2.1. To begin, position the patient in a beach-chair configuration and use electro-surgical pencils to incise the clavicopectoral fascia and expose the anterior joint capsule [1-TXT].
 - 2.1.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 02:19 – 02:29. **TXT: Administer general anesthesia**
- 2.2. Use retractors to maintain a clear surgical field and minimize trauma to surrounding structures [1]. Then, with a curette, create a bleeding bone surface on the humeral lesser tuberosity to enhance allograft integration [2].
 - 2.2.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 02:57 – 03:40
 - 2.2.2. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 03:49 – 04:00.
- 2.3. Insert a Fukuda retractor to improve the visibility of the glenoid [1].
 - 2.3.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 04:15 – 04:22
- 2.4. Place two suture anchors at the prepared glenoid site for stable graft fixation [1] and then place two additional suture anchors into the humeral lesser tuberosity to secure the graft [2].
 - 2.4.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 05:05 – 05:14, 05:30 – 05:32, 05:34 – 05:38.
 - 2.4.2. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 06:39 – 07:00.
- 2.5. Next, thread sutures from the glenoid anchors through the graft [1] and secure it to the anterior glenoid with firm knotting [2].
 - 2.5.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 07:11 – 07:37.
 - 2.5.2. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 08:01 – 08:28.
- 2.6. Then, use sutures from the humeral lesser tuberosity anchors to pass through the graft [1]. Secure the graft to the humeral side using a double-row suture bridge technique [2].
 - 2.6.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 08:57 – 09:10, 09:36 – 09:43.
 - 2.6.2. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 11:14 – 11:35.
- 2.7. Finally, close the rotator interval and inferior capsule using adjacent tissue sutures to restore the native soft tissue envelope [1].
 - 2.7.1. LAB MEDIA: open ACR.mp4 12:09 – 12:17, 12:47-13:00.

Results

3. Representative Results

- 3.1. Significant improvements were observed in clinical outcomes, with the visual analog scale score decreasing from around 6.6 to 1.6 [1] and the UCLA shoulder score increasing from around 12.4 to 29 [2].
 - 3.1.1. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight the “VAS score” row.*
 - 3.1.2. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight “UCLA score” row.*
- 3.2. Range of motion improved notably, with forward flexion, abduction, and internal rotation at the side increasing by 28.6, 32.5 and 11.8 degrees, respectively [1], while external rotation at the side decreased [2].
 - 3.2.1. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight rows “forward flexion, abduction, and internal rotation”.*
 - 3.2.2. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight the row “external rotation”.*
- 3.3. Successful graft healing occurred in 16 out of 18 patients [1].
 - 3.3.1. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight the row “Graft Healing Rate”.*
- 3.4. Radiological outcomes showed improvements in coracohumeral distance from 3 to 6 millimeters [1] and an increase in the acromiohumeral interval from 8.1 to 8.8 millimeters [2].
 - 3.4.1. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight the row “coracohumeral distance”*
 - 3.4.2. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight the row “acromiohumeral interval”.*
- 3.5. No complications such as stiffness, infections, or neurovascular injuries were observed [1], but the positive belly press sign remained in 16 out of 18 patients postoperatively [2].
 - 3.5.1. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight “complications” row.*
 - 3.5.2. LAB MEDIA: Table 1. *Video editor: Highlight the “belly press sign” row.*

Pronunciation Guide

1. Rotator Cuff

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/rotator%20cuff>

IPA: /'roʊˌteɪtər ˌkʌf/

Phonetic Spelling: roh-tay-ter kuf

2. Subscapularis

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/medical/subscapularis>

IPA: /ˌsʌbˌskæp.jəˈleər.ɪs/

Phonetic Spelling: sub-skap-yuh-lair-iss

3. Capsular

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/capsular>

IPA: /ˈkæp.sjə.lə/

Phonetic Spelling: kap-syuh-lur

4. Tendon

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/tendon>

IPA: /ˈtɛn.dən/

Phonetic Spelling: ten-duhn

5. Glenoid

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/medical/glenoid>

IPA: /ˈglɛn.ɔɪd/

Phonetic Spelling: glen-oyd

6. Tuberosity

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/tuberosity>

IPA: /tu:bə'ra:səti/

Phonetic Spelling: too-buh-rah-suh-tee

7. Fukuda

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.howtopronounce.com/fukuda>

IPA: /fu:'ku:də/

Phonetic Spelling: foo-koo-duh

8. Allograft

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/medical/allograft>

IPA: /'æ.ləˌgræft/

Phonetic Spelling: al-uh-graft

9. Dermal

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/dermal>

IPA: /'dɜ:.mə/

Phonetic Spelling: dur-muhl

10. Electrosurgical

Pronunciation link:

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IPA: /ɪˌlek.troʊ'sɜ:.dʒɪ.kəl/

Phonetic Spelling: ih-lek-troh-sur-jih-kuhl

11. Curette

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/curette>

IPA: /kju'ret/

Phonetic Spelling: kyoo-ret

12. Suture

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/suture>

IPA: /'su:.tʃə/

Phonetic Spelling: soo-chur

13. Interval

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/interval>

IPA: /'in.tə.vəl/

Phonetic Spelling: in-ter-vuhl

14. Acromiohumeral

Pronunciation link:

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IPA: /ə,kroʊ.mi.oo'hju:.mə.əl/

Phonetic Spelling: uh-kroh-mee-oh-hyoo-muh-ruhl

15. Coracohumeral

Pronunciation link:

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IPA: /,kɔ:.rə.koʊ'hju:.mə.əl/

Phonetic Spelling: kohr-uh-koh-hyoo-muh-ruhl

16. Neurovascular

Pronunciation link:

<https://www.howtopronounce.com/neurovascular>

IPA: /ˌnʊr.ouˈvæs.kjə.lə/

Phonetic Spelling: nur-oh-vas-kyuh-lur

17. Belly Press Sign

Pronunciation link (for individual words):

- Belly: <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/belly>
- Press: <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/press>
- Sign: <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/sign>

IPA: /'bɛ.li prɛs saɪn/

Phonetic Spelling: beh-lee press sine