

# Scientific Principles of Rotator Cuff Repair: Biology?



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# TOP TEAM



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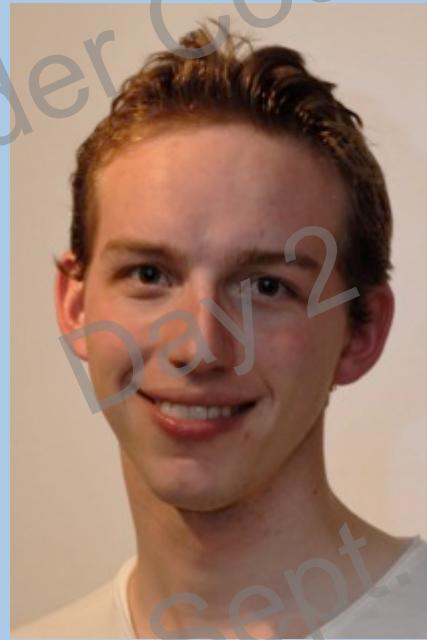
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## TOP TEAM: TOP COLLABORATORS



**B. Moor**



**M. Kuenzler**



**M. Schaer**

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## BIOLOGIC FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE...

- ..the origin of a tear



- ...the healing rate after repair

# FACTORS

**Extrinsic**

**Intrinsic**

**to the muscotendinous chain**

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# BIOLOGIC FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE...

- Age of the patient



Yamaguchi K, JBJS A: 2006  
Galatz L, JBJS A: 2006  
Boileau P, JBJS A: 2005  
Lichtenberg S, KSSTA, 2006

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- Smoking

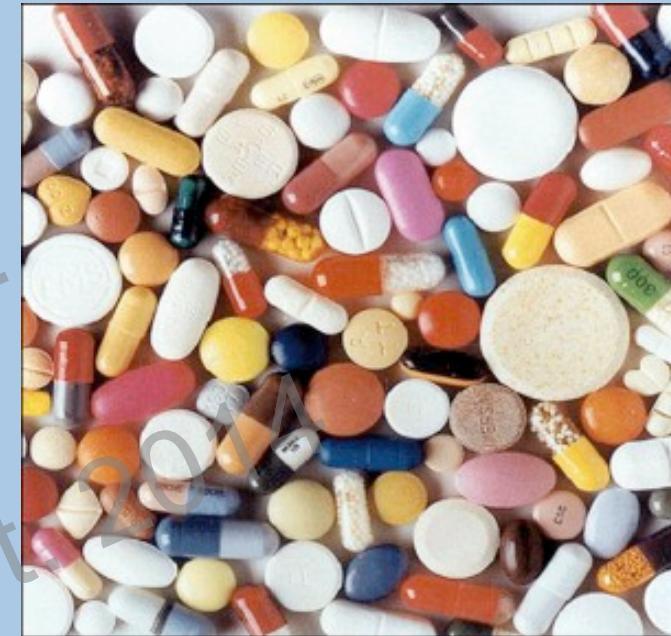


Mallon WJ, JSES A: 2004

## BIOLOGIC FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE...

- Age of the patient
- Smoking
- NSAID

**NSAID decreases  
the ultimate load  
to failure**



Cohen DB, AJSM: 2006

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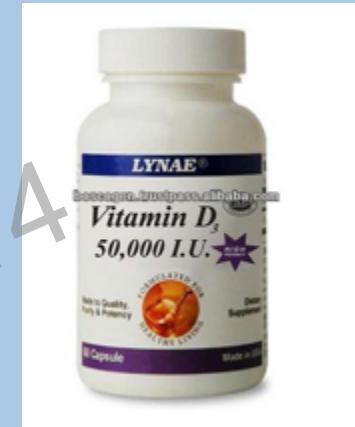
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Bedi A et al. JSES, 2010

Abboud et al., Clin Orthop Rel Research, 2010

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Angeline ME et al. AJSM, 2014

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Fox AJ, Schaer M et al. AJSM, 2014

# FACTORS THAT INFLUENCE THE HEALING RATE

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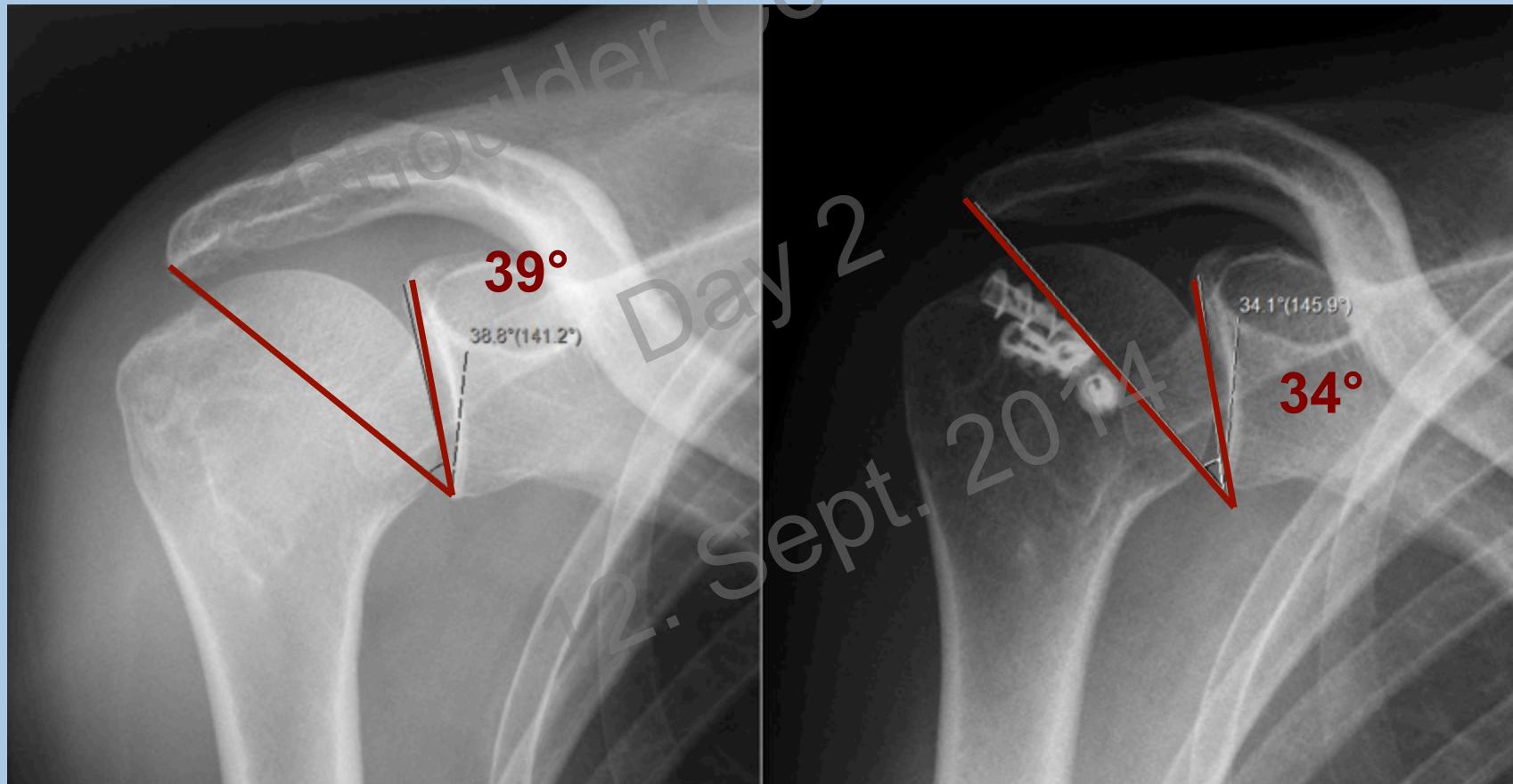


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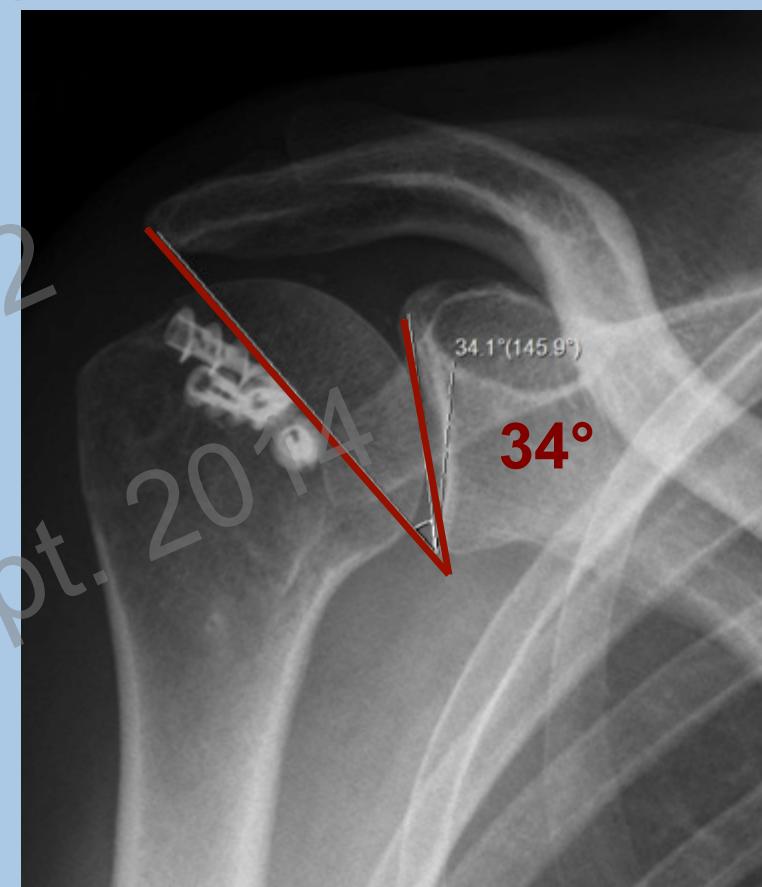
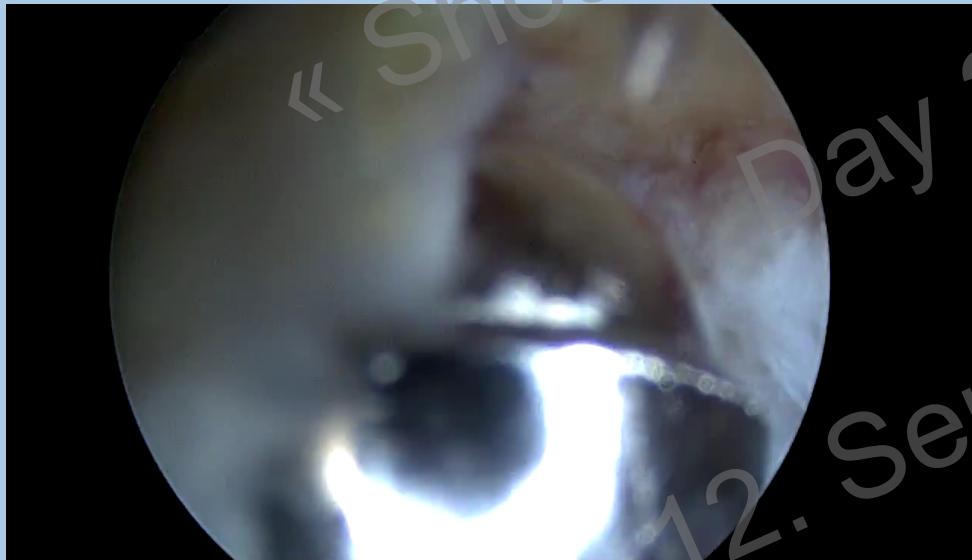


Moor BKM et al. BJJ, 2013

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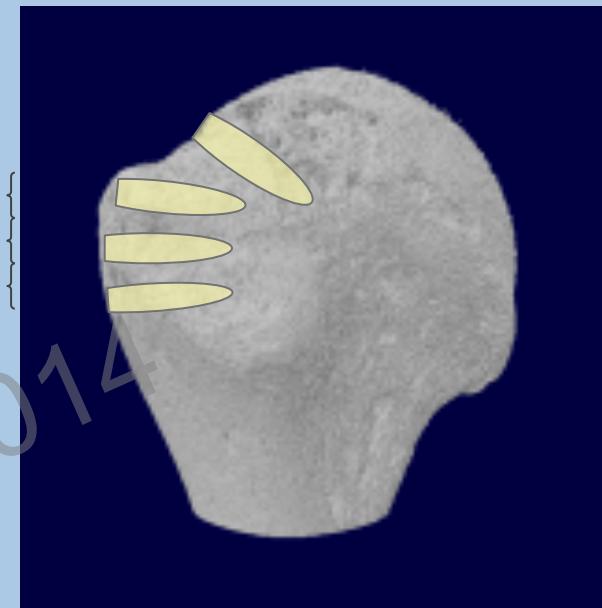


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# BONE QUALITY IN TEARS VS INTACT CUFFS IN MICRO CT

1. Bone volume
  - BV
  - BV/TV
2. Bone Surface Properties
  - Surface (=BS)
  - Turnover (=BS/BV)
  - Mech Properties (=BV/TV)
3. Trabecular structures
  - Lattices (=TbPf)
  - Rods & plates in 3D (SMI)
  - Trab. thickness (=TbTh)
  - Trab. number (=TbN)

5 mm  
10 mm  
15 mm



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Meyer DC et al. JSES, 2004

# BEST BONE QUALITY ?

MICRO CT



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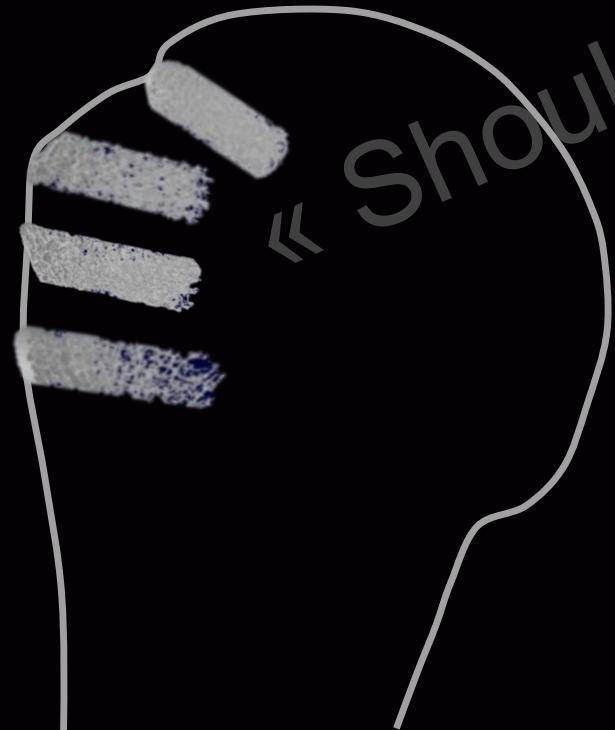
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Intact cuff



Torn cuff

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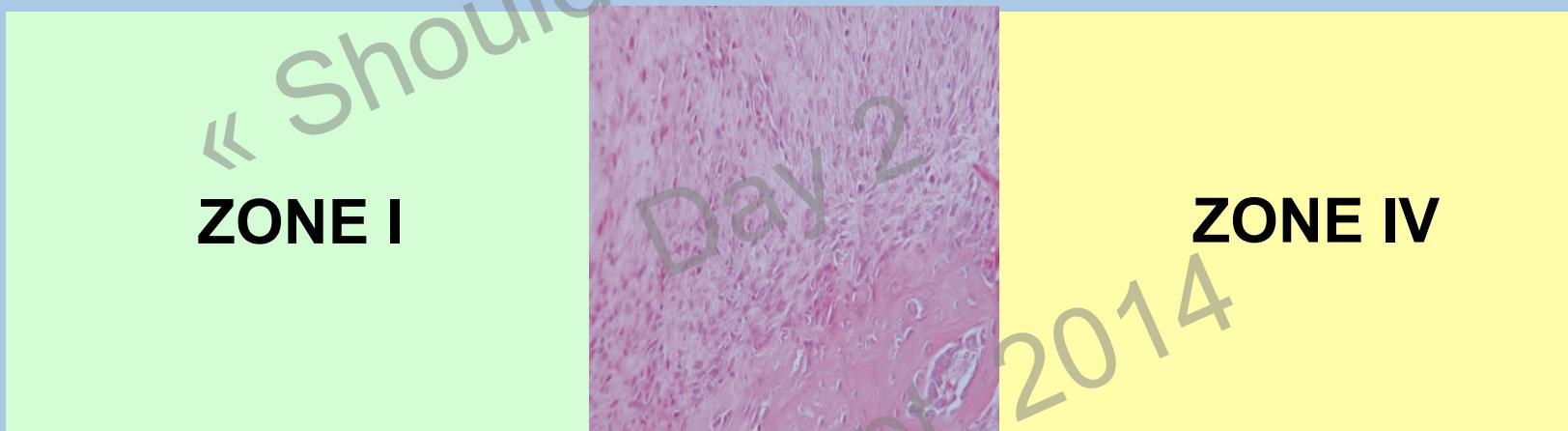


# PROPERTIES NATURAL INSERTION

TENDON

FIBROCARTILAGE

BONE



↑ Woo SL. CORR: 1999

Galatz LM, J Orthop Res: 2006

Thomopoulos S, J Orthop Res: 2002

# BIOLOGIC AUGMENTATION OPTIONS TODAY

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  - „stem“-progenitor-cells
- **REGULATORS**
  - Cytokines, growth factors
  - Pharmacological products

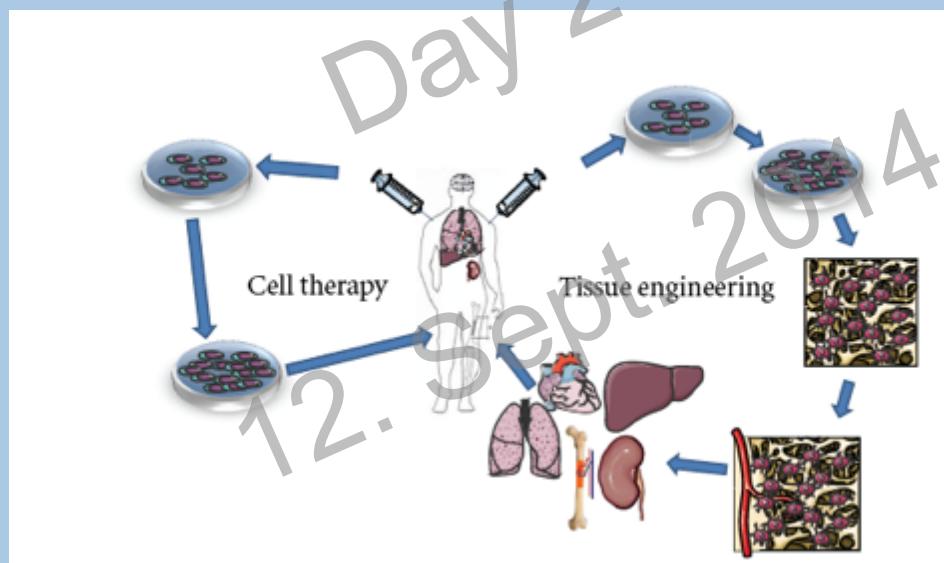
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## Cell therapy

Cells were injected into tissue

## Cell tissue engineering

Cells seeded on an matrix and differentiated through signal



Schmitt A, Stem Cell Int: 2012

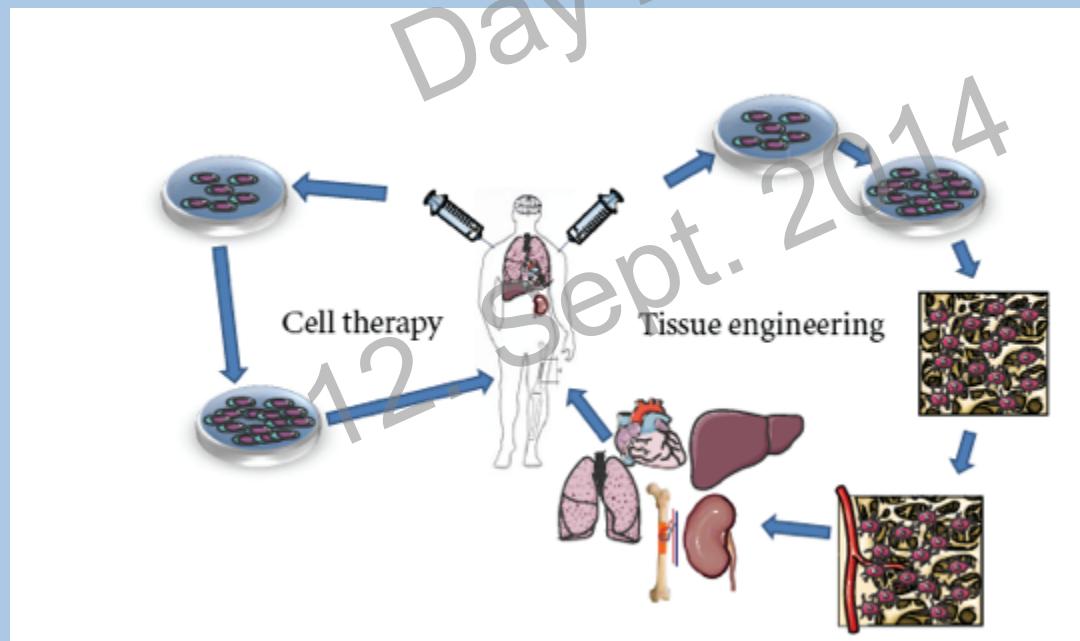
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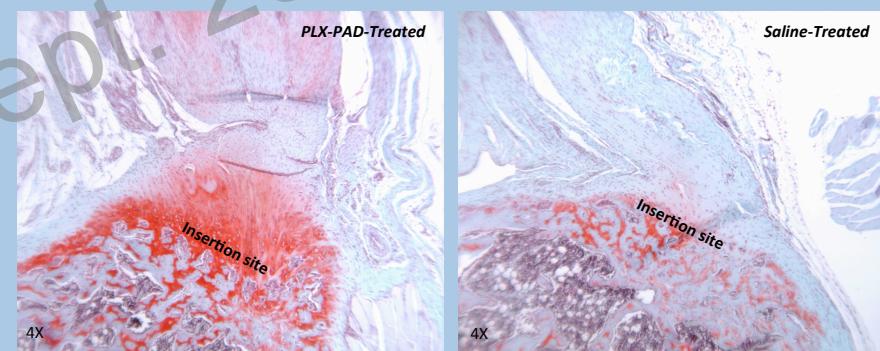
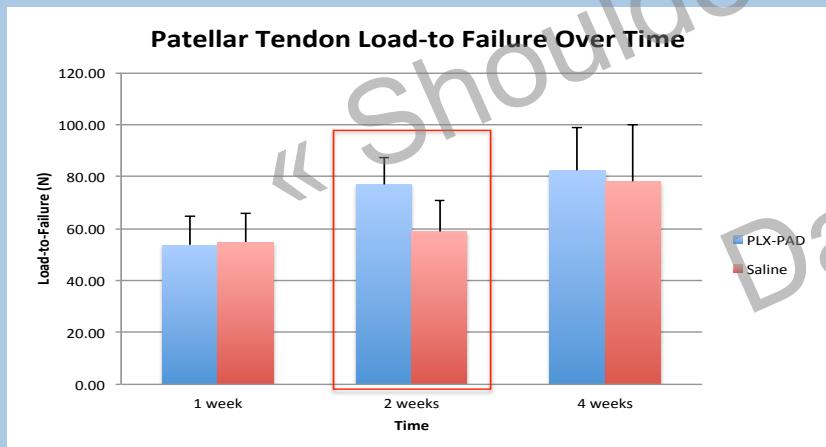
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# „YOUNG“ ADULT MSC THERAPY

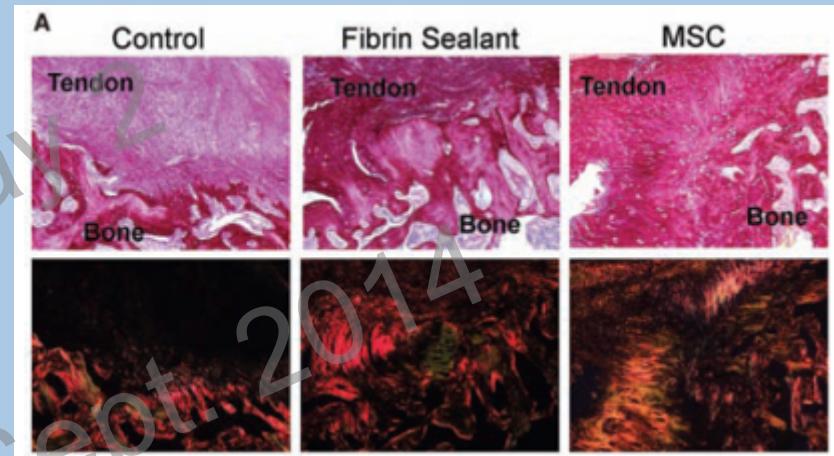
## • Placenta Derived Stem Cell Therapy



Ma, Schaer, Rodeo; unpublished data

# „OLDER“ ADULT MSC THERAPY IN THE ROTATOR CUFF TENDON INSERTION

... did not improve the structure, composition, or strength of the healing tendon attachment site in rats



CAVE acute tear!

Gulotta LV, AJSM: 2009

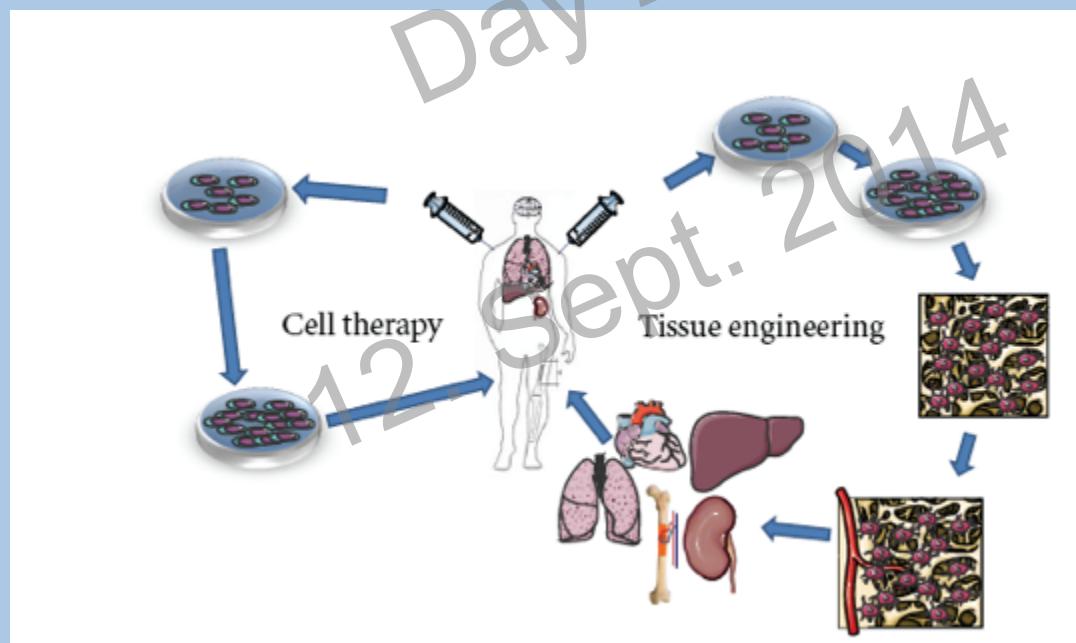
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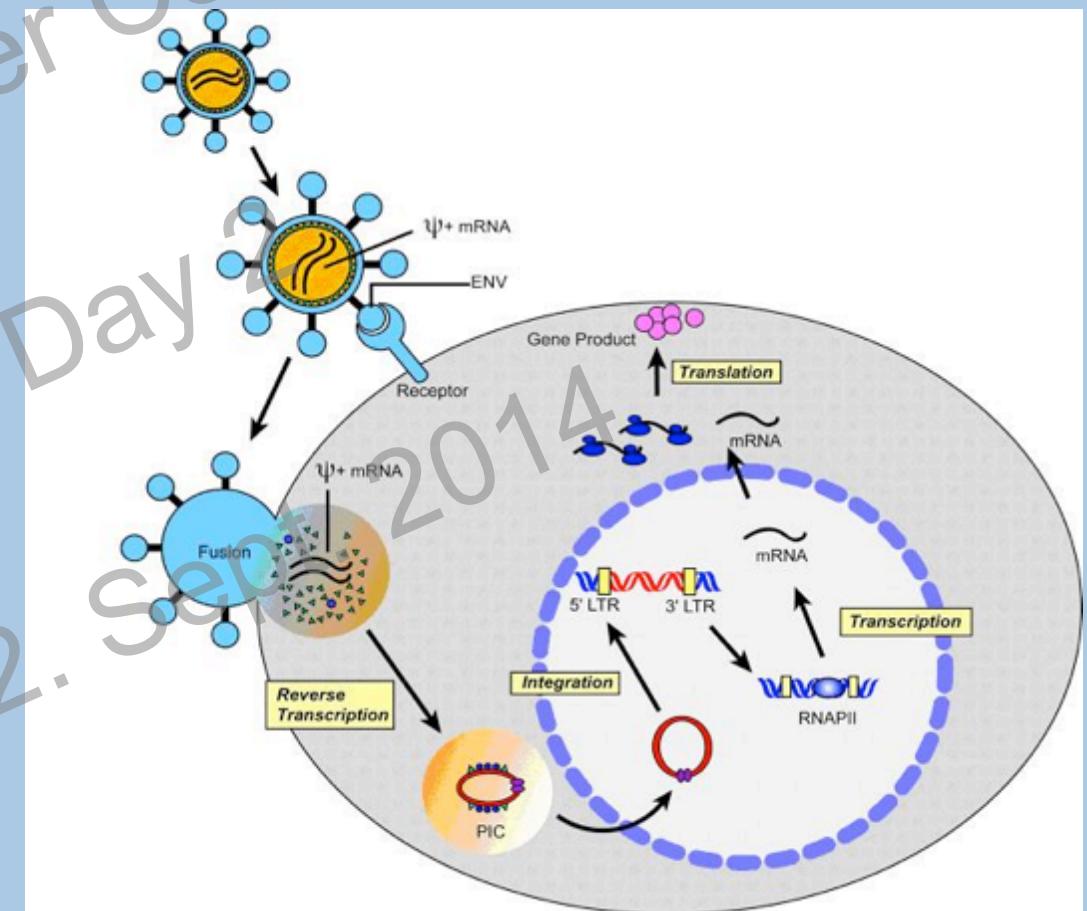
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# MSC TISSUE ENGINEERING

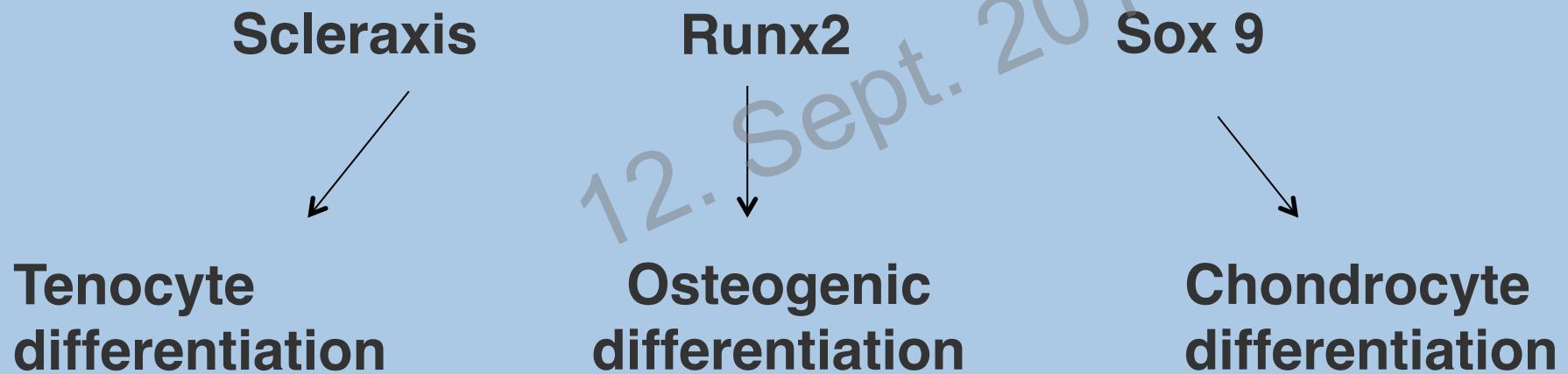
## TRANSFECTION OF STEM CELLS

MSC  
Virus  
↓  
overexpression of  
proteins

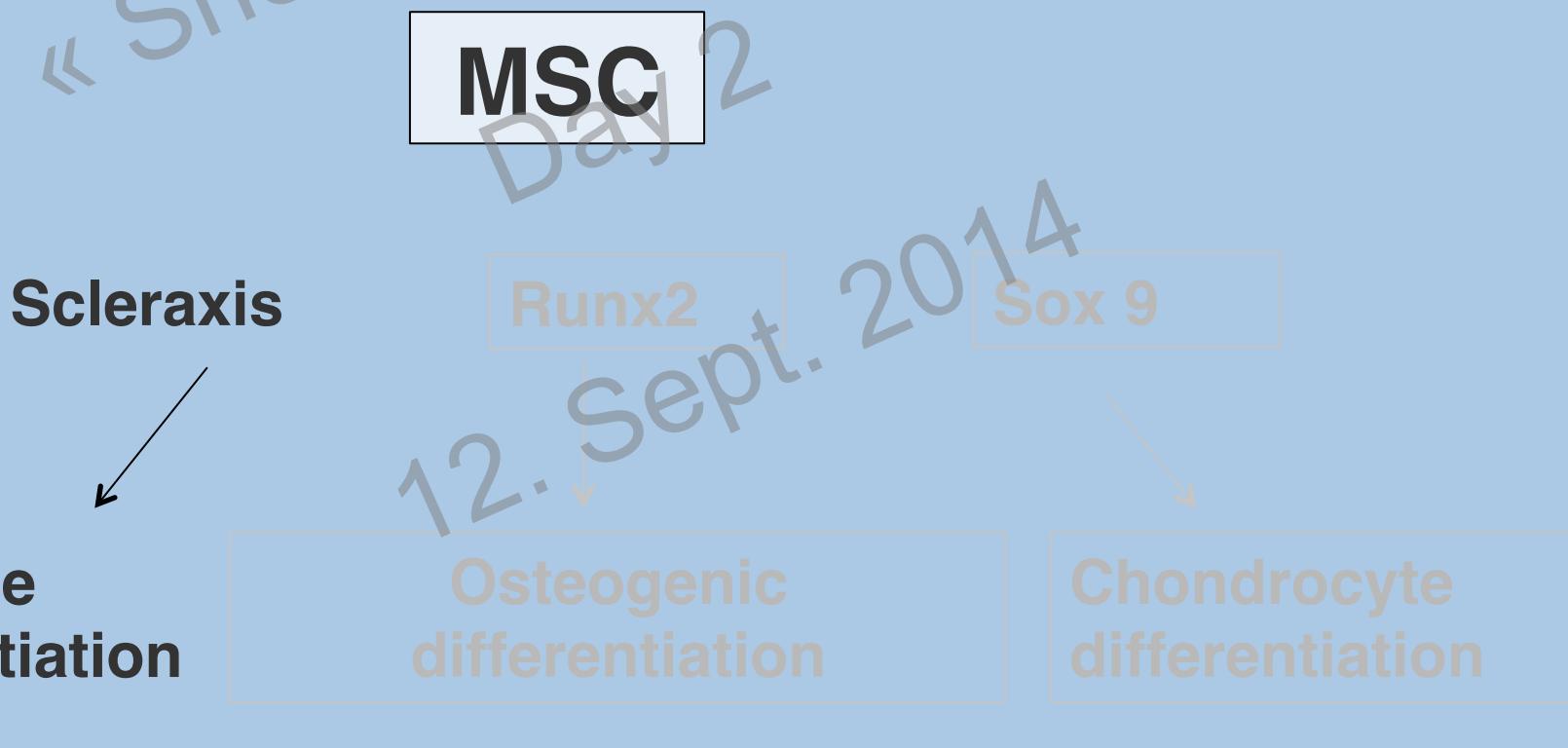


# EMBRYOLOGIC TENDON BONE HEALING

MSC



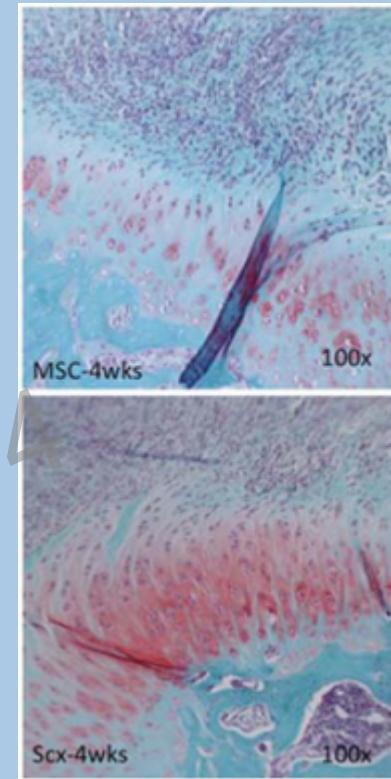
# MSC TISSUE ENGINEERING FOR EMBRYOLOGIC TENDON BONE HEALING



# MSC TISSUE ENGINEERING INDUCE EMBRYOLOGIC PATHWAY

## Scleraxis (SCX) transduced MSC's

- ... a significantly improved histologic outcome
- Increased fibrocartilage
- greater strength at the tendon-bone insertion site at 4 weeks
- less than normal insertion
- CAVE acute tear!

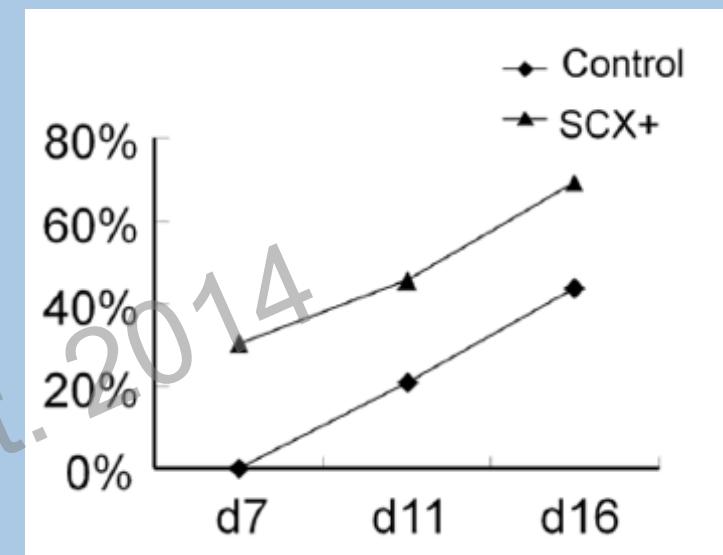


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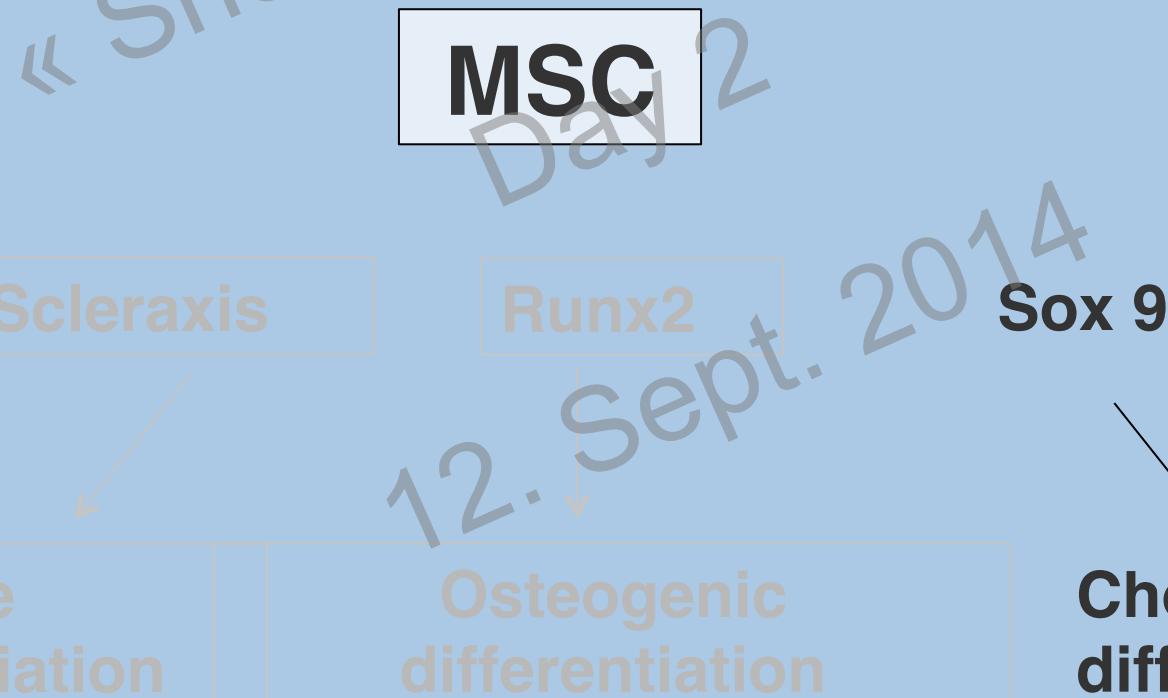
SCX induced MSC's coupled with force transmission

- SCX augments differentiation of MSC's into tenocytes
- ... synergistically promotes tendon maturatin



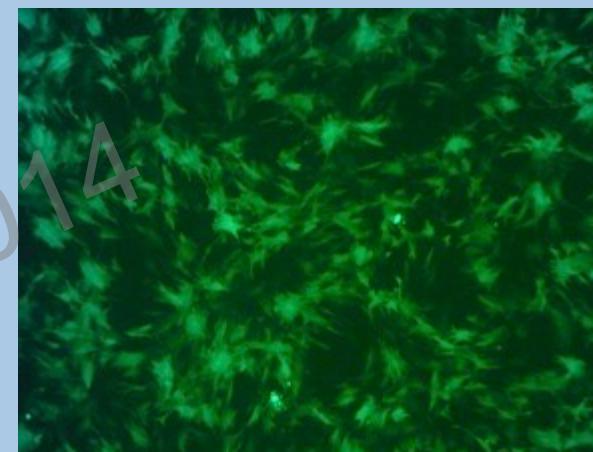
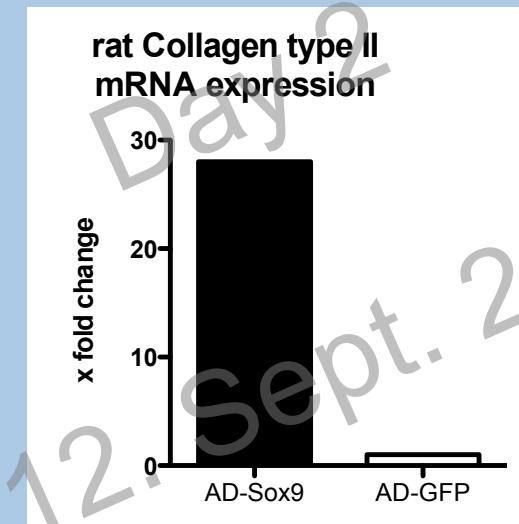
Chen X, Nature: 2012

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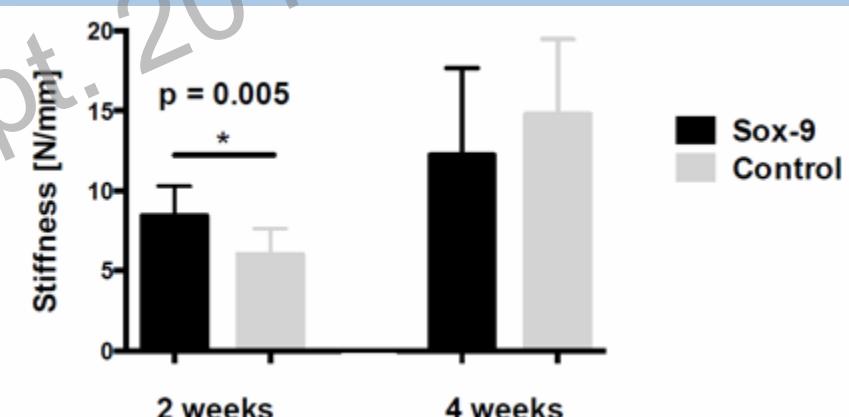
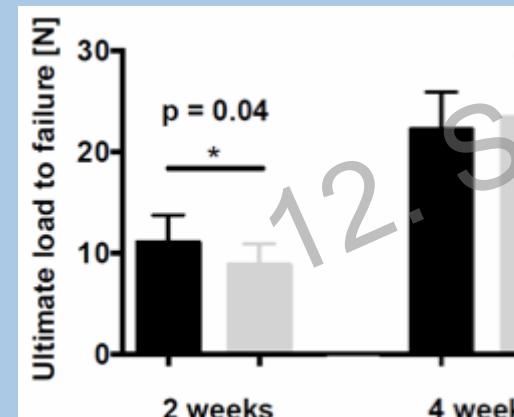
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# PLATELET ± LEUCOCYTE CONCENTRATES: CLASSIFICATION

## Pure-Platelet-rich Plasma (P-PRP)

Autologous Conditioned Plasma (ACP™) Arthrex Inc.

Preparation Rich in Growth Factors (PRGF) Biotechn. Institute

## Platelet-Leukocyte-rich Plasma (L-PRP)

SmartPreP®2 Harvest Technologies

GPS® III Biomet Biologics

Magellan™ Arteriocyte Medical Systems

Symphony™ II Depuy

Platelet Concentrate Collection System (PCCS® II)

Angel® Sorin Group

GenesisCS EmCyte

Cell Saver® 5 Haemonetics

## Pure Platelet-rich Fibrin (P-PRF)

Cascade® Musc Transpi Foundation

PRGF Scaffold Biotechnology Institute

FIBRINET® PRFM Cascade Medical

## Leukocute and Platelet-rich Fibrin (L-PRF)

Choukroun's PRF

Dohan DM, Trends Biotech: 2010

Zumstein MA, Op Tech Sports Med: 2011

## CONCLUSION PLATELET CONCENTRATES

- No scientific benefit of **L-PRF**

Zumstein MA, JSES: 2014

- No scientific benefit of **P-PRF**

Castricini R, AJSM: 2011      Rodeo S, AJSM: 2012

- Some scientific benefit of **L- PRP?**

Randelli P, JSES: 2010      Gmina S, JBJS Am: 2012

- Some scientific benefit of **P- PRP**

Jo CH, AJSM: 2011

Jo CH, AJSM: 2013

.... insufficient evidence to support the use  
of Platelet-rich therapies for treating  
musculoskeletal soft tissue injuries.

-> There is need for standardisation of PRP  
preparation methods.

Moares VY, Cochrane Database Sys Rev: 2014

## PHARMACOLOGICAL PRODUCTS

- Mechanical stimulation reduced tissue degeneration



Gerber C, JSES: 2009

- Pharmacological use of nandrolone or IGF does not improve tendon quality

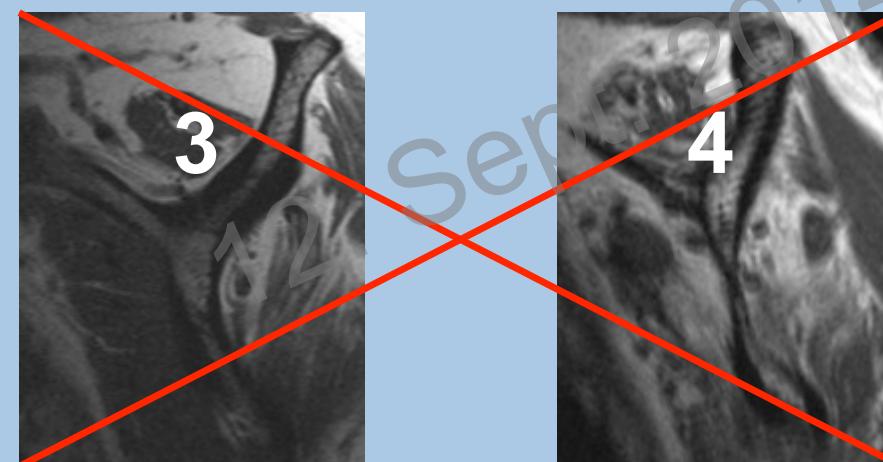
Wieser K, KSSTA: 20014

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# MUSCLE ATROPHY AND FATTY INFILTRATION



Goutallier D, CORR: 1994

# REVERSIBILITY OF MUSCLE ATROPHY AND FATTY INFILTRATION

## Goals:

- A. Reversion of architecture ✓
- B. Steroids prevented fatty infiltration ✓
- C. Decrease of fat and connective tissue X
- D. Hypertrophy of muscle substance X

12. Sept. 2014 Gerber C, Zumstein MA, JSES: 2009

Gerber C, JBJS Am: 2011

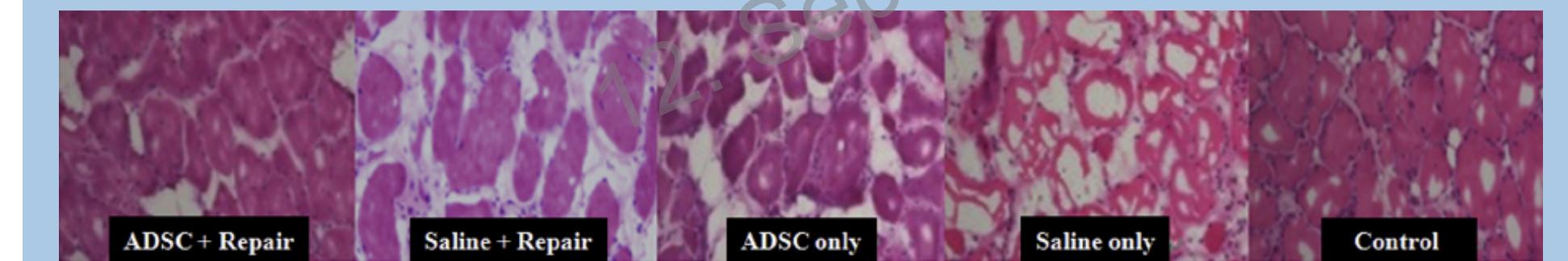
Frey E, Zumstein MA et al, JOR: 2009

Schmutz S, Zumstein MA et al. CORR: 2008

# ADIPOSE DERIVED STEM CELLS (AD-MSCs) THERAPY

- chronic tear model
- Rabbits' SSC
- Injection of AD-MSC's into the muscle

-> Improved muscle function  
-> Less fatty infiltration



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# BIOLOGIC AUGMENTATION IN CUFF REPAIR: WHERE WE ARE IN 2014?»

NOT THERE



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Not yet there

BUT WHERE TO GO?

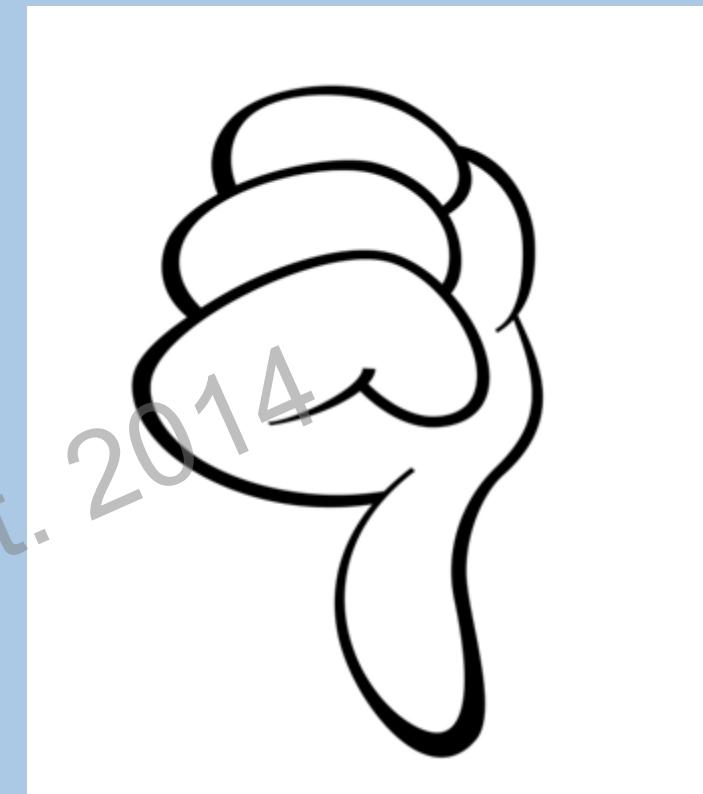


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## TAKE HOME MESSAGES: EXTRINSIC



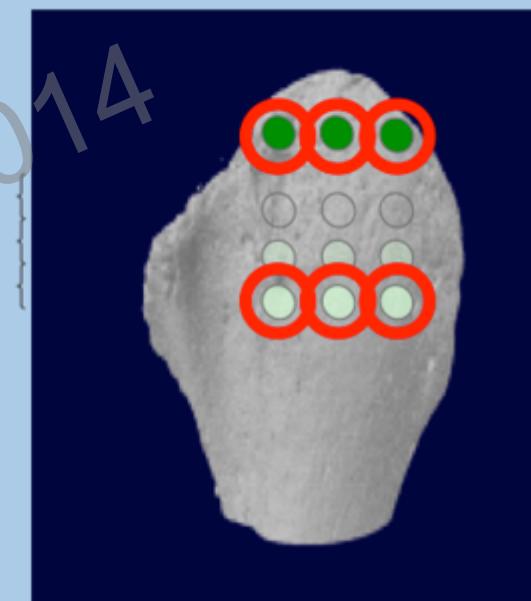
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# TAKE HOME MESSAGE BONE



- **Critical Shoulder Angle**
  - Assessed and reduced
- **Best anchor position**



# TAKE HOME MESSAGE INSERTION + MUSCLE



- **Growth factors (PRP's)**
  - L-PRP, P-PRP in massive tears

X  
√?

- **Progenitor - Stem cells**

**Cell Therapy:**

- Placenta derived Stem Cells
- „Simple“ MSC's

√?  
X √?

**Cell Tissue Engineering:**

- Transduced stem cells

√?

# FUTURE



- Understand the early and late pathological process of...
  - Tendon: Apoptosis, inflammation & degradation
  - Muscle: Atrophy, inflammation & fatty infiltration
- VISION: Interfere in this pathways using pharmacological products

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