Knee Obturator for Posterior Portals

L he Knee Obturator has been specially designed to simplify the location and creation of posterior knee portals, as well as introduction of a cannula. Posterior portals are often necessary for several common procedures such as; loose body removal, PCL reconstruction, meniscal root avulsion repair and popliteal cyst debridement.

Current outside/in techniques can be time-consuming and put posterior structures at risk of damage with sharp spinal needles and scalpels. The Knee Obturator lets surgeons quickly create the portal from the inside/out. The unique curvature fits around the cruciate ligaments and around the back of the femoral condyles. The tapered eyelet tip facilitates insertion of a PassPort Button CannulaTM with a traction suture or acts as a switching stick for cannula insertion.



The tip of the obturator is placed around femoral condyle and against the capsule until the tip can be palpated or seen tenting the skin.





The Obturator is placed in the medial portal for posteromedial portal creation.

Plastic Cannula Option

An incision is made over the obturator, exposing the tip (a). *Note: The incision should be made at a safe distance from neurovascular structures.*





A threaded cannula can be placed over the obturator from outside/in. *Note, it may be necessary to open the incision or capsule further before introducing a larger diameter cannula.* Alternatively, an Open Cannula may be used and slid down the side of the Knee Obturator during insertion.



For PassPort Button Cannula insertion, two #2 FiberWire[®] sutures can be placed into the "neck" of the cannula using the curved needle. These can be used as traction sutures to pull the cannula into the knee.



The PassPort sutures are placed into the Knee Obturator eyelet and pulled through the knee.



The PassPort Button Cannula is pulled into place. *Note, it may be necessary to open the incision or capsule further before introducing the PassPort Button Cannula.*

Ordering Information

Knee Obturator for Posterior Portal Non-ratcheting Screwdriver Handle PassPort Button Cannula, 6 mm I.D. x 4 cm PassPort Button Cannula, 6 mm I.D. x 5 cm Articulating Paddle Elevator, w/depth markings Open Cannula, blunt tip Clear Open Cannula, blunt Crystal Cannula, partially threaded Partially Threaded Cannula, 7 mm x 7 cm AR-1266 AR-1999NR AR-6592-06-40 AR-6592-06-50 AR-8630 AR-6507 AR-6507-02 AR-6564 AR-6567



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