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## Reconstruction of chronic ruptures of extensor mechanism

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### chronic ruptures of extensor mechanism

- Quadriceps tendon
- Patellar tendon
- Patellar fracture malunion
- ATT fracture malunion



### chronic rupture of quadriceps tendon

- Defect in the suprapatellar area (obesity +/-)
- low-lying patella
- Active extension deficit
- Proximal mobility of the patellar : QT retraction

### X-rays

- Comparative profile x-rays
- Confirm the diagnosis : « low patella »

### MRI

Planification :  
GAP size § muscular degenerative tissue

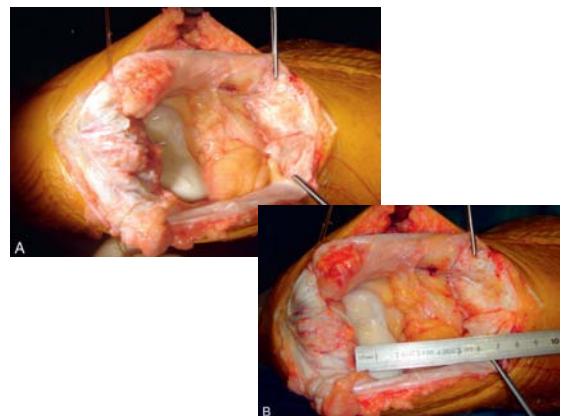
### Surgical procedure

- Chronic rupture with retraction (neglected rupture)
  - Suture + metallic wire
- Chronic rupture without retraction (iterative rupture)
  - Suture + biologic tissue

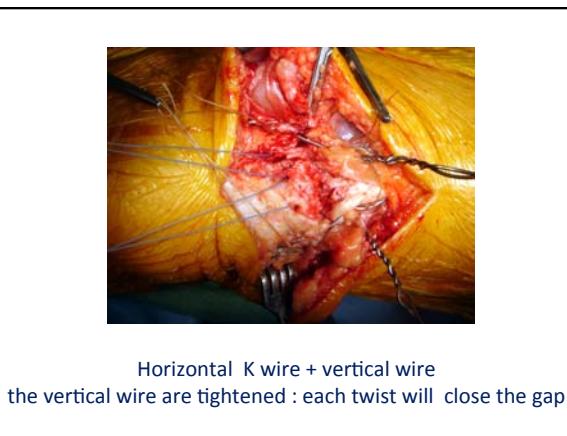
## Suture + metallic wire

- Developped by P. Chambat
  - Indication :
  - chronic rupture with large GAP
  - fixed patella
  - patellar tendon retraction

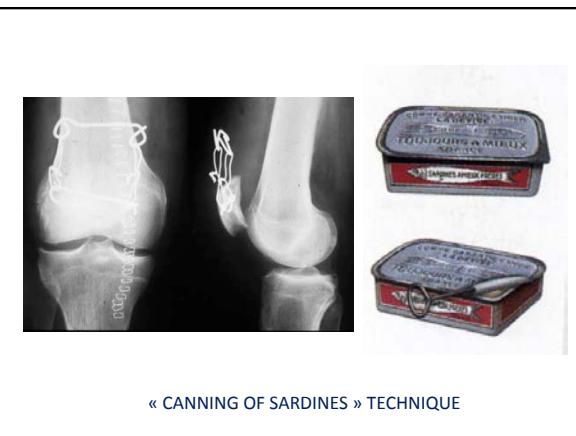
## Operative procedure



## Introduction of transversal K wire



Horizontal K wire + vertical wire  
the vertical wire are tightened : each twist will close the gap

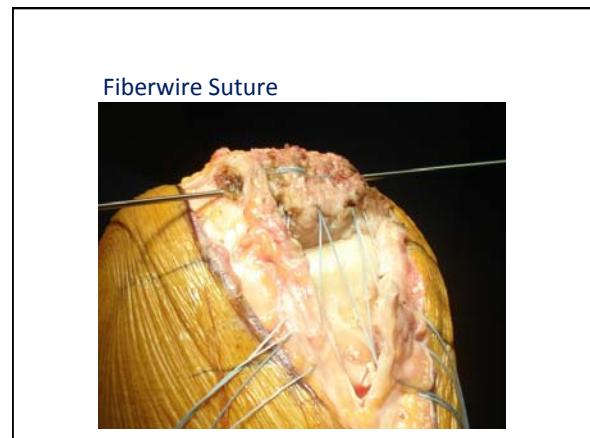
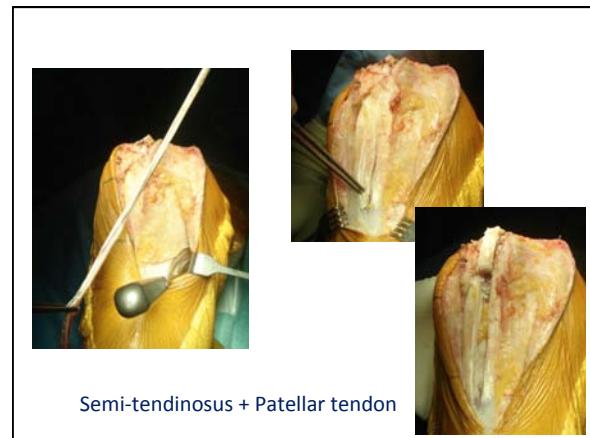
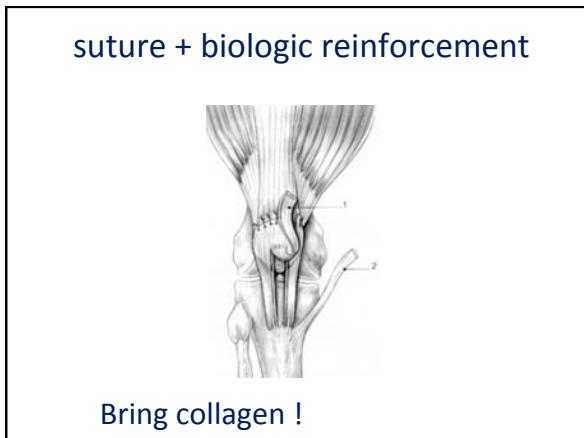


## « CANNING OF SARDINES » TECHNIQUE



### Postoperative care

- Splint at rest at 30° of flexion
- Extension splint for walking : full WB
- Manual passive rehab and progressive ROM
  - 0-45° D15
  - 0-70° D15-30
  - 0-90° D30-45
  - Avoid flexion over 120° (3- 6 mo)
- Material removal (>6 mo)



ST through QT : ST framing



Final suture made in extension



### chronic rupture of patellar tendon

- Defect in the infrapatellar area (obesity +/-)
- high-lying patella
- Active extension deficit
- Instability



### chronic rupture of patellar tendon



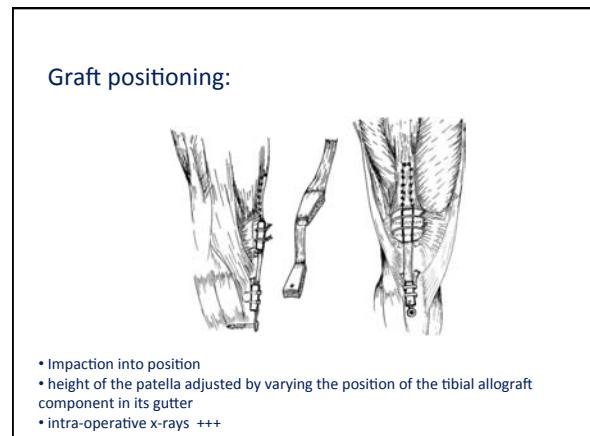
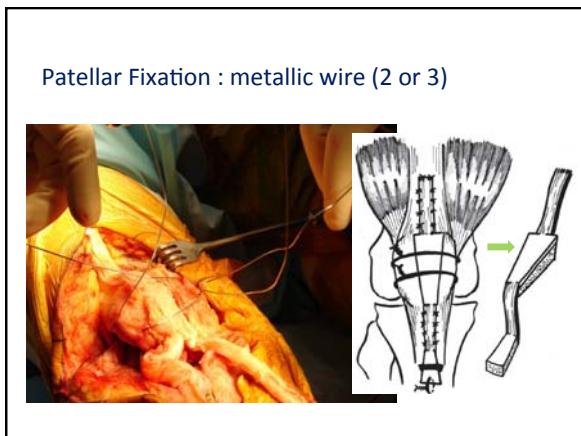
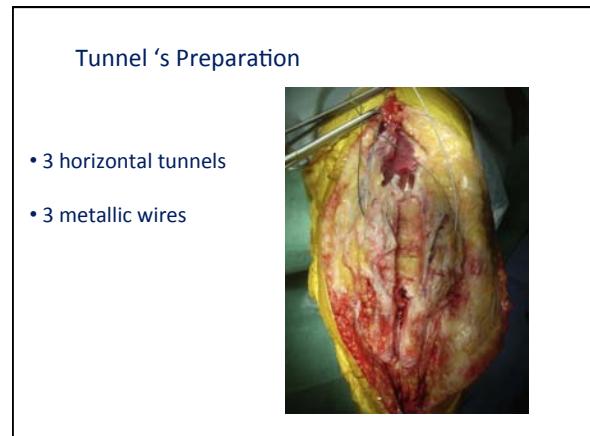
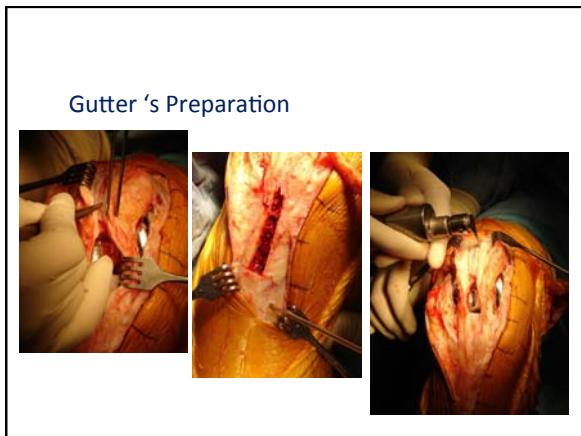
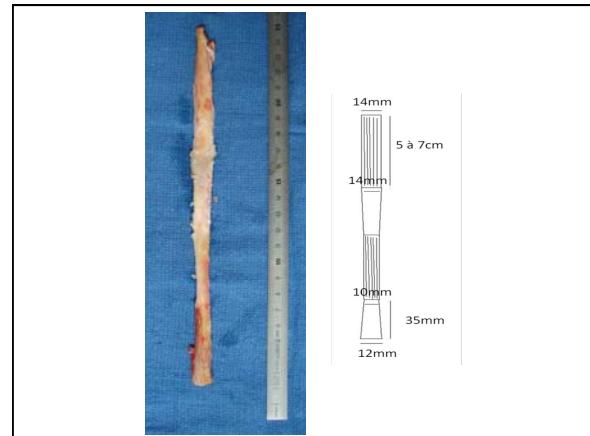
### chronic rupture of patellar tendon

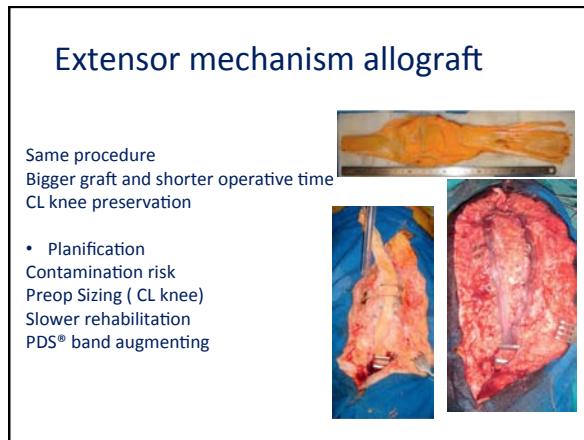
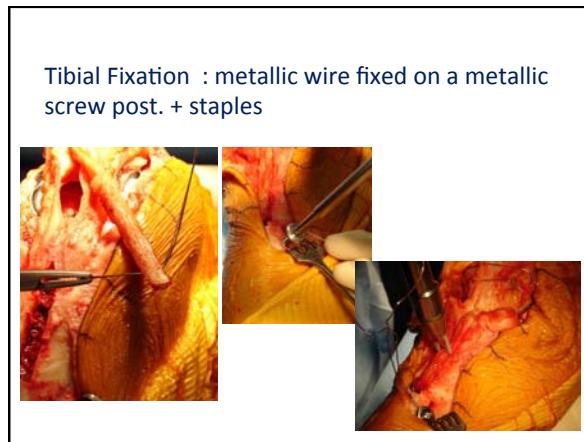
Extensor mechanism graft  
autograft or allograft



### Autograft

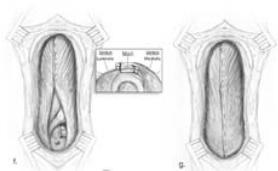






### futures perspectives on TKA

- Technique with synthetic mesh



### Hansen's technique

- Technique with synthetic mesh



### Conclusion

Challenging surgery

Prognosis = anatomical restitution