FASTak™ II SLAP and Bankart Repair

Surgical Technique
Anterior cannulas are placed by an Inside/Out or Outside/In technique. Using a Wissinger Rod or Switching Stick, the cannulated Reusable Obturator may then be passed over the rod tip to dilate the portal. A Twist-In or Instrument Cannula attached to the obturator is then passed over the Wissinger Rod or Switching Stick to ensure controlled atraumatic placement in the glenohumeral joint. For Bankart and SLAP repair the anterior inferior portal should enter the joint just above the superior margin of the subscapularis tendon and the anterior superior cannula should be directly anterior to the biceps tendon.

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Patient positioning in the lateral decubitus position may be carried out with the use of the 3-Point Shoulder Distraction System and STaR Sleeve. Alternatively, the beach chair position may be used with the Beach Chair Lateral Traction Device. The surgeon may vary adjustments of angulation to provide axial and lateral traction of the arm to improve access to the glenohumeral joint and subacromial space. Both systems distract the humeral head laterally away from the glenoid face which, in turn, greatly facilitates visualization of the glenohumeral ligament labral complex.

Use of the Continuous Wave II Arthroscopy Pump, connected to an arthroscope sheath, results in reliable joint distention and hemostasis without excessive fluid extravasation or the need for a separate portal for fluid inflow. Visualization is maximized by regulating and maintaining the fluid inflow pressure.

A sliding knot with subsequent locking half hitches is preferred in the majority of situations where suture freely slides through the anchor eyelet. Otherwise, simple alternating half hitches placed with the 6th Finger Knot Pusher, Single-Hole Knot Pusher or 2-Hole Knot Pusher are performed.

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The Cannulated FASTak Guide is placed through the inferior cannula with the wide dovetail tip positioned on the glenoid rim. The FASTak II implant is advanced through the guide until the laser line is flush to the bone surface assuring the implant will be countersunk 2 mm in bone.

One limb of the suture is retrieved through an accessory portal with a Crochet Hook or Suture Retriever. The other suture limb remains in the working portal.

Following knot tying, a probe is inserted to verify firm apposition of the soft tissue to bone for the entire length of the repair. If additional stability is required, other FASTaks may be inserted as necessary in order to stabilize the repair.

To repair SLAP lesions, percutaneous placement of the FASTak II Spear and FASTak II Suture Anchor into the superior glenoid may be performed to minimize incision into surrounding soft tissue.
The sharp tip of the SutureLasso is passed through labral tissue below the FASTak II Suture Anchor. A varied amount of tissue can be incorporated in the stitch depending on the laxity or degree of plication required. The shuttle loop is pushed through the SutureLasso tip and is retrieved out of the superior portal with a Crochet Hook or Suture Retriever. While holding the shuttle loop, the handle of the SutureLasso is removed from the working portal.

With the SutureLasso shuttle loop outside the accessory cannula, the suture limb from the anchor is placed in the loop. Grab the two shuttle tails outside the working cannula and pull so that the shuttle loop holding the anchor suture limb is passed down the accessory cannula, through the tissue, and back out the working cannula.

A BirdBeak or SutureLasso passed in the same percutaneous path as the anchor is used to pass suture through the superior labrum. Sutures are retrieved and tied out the anterior superior cannula.

Using the FASTak Spear, percutaneous portals can be utilized to place FASTaks. The 5 o’clock percutaneous portal is then used to access the inferior glenoid. The FASTak II anchor can be inserted through the small diameter Spear without the use of large cannulas.
### Ordering Information

#### FASTak II Implants:
- FASTak II Suture Anchor w/Handle and #2 FiberWire, 2.8 mm x 11.7 mm
- FASTak II Suture Anchor, 2.8 mm x 11.0 mm w/cannulated inserter

#### FASTak II Disposables:
- 6th Finger Knot Pusher
- Banana SutureLasso
- SutureLasso™, Crescent
- SutureLasso™ SD Wire Loop, qty. 5
- SutureLasso™, 25° Tight Curve left
- SutureLasso™, 25° Tight Curve right
- SutureLasso™, 45° Curve left
- SutureLasso™, 45° Curve right
- SutureLasso™, 90°
- Twist-In Cannula, 8.5 mm x 7.0 cm
- Twist-In Cannula, 6.0 mm x 7.0 cm
- Twist-In Cannula, 8.5 mm x 9.0 cm
- Twist-In Cannula, 6.0 mm x 9.0 cm
- Crystal Cannula, 5.75 mm x 7.0 cm
- Crystal Cannula Smooth, 5.75 mm x 7.0 cm

All implants & disposables are single use and individual sterile packed.

#### FASTak II Instrumentation:
- FASTak II Spear, with Trocar
- Cannulated FASTak II Guide, 2.8 mm

#### Shoulder Instruments:
- CrabClaw Knot Pusher/Suture Retriever
- Bankart Viper Suture Passer
- Shoulder Debridement Rasp
- Shoulder Tissue Elevator, 15°
- Shoulder Tissue Elevator, 30°
- SLAP Rasp
- Glenoid Rasp
- Suture Retriever, 3.4 mm straight
- Crochet Hook
- Knot Pusher, closed end
- Keyless Chuck
- Blunt Tip Obturator for FASTak II Spear
- BirdBeak, 45° up tip
- BirdBeak, 22° up tip
- Extra Long Switching Stick
- Wissinger Rod, 4.0 mm O.D.
- Reusable Obturator for AR-6530 Twist-In Cannula
- Reusable Obturator for AR-6540 Twist-In Cannula
- Reusable Obturator for AR-6550 Twist-In Cannula
- Suture Cutter, 3.4 mm, straight
- Shoulder Repair Set Instrumentation Case

#### Accessory Shoulder Instrumentation:
- Suture Retriever, straight, 3.4 mm, 15° up
- Suture Retriever, 45° right
- Suture Retriever, 45° left
- Push/Pull Crochet Hook
- Two-Hole Knot Pusher, 5.0 mm
- Suture Cutter, Ø 4.2 mm, Open Ended, Left Notch
- BirdBeak, straight, right 45° handle
- BirdBeak, straight, left 45° handle
- BirdBeak Evolution, 45° up tip
- BirdBeak Evolution, 22° up tip
- BirdBeak Evolution, straight

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