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List of Abbreviations

CT Computed tomography

GR Gracilis

MPFL Medial patellofemoral ligament

MRP Medial Retinaculum Plasty

PRISMA Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic

Reviews and Meta-Analyses

ST Semitendinosus

VMO Vastus Medialis Obliquus

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Abstract

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Recently, MPFL reconstruction has become a popular treatment option for recurrent lateral patellar dislocations, as this ligament is the primary passive restraint to lateral patellar translation of early knee flexion .

Keywords

Recurrent patellar dislocation , patellar instability , MPFL , medial patello femoral ligament

INTRODUCTION

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