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Simplified Arthroscopic Knot Tying with Pretied Alternating Half-Hitches

Utilizing the new CrabClaw Knot Pusher/Suture Retriever, arthroscopic knot tying incorporating half-hitches is simplified while reducing surgical time and potential complications.

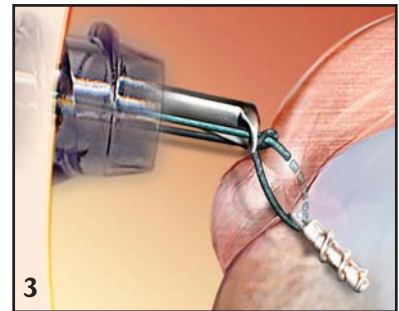


Initially, three half-hitches are loosely tied using FiberWire outside the cannula.

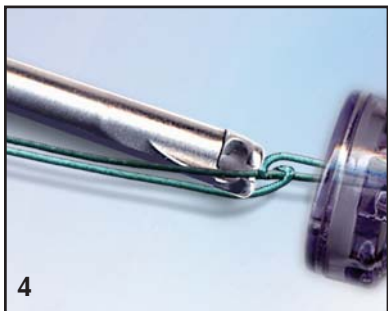
Note: The first two knots are tied in the same direction. The third tied on the opposite post. Two to three additional throws are recommended.



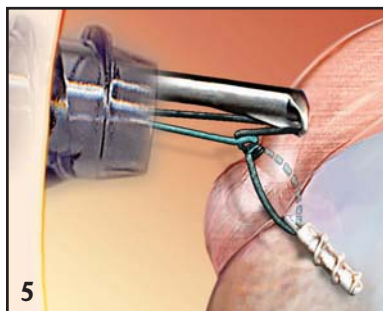
The opening jaw mechanism of the CrabClaw allows the surgeon to place the knot pusher behind each knot to advance them independently into the joint.



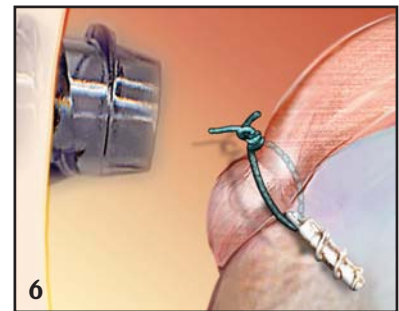
Once the first knot is secured to the tissue, the suture is released from the CrabClaw.



The CrabClaw is positioned behind each knot as the jaws are closed around the post limb.



Five sequential half-hitches are advanced with the CrabClaw. Past pointing cinches each knot. The FiberWire suture eliminates concern of suture breakage.



The suture is cut with the Suture Cutter, leaving a 3 mm suture tail.