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**AUSTRALIAN KNEE SOCIETY
POSITION STATEMENT ON LARS FOR ACL SURGERY**

The Australian Knee Society (AKS) is concerned about the increasing use of the LARS device for anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction in the absence of sufficient evidence to support its widespread use.

In a 2011 survey of members of the AKS the majority considered that this device does not heal to bone, may cause articular surface damage (with possible premature arthritis), and will fail as have other synthetic ligaments.

The view of the AKS is that the use of the LARS device should be limited to those surgeons who follow specific indications and will follow up and report their results to an appropriate meeting of their peers such as the AKS or Australian Orthopaedic Association.

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