defect using the precision bone grafting system (Kaltec Pty Ltd, Australia) through a fracture flap. The technique is useful with tibial plateau plate fixation as the donor site defect is covered by the plate ensuring structural stability. The articular surface is supported by bone graft, plate and screws without donor site morbidity.

Reference

Septic arthritis of the knee can be a life- or limb-threatening condition and should be treated promptly with arthroscopic washout of the knee. The finger of a size 6 surgical rubber glove can be cut and applied to the inflow cannula (Fig. 1) so that continuous irrigation can be maintained without the unnecessary use of a digit. Rapid irrigation can be achieved by applying suction tubing to the outflow cannula (Fig. 1). The combination of these two techniques significantly reduces operation time and avoids the need for an assistant.

No-hands technique for arthroscopic washout of septic arthritis of the knee

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Masking the scrotal problem in surgery

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Patient positioning and access to the area of interest are key to the success of an operation, but how often are we plagued by the scrotum obstructing our view? Historically, sutures were used as an aid and, more recently, tape. We have a novel method using a...