

ePoster #3

A Comparison of Immersive versus Non-Immersive Virtual Reality Technology in Hip Arthroscopy Training

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Overview

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Hip Arthroscopy Training

- Most rapidly growing sub-specialty within arthroscopy
 - 495% increase between 2004 to 2016
- Technically challenging with steep learning curve
 - Increased complication rates, OR Time, Reoperation rates
- Patient safety is paramount
 - 388 HA for < 10% chance of revision within 5 years
 - Plateau in learning curve after 30 HA cases
- Not all residencies/fellowships with adequate exposure to hip
- HA cadaver courses: ~ \$4000
- Need for realistic arthroscopic simulators with haptic feedback



Arthroscopic Simulators

- Skill refinement w/o compromising patient safety and OR time
- Increased resident work hour restrictions
- Virtual Reality (VR) simulators
 - Cognitive Task Simulation and Rehearsal
 - Deliberate Practice
 - Non-immersive and Immersive VR
- Multiple simulators on the market, vary in:
 - Haptic & Tactile Feedback
 - Realism / Fidelity
 - Cost



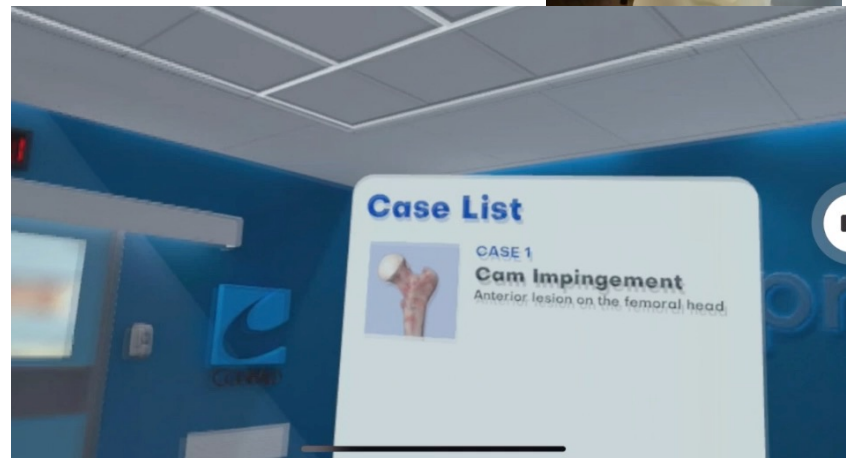
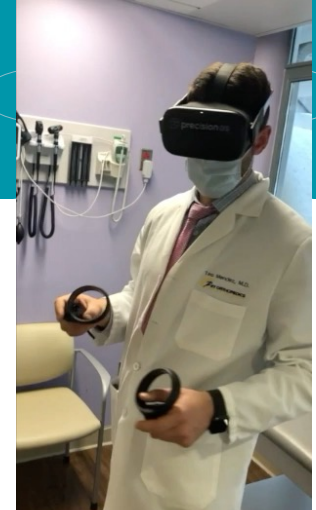
Non-Immersive VR: VirtaMed ArthroS

- Bench-top VR Simulator with high fidelity
- Hip Manikin with Arthroscopic Equipment
- Magnetized for Tactile Feedback
- Multiple Hip Arthroscopy Modules
 - Performance Metrics Recorded
- Drawbacks
 - Physical footprint (Bioskills Lab needed)
 - Cost
 - ~ \$383,400.00 for machine and 2-year subscription



Immersive VR: Precision OS

- Portable wireless device using Oculus Quest 2 headset/controllers
- Interactive features in an immersive environment
 - Vibration for haptic feedback; Realistic auditory stimuli
- 570% reduction in learning time with iVR compared to traditional learning
- Hip Arthroscopy Module
 - Diagnostic Scope and CAM decompression
 - Performance Metrics
- Cost
 - ~ **\$2,900 headset/controllers**
 - **2 year VR subscription**



Objective of the Study

- Compare efficacy of immersive VR to non-immersive VR training in hip arthroscopy on procedural and knowledge-based skills acquisition
- Evaluate the relative cost-effectiveness of each training platform
- Hypotheses:
 - iVR would be as effective as non-iVR training in hip arthroscopy
 - iVR training would be more cost-effective than non-iVR training

Materials & Methods: Training

- 14 orthopaedic junior residents randomized to two training methods
 - Non-iVR (Virtamed) vs iVR (Precision)
 - Training metrics recorded (**average simulation time**)

Key Virtamed Metrics

Total Simulation Time

Overall Safety Score

% Scratching of Acetabulum

% Scratching of Femoral Head

Total Simulation Score “VR score”

Key Precision Metrics

Total Simulation Time

of Fluoro Images Taken

Bony Contacts with Scope in Error

Accuracy of CAM Decompression

Precision Score “VR Score”

Materials & Methods: Performance

- Diagnostic Hip Arthroscopy on Cadaver
 - Pre-established AL and MA portals
 - Arthroscopic video recorded
 - Metrics: **Time to Task Completion**

Diagnostic Hip Arthroscopy of Central Compartment

Anterior acetabular wall and labrum

Posterior acetabular wall and labrum

Acetabular Fossa

Ligamentum Teres

Anterior-superior chondrolabral junction

Materials & Methods: Assessment

- Arthroscopic video review by 4 expert hip arthroscopists
 - Scoring based on OSATS & ASSET



Objective Structured Assessment of Technical Skills (OSATS)

Respect for Tissue

Time and Motion

Instrument Handling

Flow of Operation and Forward Planning

Arthroscopic Surgery Skill Evaluation Tool (ASSET)

Safety

Field of View

Camera Dexterity

Instrument Dexterity

Bimanual Dexterity

Materials & Methods: Cost Analysis

- **Transfer Effectiveness Ratio (TER)**
 - Skill comparison relative to control for improvements in task completion time
- **Cost-Effectiveness Ratio (CER)**
 - Comparison of cost-related training and task completion times
- **Direct Cost Comparison (DCC)**

$$TER = \frac{(T_{\text{non-iVR (cadaver)}} - T_{\text{iVR (cadaver)}})}{T_{\text{iVR (simulated)}}$$

$$CER = \frac{TER}{\text{Cost}_{\text{(iVR)}} / \text{Cost}_{\text{(non-iVR)}}$$

$$\text{Cost}_{\text{(iVR)}} / \text{Cost}_{\text{(non-iVR)}}$$

Results: Performance Metrics

Group	Simulation Time (sec)	Cadaver Time (sec)	OSATS Score %	ASSET Score %
non-iVR (Virtamed)	310	52	70%	67%
iVR (Precision)	280	69	66%	62%
Total	295	61	68%	65%

- OSATS: iVR 13.1/20 (3.0) vs non-iVR 14.0/20 (2.7) **p=0.55**
- ASSET: iVR 23.7/38 (4.5) vs non-iVR 25.8/38 (4.8) **p=0.43**
- **No difference in OSATS or ASSET performance with iVR & non-iVR**

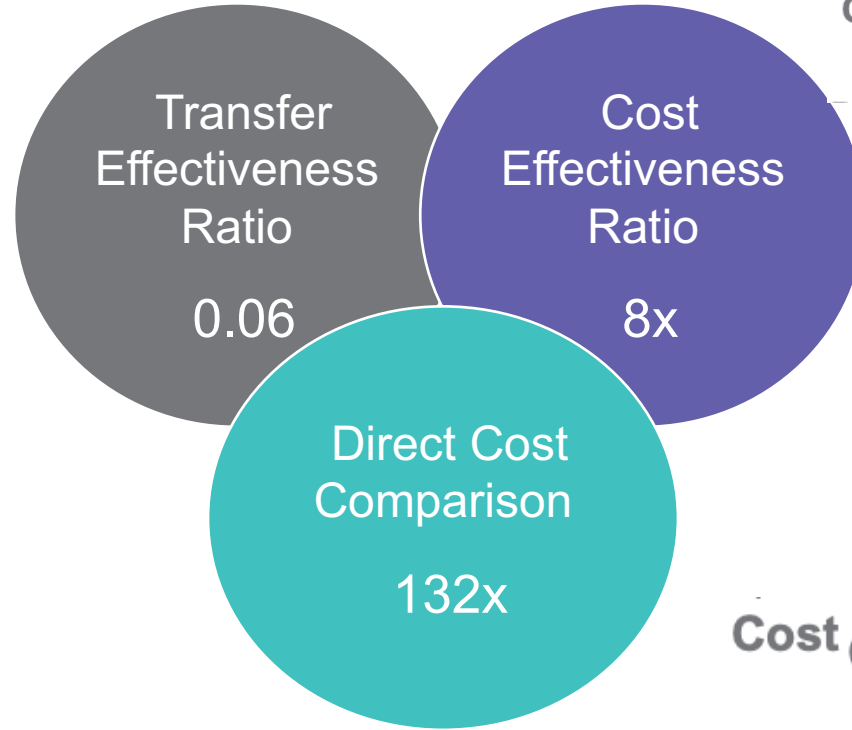
Results: Performance Metrics

- No difference in “overall VR score” between Precision and Virtamed
 - Precision 77.1 % (13.7) vs Virtamed 72.7 % (14.5) (p=0.569)
- VR Score not correlated to OSATS (p=0.67) or ASSET (p=0.90)
- No correlations found between individual Virtamed & Precision metrics to OSATS or ASSET

Virtamed Metrics	OSATS (p-value)	ASSET (p-value)
% Scratching of Acetabulum	0.15	0.35
% Scratching of Femoral Head	0.25	0.13
Overall Safety Score	0.09	0.14

Results: Cost Analysis

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$$\text{Cost}_{\text{(iVR)}} / \text{Cost}_{\text{(non-iVR)}}$$

Conclusions

- iVR & non-iVR training in hip arthroscopy are welcomed tools by orthopaedic trainees
- iVR had **similar effectiveness** in transfer-of-skill compared to non-iVR
- iVR **8x more cost-effective** than non-iVR with **132x cost difference**
- **Portability, Efficacy, and Cost-Effectiveness of iVR** may be beneficial in future of arthroscopic education

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