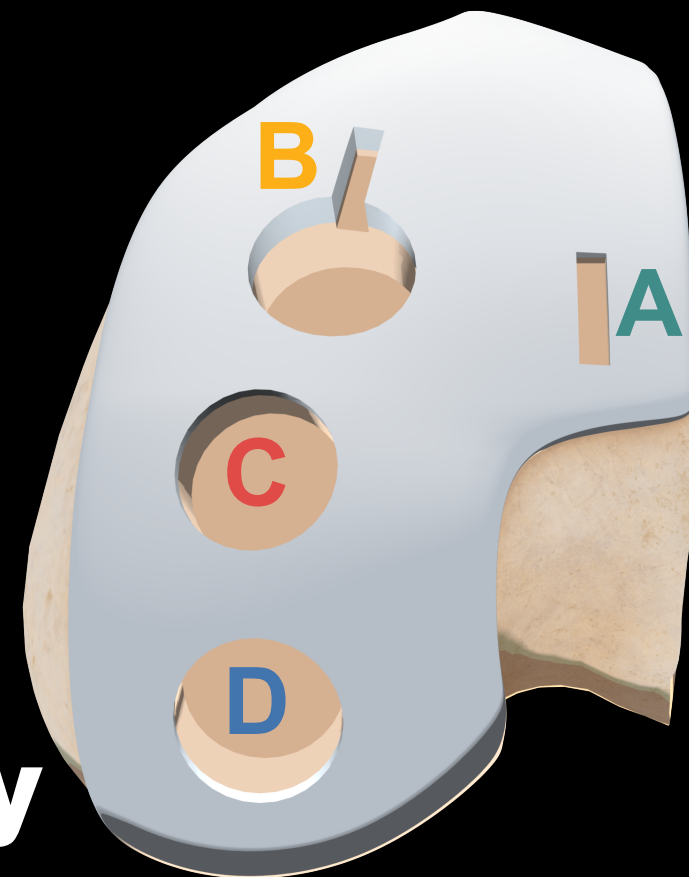




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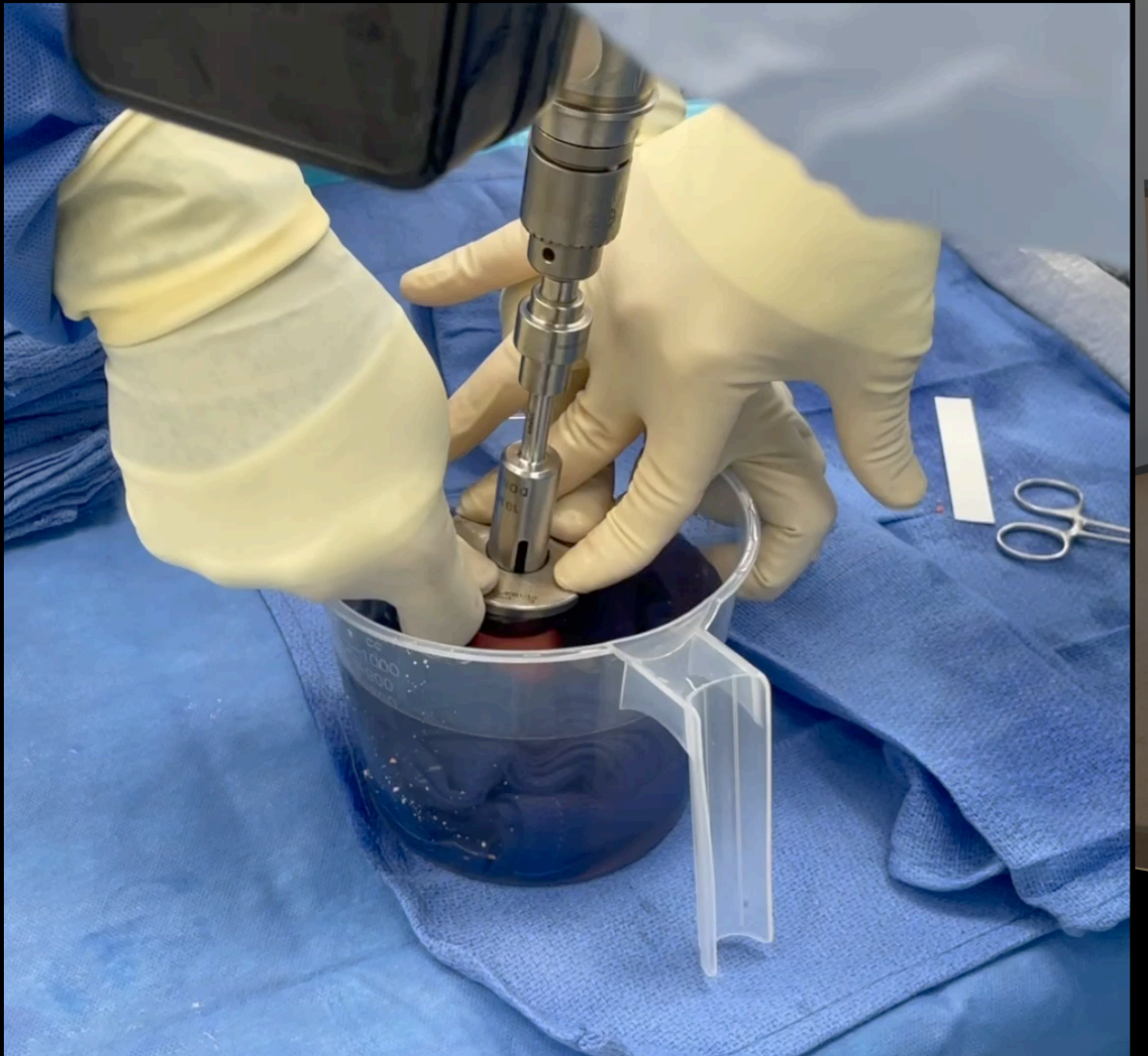
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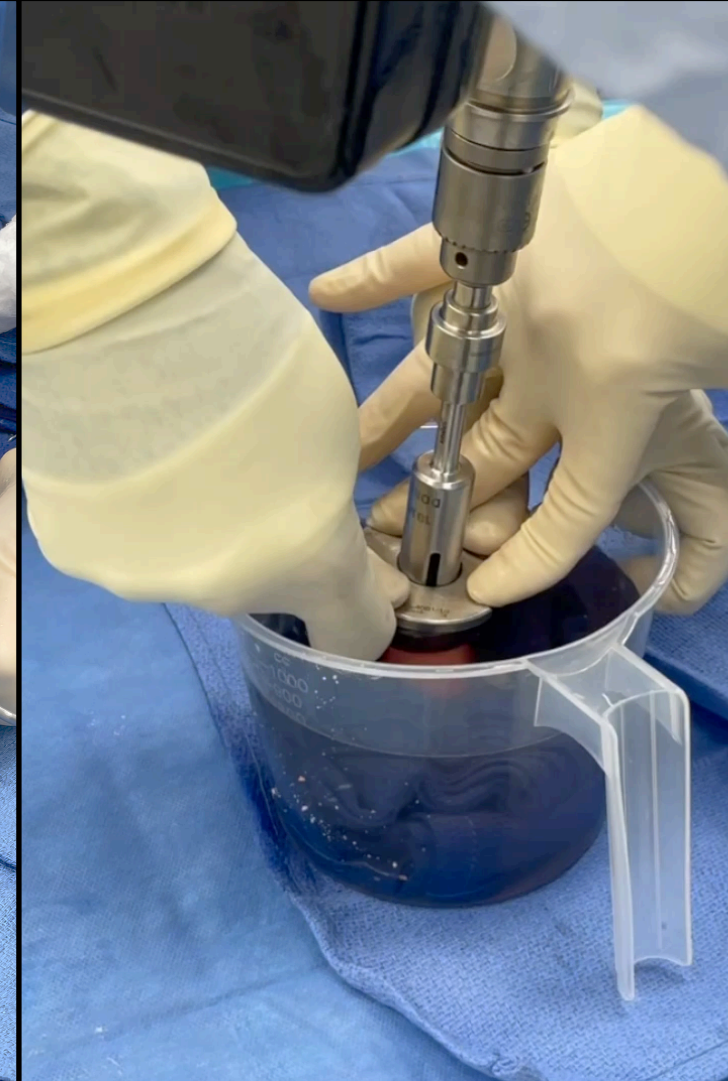


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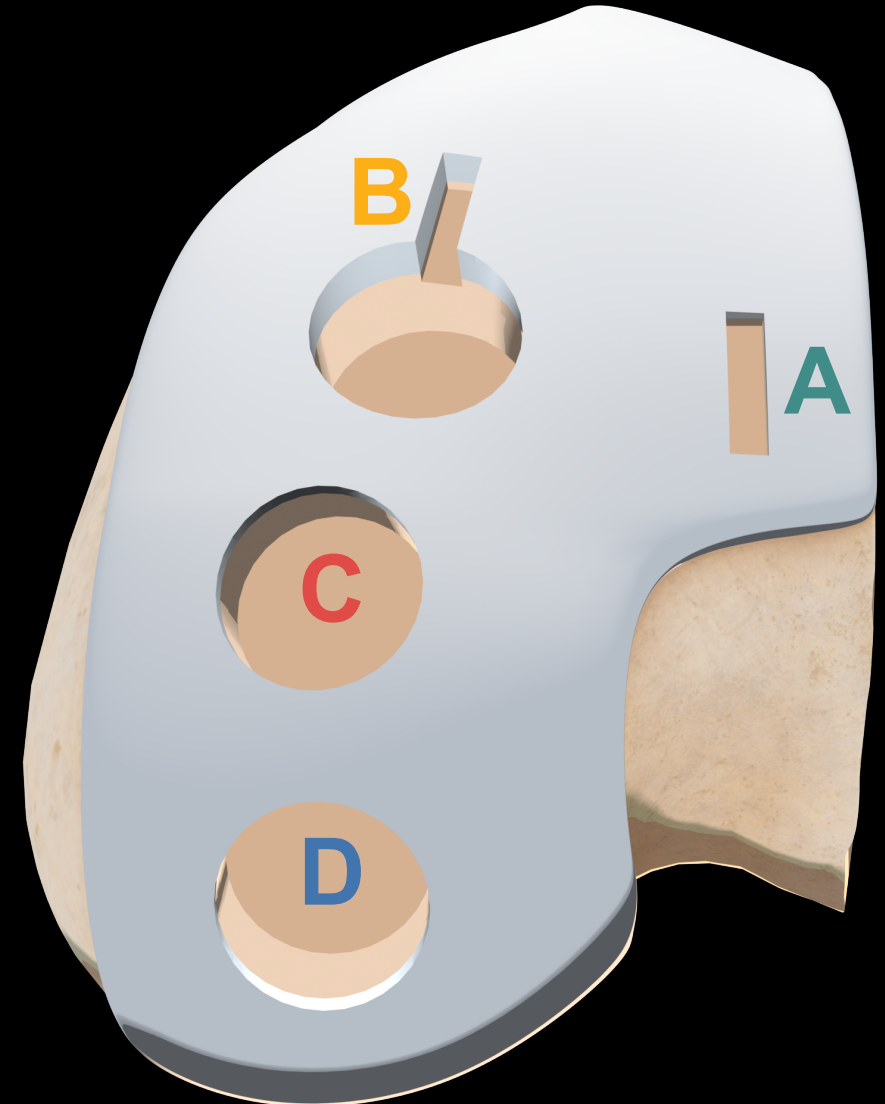
- Traditional handheld saline irrigation
- Saline submersion



# Sample Harvesting

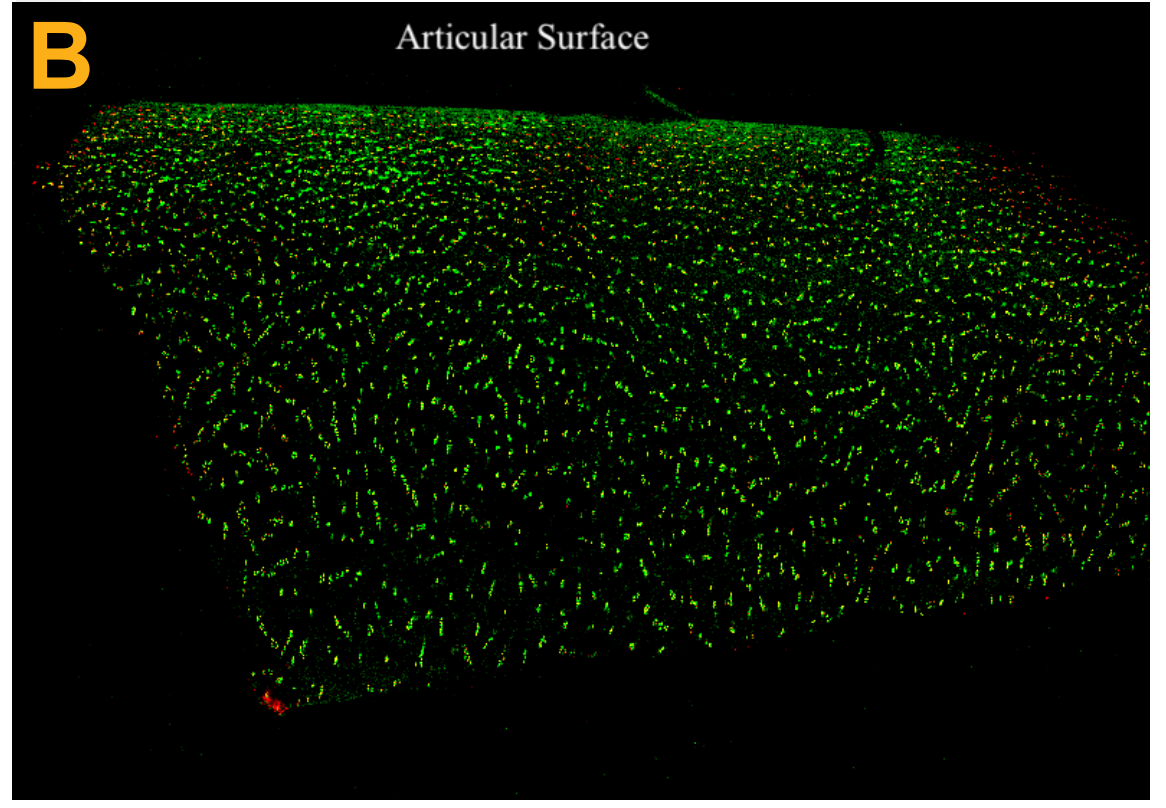
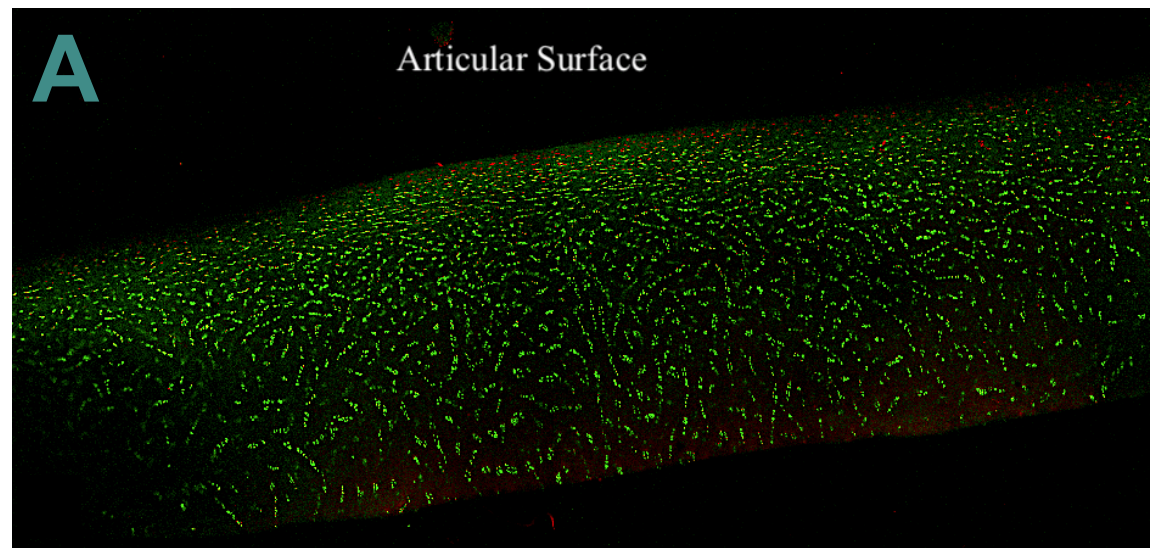
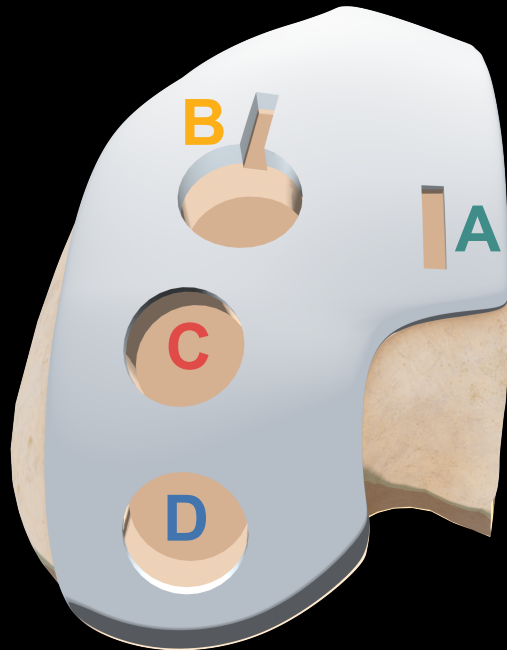


- 13 hemi-distal femoral condyle grafts
- 4 cartilage samples resected with a scalpel
  - A. Control piece of healthy cartilage from the distal trochlea
  - B. Cartilage taken adjacent to the Recipient site reamed with the 15mm recipient reamer
  - C. Cartilage from a donor osteochondral plugs reamed with a 15mm donor reamer under standard Traditional bulb irrigation
  - D. Cartilage from a donor osteochondral plug reamed with a 15 mm donor reamer while Submerged under room temperature saline



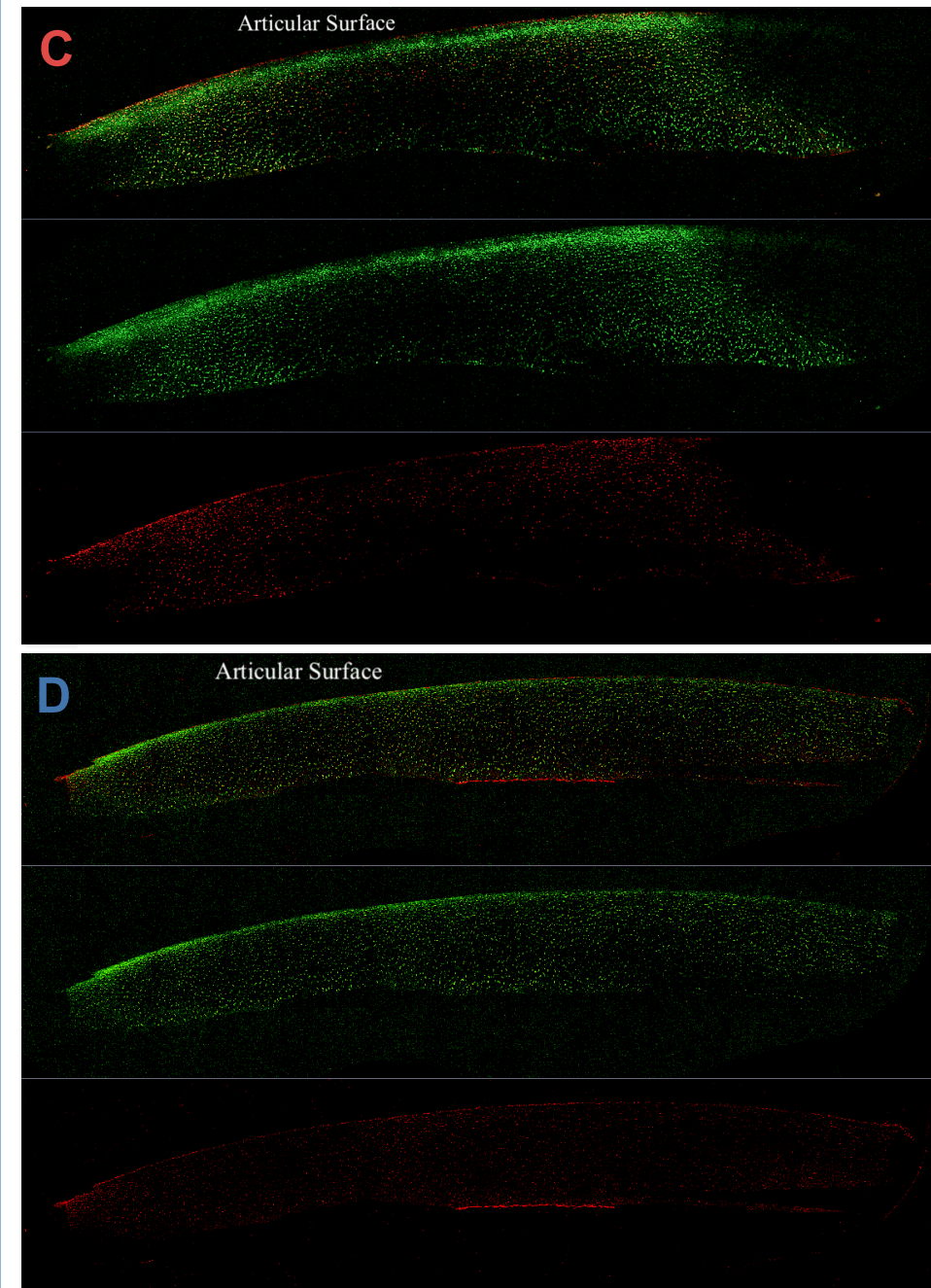
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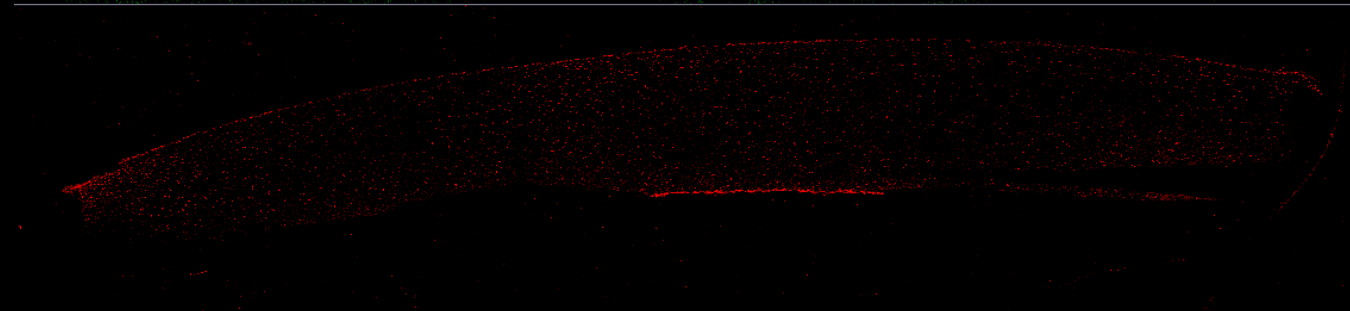
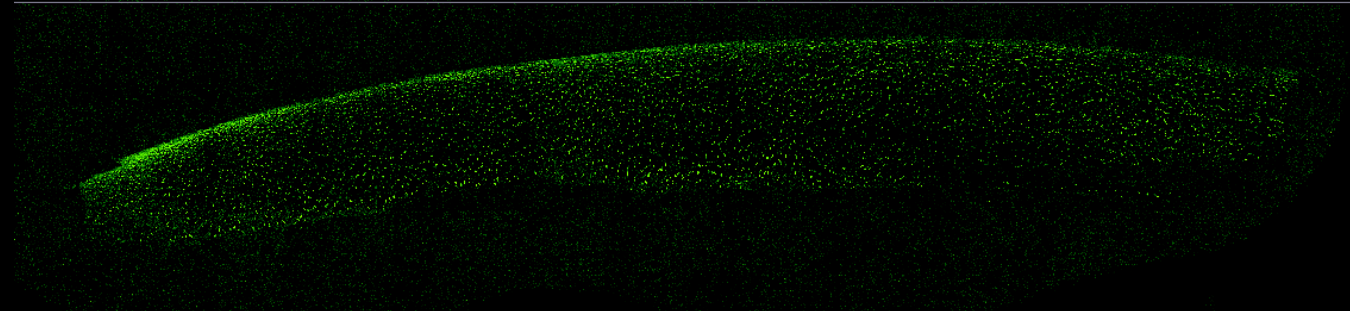
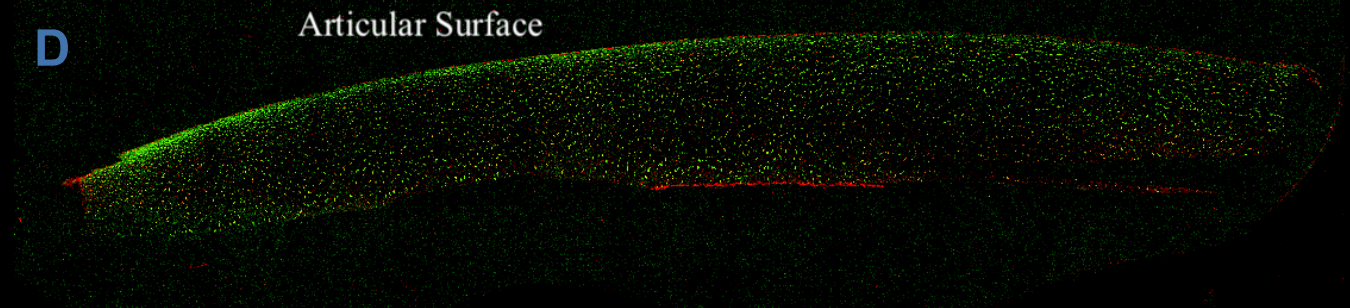
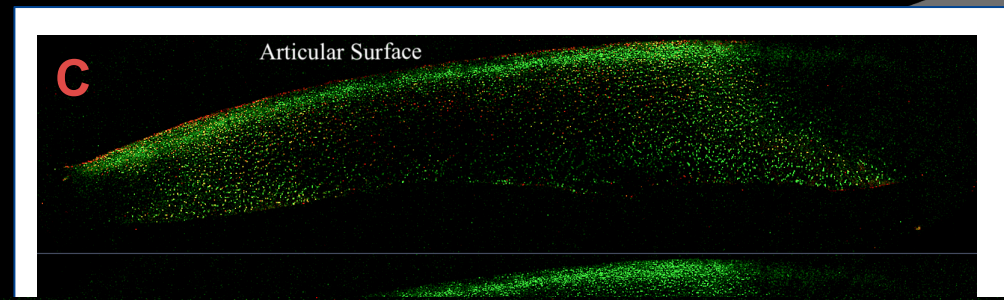
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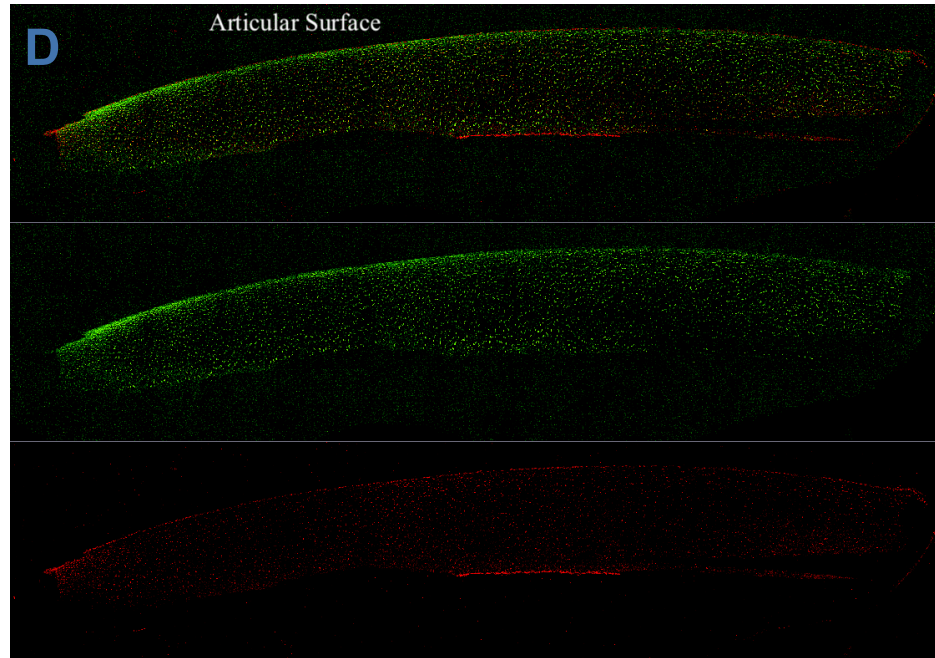
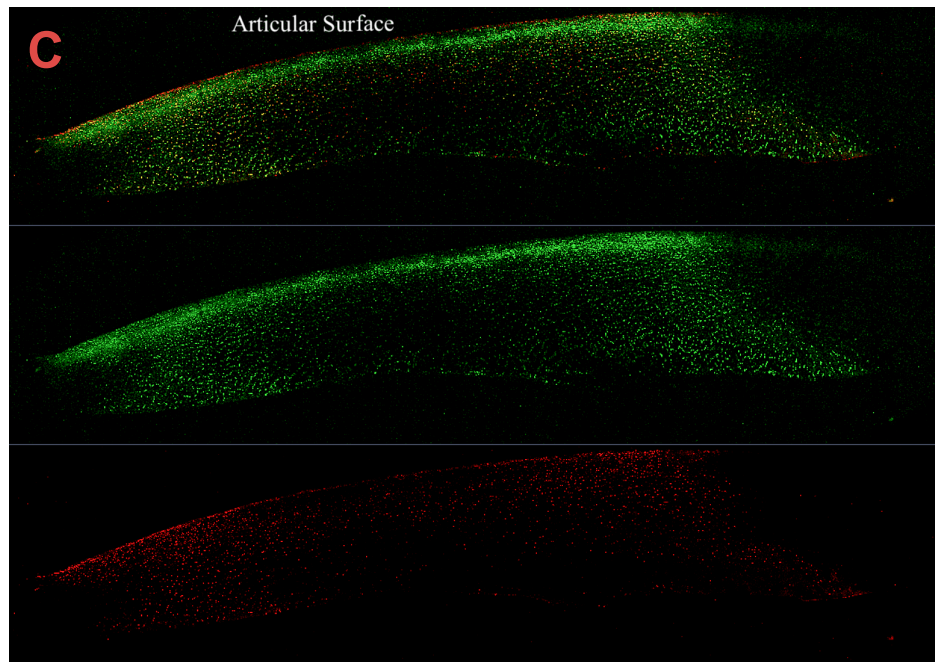
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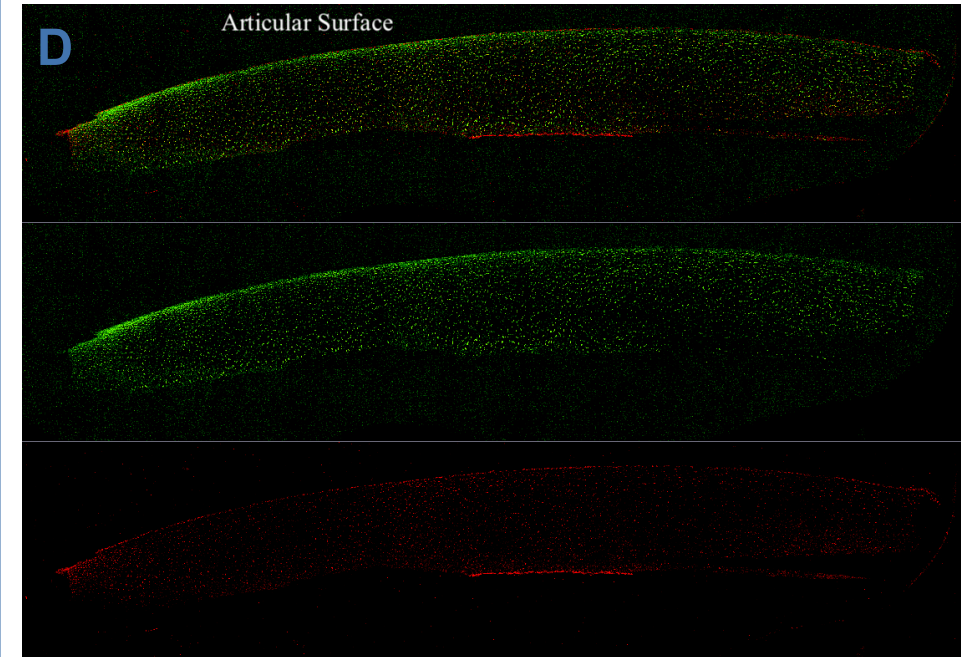
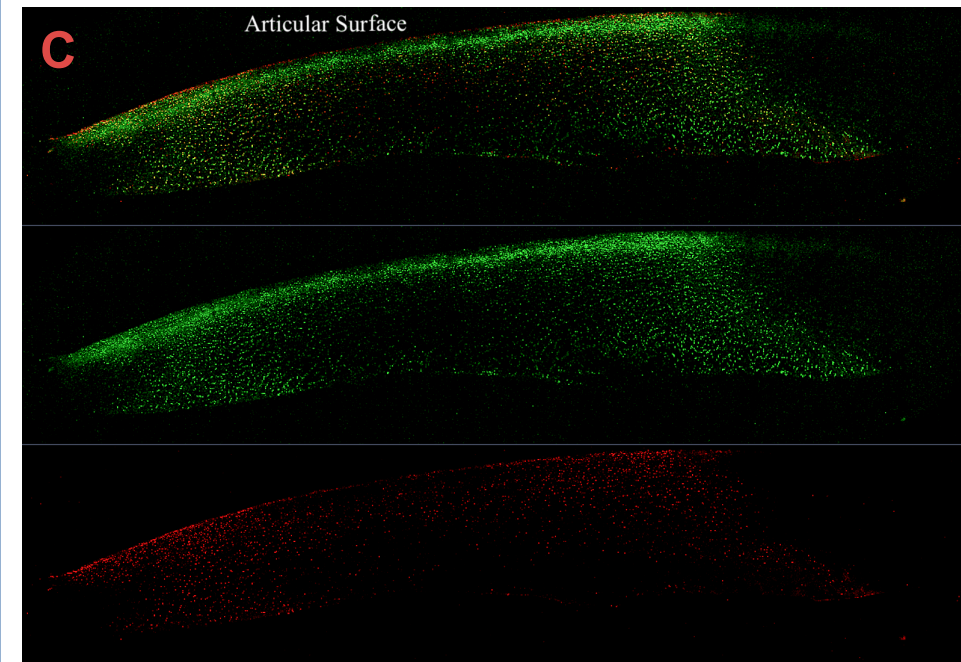
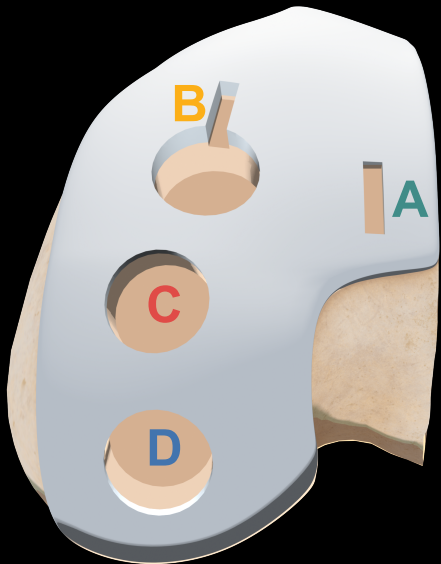
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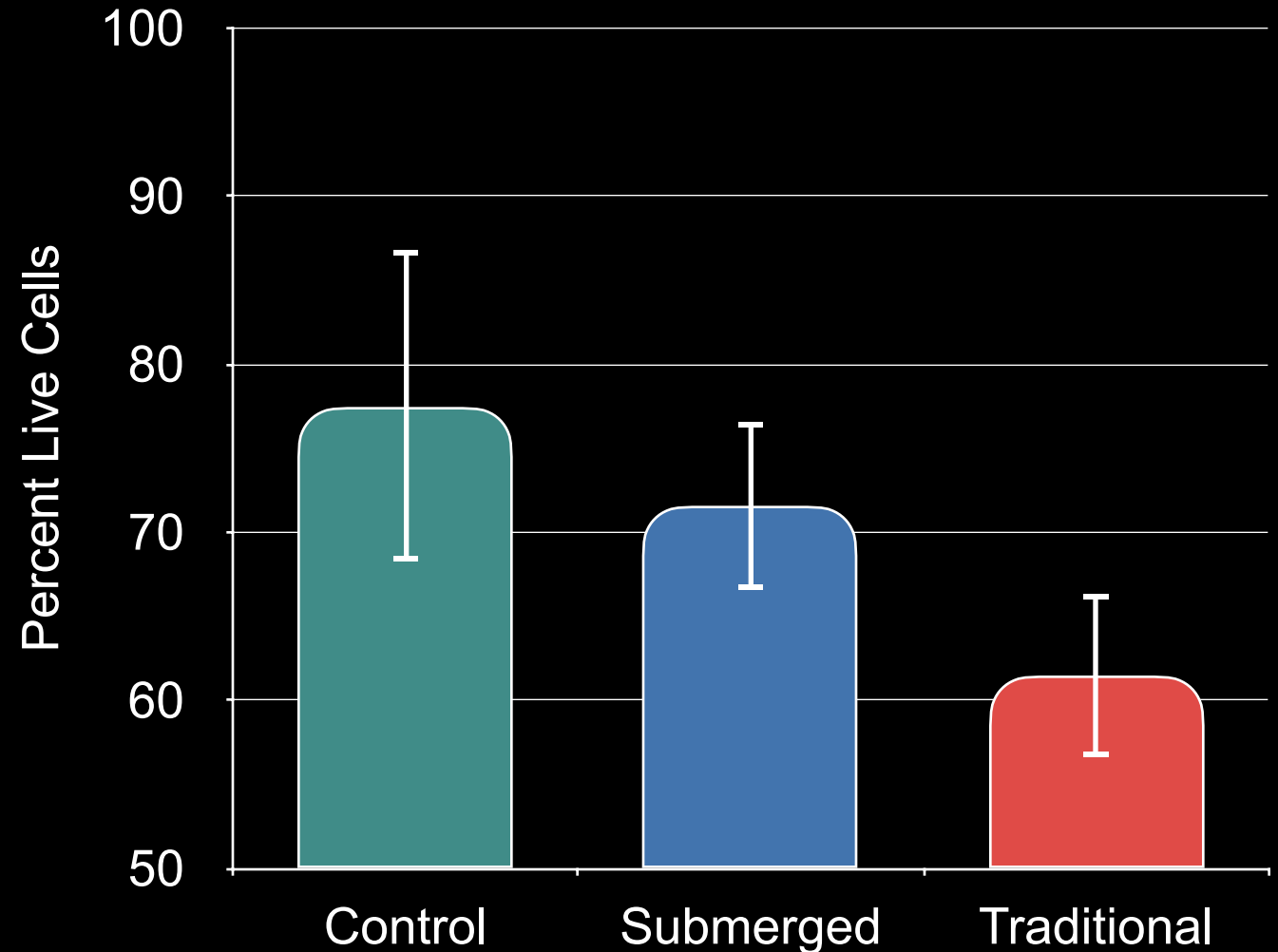
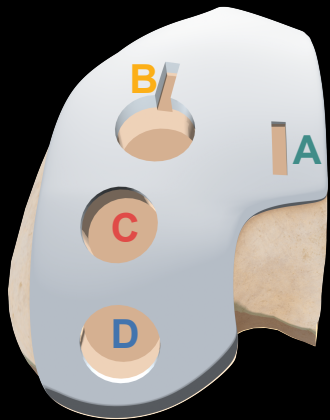


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# Plug Center Viability



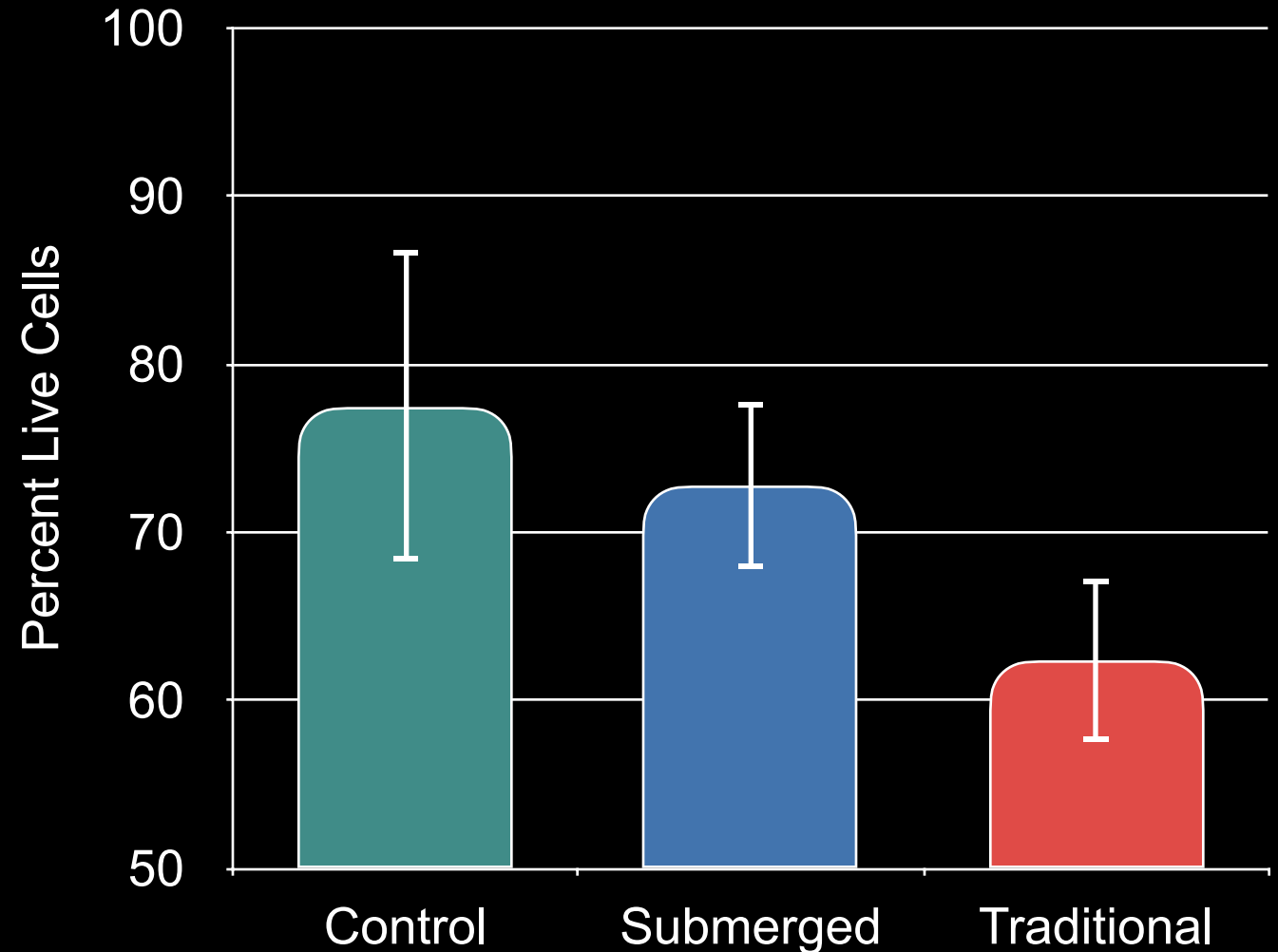
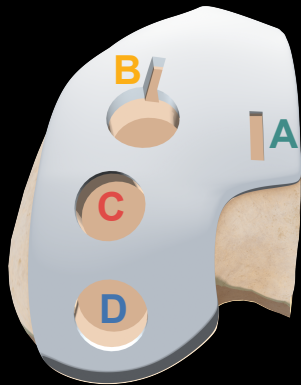
Central 5mm of plug analyzed:

- **Control:**  $77.51 \pm 9.23\%$
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- **Traditional:**  $62.3 \pm 6.11\%$

**Control > Traditional** ( $p < 0.0001$ )

**Submerged > Traditional** ( $p = 0.005$ )

**Control = Submerged** ( $p = 0.713$ )



# Plug Periphery Viability



Outer 5mm of plug analyzed:

- **Control:**  $77.51 \pm 9.23\%$
- **Submerged:**  $70.93 \pm 4.51\%$
- **Traditional:**  $60.91 \pm 4.75\%$
- **Recipient:**  $61.10 \pm 5.02\%$

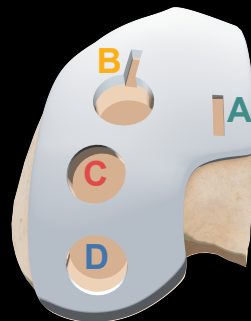
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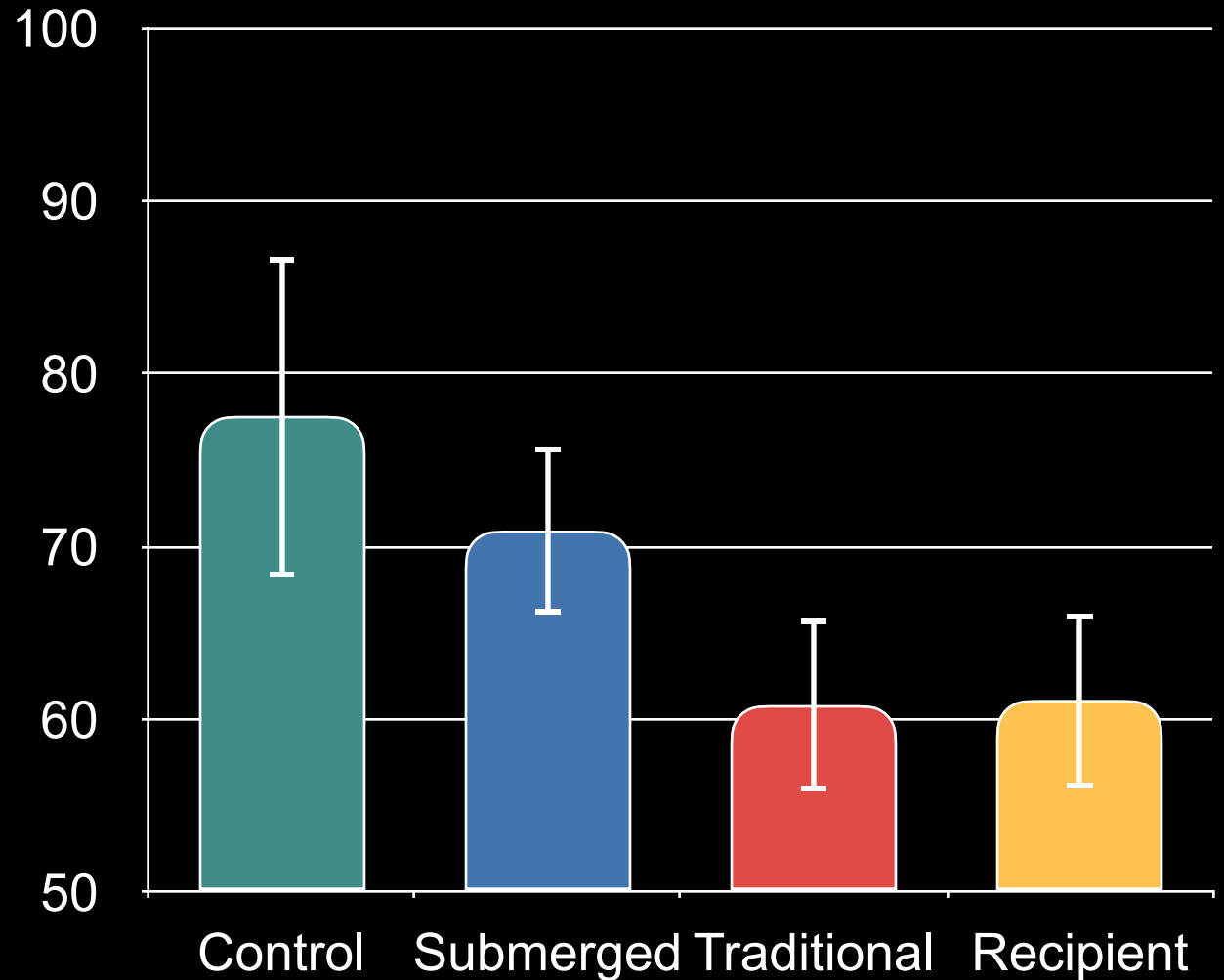
**Control** = **Submerged** ( $p = 0.799$ )

**Recipient** = **Traditional** ( $p = 0.990$ )

**Submerged** > **Recipient** ( $p = 0.009$ )



Percent Live Cells



# Center vs. Periphery

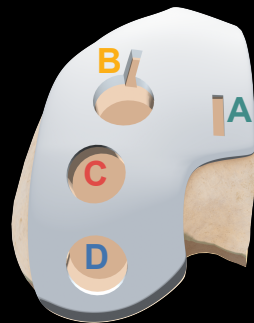


Regional differences between the center and peripheries of plugs analyzed:

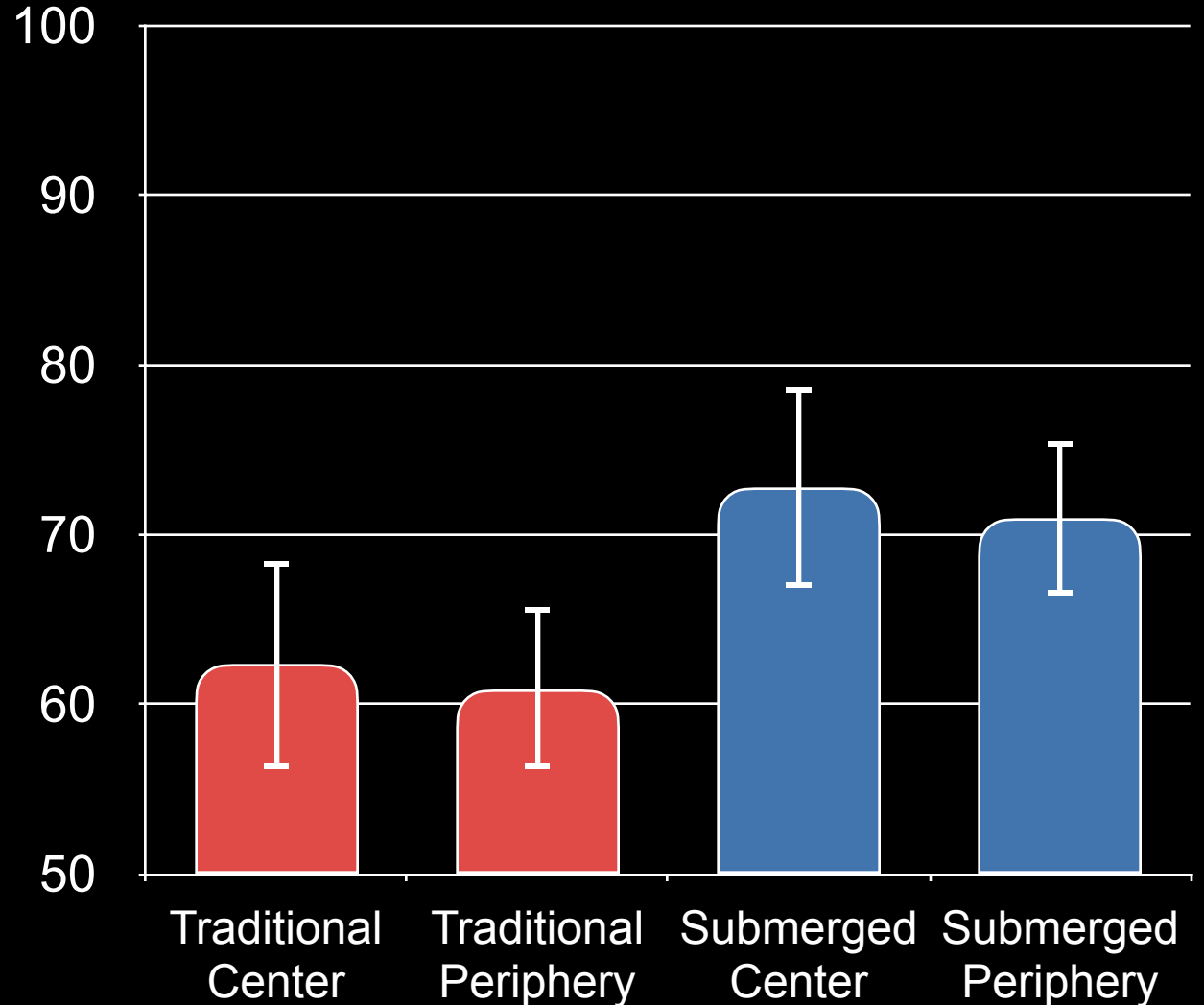
- **Traditional Center:**  $62.3 \pm 6.11\%$
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**Traditional Center =  
Traditional Periphery** ( $p = 0.108$ )

**Submerged Center  
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# Discussion



How is chondrocyte viability currently preserved?

Minimize Impaction Loads

Optimize Storage Techniques

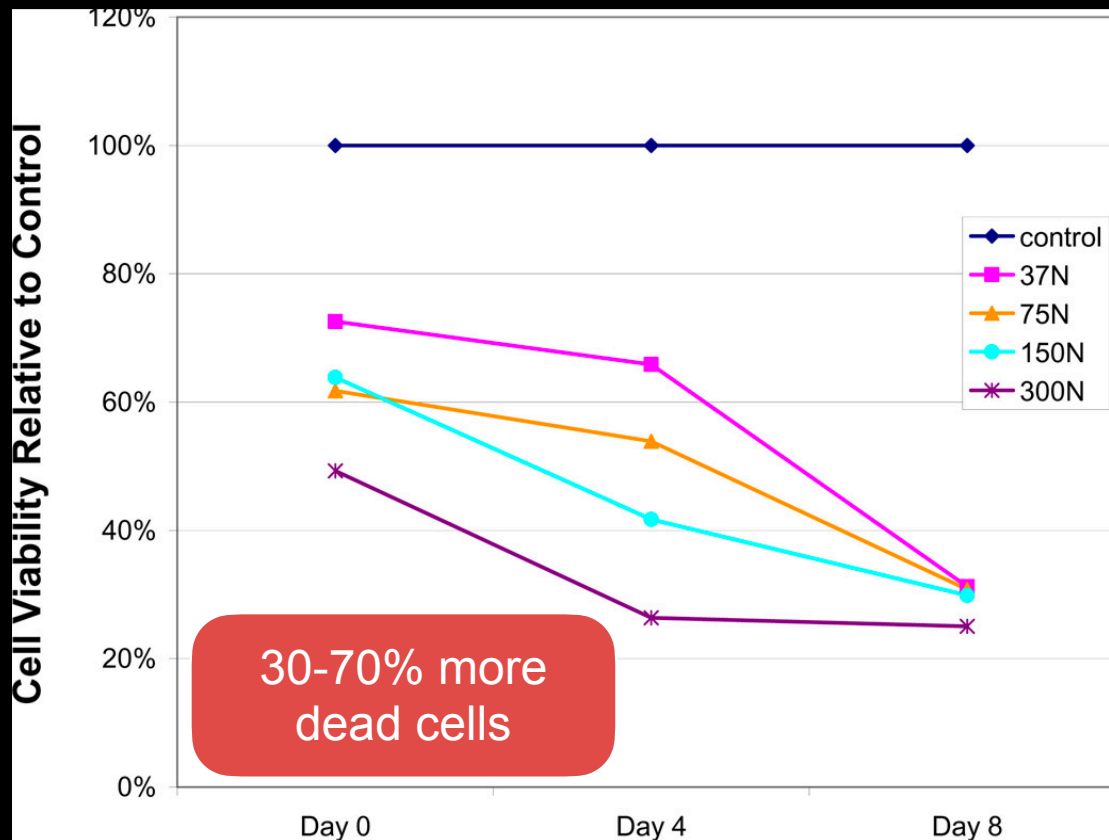


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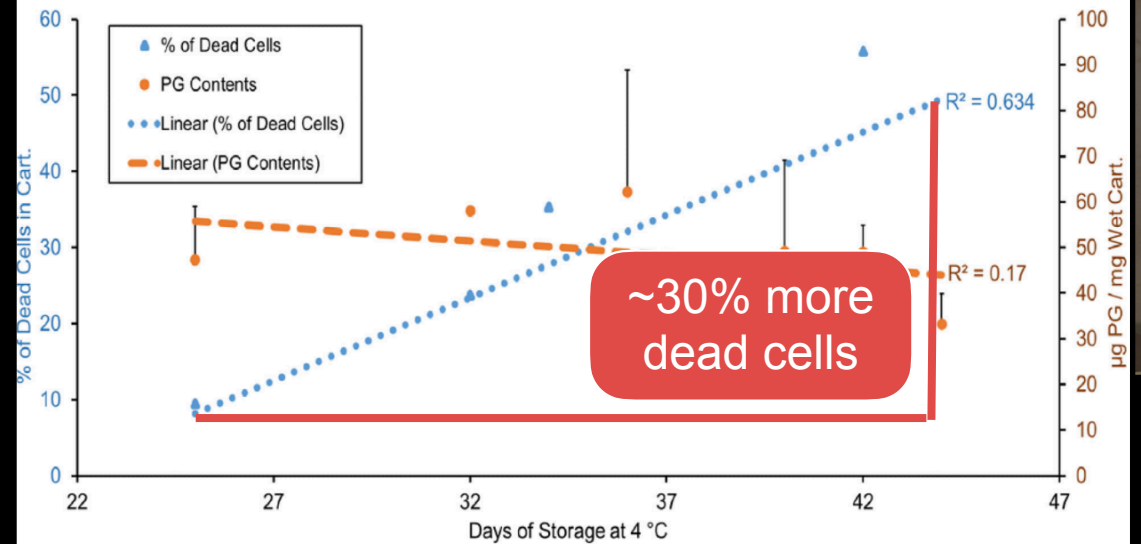
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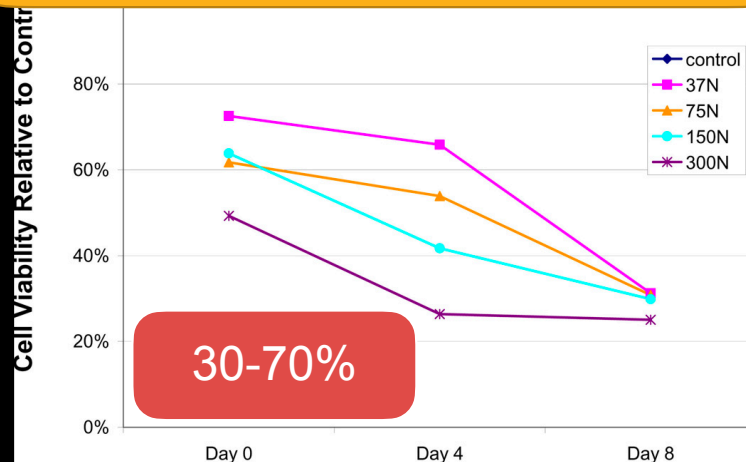
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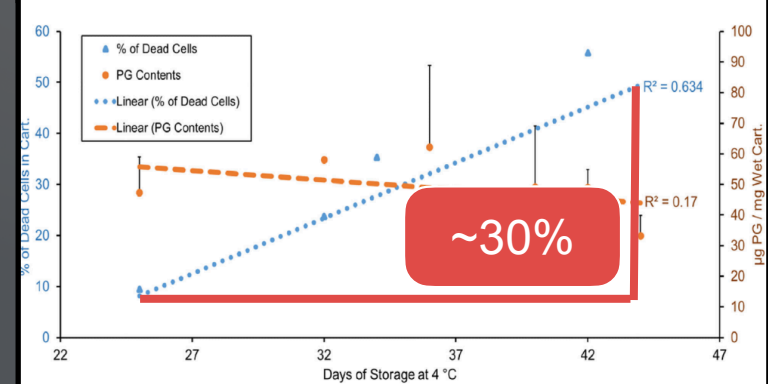


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Improved Viability from  
~61% to ~71%



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