

ANSWERING REVIEWERS

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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

comments from reviewer Thank you for submitting this original paper. The sample size and the follow up is short of course but interesting. The question screw or no screw is a large subject of debate. Personally I stopped using screws since 1998. Your paper demonstrate the the extra fixation added by the screw is not demonstrated. It only could helped the very early fixation but after three months we can consider that the primary fixation is obtained. For the long term I don't think that the screw will be usefull if a late loosening occurs. Crews could be responsible of an increase wear due to 2 phenomenons 1 by contact with the PE insert 2 by coorosion between the screw and the cup. >Interesting paper Keep on monitoring these patients at 5 and 10 years

Response to reviewer comments

Thank you for your precious advises and comments. After detailed peruse of my work, I have revised the work on the priority of your comments

Reviewer #1:

Overall: minor revision

Thank you again for your valuable comments. I have added two phenomena into the introduction section that could be responsible for wearing. At the same time, as you mentioned, I will try to keep these patients on monitoring for many years.

yours sincerely