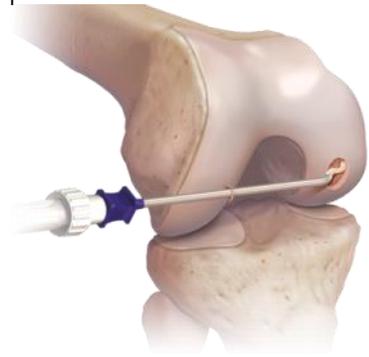


BioCartilage®

Cartilage damage can result from a variety of causes: an injury from a bad fall, a traumatic injury during a sports game, repeated injury to the same area, and wear and tear as we age.

When you injure yourself and sustain a cut or a bruise, the cells in your body heal and regenerate to bring health back to the injured area. Unfortunately, cartilage is unable to do this. Cartilage cannot regenerate once it has been damaged, which can lead to tissue damage and defect to the area. This often results in swelling, pain and restricted mobility.

Pioneered by Dr. Chris Dougherty, the BioCartilage procedure treats the damaged cartilage, eliminating pain and increasing joint mobility with a faster recovery time than traditional treatments for damaged joint cartilage. Dr. Dougherty was the first surgeon in the United States to adopt this innovative new practice for both the hip and the knee, and one of the first to perform the procedure on the shoulder joint. Dr. Dougherty works closely with Arthrex®, the company that makes BioCartilage, to constantly improve the ways we treat damaged joints—decreasing recovery time and pain after surgery so you can get back to living life. This procedure has eliminated the need, in many patients, to have total joint replacements or fusions. Dr. Dougherty also places the BioCartilage via arthroscopy, eliminating large incisions and the pain associated with performing an open procedure.



What is BioCartilage?

BioCartilage is made from human cartilage and is placed inside the

joint where healthy cartilage once was. It contains type II collagen cartilage growth factors and has other properties that promote cellular growth and tissue healing within damaged regions over the joint. The goal is restoration of pain-free function.

If damaged cartilage is causing pain and impacting your quality of life, please contact us today for more information about BioCartilage.