FiberTape® Suture Post-Op Complaint Rate

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Objective

The purpose of this study is to determine the post-op complaint rate of FiberTape® suture.

Methods and Materials

Arthrex® compiled the complete list of product codes utilizing FiberTape suture, Figure 1. Sales data for the life of these products was obtained (July 2003 – January 2016). From all product codes utilizing FiberTape suture, each complaint was compiled and categorized into (1) all complaints, (2) FiberTape suture-related complaints, and (3) potential FiberTape suture complaints related to reactions.

Results

Products containing FiberTape suture and the associated complaint rates are provided in the table below. A total of 1,586,369 products with FiberTape suture were sold from July 2003 – January 2016.[1]

Category	Complaints	Complaint Rate	Complaint Odds
1 – All Complaints	238	0.0150%	< 15 per 100,000
2 – FiberTape Suture Related	41	0.0026%	< 3 per 100,000
3 – Potential FiberTape Suture Reactions	27	0.0017%	< 2 per 100,000

Figure 1: **FiberTape Suture**

Conclusion

The complaint data compiled for this review clearly demonstrates that the risk of any tissue reaction is very low for FiberTape suture manufactured by Arthrex, Inc. Arthrex maintains that the safety and effectiveness of its carefully selected materials contribute to successful patient outcomes.

1. Data on file, Arthrex Inc.

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