

Supplementary Table S5. GRADE Evidence Profile

Outcome	Construct	Studies (n)	Patients (n)	Risk of Bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Publication Bias	Final Certainty
Reduction in localisation	A (1+1)	13	421	-2	-1 (I ² =70%)	-1	0	-1	Very Low
Reduction in localisation	B (1+2)	6	177	-2	-1 (I ² =89%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low
Reduction in localisation	C (2+2)	8	292	-2	-1 (I ² =66%)	-1	0	-1	Very Low
Revision	A (1+1)	9	327	-2	-1 (I ² =69%)	-1	0	-1	Very Low
Revision	B (1+2)	6	177	-2	0 (I ² =41%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low
Revision	C (2+2)	8	292	-2	0 (I ² =0%)	-1	0	-1	Very Low
Constant	A (1+1)	9	295	-2	-2 (I ² =97%)	-1	0	-1	Very Low
Constant	B (1+2)	6	174	-2	-2 (I ² =97%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low
Constant	C (2+2)	5	138	-2	-1 (I ² =87%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low
VAS Pain	A (1+1)	5	146	-2	-2 (I ² =95%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low
VAS Pain	B (1+2)	5	144	-2	-2 (I ² =93%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low
VAS Pain	C (2+2)	4	188	-2	-1 (I ² =88%)	-1	-1	-1	Very Low

All evidence starts at Very Low (single-arm Level IV studies). Risk of bias: -2 (single-arm design). Indirectness: -1 (variable definitions, surgeon variation). Publication bias: -1 (suspected; formal tests not valid for single-arm MA).

GRADE Working Group grades: High = very confident; Moderate = probably close; Low = may be substantially different; Very Low = likely substantially different.