



# THIN FLAP LASIK

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Creation of Intended

regular thin flap less than 120 mic. Historically A complication

#### Un intended

irregular thin flap damage to Bm. Dificult manipulation

Irregular astigmatism

CAUSES

Poor suction
Damaged MK black

# THIN FLAP LASIK

## **Adventages:**

- Thicker RSB
- SAFE correction of higher levels of ametropia
- Preserve corneal BIOMECHANICS
- Less risk of c. ectasia
- Allow large ablation zones

## THIN FLAP LASIK

## **Adventages:**

- Rapid visual recovery
- Better Contrast sensitivity
- Better adhesion to bed
- Lesser induction of HOA.
- Less decr. Of corneal sensations.
- Dec . Rate of refractive enhancement

**Disadvantages** 

• Wrinkles

Manipulation.



# SBK

SBK Lasik the thinner flaps are obtained of 90 to 110 microns thickness

The conventional LASIK create a flap of 120 to 180 microns thickness,



# **The Rational for SBK**

#### Lasik

 with traditional flap provides rapid visual recovery with minimal if any postoperative pain.

#### **Surface ablation**

 causes least effect on biomechanics stability of the cornea, but with postoperative pain and slow visual recovery.

#### SBK

 may combine the advantages of both.(90 microns flap), Better biomechanical stability and more tissue to ablate safely.





# **SBK-** THE NAME

Wavefront-guided excimer laser ablation using photorefractive keratectomy and sub-Bowman's keratomileusis: a contralateral eye study.

Daniel S. Durrie, Stephen G. Slade, John Marshall

Published 2008 in Journal of refractive surgery

# Indication

Any LASIK candidate that has:

 A preop pachymetry equal or over 500 microns

An average K between

39 and 48 D

# How Can we make SBK flap?

Mechanical Microkeratome

Femto LASER











# **FSL OR MM ONE USE PLUS**

- SPEED OF FLAP MAKING
- FLAP PROFILE
- SMOOTH STROMAL BED
- In FLAP THICHNESS REPRODUCIBILITY
- RAPID VISUAL RECOVERY
- EFFECT ON CORNEAL NERVES
- FLAT CORNEAS
- HYPEROPIA
- COMPILICATIONS
- REDO

## **Benefits of FS Laser**



- Program all surgical parameters for personalized flaps
- Preserve biomechanical properties of the cornea
- Preserve the stroma to confidently complete refractive procedure, regardless of refraction or corneal curvature
- Predict the precision of uniformly planar flaps,
- optimized intra-corneal surfaces
- Create the LASIK flap in just under 30 seconds





One Use-Plus SBK Excellent flap thickness reproducibility			
Surgeons	# eyes	Measurement method of central flap thickness	Flap thickness Speed 2 Mean ± SD (range)
Dr. Casado Feb 2008	82	Ultrasound	100.6 13.6
Dr. Casado May 2008	50	OCT Visante	104.8 ± 4.4









Comparison Of The Flaps Made By Femtosecond Laser

And Automated Keratome For Thin-flap Lasik

## **Conclusions:**:

The flaps created by the IntraLase femtosecond laser and Moria One Use-Plus SBK are more uniform; regular; accurate and better reproducibility than by the traditional M2 single use 90µm-head microkeratome.

#### **VISUAL RECOVERY**

Zhao W,Wu T,Dong ZH,Feng J,Ren YF,Wang YS.

Comparison of visual acuity of the patients on the first day after sub-Bowman keratomileusis or laser in situ keratomileusis.

Int J Ophthalmol 2016;9(3):448-452,doi:10.18240/ijo.2016.03.22

#### CONCLUSION:

- Compared with LASIK, SBK is safer and
- more effective, with faster recovery.



# Durrei et,al 2008 JCRS **SBK VERSUS PRK**

### **Clinical results**

- SBK provides quicker visual recovery,
- Reichert Ocular Response Analyzer

SBK impact on the cornea is similar to PRK

Saudi J Ophthalmol. 2017 Jan-Mar; 31(1): 19–24. Published online 2017 Jan 29. doi: 10.1016/j.sjopt.2017.01.004 PMCID: PMC5352945

Comparison of microkeratome assisted sub-Bowman keratomileusis with photorefractive keratectomy

Talal A. Althomali

#### Conclusion

The visual and refractive outcomes after both PRK and microkeratome assisted SBK are comparable,

#### J Fr Ophtalmol. 2016 Feb;39(2):202-9.

Safety of the automated microkeratome for Sub-Bowman's Keratomileusis on the flat cornea]. Falcon C<sup>1</sup>, Norero Martinez M<sup>2</sup>.

#### **CONCLUSION:**

The Moria One Use-Plus SBK microkeratome is an excellent device that allows easy creation of thin corneal flaps regular and smooth corneal beds, safely and predictably even in extremely flat corneas (40D) without complications.

## HYPEROPIA CORRECTION:

LASIK VS. SBK VS. PHAKIC IOL

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#### **Conclusions:**

• All three methods are save end effective for correction of hyperopia.

**SBK** with thinner flap and bigger optical zone is more predictable and safe than conventional LASIK.

•The most predictable and stable results are achieved by implantation of pIOL

Confocal comparison of corneal nerve regeneration and keratocyte reaction

between FS-LASIK, OUP-SBK, and conventional LASIK

Article in Investigative ophthalmology & visual science 53(9):5536-44 · July 2012

3 months after surgery, CSNFs were found around 3 mm near the

center of the flap. In 62.5% of eyes (conventional LASIK),

72% of eyes (OUP-SBK), and

64.3% of eyes (FS-LASIK)



Chang JS

Complications of sub-Bowman's keratomileusis with a femtosecond laser in 3009 eyes.

#### **CONCLUSIONS:**

- The complication rate of SBK is low.
- Intra-operative complications included flap tear, free cap, bubble escape, and flap folds.
   Postoperative complications included DLK and epithelial ingrowth.
- Vision loss is rare.

# Femto related complications

• Longer suction time

failure of iris registeration

• Vertical Gas breakthrough

- Transient light sensitivity
- o energy related DLK (less common now)
- Difficulty in lifting the flap for retreatments
- Expense of the machine and cones

#### The Impact of Flap Creation Methods for Sub-Bowman's Keratomileusis (SBK) on the Central Thickness of Bowman's Layer

Meixiao Shen , Liang Hu, Xiran Zhuang, Mei Peng, Di Hu, Jing Liu,Jianhua Wang, Jia Qu, Fan Lu •Published: May 4, 2015

## Conclusions

 Central Bowman's layer thickness
 increased 1 day post-SBK. Flap creation by Moria microkeratome and femtosecond laser

•NO significantly different impacts on Bowman's layer thickness following SBK.

## How thin is safe !! Not thinner than 85micron



## • FSL SBK

 Post operative haze
 FLAD



# TAKE HOME MESSAGE

• SBK IS AN EXELLENT LASIK PROCDURE FOR NOW AND FUTURE

## • SBK

ONE USE PLUS MECHANICAL MICROKERATOME IS AS GOOD AND SOMETIMES BETTER THAN

FSL BUT MUCH MORE CHEAPER



