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#### **Osteochondritis Dissecans**

- Subchondral bone weakening
- Most common: Medial femoral condyle
- Premature osteoarthritis<sup>1</sup>
- Black children with 6.7x higher odds of unsuccessful radiographic healing<sup>2</sup>

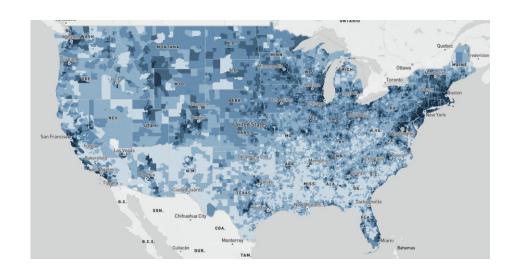




## **Childhood Opportunity Index 2.0**

- 3 domains:
  - Education
  - Health & Environment
  - Social & Economic

- Total score → Pentiles
- Metro, State, and National-based norms





#### **Objective**

We aim to explore the relationship that Childhood Opportunity Index has on treatment outcomes of OCD of the medial femoral condyle of the knee

#### Methods

- Retrospective cohort study
- Age ≤ 18 years
- Jan 2015-July 2023
- Dx: Medial Femoral Condyle OCD



#### Methods Total patients (N=213) 74% = Conservative Childhood Opportunity Index High Very High Low Moderate Conservative Surgical Conservative Surgical Conservative Surgical Surgical Conservative

N = 44

N=21

N=5



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N=19

N = 45

N = 35

#### Methods

#### Primary outcome:

Failure of conservative management

#### Secondary outcome:

- Demographics
- Return to activity/sport
- Lost to follow-up
- Physical therapy



Initial conservative management (N=158)					
	Low (N=34)	Moderate (N=35)	High (N=44)	Very High (N=45)	p-value
Sex n (%)					0.474
Female	14 (41.2%)	9 (25.7%)	13 (29.5%)	17 (37.8%)	
Male	20 (58.8%)	26 (74.3%)	31 (70.5%)	28 (62.2%)	
Race					0.007
African American or Black	11 (32.4%)	10 (28.6%)	6 (13.6%)	4 (8.9%)	
White	18 (52.9%)	18 (51.4%)	34 (77.3%)	39 (86.7%)	
Other	4 (14.7%)	7 (20.0%)	4 (9.1%)	2 (4.4%)	
Patient age median [IQR]	10.5 [9.0, 12.0]	11.0 [9.0, 12.0]	11.0 [10.0, 12.5]	11.0 [10.0, 12.0]	0.791
BMI median [IQR]	19.2 [16.7, 22.6]	21.3 [18.7, 24.4]	19.5 [17.3, 21.0]	17.7 [16.5, 18.6]	<0.001
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Yes	8 (23.5%)	4 (11.4%)	6 (13.6%)	8 (17.8%)	
Unknown	2 (5.9%)	5 (14.3%)	2 (4.5%)	2 (4.4%)	
Time to surgery (weeks) median [IQR]	66.0 [58.0, 86.0]	22.0 [8.0, 22.0]	22.0 [18.0, 46.0]	21.0 [15.0, 72.0]	0.062
Time to surgery (clinic visits) median [IQR]	8.0 [7.0, 9.0]	5.0 [3.0, 5.0]	4.0 [3.0, 7.0]	4.0 [2.5, 5.5]	0.226
Returned to sports					0.011
≤ 6 months	7 (23.3%)	14 (46.7%)	19 (47.5%)	28 (68.3%)	
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#### Conclusions

- 1. Return to sport & PT attendance significantly impacted by COI
- 2. Very high COI = white, lower BMI, sports participation
- 3. Low COI = trend towards longer duration until surgery performed



## Significance

- Health disparities exist with knee MFC OCD
- Etiology is complex & multifactorial
- Need improved screening & improved access to resources
- Acknowledge potential unconscious bias





#### Limitations

- Lesion stability not analyzed
- Addresses may have changed
- COI very low + low combined
- Single center study

#### **NEXT STEP:**

**ASSESS LESION STABILITY** 

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## Questions?