

Surgical treatment restores penis length

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A new study shows that a surgical treatment can be effective for treating Peyronie's disease, a disorder that leads to scarring and shortening of the penis.

After undergoing surgery involving a "sliding technique" and penile prosthesis implantation, 28 patients experienced an average penile lengthening of 3.2 cm. In questionnaires relating to erectile dysfunction, scores improved significantly at various times points after surgery, indicating improvements in function. The study is the first multi-center prospective study on the surgical technique.

"The sliding technique is also currently under study as applied to conditions other than Peyronie's, with early promising results," said the University of Turin's Dr. Marco Falcone, co-author of the BJU International study.

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