#### Integration Connector Blocks

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# Single axis accelerometer <u>x-direction for certification</u>





- Mounted behind Nylon Impact Cover
- Threaded metal inserts to enable thread repair
- Measurement specialties M62, Endevco 7264,



#### **Protective Covers on Side Cavities**



- Side cavity covers are 2mm thick and bent for strength
- Cable mounts can be placed on inside





# Protective rubber bumpers to distal and proximal ends





•Rubber bumper mass 0.04kg each

- Mounted with Nylon screw for mass reduction
- •Provision of threads for catch ropes
  - •Catch ropes and bumper may be used simultaneously
  - •But may need special fixture

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### **Top of femur launching Bracket**

- Lower pivot is clamped
- Function 1: protection of bracket under secondary impact
- Function 2: angle adjustment to achieve stable suspension on ejection platform
- Bumper on distal femur
  - Cut outs for cables





# Segment C1A\_AL Bottom tibia segment C3\_AL



•Increase strength of C1A\_AL:

- Counter bores removed
- •Additional mass +10gr

Increase strength of bottom tibia segment C3\_AL

- Increase bottom to 4mm thickness
- •Additional mass +18gr

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•Shorten the bone by 2mm

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### **Proposed impact cover designs**

- •FLEX-PLI-GT mounting maintained with double sided tape
- Button head screws maintained
  - To allow dislocation to protect against overload
    Hole centers reduced in to avoid thin section at edge

•Minimum section 1.7mm







#### **Rubber and Neoprene sheets**



Outer Neoprene Sheet with alignment marks to aid assembly



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#### **Rubber and Neoprene sheets**



Inner Neoprene Sheets (only Leg shown, Thigh similar)



Neoprene Type, Color and Thickness

- Alignment marks and text
- Zipper

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#### **Rubber and Neoprene sheets**



#### **Rubber Sheets**



Rubber sheet Type, Hardness and Thickness Velcro hooks and loops tape Velcro to rubber sheet adhesive Adhesive between rubber sheets



### **Glass Fiber Bone Specifications**

- Glass Fiber Reinforced Plastic
- Supplier PL Alloy Japan
- Material specs JARI SPEC F45
- Bone painted to retain glass fibers
  - JARI please provide specs



# **Comparison GT - GTR**

- The project aims at keeping the dynamic response of the GTR as close as possible to current GT version
- GTR aimed to maintain GT Mass and Mass distribution
  - FLEX-GT mass breakdown study was performed
- GTR aimed at maintaining GT dynamic response
  - FTSS will perform material characterization tests
  - GTR materials will be as close as possible
  - Bone material and dimensions will remain the same
- Changes in the knee will not affect bending moment
  - Lateral Ligaments and springs and spacing in y- direction (impact) remain the same
  - Cruciate ligaments total force may slightly change, spacing in ydirection and pull direction remain the same
  - Elongation sensors MCL, PCL, ACL, LCL remain in line with ligaments, position projected to mid knee position



## **Comparison GT - GTR**



- GT and GTR cruiciate ligament and spring location remain the same
  - All dimensions and interactive geometry remain the same
- Accommodation connectors and DAS -> larger space in the side -> mass compensated

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#### Mass specs comparison

- Mass spec comparison
  - To be completed
  - GT, GTR standard, GTR full options
- Some uncertainties
  - DAS Weight, cables
- Knee CAD model within +/-30 gram from GT version
- Tibia + 21 grams
  - With options
- Femur +23 grams
  - With options



UPDATE with summary when complete

#### **Further Activities**

- Complete mass spec comparison
- Round all sharp edges in wire route
- Development of User Manual, including procedures, training..
- Material sourcing and tests
  - Characterize dynamic response of current and new source materials
    - Neoprene, Synthetic rubber 30 Shore A, 45 Shore A



#### Schedule, future activities, etc.

- Inform FLEX-TEG members development status end February
- Drawings February 22<sup>nd</sup> mid April
- 6<sup>th</sup> FLEX-PLI-TEG meeting, March 31<sup>st</sup>Germany
- Prototype Manufacturing 1st April 28st July
- Prototype Testing and calibration 29 July- End September
- GTR prototype Delivery End September 2008



# **Design frozen**

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