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Highlights

- Surgical repair of symptomatic chronic Achilles tendon (TA) rupture is a challenging problem due to the presence of a large defect between tendon edges.
- Patients with a symptomatic chronic TA rupture underwent surgical repair by VY plasty and augmentation with bioabsorbable synthetic graft (Artelon<sup>®</sup>).
- There were no graft related complications. At final follow up, six patients out of seven were able to do single stance heel raise however, calf wasting was noted in all patients.
- Tendon repair augmented by absorbable synthetic graft is an acceptable technique in Myerson Grade 3 chronic symptomatic TA ruptures.

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