



*Fig. 1 Surgical and nonsurgical treatment group visual analog scale (VAS) scores for patient satisfaction and pain at 2, 3, and 12 months.*

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