**Fruit and fibroid: An alternative use of the Kiwi® device**

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**Introduction**

The Kiwi® vacuum assisted foetal delivery device (OmniCup) is used in many maternity units globally, and is renowned for the safe delivery of babies.

Why should its use be limited to assisting the delivery of a baby?

Currently, open myomectomy procedures involve an abdominal incision (midline or pfannenstiel), and potentially requiring a myomectomy screw for exteriorisation. The size of the incision is determined by the size and location of the fibroids, and the use of the myomectomy screw usually contributes to the total blood loss. We present three cases where the Kiwi® was used in open myomectomy procedures to exteriorise the uterus.

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**Cases**

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<td>Kiwi used to exteriorise uterus through 5cm pfannenstiel incision.</td>
<td>the Kiwi® was used to exteriorise this 20 week size uterus through a 10cm midline incision</td>
<td>Uterus exteriorised through a 10cm Midline incision with a Kiwi®</td>
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**Conclusion**

This case series shows how the Kiwi® device can be used safely in open myomectomy procedures. We believe that the traction required to exteriorise the uterus in our cases was effectively provided by the Kiwi®, and that using the device as an alternative to the myomectomy screw reduced traumatic bleeding associated with the screw. The myomectomy screw is still important in cases where the surface of the uterus may not allow effective use of the Kiwi®, but this series shows that in the appropriate patient group, this technique has clear benefits.