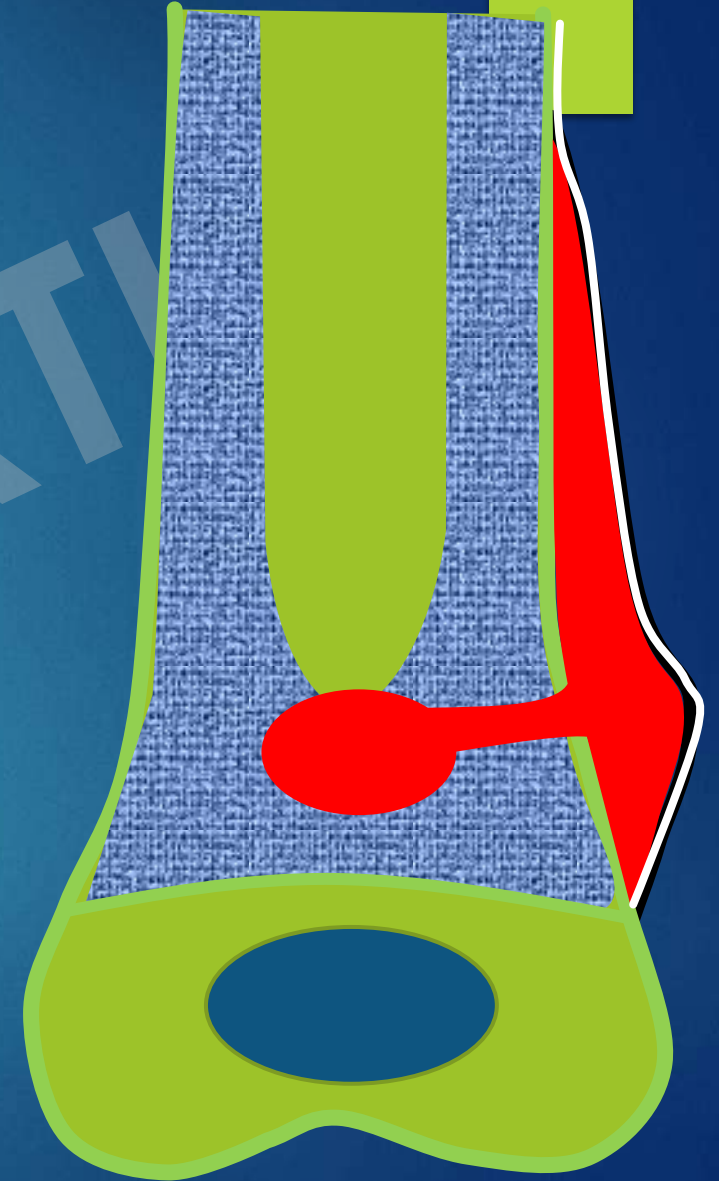


Pediatric Musculoskeletal Infections: 2

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Pediatric Musculoskeletal infections

- ▶ Acute and Chronic osteomyelitis

- ▶ Septic Arthritis and its sequelae



Today's lecture

- ▶ Septic Arthritis
Diagnosis
Criteria
Treatment
Sx Video
- ▶ Sequelae
Presentation
Classification
Surgical options

Septic arthritis

*“Acute infection of the **synovial joints** leading to **inflammation and destruction** of the affected joint structures, Cartilage;
With a potential to extend into metaphysis.”*

Septic Arthritis

- ▶ More common than Osteomyelitis in infancy and childhood
(Can occur concurrently)

- ▶ M/C Hip > Knee

- ▶ Multiple joint ~5% cases

- ▶ < 5 years 75%

- ▶ < 2 years 50%

Organism

- ▶ Most common **Staphylococcus Aureus**

- ▶ Others:

Group A, B Streptococci

Strep Pneumoniae

H. Influenza

- ▶ Neonate: **Enterococci; Strep; Fungal**

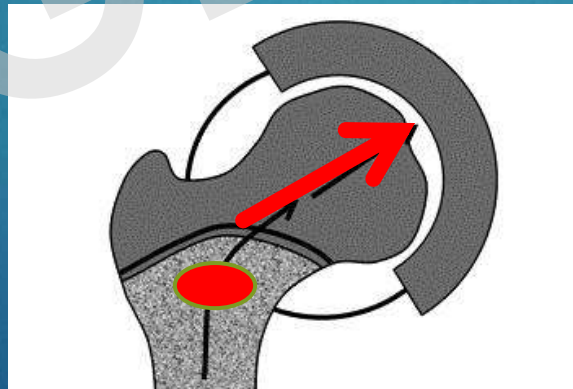
Pathomechanism

► Bacteria reach from

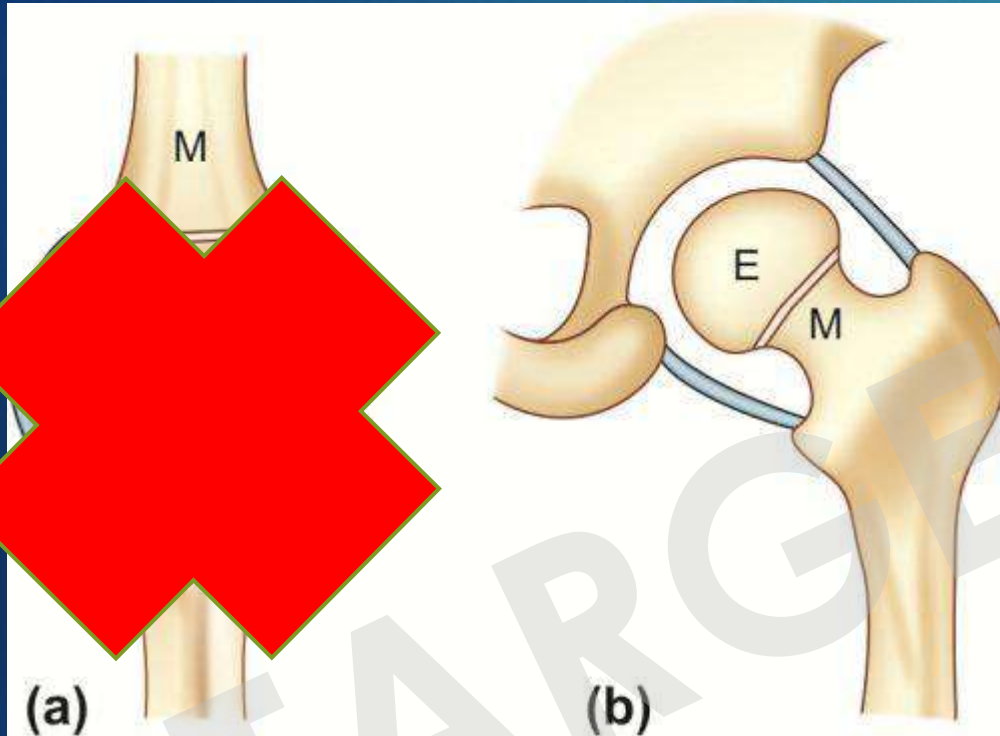
► Hematogenous

► Direct seeding

► Adjacent location

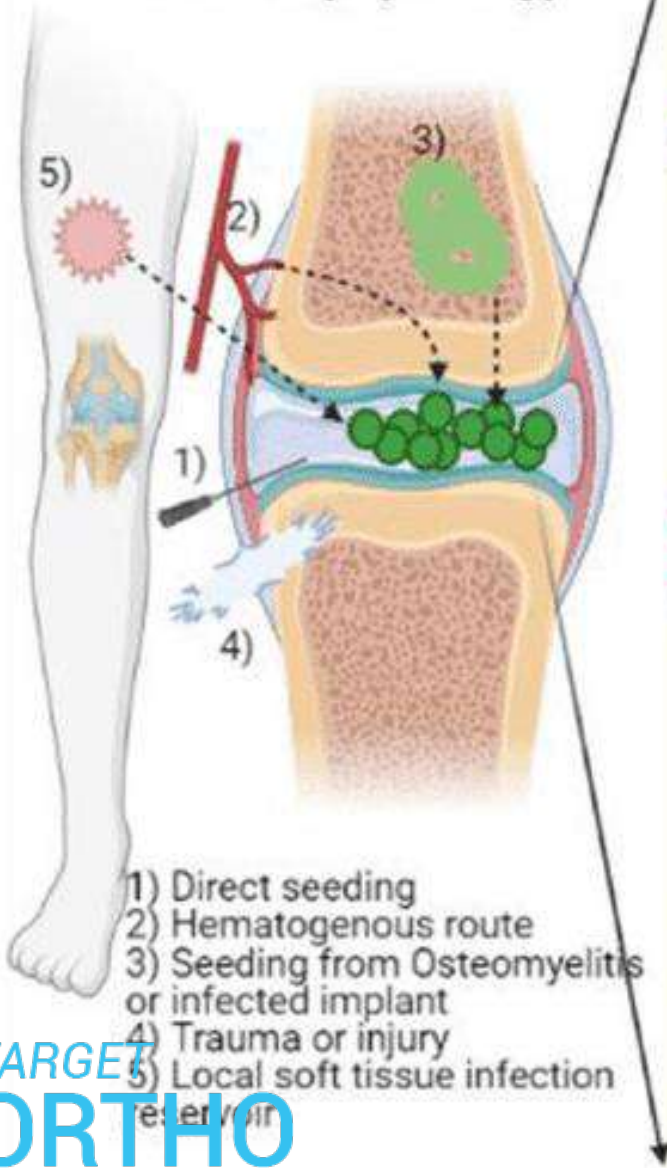


Children < 18 months :
Transphyseal Spread to joint

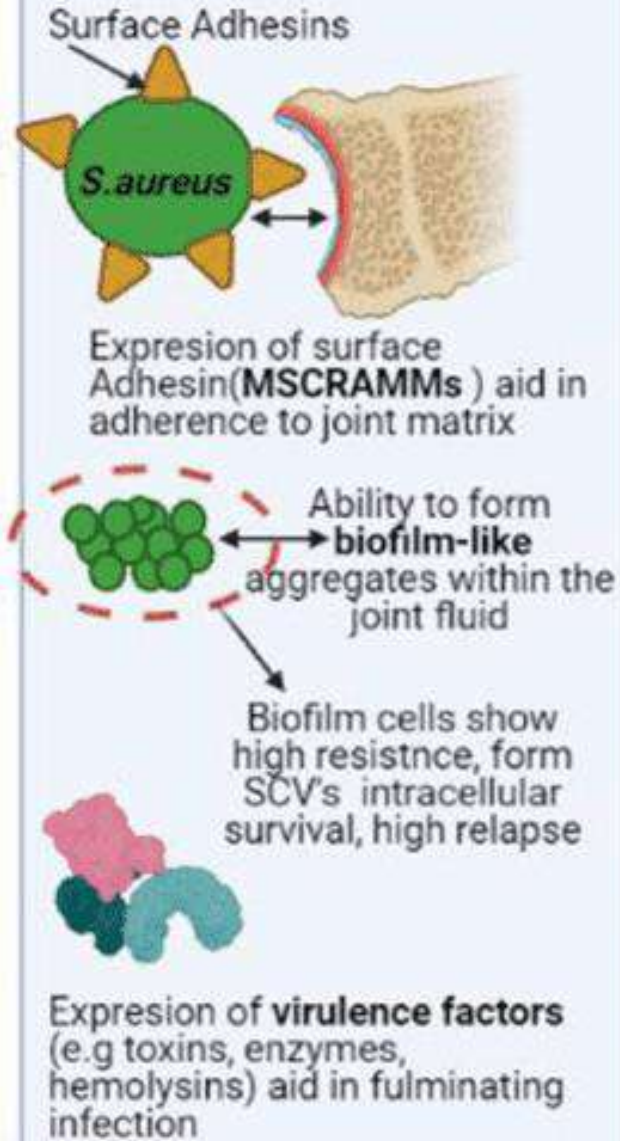


1. Shoulder
2. Hip
3. Ankle
4. Elbow

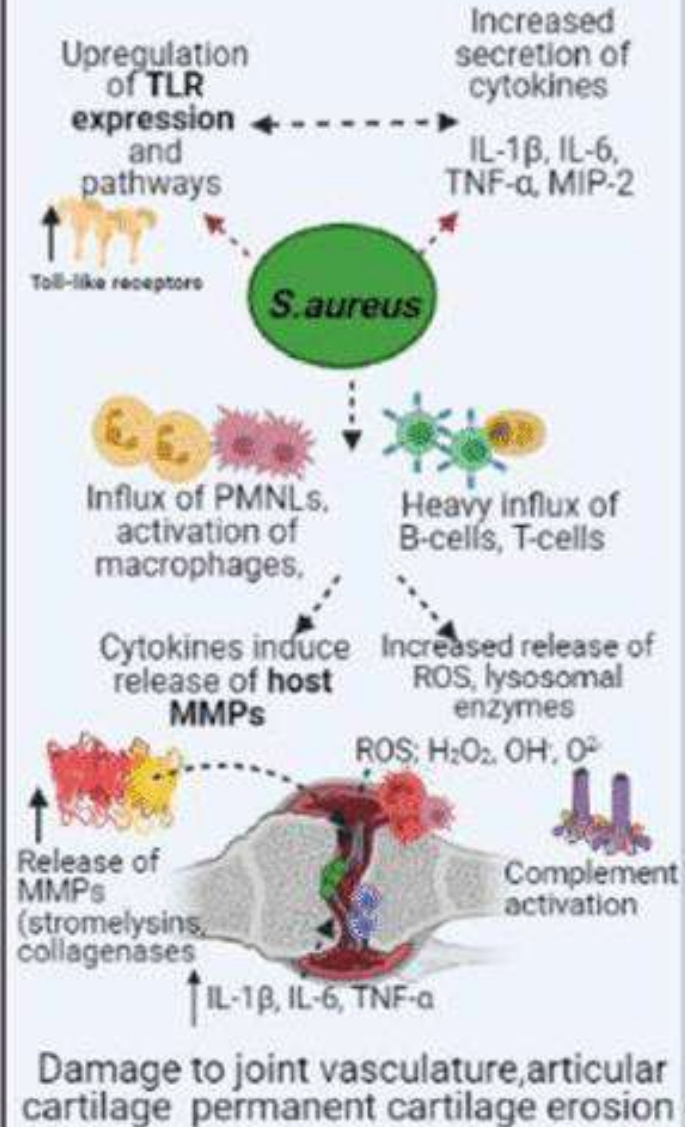
Septic Arthritis : Overview of Pathophysiology



Bacterial Damage



Inflammatory Damage



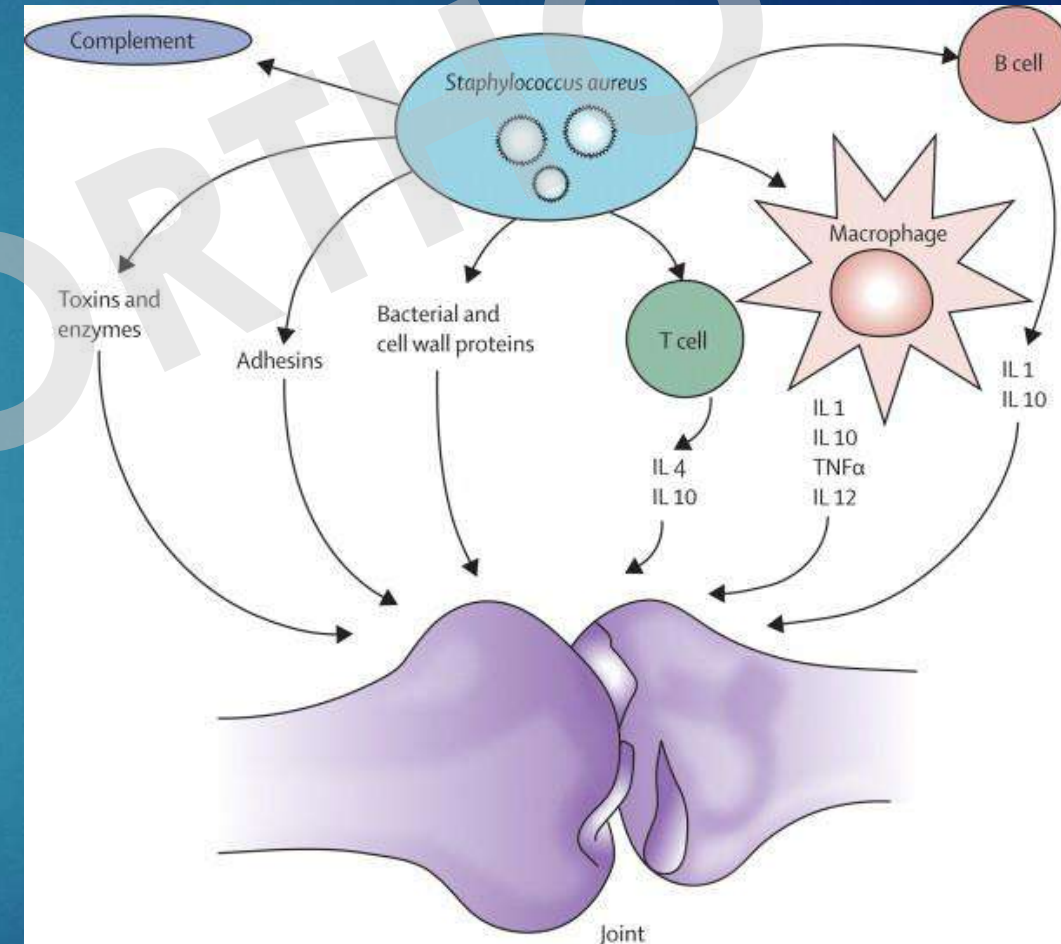
Pathomechanism

Bacteria and Activated Polymorphs

Potent Proteolytic enzymes

"Matrix Metalloproteinases"

Degradation of Hyaline cartilage and depletion of collagen and GAGs.



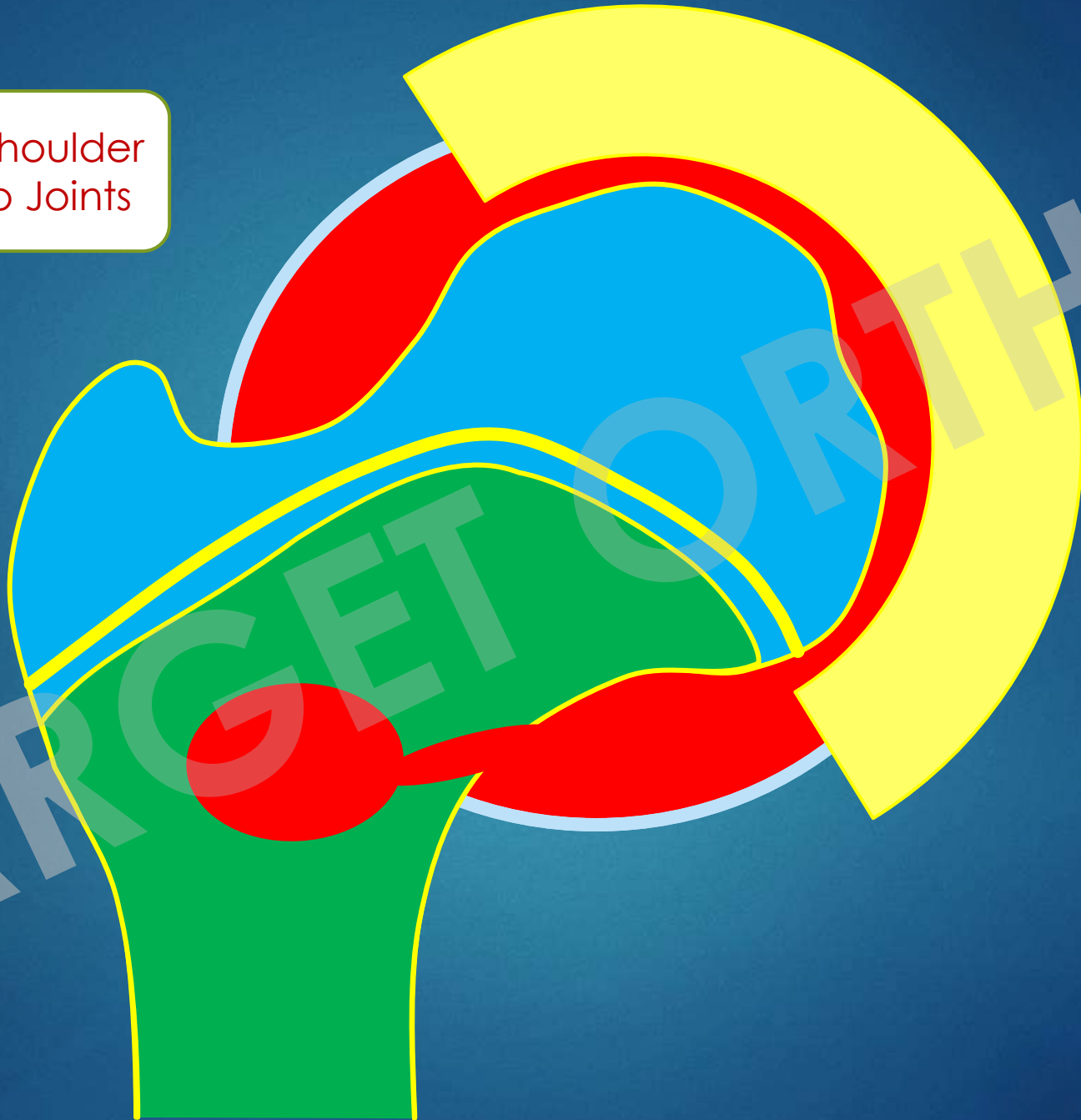
Is it a surgical emergency?

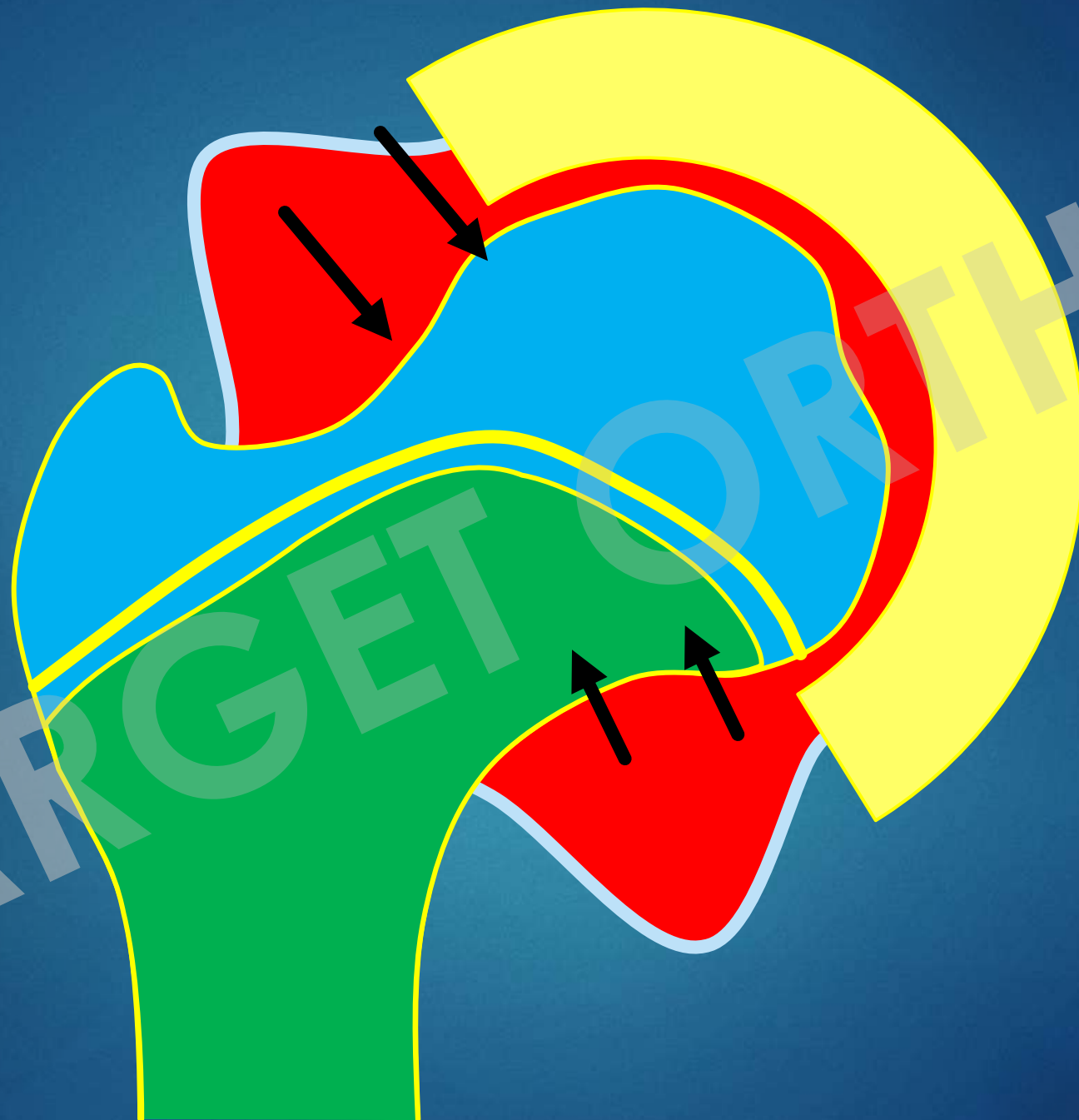
► Yes!!

► Cartilage degradation begins within 8 hours of colonisation

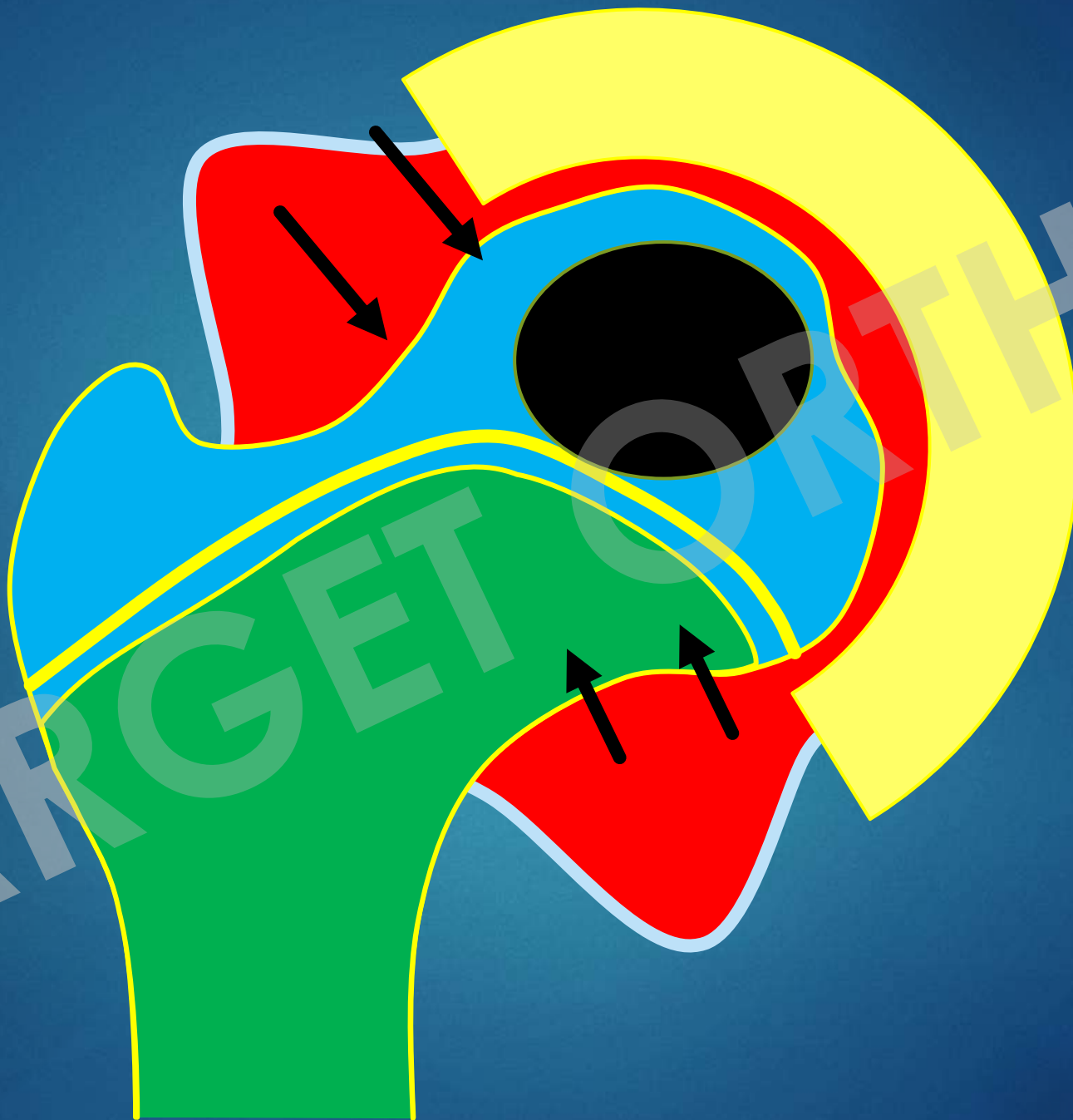
Issues

Hip & Shoulder
– Deep Joints



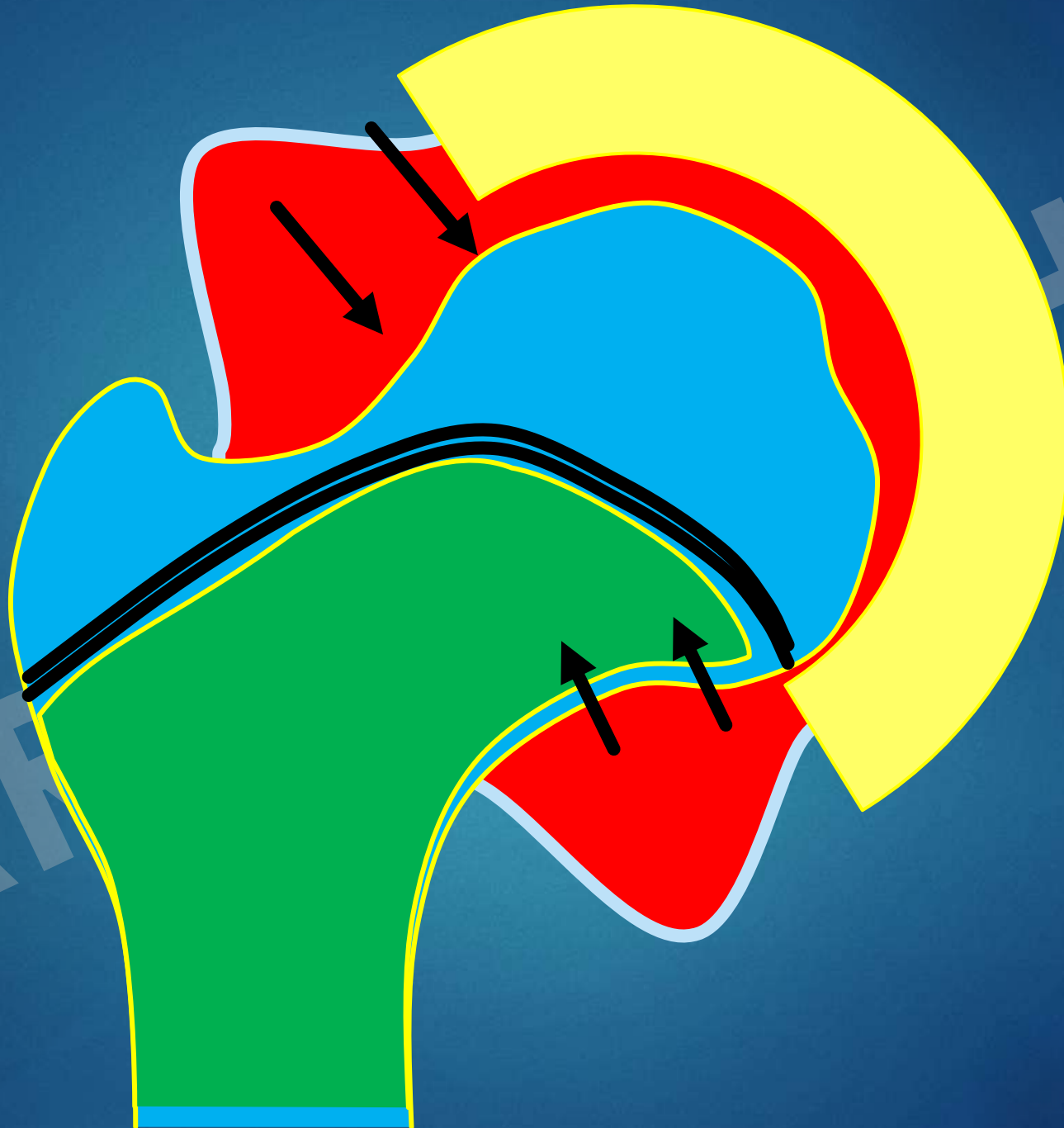


Blood
supply
affection



Damage to
Growth plate

1. Blood supply
affection



Joint
dislocation/
Destruction



1. Blood supply affection
2. Damage to Growth plate
3. Joint dislocation/
Destruction

Diagnosis

- ▶ History of NICU admission
- ▶ Long term IV antibiotic
- ▶ Decreased feed
- ▶ Immunocompromised

Diagnosis

- ▶ Irritable
- ▶ Pseudoparalysis
- ▶ Failure to thrive
- ▶ Fever



Diagnosis

- ▶ Irritable
- ▶ Pseudoparalysis
- ▶ Failure to thrive
- ▶ Fever
- ▶ **Position of joint**



Diagnosis

Raised:

- ▶ Total Count
- ▶ CRP
- ▶ ESR
- ▶ Gram staining
- ▶ Culture (60%) PCR (75%)



Differential Diagnosis

- ▶ transient synovitis
- ▶ osteomyelitis
- ▶ JRA
- ▶ JIA
- ▶ Lyme Disease



Which of the following are Kocher's criteria

1. CRP > 6 ; WBC > 11000; Inability to bear weight; ESR > 40
2. CRP > 6 ; WBC > 12000; Inability to bear weight; Fever
- 3. ESR > 40; WBC > 11000; Inability to bear weight; Fever
4. ESR > 40; Fever ; WBC > 12000; Inability to bear weight;

Diagnosis

- ▶ Kocher's Criteria
- ▶ Inability to bear weight
- ▶ History of fever ($>38.5^{\circ}\text{C}$)
- ▶ ESR >40 mm/ hr
- ▶ WBC > 12000 / mL

Calculate total points to predict the probability of septic arthritis¹



¹ Kocher M, Mandiga R, Zurakowski D, Barnewolt C, Kasser J. Validation of a clinical prediction rule for the differentiation between septic arthritis and transient synovitis of the hip in children. *J Bone Joint Surg Am.* 2004;86-A(8):1629-1635.

There is still inadequate external validation of the criteria. In another study, 0 predictor = 16% probability of septic arthritis².

Most reliable???

- ▶ 1. Fever
- ▶ 2. CRP
- ▶ 3. ESR
- ▶ 4. Inability to bear weight

Caird et al

> J Bone Joint Surg Am. 2006 Jun;88(6):1251-7. doi: 10.2106/JBJS.E.00216.

Factors distinguishing septic arthritis from transient synovitis of the hip in children. A prospective study

Michelle S Caird¹, John M Flynn, Y Leo Leung, Jennifer E Millman, Joann G D'Italia, John P Dormans

- ▶ Fever : best predictor
- ▶ 2nd elevated C-reactive protein level,
- ▶ 3rd elevated ESR ,
- ▶ 4th refusal to bear weight
- ▶ 5th elevated WBC.
- ▶ CRP level of >2.0 mg/dL (>20 mg/L) was a strong independent risk factor

Imaging

► Radiograph

Joint space widening

Bony involvement



Imaging

- ▶ Ultrasonography
- ▶ MRI

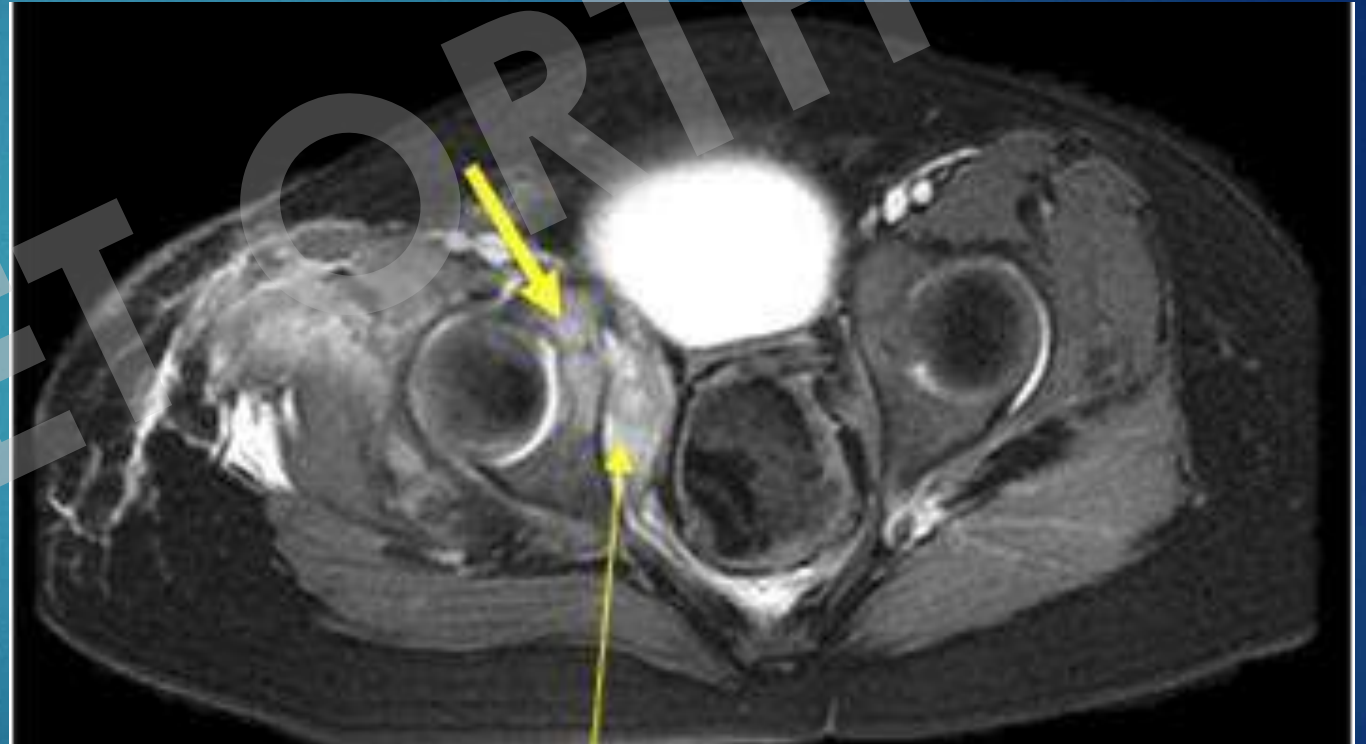


Obturator internus abscess

Obturator internus muscle (OIM)
abscess

Uncommon entity

Mistaken for septic arthritis of the
hip.





Aim of Sx

- ▶ **Blood supply affection**
Reduction of intraarticular pressure

- ▶ **Prevent Damage to Growth plate**
Early bacterial load reduction

- ▶ **Control and eradicate infection**
Debridement and IV AMA

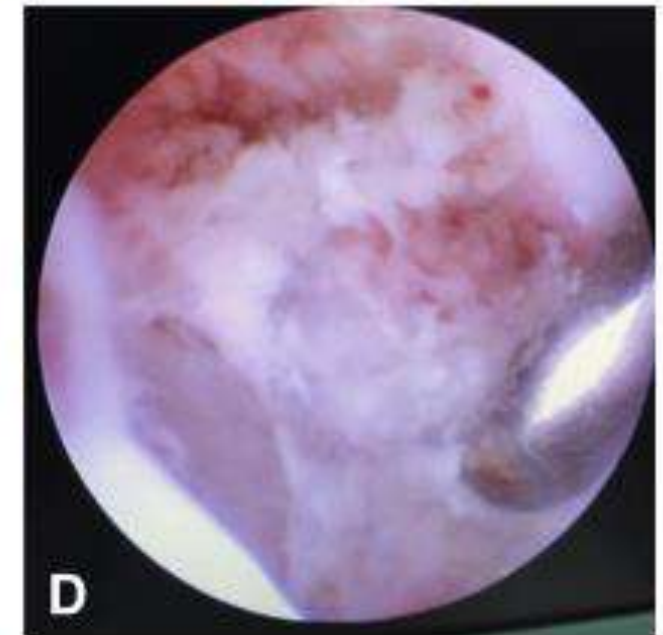
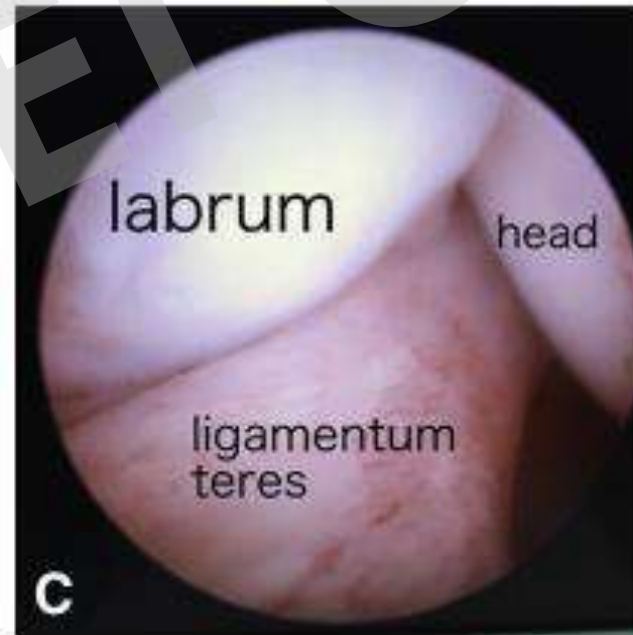
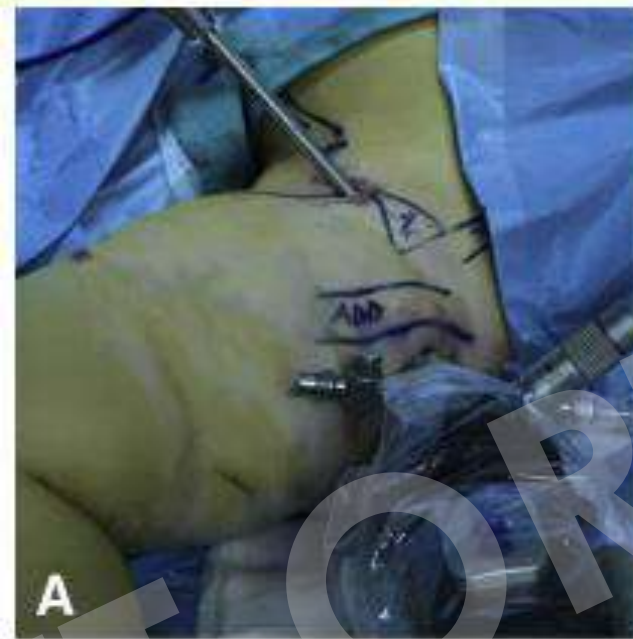
- ▶ **Joint dislocation/ Destruction**
Draining the joint

Neonate with pseudoparalysis + Tenderness over joint	1 day h/o acute pain + $\frac{3}{4}$ of Kocher +ve + Superficial joint affecrion + C-A	1 day h/o acute pain + $\frac{3}{4}$ of Kocher +ve + Hip joint affecrion (CA) + Any joint affection HA	>1 day history + $\frac{3}{4}$ of Kocher +ve + Any joint affecrion + CA Or HA
IV AMA + Arthrotomy, Lavage + Cast immobilization	IV AMA + Careful monitoring	IV AMA + Arthrotomy, Lavage + Cast immobilization	IV AMA + Arthrotomy, Lavage + Cast immobilization



Recent Advance

2019 JOA	15 pt, All
1993 Chung et al	9 Pt, All
Kim et al	8 Pt, All
Nusem et al	6 pt, All
Fernandez et al	23pt , 22 exc., 3 OM repeat
Sanpera et al	12 pt, 11, 2 repeat



Take home message...

- ▶ High index of suspicion
- ▶ Appropriate imaging
- ▶ Aggressive treatment to prevent sequale

Sequalae of septic Hip

- ▶ The degree of damage and eventual outcome is difficult to predict.
- ▶ Clinical symptoms may appear after several years.

Badgley et al
113 Hips;
JBJS 1936

▶ 83
Cx and
Sequalae

▶ 23
functional Jt

▶ 7
Hips Normal

▶ 8 died

▶ 8 Sequalae

Thomas Smith
21 Hips
(19 < 36 months)

ARCHIVE

STUDY OF THE END RESULTS IN 113 CASES OF SEPTIC HIPS

BADGLEY, CARL E.; YGLESIAS, LUIS; PERHAM, W. S.; SNYDER, C. H.

Author Information

The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery: October 1936 - Volume 18 - Issue 4 - p 1047-1061

▶ 14 died

Complaints

Presenting Symptom

Asymptomatic

Pain

Stiffness

LLD

Limp

Deformity

Back, Knee, C/L Hip
problem



Possible Pathoclinical Manifestation

Acetabulum	Epiphysis/ Physis	Neck	Trochanter	Proximal Femur	Systemic
Erosion	AVN	Fracture	Overgrowth	Osteomyelitis	Death
Late degeneration	Growth Arrest	Osteomyelitis	Growth Arrest	Path Fracture	Multi Joint sepsis
Dysplasia	Chondrolysis	Pseudoarthrosis			Multi organ involvement
Osteomyelitis	Breva/Magna	Vara/ Valga			Late compensatory affection
	Late degeneration				

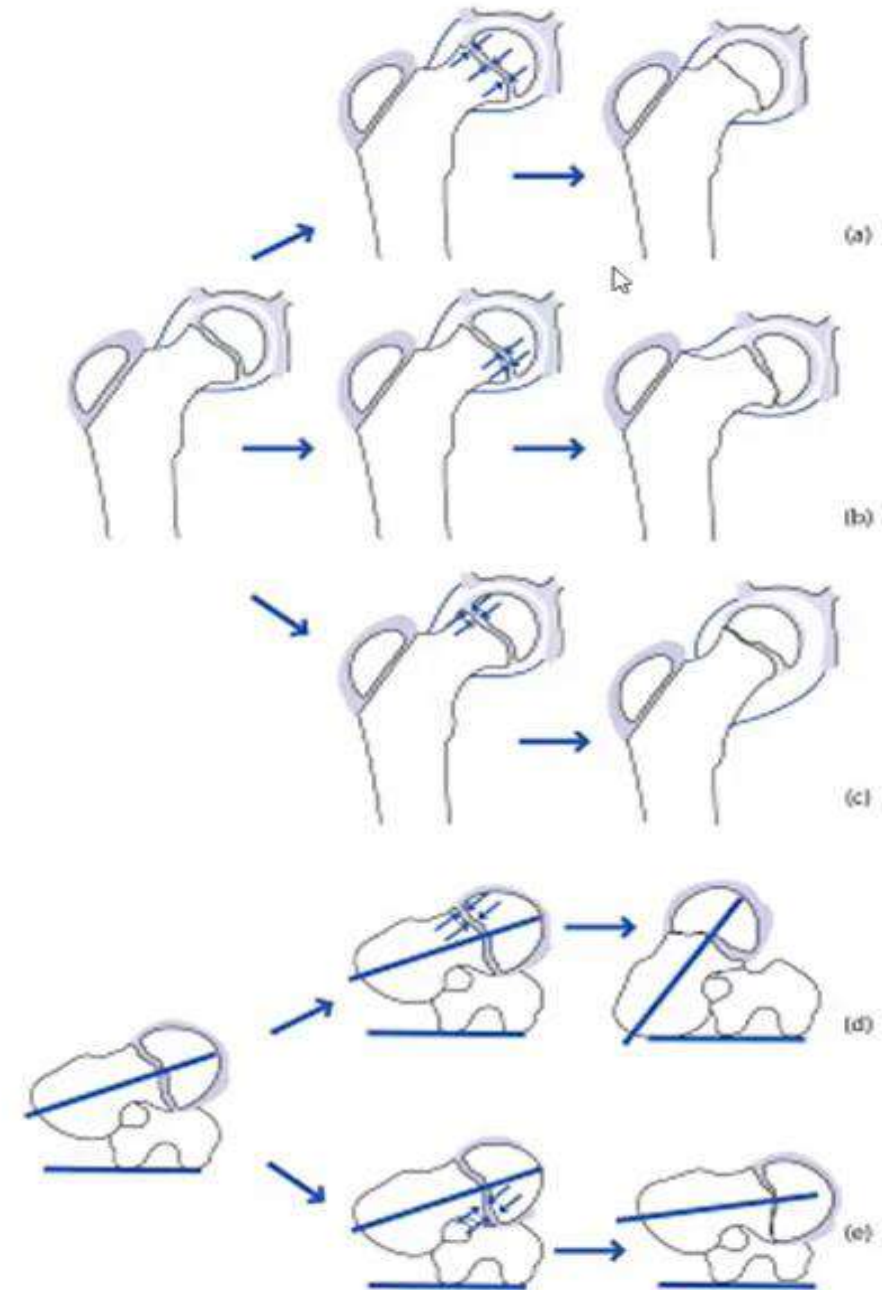
► Coxa Breva

► Coxa Vara

► Coxa Valga

► Femoral anteversion

► Femoral retroversion



Older children

- ▶ Premature fusion of Triradiate: Acetabular dysplasia
- ▶ Bony Ankylosis



Outcome related to

- ▶ Age of affection
- ▶ Duration before intervention
- ▶ Organism
- ▶ Immunity of child
- ▶ Interventions

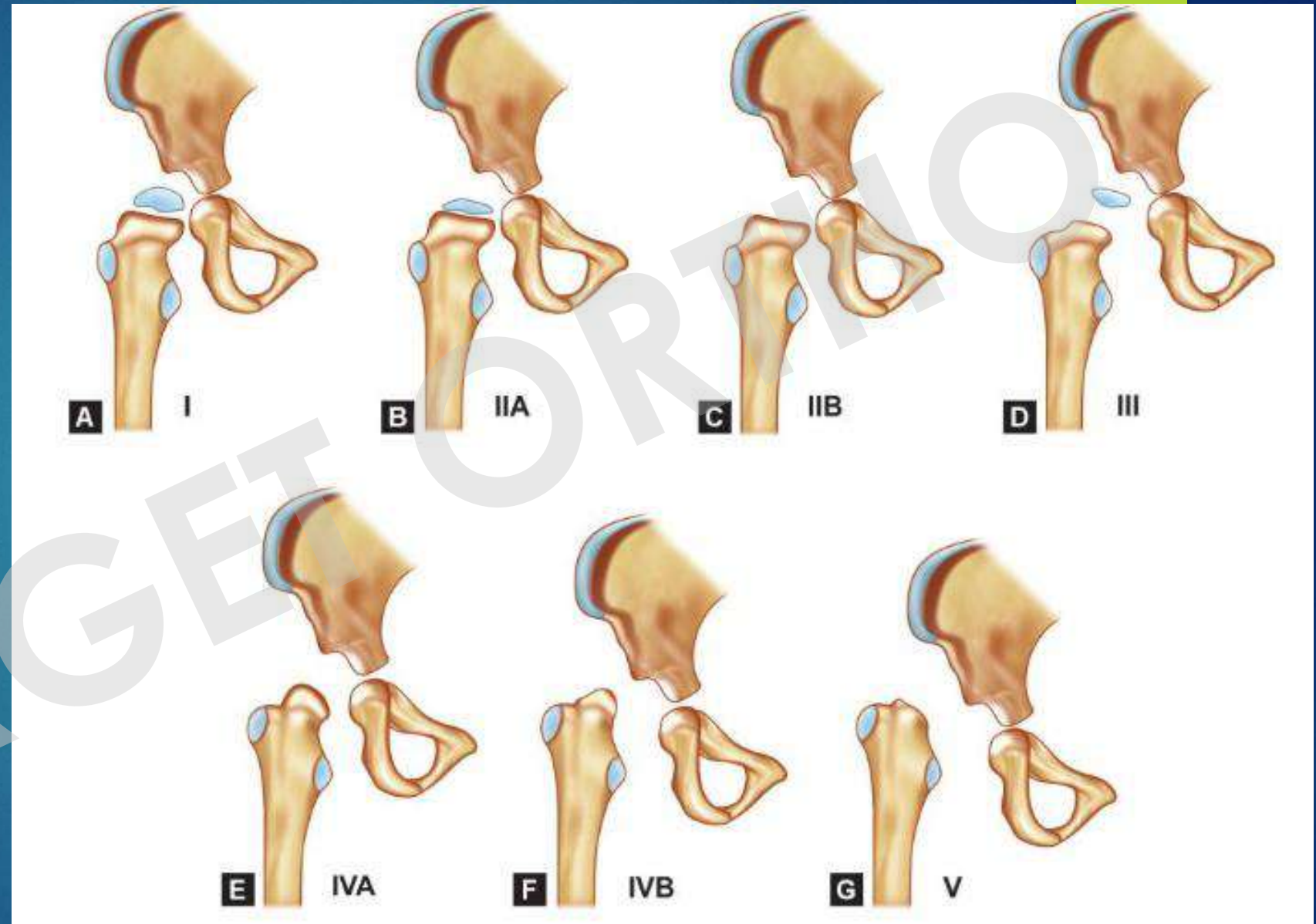
Classifications:

- ▶ Hunka
- ▶ Choi
- ▶ Forlin and Milani
- ▶ Johari's

Hunka

10 Cases
11 Year follow up

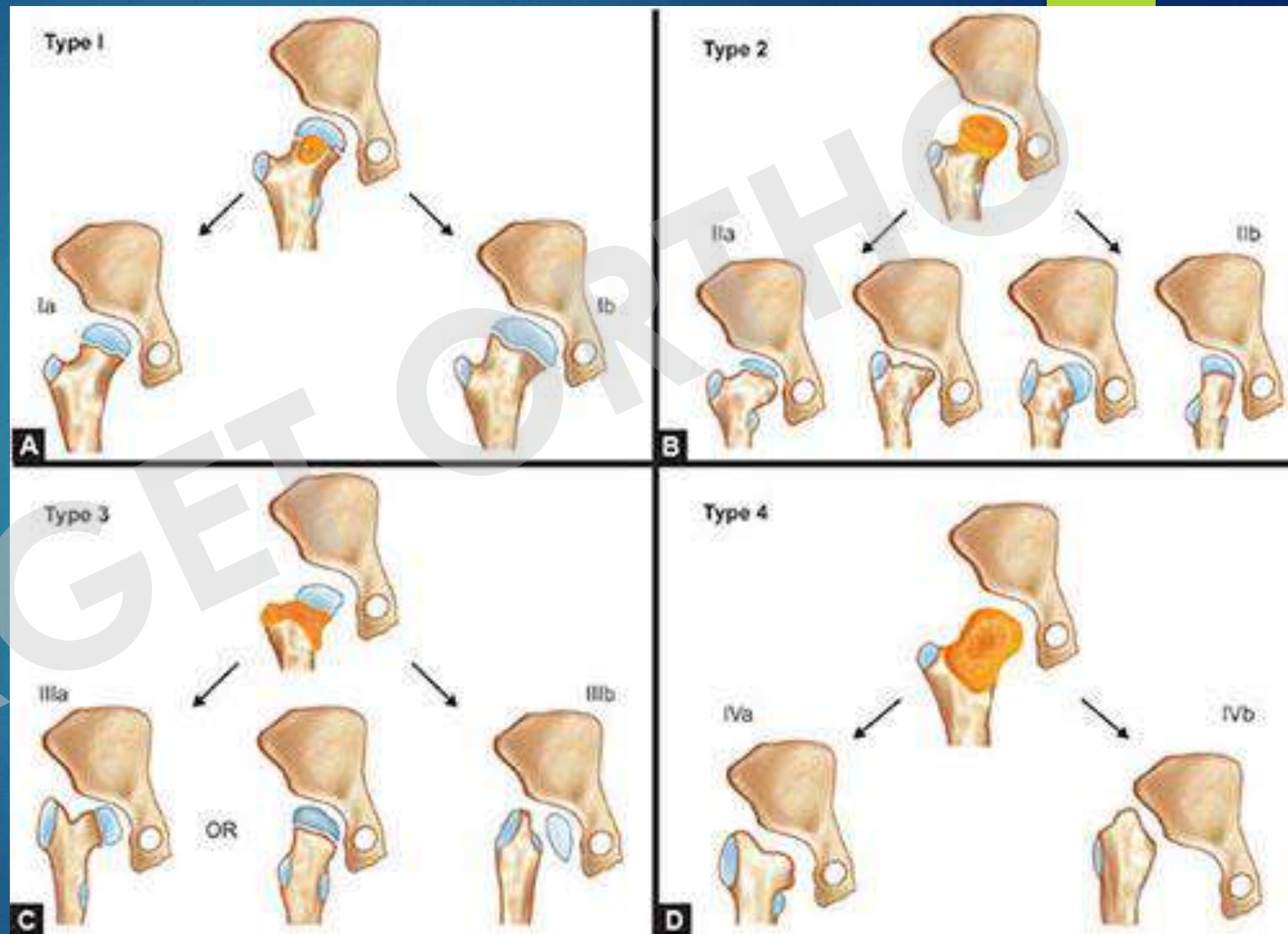
Type	Affection
I	Minimal/ No
II a	Head/ Epiphysis
II b	Premature fusion of physis
III	Pseudoarthrosis
IV a	Destruction with Stable neck
IV b	Destruction with unstable neck
V	Destruction with dislocation



Choi

34 Cases

Long term follow up

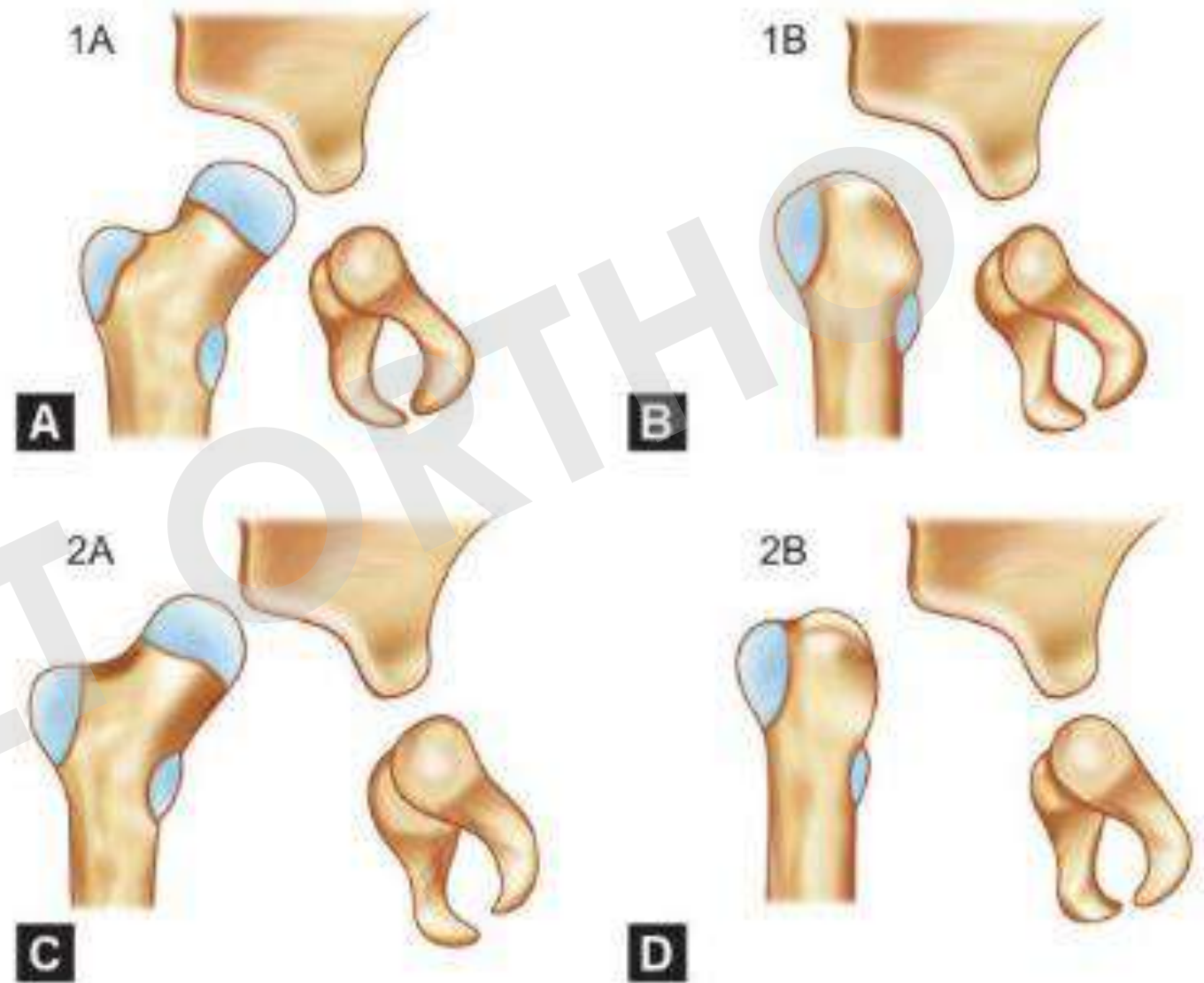


Forlin and Milani

41 Cases
Long term follow up

Instability and Proximal
femur involvement

Grade	Fem Head	Type	Head
Grade 1	Locat	A	Total/ Part +nt
Grade 1	Locat	B	Head -nt
Grade 2	Disloc	A	Total/ Part +nt
Grade 2	Disloc	B	Head -nt

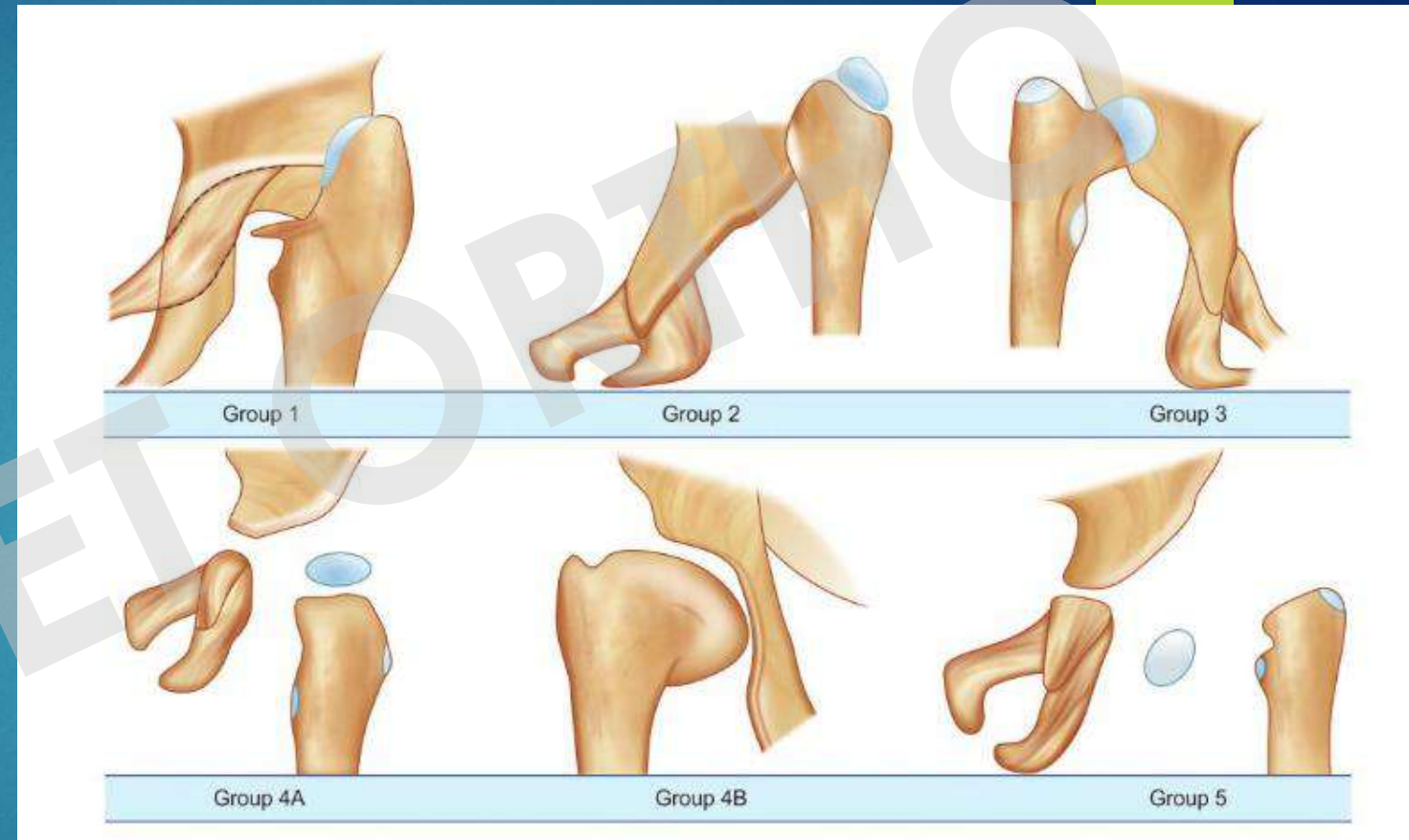


Figs 7-4A to D: Forlin and Milani classification

Johari

63 Hips

Group	Descrip	Stability
1	Loss of CFE/ Neck +nt Meta Spike	Stable
2	Loss of CFE/ Neck	Unstable
3 A	Dislocan CFE +nt	Unstable
3 B	Subluxation CFE +nt	Unstable
4	AVN; Coxa vara/ Valga; Breva; Trochanter	Stable
5	Pseudoarthrosis	Stable/ Unstable



Management

- ▶ Active infection:
Debridement
- ▶ Dislocation Reduction :
Spica/ Brace/ Open
reduction

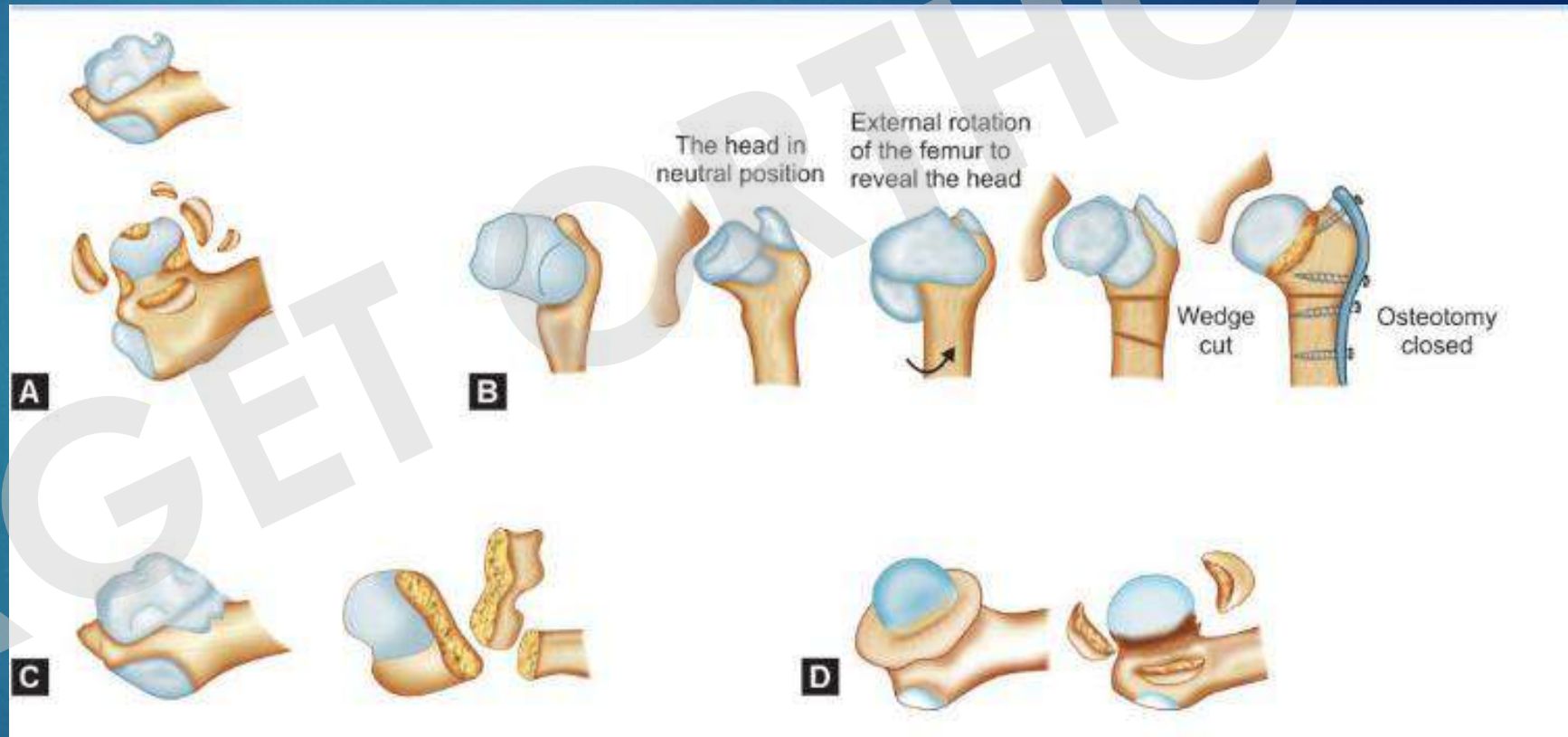


Aims of treatment

1. Cephalic coverage/ Congruity
2. Correction of LLD
3. Improving abductor insufficiency
4. Correction of malalignment and deformities
5. Stability hip

1. Cephalic coverage/ Congruity

- ▶ Abduction cast
- ▶ Traction
- ▶ Osteochondroplasty



2. Correction of LLD



- ▶ Shoe raise
- ▶ Contralateral epiphysiodesis
- ▶ Ipsilateral lengthening





3. Improving abductor insufficiency

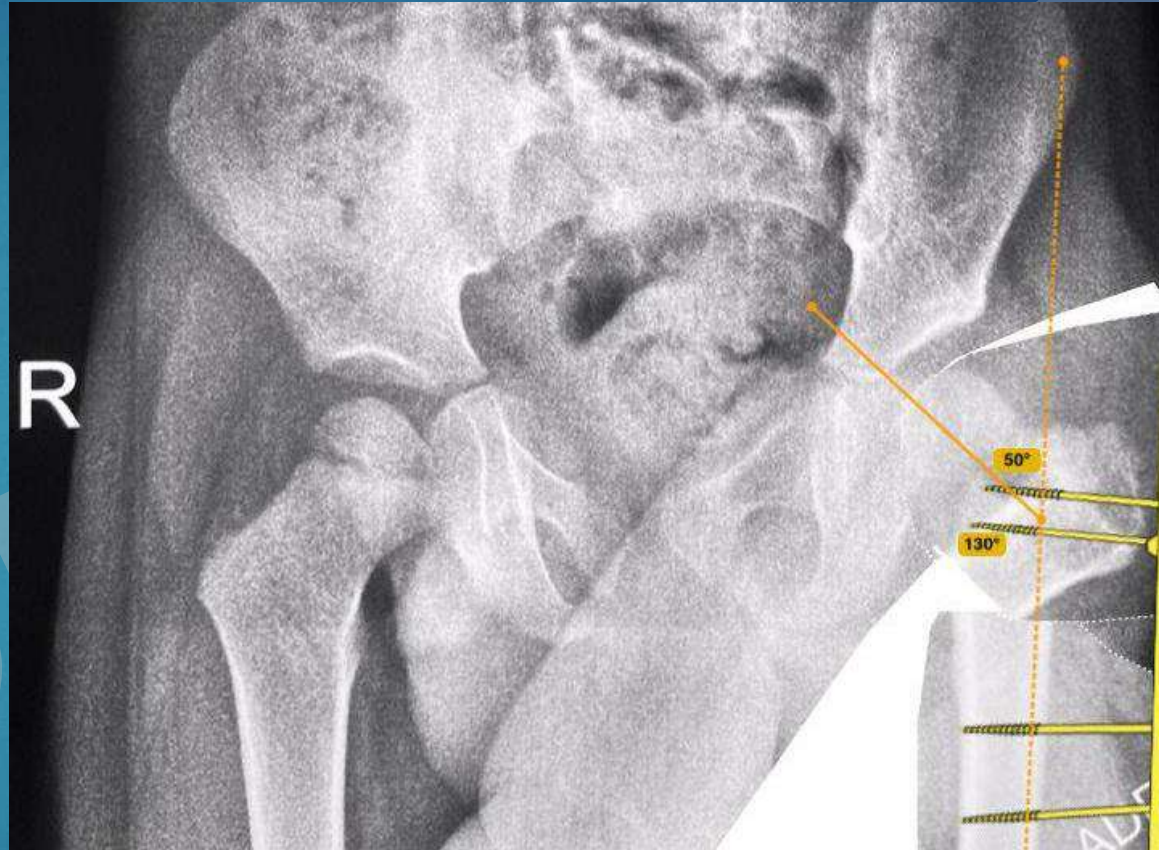
- ▶ GT Epiphysiodesis (<7 Years)
- ▶ GT advancement





4. Correction of malalignment and deformities

- ▶ Pelvic and femoral osteotomies

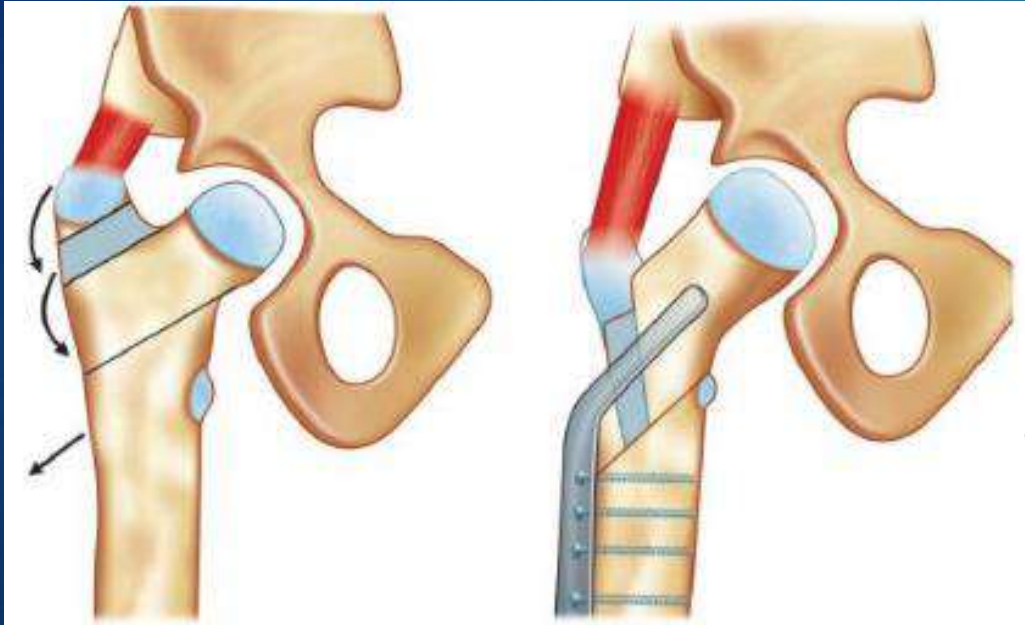


5. Instability and coverage

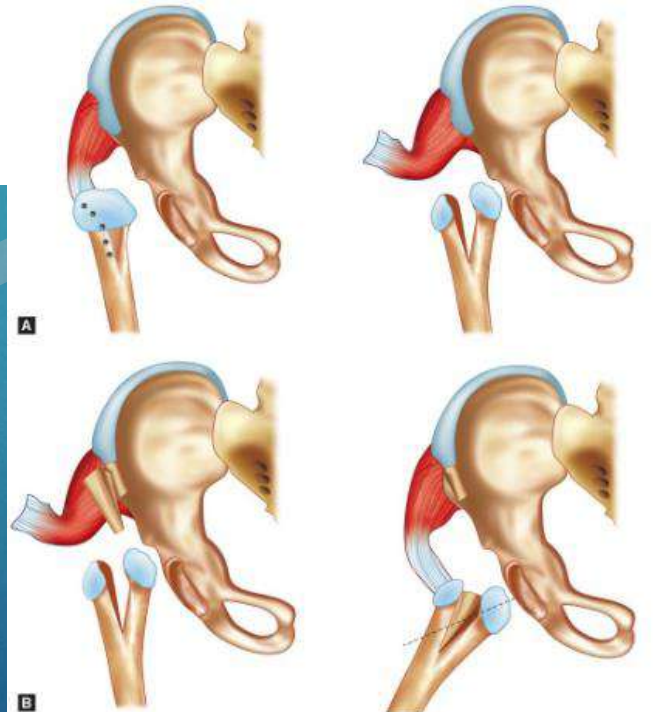
- ▶ Pelvic / Femoral osteotomies



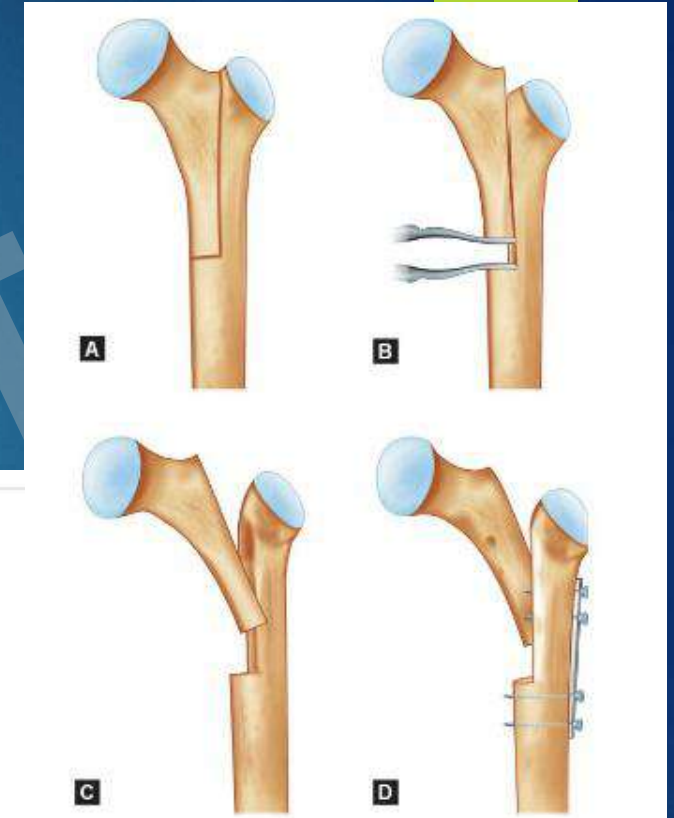
Neck reconstruction



Hasler and Morscher

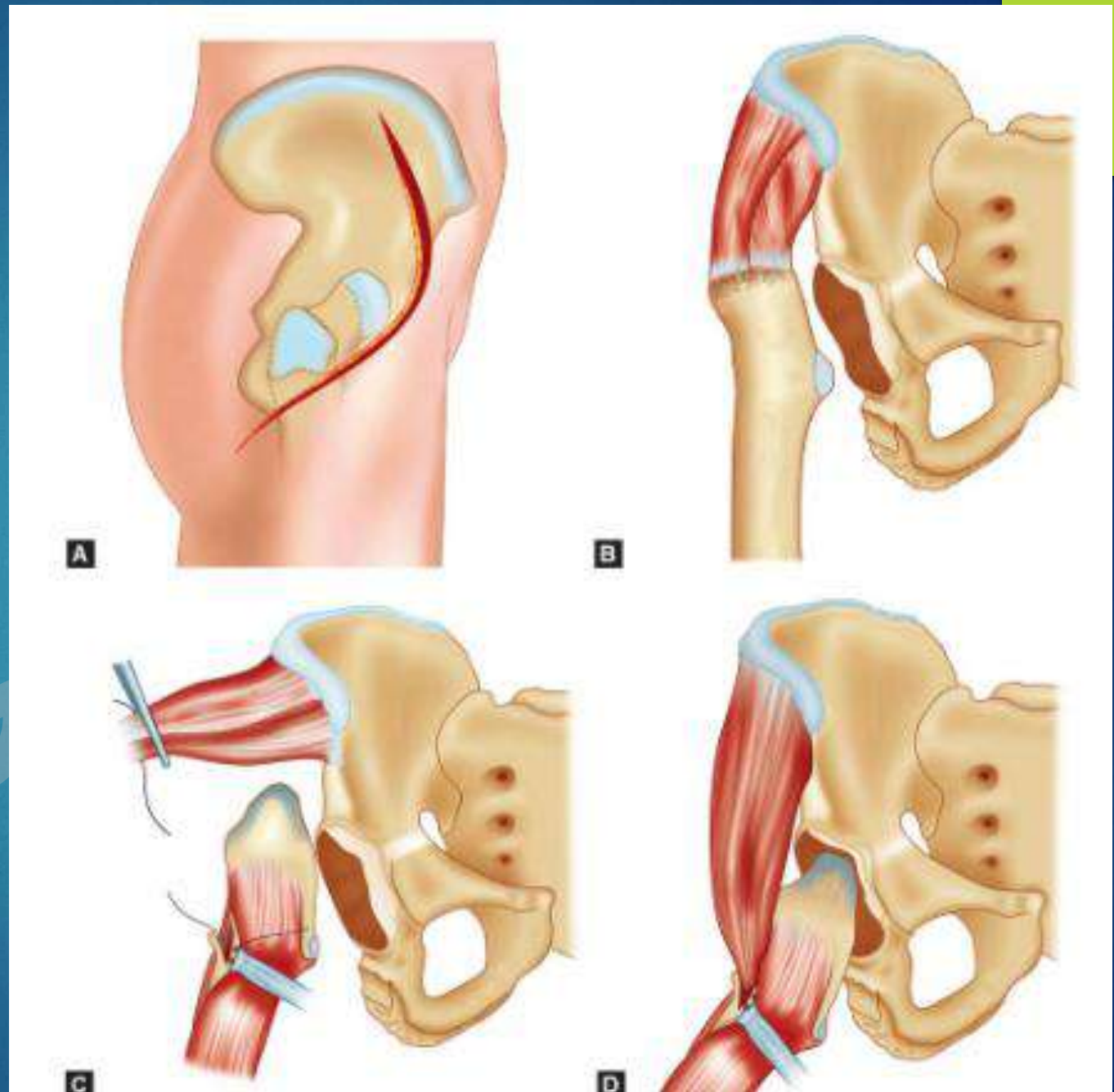


Modified Harmon



Papasivolaou

Trochanteric arthroplasty



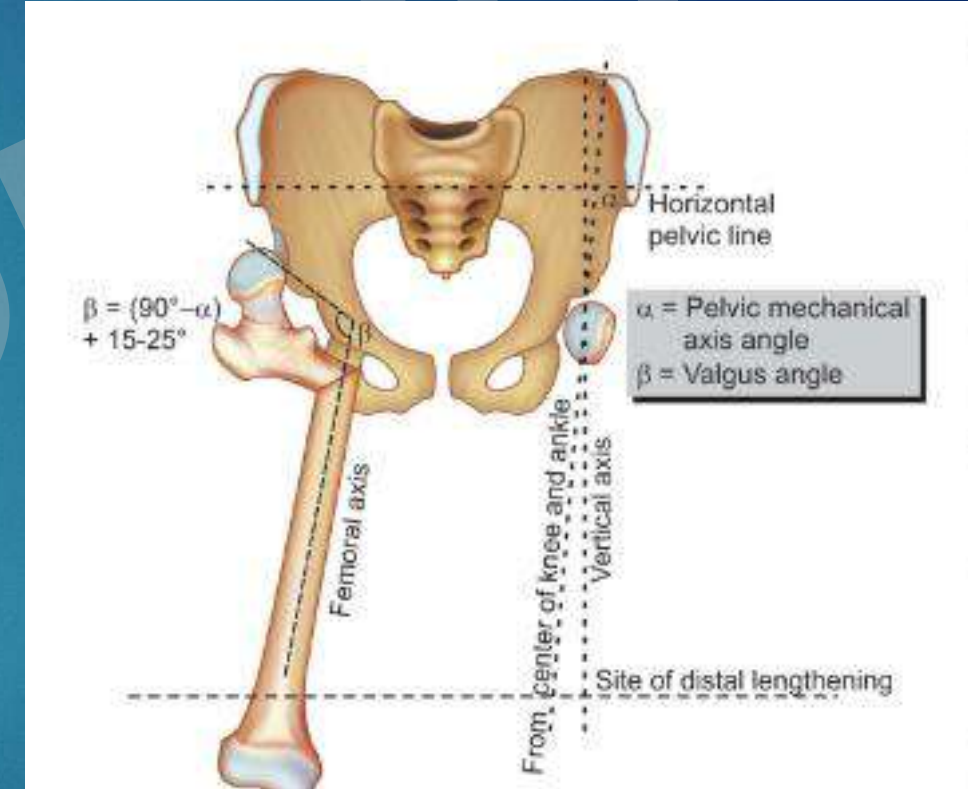
Ilizarov Hip Reconstruction

► Addresses three issues in one go:

Abductor lurch; LLD; Hip Instability

► Consists of :

1. Acute Proximal femur Pelvis support osteotomy
2. Distal femur varus osteotomy
3. Gradual Lengthening



- Salvage of unsalvageable hips where *arthrodesis or arthroplasty not appropriate*
- Aims:
 - Reduce limp
 - Energy-efficient gait
 - Equalise LL



Principles

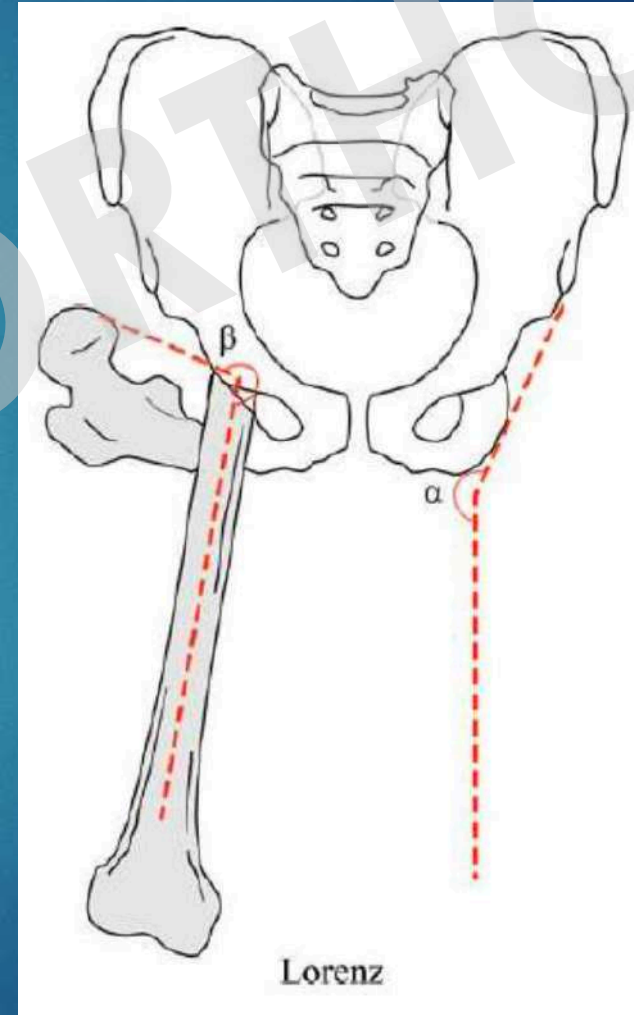
- Proximal femur valgus osteotomy
- Increase contact area between proximal femur and pelvis
- Increase femoro-pelvic stability
- Eliminates hip adduction and pelvis drop in stance
- Displace hip COG medially
- Improve abductor biomechanics



Historical aspects

Lorenz (1919)

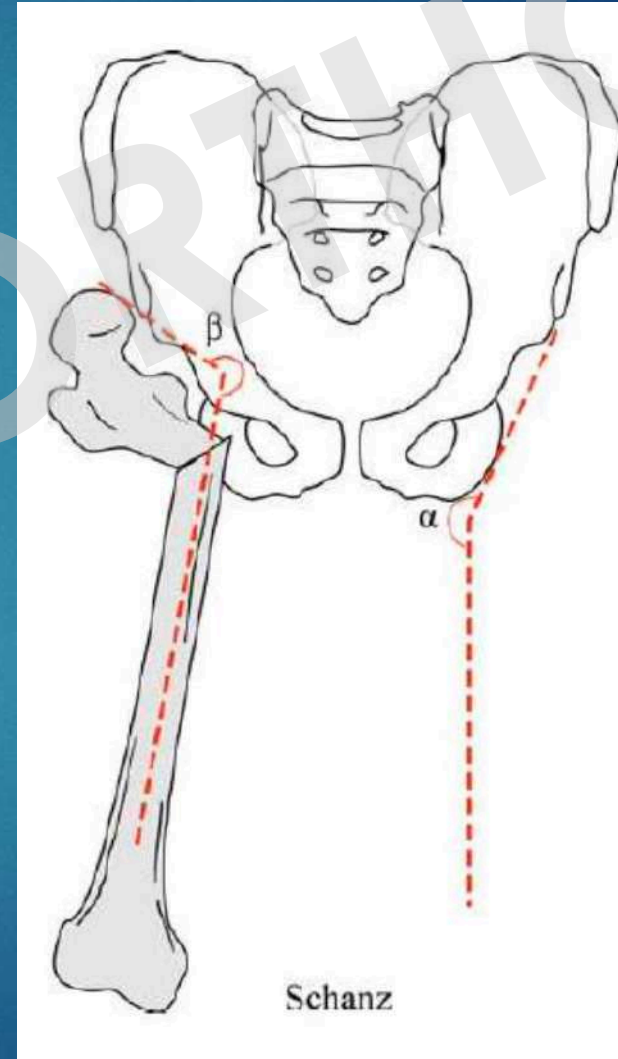
- Subtrochanteric osteotomy
- Distal fragment
 - Proximal
 - Medial
- Decreased ROM



Historical aspects

Schanz (1922)

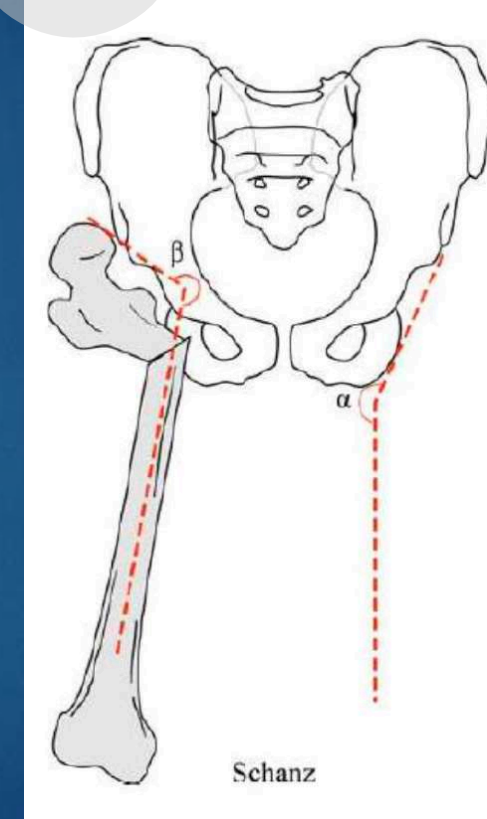
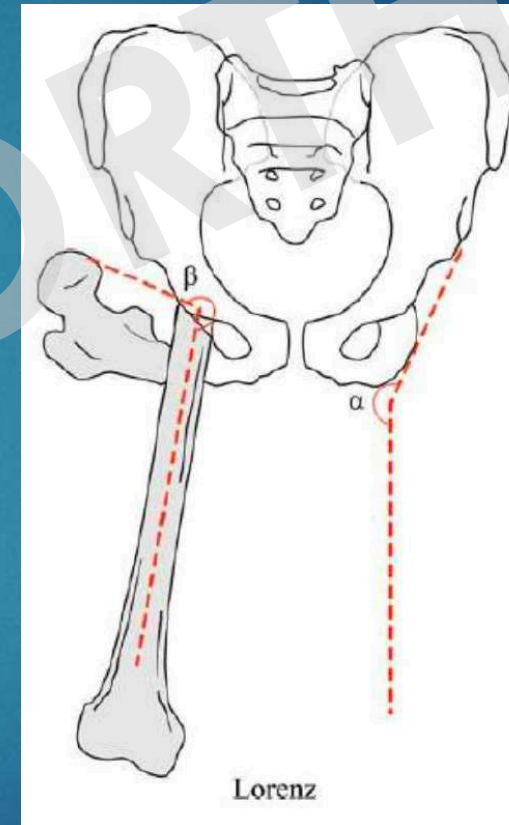
- Subtrochanteric osteotomy
- Distal fragment
 - Valgus
 - Extension



Historical aspects

Milch (1922)

- Concept of
 - Pelvic inclination angle (α)
 - Angle of osteotomy (β)
- Angle of osteotomy should be as close to pelvic inclination angle to maintain maximum ROM
- Recommended POA 210 to 240

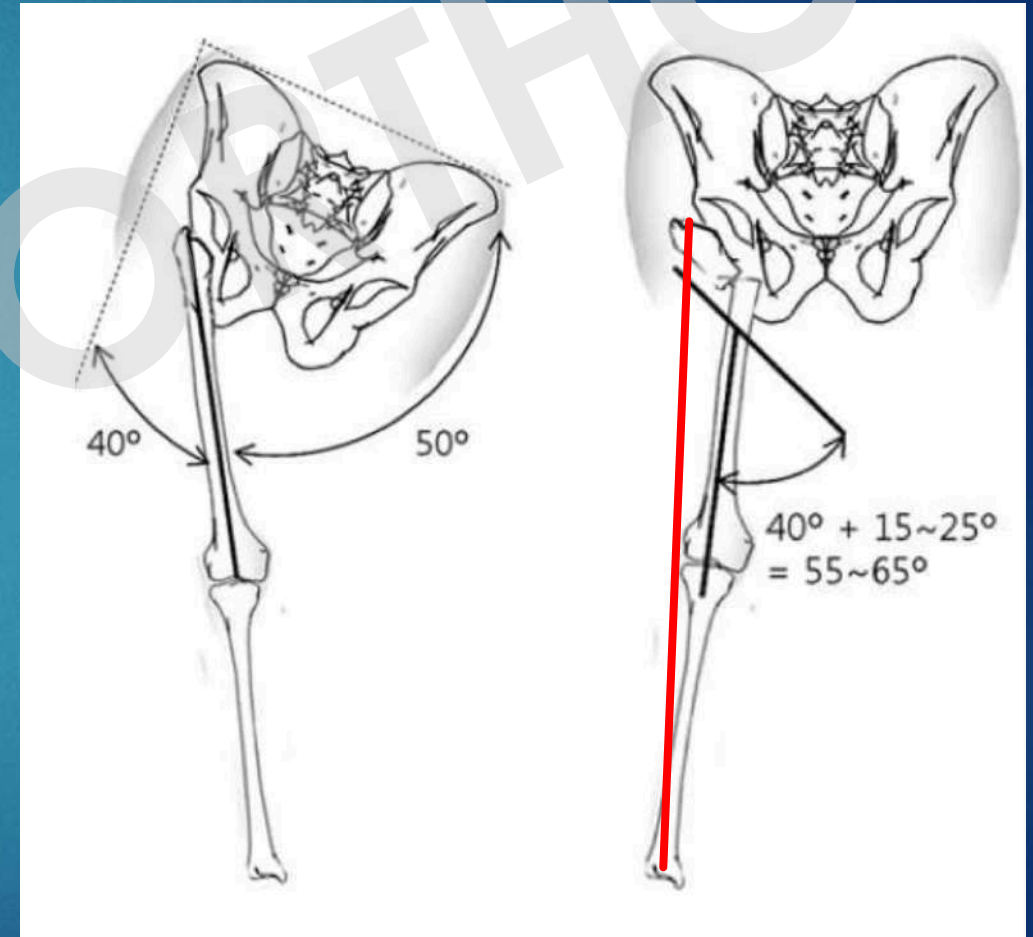


Problems: Technical

- ▶ Optimal angle may be difficult to achieve
- ▶ Too low angle:
 - Insufficient improvement of hip biomechanics
 - LLD cannot be addressed
- ▶ Angle can remodel, especially if done in pre-adolescent children

Problems with traditional PSO

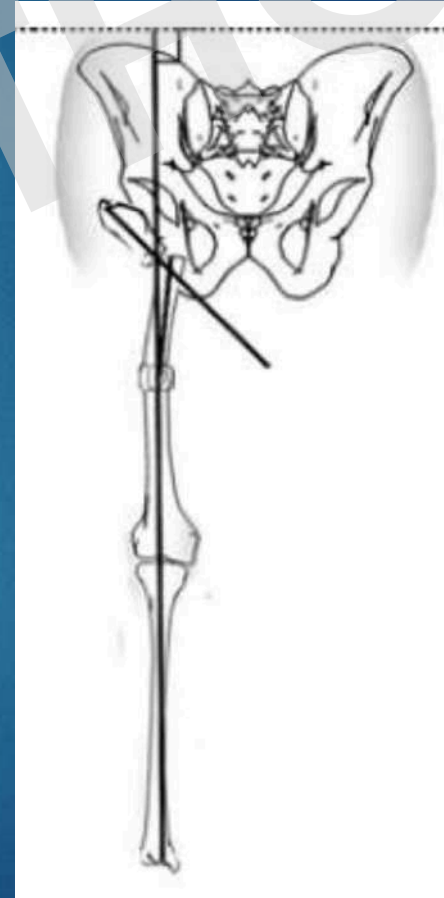
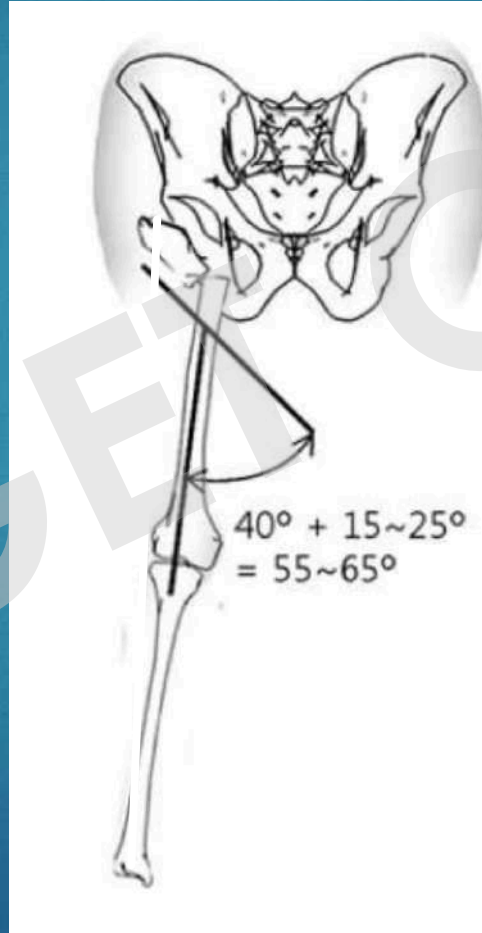
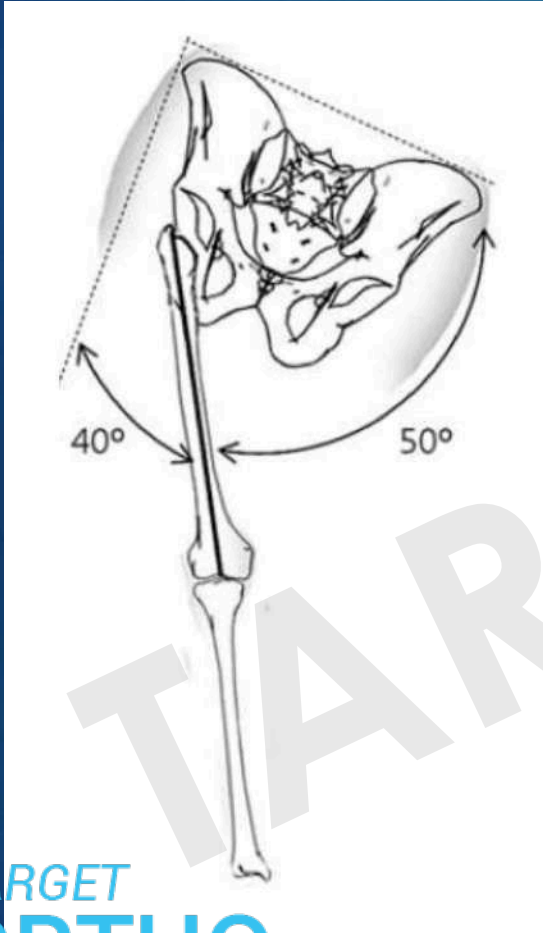
- Mech axis of LL through lateral comp., valgus moment at knee, long term lateral comp. OA
- Pelvic obliquity
- On attempted hip adduction to bring limbs parallel, impingement pain in groin



Ilizarov Hip Reconstruction

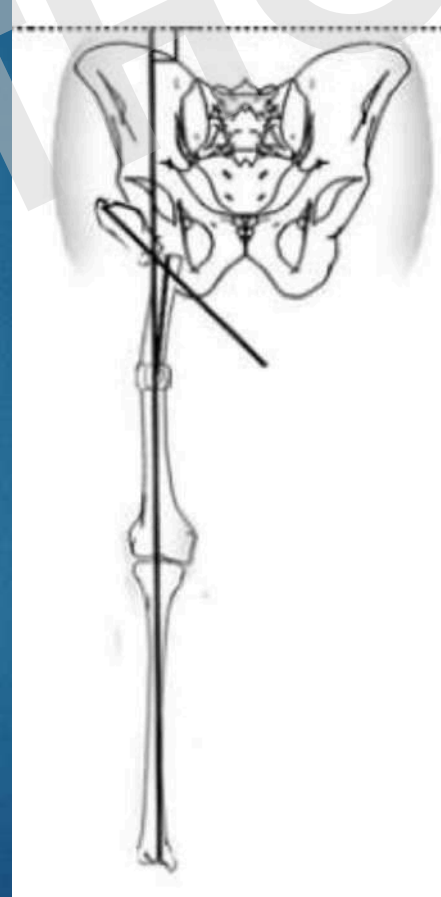
- ▶ Ilizarov (1988) added a distal femur osteotomy
- ▶ Distal femur osteotomy
 - ▶ Varus
 - ▶ Lengthening

Ilizarov Hip Reconstruction



Ilizarov Hip Reconstruction

- Mech. Axis of lower limb now passes through knee joint centre
- This allows bringing both lower limbs parallel without the need to adduct hips, thus eliminates groin impingement



Indications

- **Hip Instability:**
 - DDH: neglected, unsuccessfully treated
 - Traumatic hip dislocation with instability
 - Paralytic or spastic dislocation (post poliomyelitis, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy)
- **Femoral head and neck absence:** partial or total
 - Severe sequelae of septic arthritis (Choi type IV)
 - Skeletal dysplasia (SED, Morquio, etc.)
 - Severe AVN

Relative contra-indications

- Children < 12 years age (remodels rapidly)
- ▶ Young adults (THR may be better)
- ▶ Chronic paralytic hip dislocations

Planning

- Proximal femur osteotomy:

- Level of osteotomy
- Degree of valgus
- Degree of rotation
- Degree of extension

- ▶ Distal femur osteotomy

- Level of osteotomy

- Degree

Planning

- Clinical
- ▶ Radiological

IHR: clinical planning

- Abduction-adduction range
 - Maximum adduction
 - Can be assessed by flexing the hip across the contra-lateral hip
 - Adduction contracture if any



IHR: clinical planning

- Rotational alignment
 - Assess Foot Progression Angle (FPA)
 - Assess limb rotation in hip adduction
- ▶ Fixed Flexion Deformity (FFD)
 - Thomas test

X-ray planning: PBH



Adduction view, Scannogram



Step 1: Level of PFO



Step 2: Draw prox. fragment axis
and outline of proximal fragment



Step 3: Maximally adduct prox.
fragment



Step 4: Draw middle fragment axis

Valgus angle =
Max. adduction + 15 to 25 degrees
(Paley)

Overcorrection offsets loss of
correction due to remodelling

In this case,
Valgus angle = $35 + 15 = 50$



Step 5: Limb mech axis: draw horizontal axis

Join superior most points of iliac crests



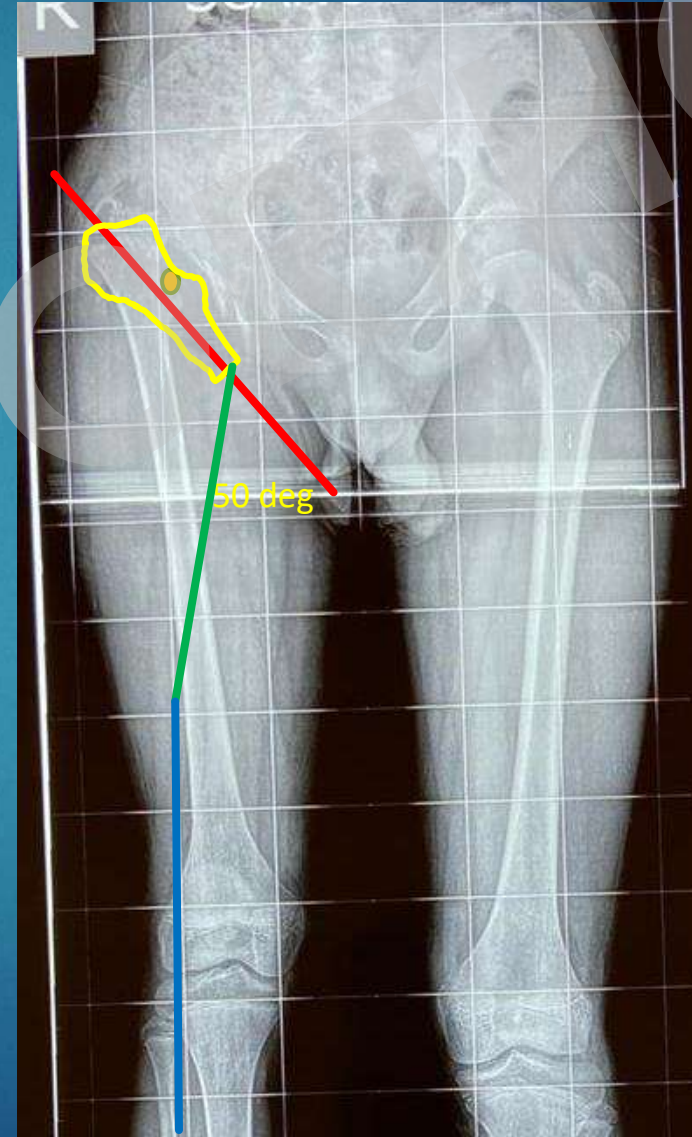
Step 6: Limb mech axis: line perpendicular to horizontal line passing thru acetabulum centre

Intersection of mech axis and middle fragment axis is the level of varus osteotomy

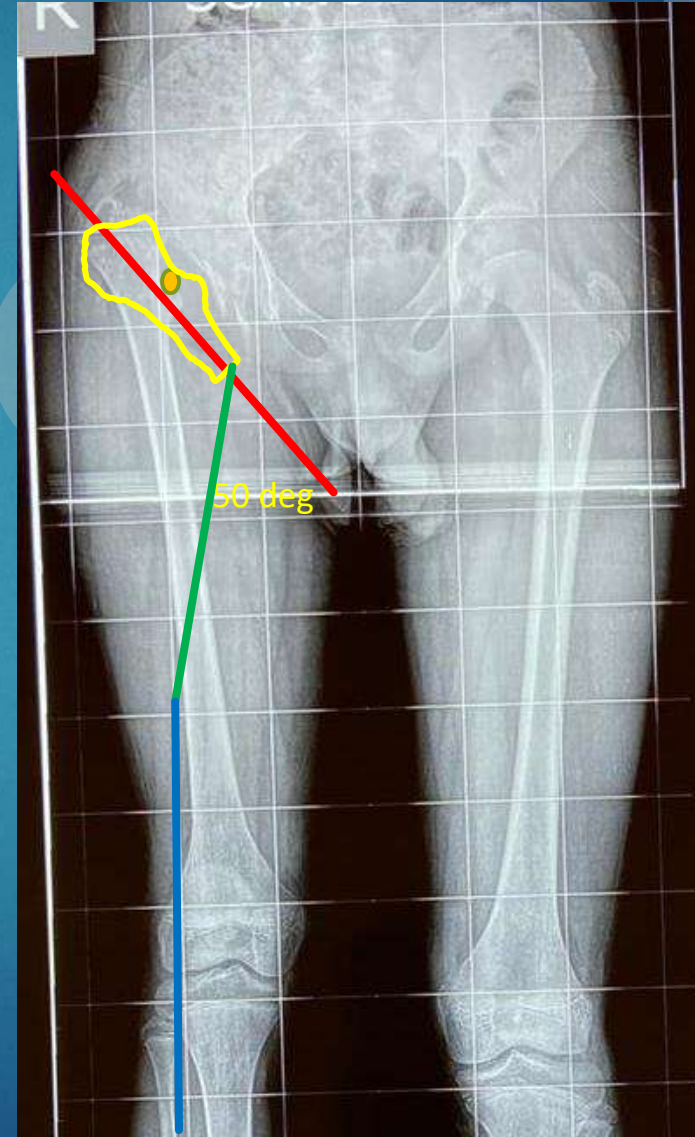
Angle between mech axis and middle fragment axis is the varus angle



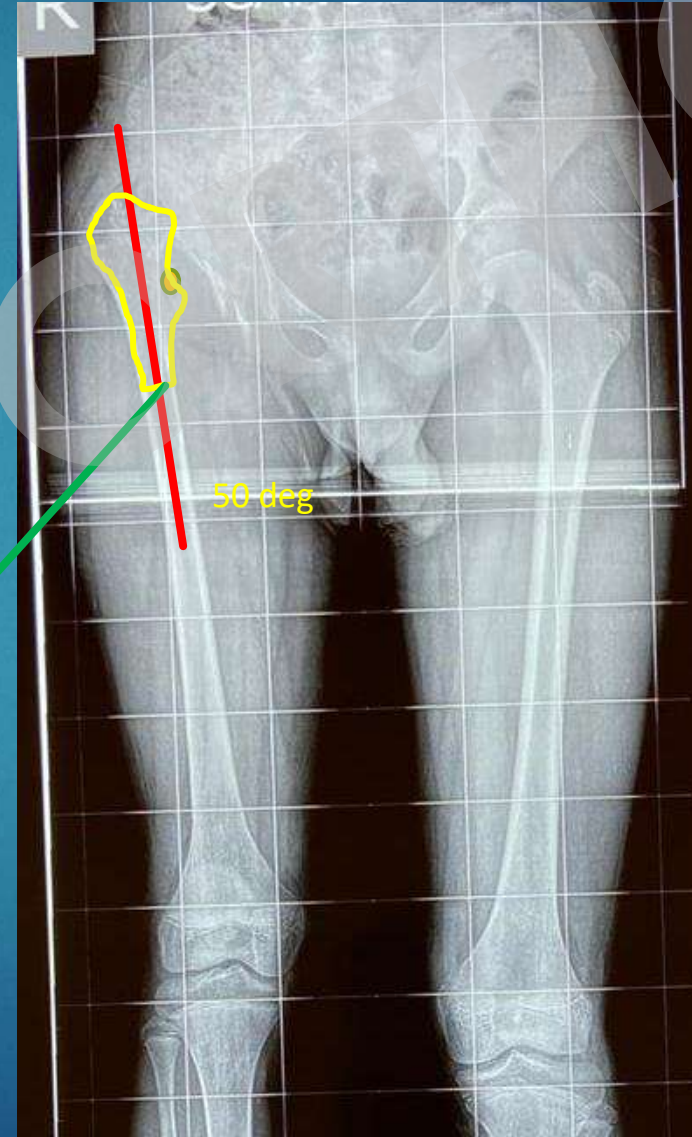
Step 6: Axes of prox, middle, distal fragments



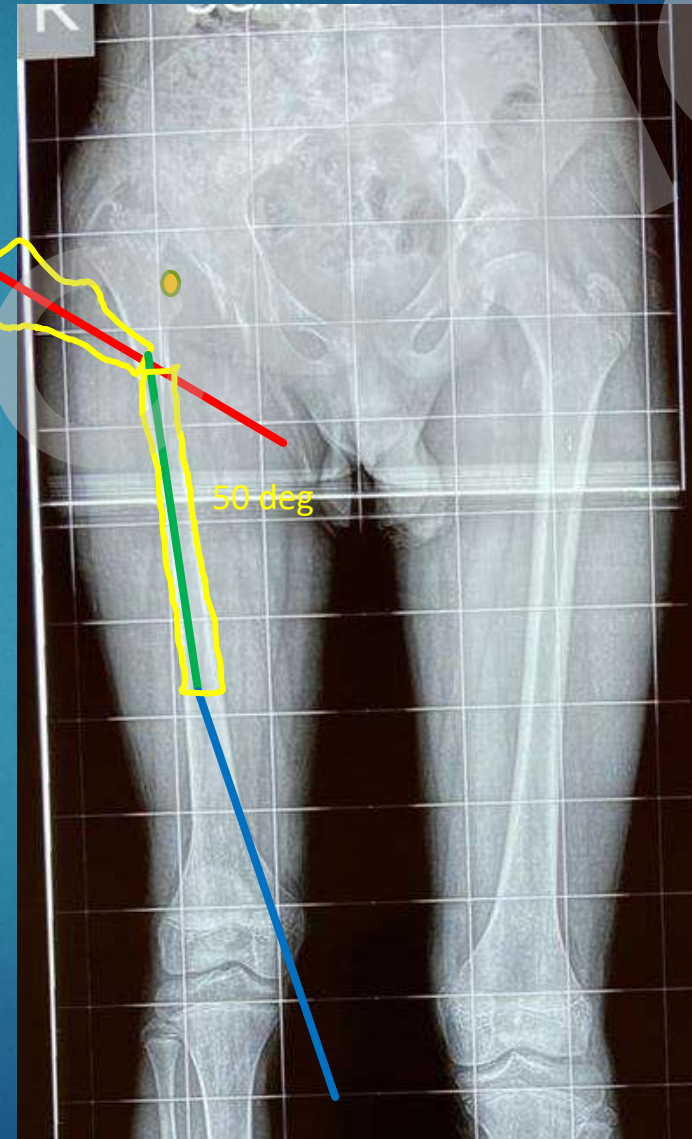
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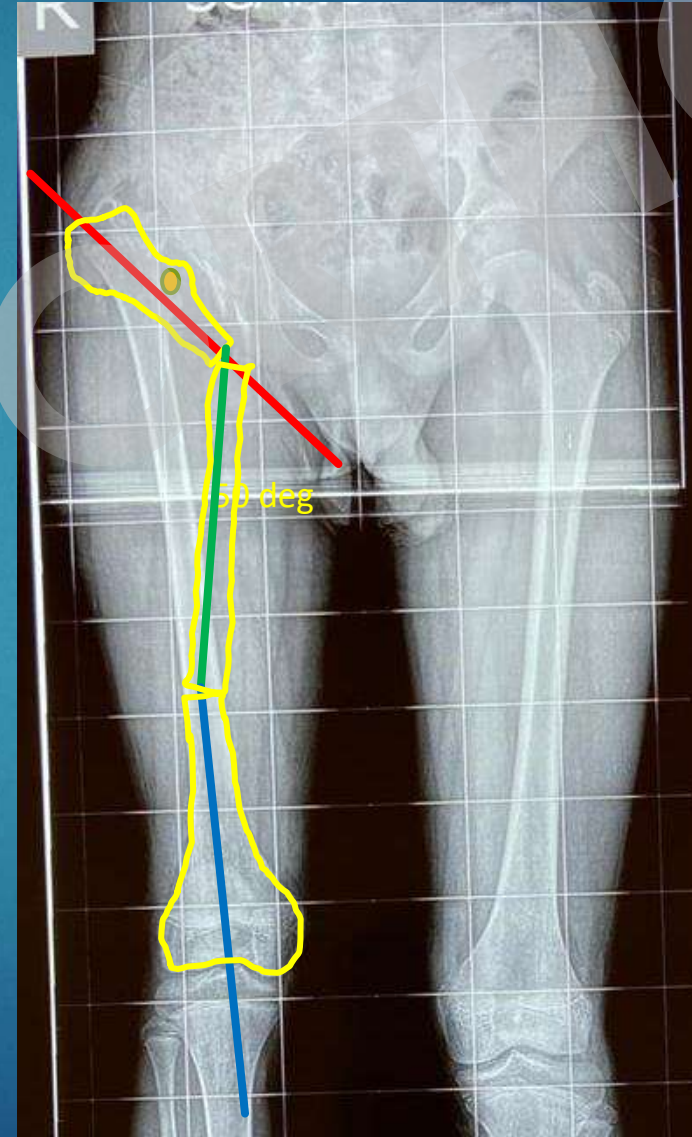


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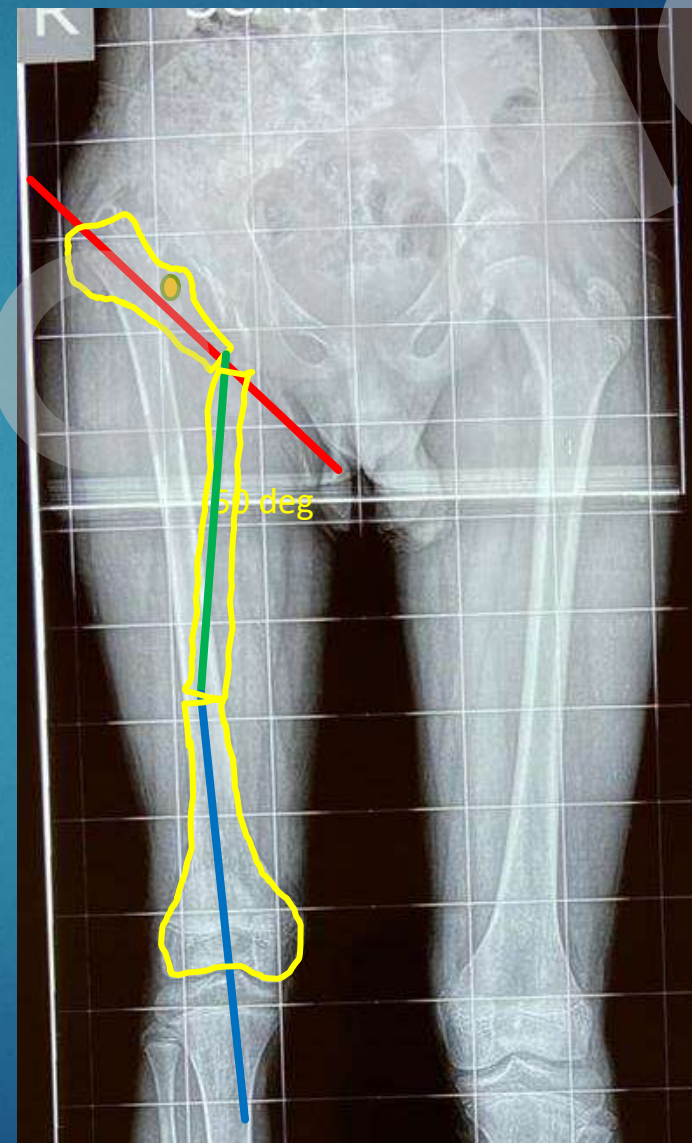


TARGET

Step 7: Draw bony outline



Step 8: Maximally adduct proximal fragment

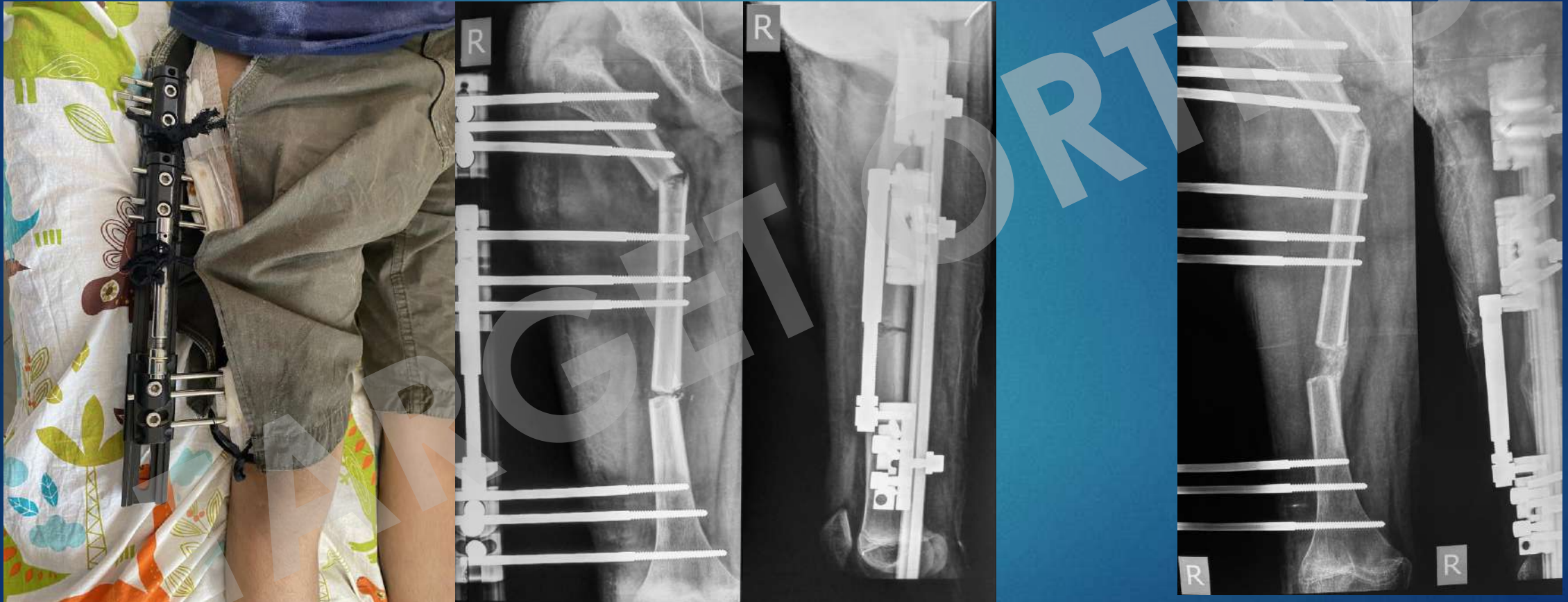


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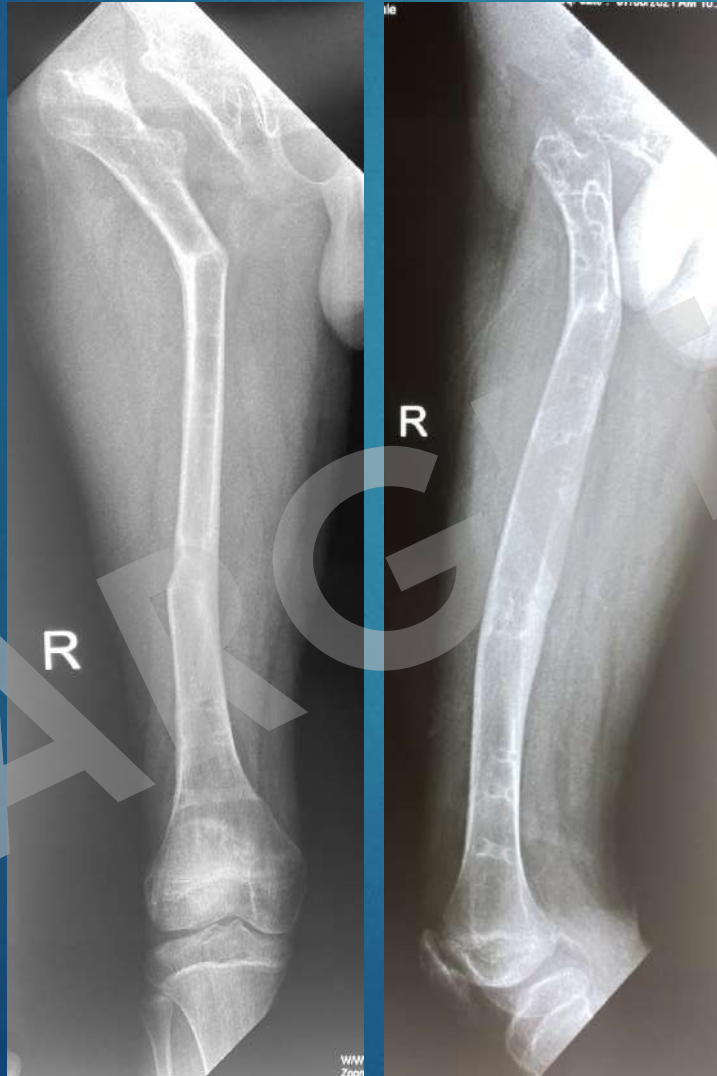
Mechanical axis align



Surgery: Mono-lateral external fixator



Surgery: Mono-lateral external fixator



Summary Planning

(1) Proximal osteotomy

- ▶ a. Level: in adduction view, level where femur abuts against ischial tuberosity
- ▶ b. Valgus: maximum adduction + 15 degrees
- ▶ c. Extension: amount of hip FFD (if any)
- ▶ d. Internal rotation: amount of external rotation when hip is in maximum adduction

(2) Distal osteotomy

- ▶ a. Level: intersection of proximal and distal axis (proximal axis: drop perpendicular line joining superior borders of iliac crests passing through centre of acetabulum; distal axis: line joining centre of ankle and knee joints extended upwards)
- ▶ b. Varus: angle between proximal and distal axis
- ▶ c. Lengthening to be done: equal to lld

Thank You