

TRAUMA MCQ DISCUSSIONS



Trauma MCQ discussion

Controversial Questions

• High Yield MCQs



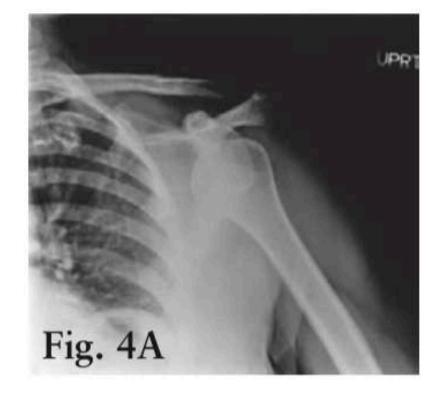
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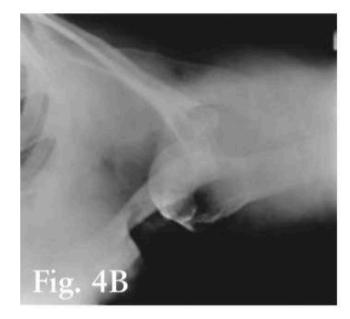




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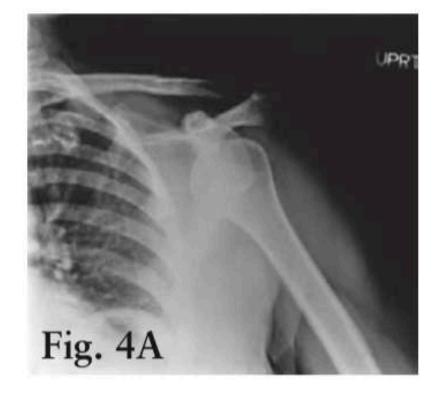
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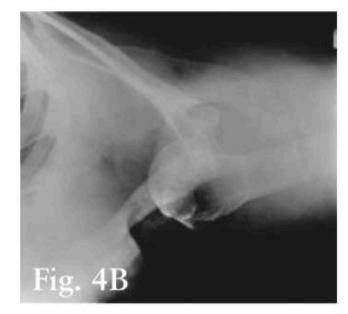




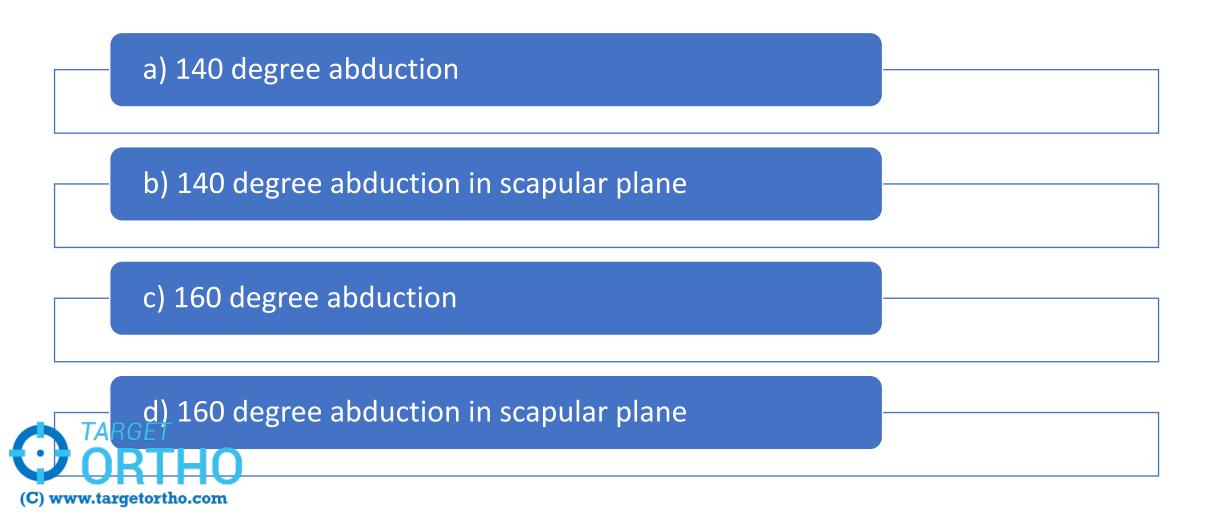
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What should be the ideal position for Shoulder fracture reductions and shoulder dislocations ?



• 160-degree abduction in Scapular plane

> Zero position 'Angle of Saha'

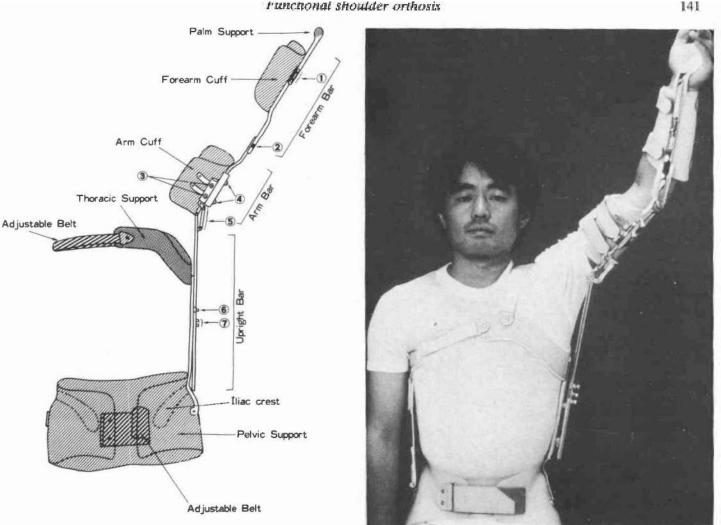
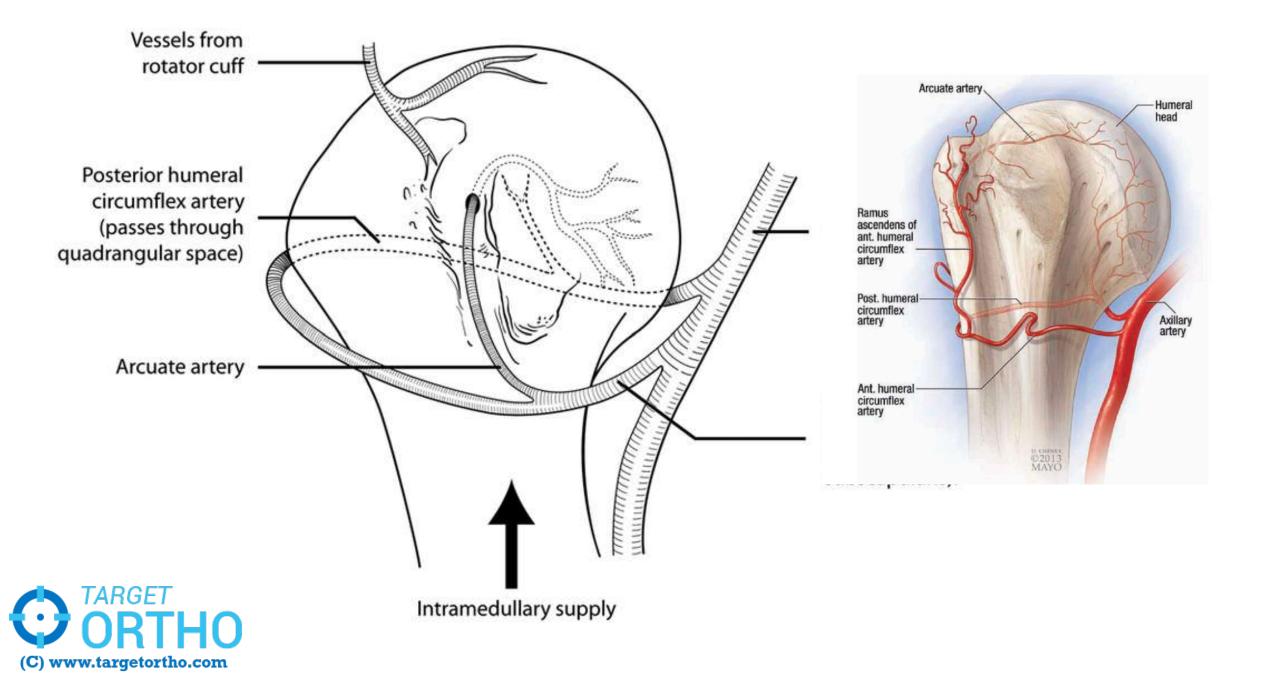


Fig. 3 "Zero-position" functional shoulder orthosis.



Majority of Humeral head is supplied by which blood vessel?



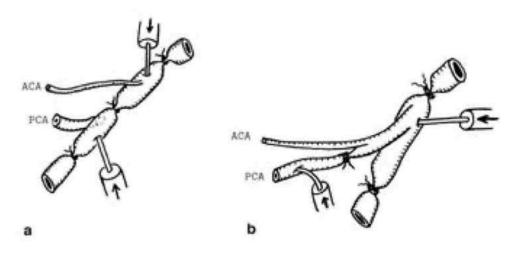


Arterial blood supply of the proximal humeral epiphysis

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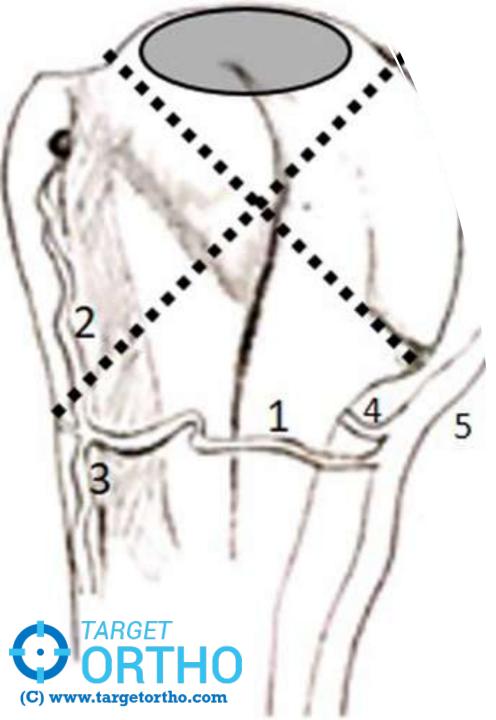
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Injected a series of blood vessels with barium sulphate solution and confirmed that the vascularization of the humeral head is attributed to the branches of the arcuate artery.

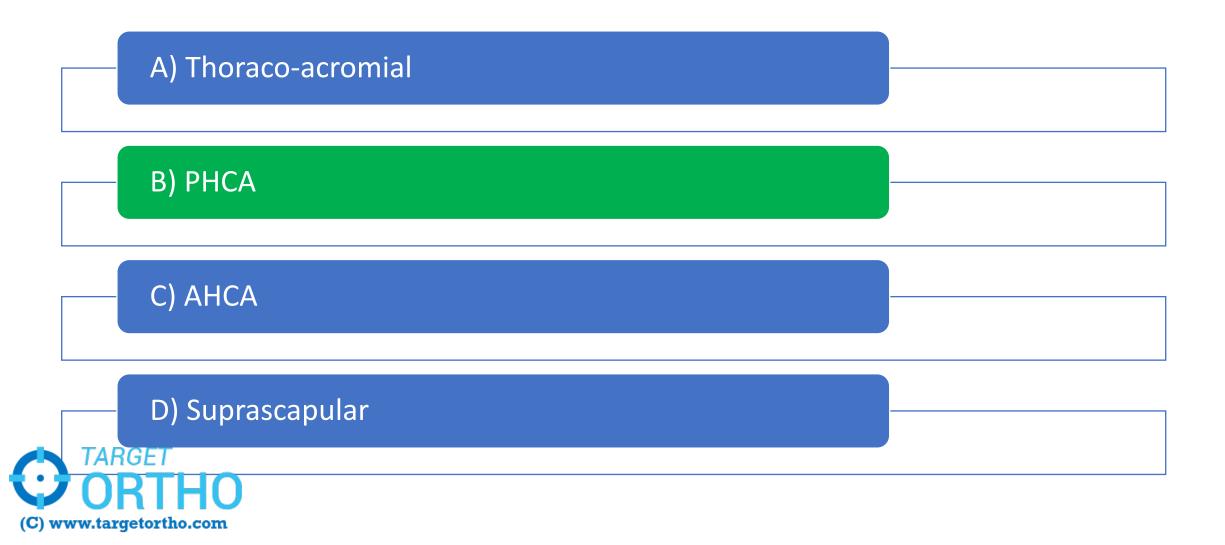


Old fact : Arcuate artery (ACHA) supplies majority of the humeral head



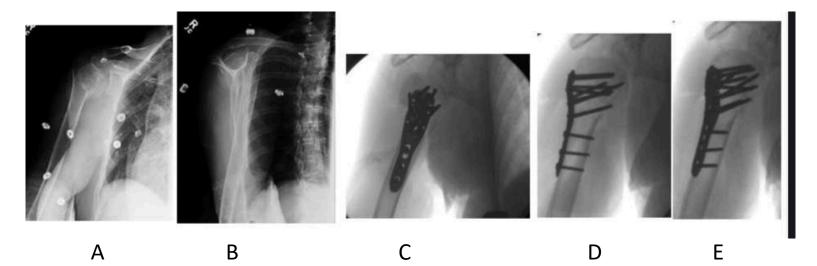
Current Consensus PHCA supplies 64% of the Humeral Head (Superior, Lateral and Inferior) Hettrich et al Keough et al

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A 64-year-old woman is thrown off a horse, sustaining the injury shown in Figures A and B. She undergoes surgical fixation as seen in Figures C through E. What is the most reported complication of this procedure?

- 1. Axillary nerve injury
- 2. Valgus migration of the fracture
- 3. Non-union
- 4. Screw penetration





Most common reported complication of PHILOS plating

Screw perforation through humeral head





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- 3) Intact calcar length of 6 mm
- 4) Angulation of 30 degrees
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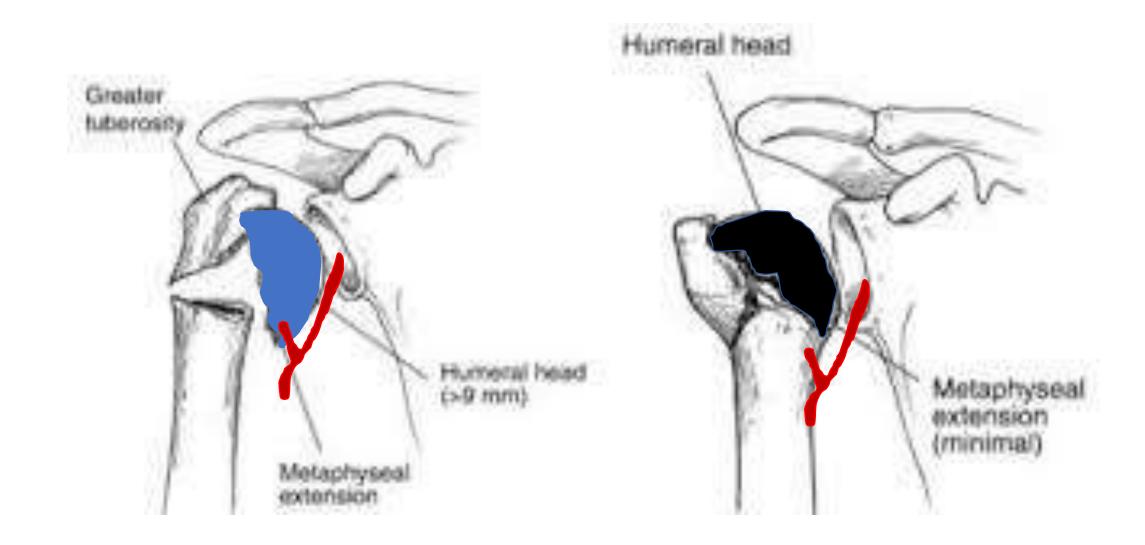
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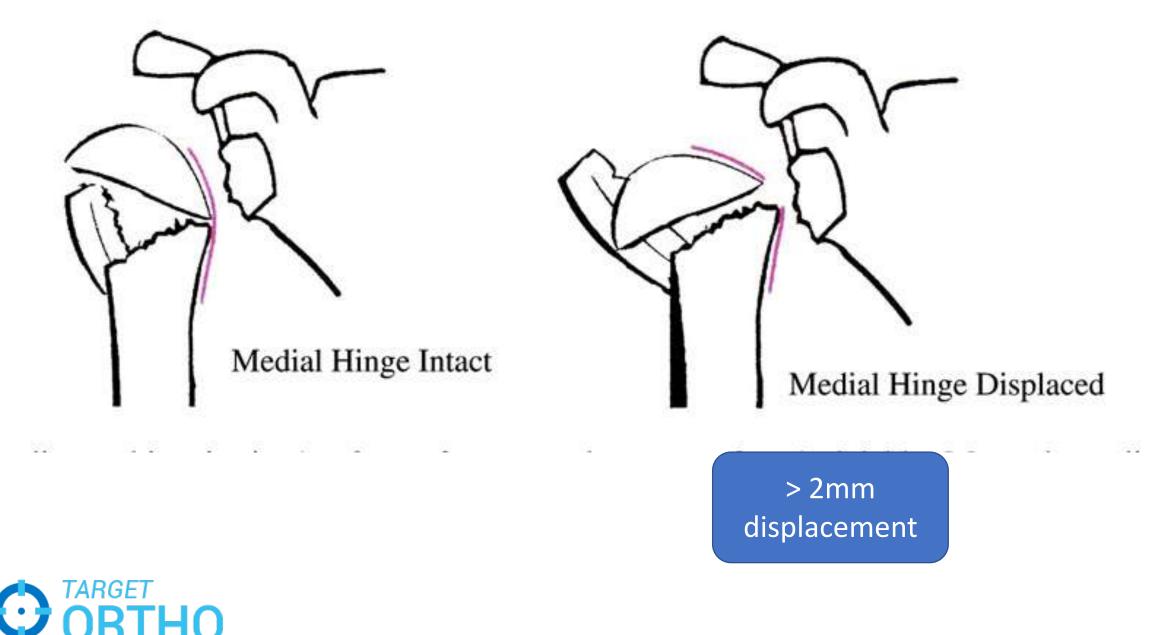


Hertel's criteria

- Metaphyseal extension (with calcar) <8mm
- Loss of integrity of medial hinge (> 2mm)
- Fracture pattern anatomical neck
- Comminution of medial metaphysis
 - **97% Positive Predictive Value**







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Incorrect Answers:

- Answer 1: Displacement >10mm is a risk factor for humeral head ischemia
- Answer 2: While increasing fracture severity is a risk factor for humeral head ischemia, 3- part valgus fractures are not necessarily a specific risk factor for ischemia.
- Answer 4: Angulation > 45 degrees is a risk factor for humeral head ischemia.
- Answer 5: Concomitant involvement of the meta-diaphyseal proximal humerus is not a risk factor for humeral head



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- PREFERRED RESPONSE: 3
- DISCUSSION: The patient has a high-energy closed humeral shaft fracture with an immediate complete radial nerve palsy. Closed reduction and application of a splint yield excellent results in closed humeral shaft fractures. With observation, the prognosis of the nerve injury is favorable for return of extension.
- Indications for surgical treatment, such as open fracture, vascular injury, a floating elbow, or associated intra-articular fractures, are not present. Exploration of radial nerve injuries has not been shown to improve the neurologic outcome.
- REFERENCES: Levine AM (ed): Orthopaedic Knowledge Update: Trauma. Rosemont, IL, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 1996, pp 25-34. Zagorski JB, Latta LL, Zych GA, Finnieston AR: Diaphyseal fractures of the humerus: Treatment with prefabricated braces. J Bone Joint Surg Am 1988;70:607-610



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Which of the following fracture patterns depicted in figures A-E is associated with the highest risk of radial nerve





- Spiral distal third humeral shaft fractures, called Holstein-Lewis fractures, have a 22% chance of having associated radial nerve palsy at presentation.
- Overall, 11% of humeral shaft fractures have associated radial nerve palsies.

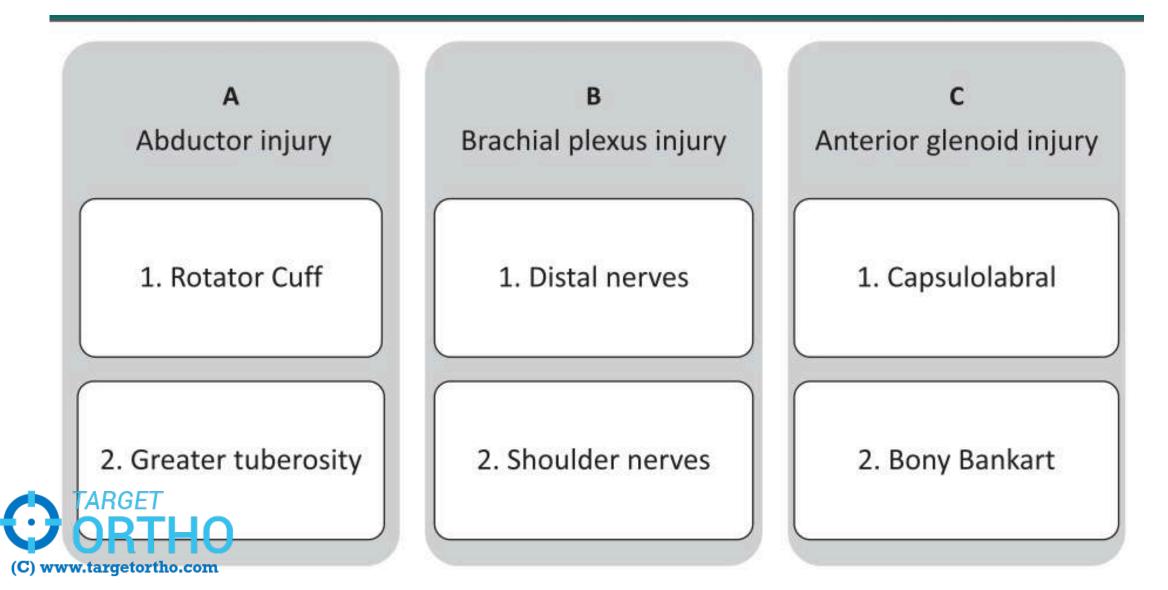


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(2016 FNB)

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VALGUS STABILIZER	VARUS STABILIZER	PLR STABILITY	PMR STABILITY
PRIMARY – MCL ANTERIOR BUNDLE SECONDARY – RADIAL HEAD ARTICULATION FLEXOR PRONATOR MASS	PRIMARY – CORONOID PROCESS SECONDARY- LUCL EXTENSORS	PRIMARY – LUCL SECONDARY- RADIAL HEAD	MCL



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- An Essex-Lopresti injury consists of a fracture of the radial head, disruption of the radio- ulnar interosseous membrane, and dislocation of the distal radioulnar joint.
- The diagnosis is frequently made late, ie, after excision of a comminuted radial head fracture, after pain develops at the distal radio- ulnar joint, and radiographs show progressive positive ulnar variance and/or dislocation due to proximal migration of the radial shaft.
- Patients who have undergone reduction and internal fixation of the radial head or replacement have done better than those who have had excision. Concurrent treatment should include reduction of the distal radioulnar joint and temporary stabilization.



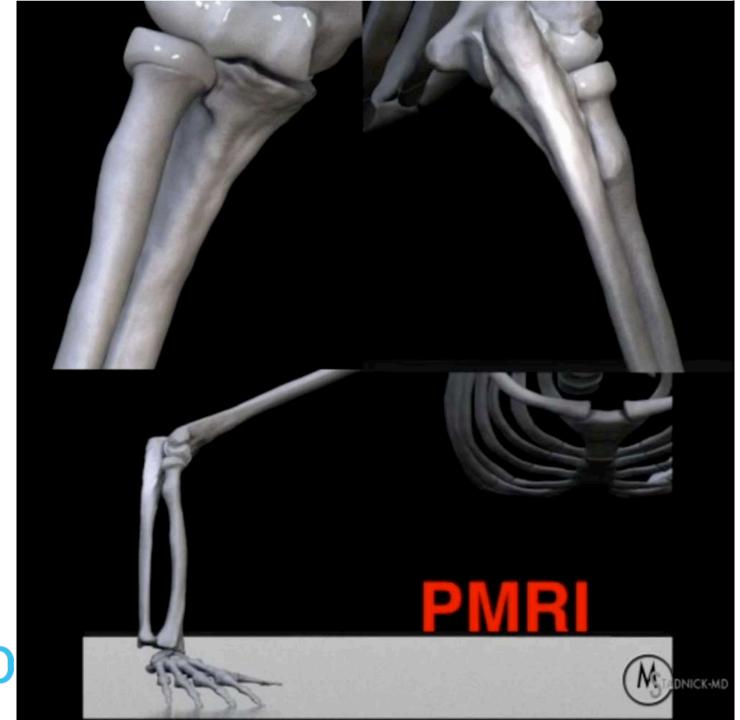
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Patients with posteromedial rotatory instability of the elbow present with fractures of the anteromedial facet of the coronoid.

Posteromedial rotatory instability of the elbow is typically associated with a fall backwards onto an outstretched arm, resulting in varus stress across the elbow and progressive pronation of the forearm. This results in fracture of the anteromedial coronoid facet, which often require open reduction internal fixation.

In addition, the lateral collateral ligament is typically compromised. This is identified as widening of the radio-capitellar joint during preoperative dynamic fluoroscopic examination.

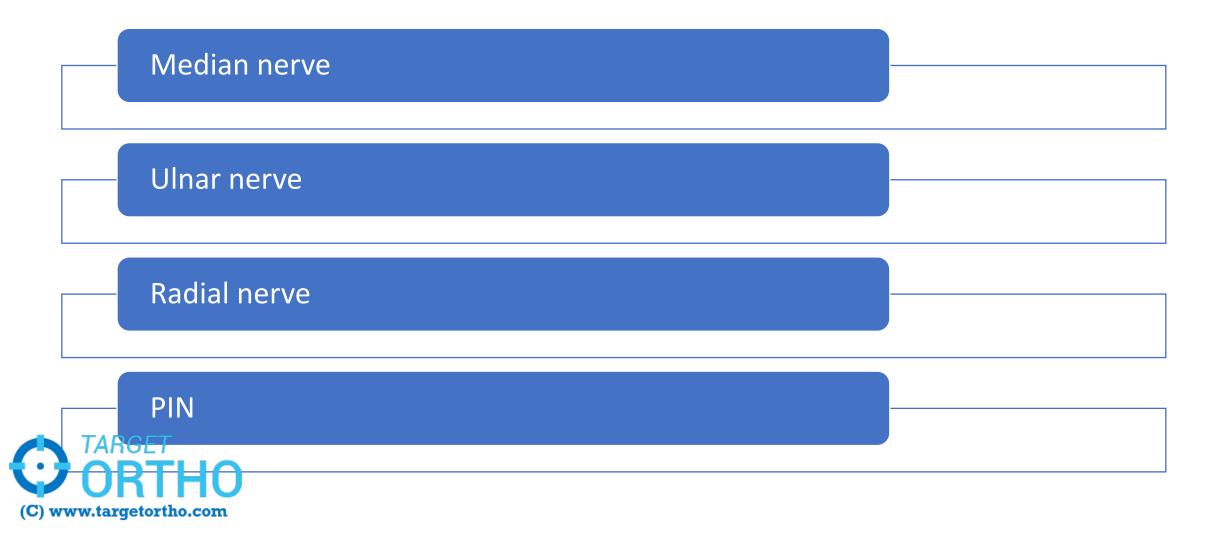


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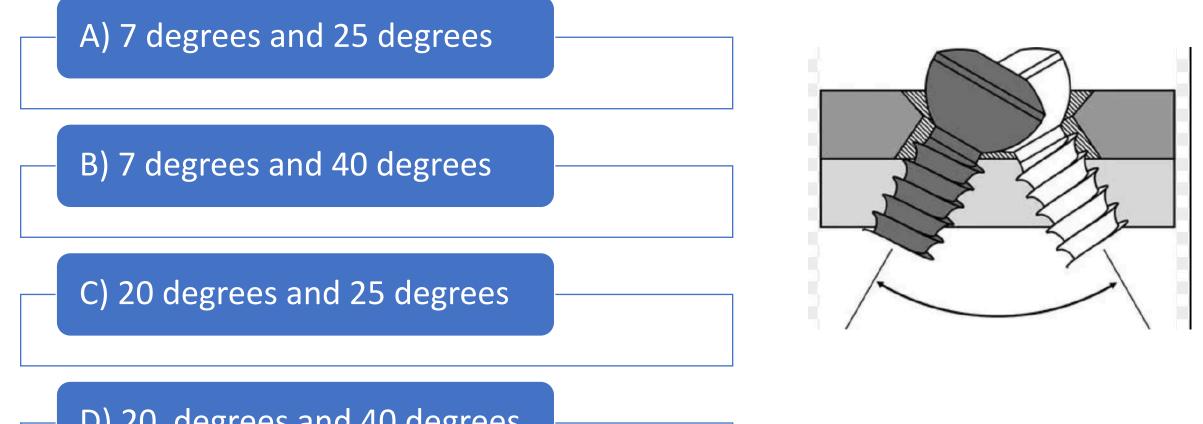
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Forearm, Wrist and Hand



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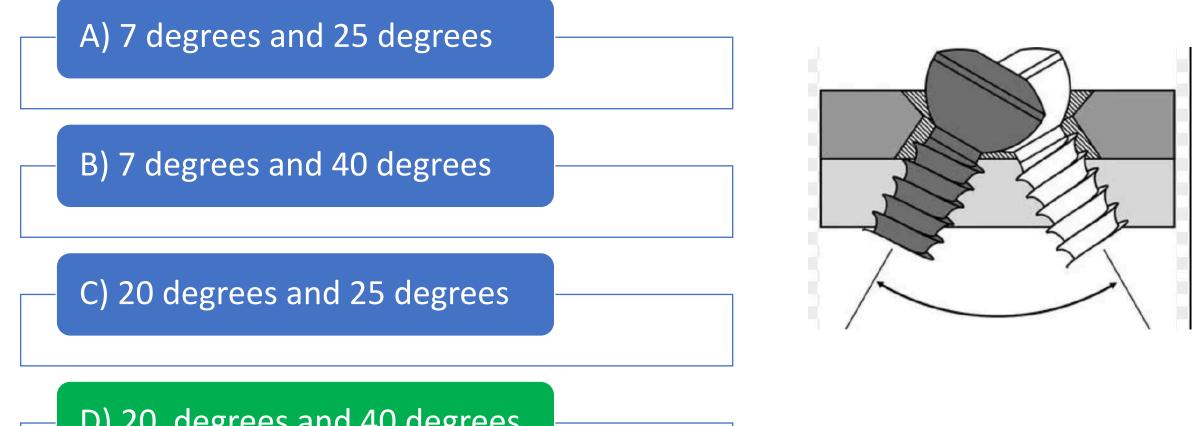




	Transverse	Longitudinal
LCP	7	25
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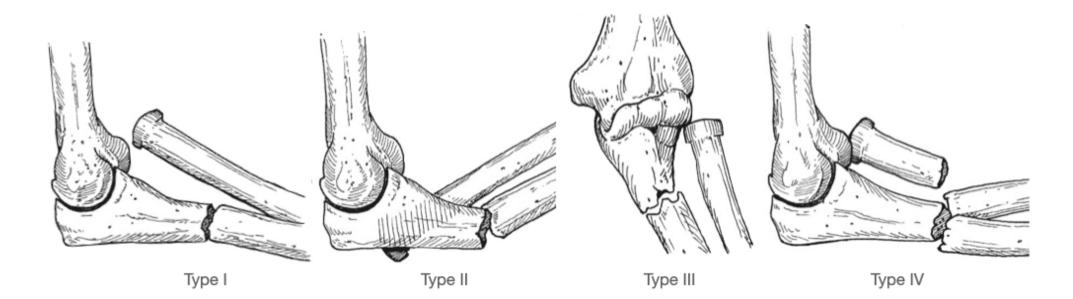
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Based on Bado classification what type of Monteggia fracture Dislocation is this?





Classificatio n	Description	Notes
Type 1	Apex anterior angulation and anterior radial head dislocation	More common in children
Type 2	Apex posterior angulation with posterior radial head dislocation	More common in adults
Type 3	Lateral radial head dislocation	
Туре 4	Fractures of both radius and ulna with radial head dislocation	



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 Rupture of the EPL tendon may occur after nonoperative treatment of a distal radius fracture. Described incidence is between 0.3% and 3% of nonoperatively treated distal radius fractures. Transfer of the extensor indicis proprius to the EPL has resulted in excellent results for restoring thumb extension. Primary repair or nonoperative treatment are unlikely to result in sustained improvement in thumb extension.



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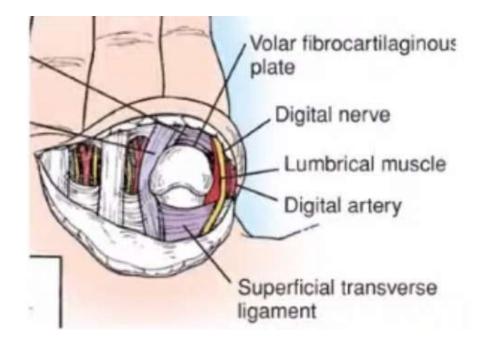




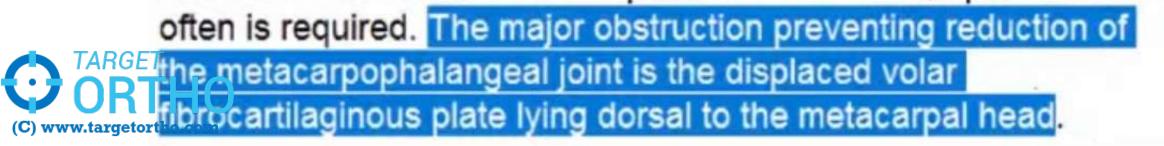
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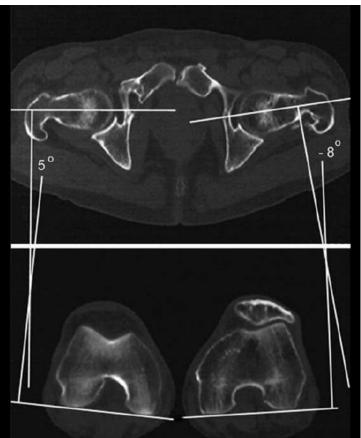
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Hip and Knee

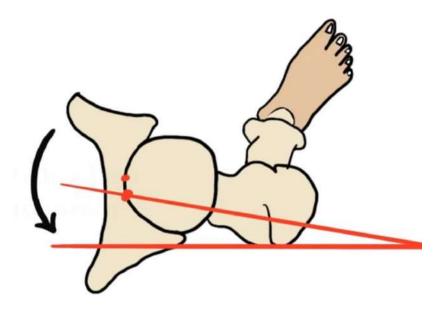


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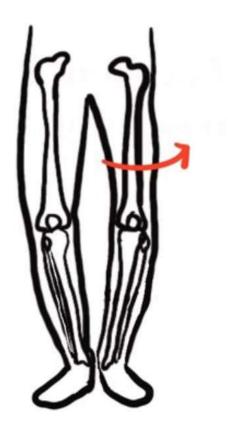




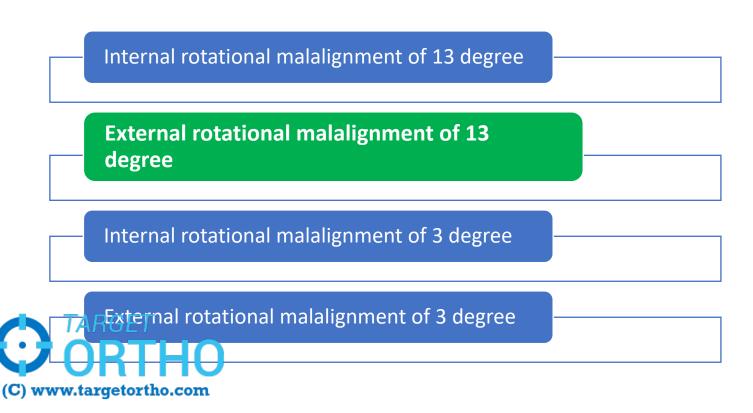
- If we take the Right side anteversion as normal that is 5 degrees
- Left side angle has reduced to 8 degrees
- This is 13 degrees reduction in Anteversion (to retroversion)

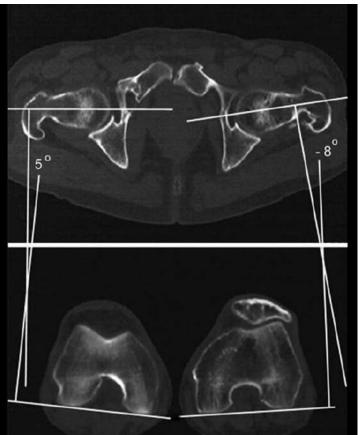


In retroversion femoral head will get rotated posteriorly And patient will walk with out-toeing gait and there is Compensatory External rotation of femoral shaft



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 This patient sustained a high-energy femoral shaft fracture. Imaging of the ipsilateral hip should be obtained to rule out a concomitant femoral neck fracture. Ipsilateral femoral neck fractures should be considered in all high-energy femoral shaft fractures, as they have a reported incidence of 0-15%. These associated injuries are often Basi cervical, vertical, and nondisplaced in nature. The lack of displacement is due to the majority of energy being dissipated through femoral shaft. These injuries are missed approximately 19-31% of the time. Imaging of the ipsilateral hip should be obtained.



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Pipkin	Description	Illustration
Pipkin 1	Femoral head fracture inferior to the fovea capitis. If nondisplaced, can be treated conservatively.	
Pipkin 2	Femoral head fracture extends above the fovea capitis (the medial fracture fragment includes the fovea). Typically treated operatively.	
Pipkin 3	Femoral head fracture (Pipkin 1 or 2) with femoral neck fracture. Increased risk of avascular necrosis. Typically treated with fixation in a younger patient and with arthroplasty in an older patient.	
Pipkin 4	Femoral head fracture (Pipkin 1 or 2) with an acetabular fracture. Treatment depends on the size and degree of displacement of the fragments.	

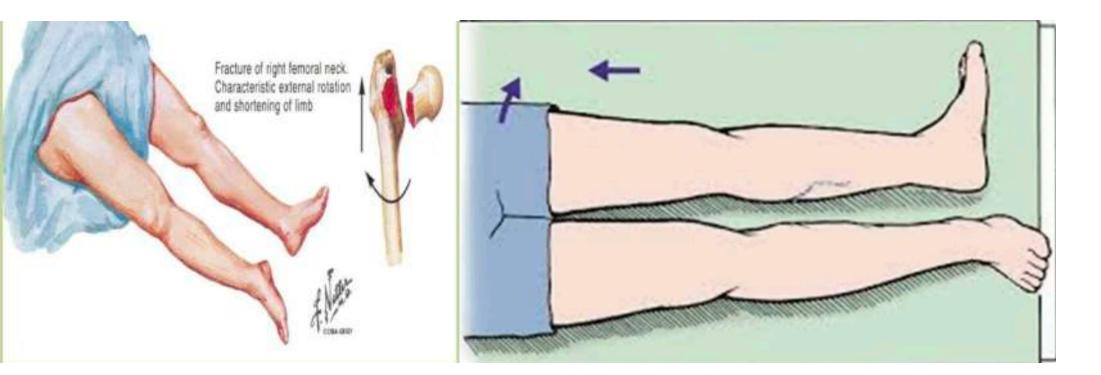


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Neck of Femur and Intertrochanteric Femur Fracture – Attitude of Limb





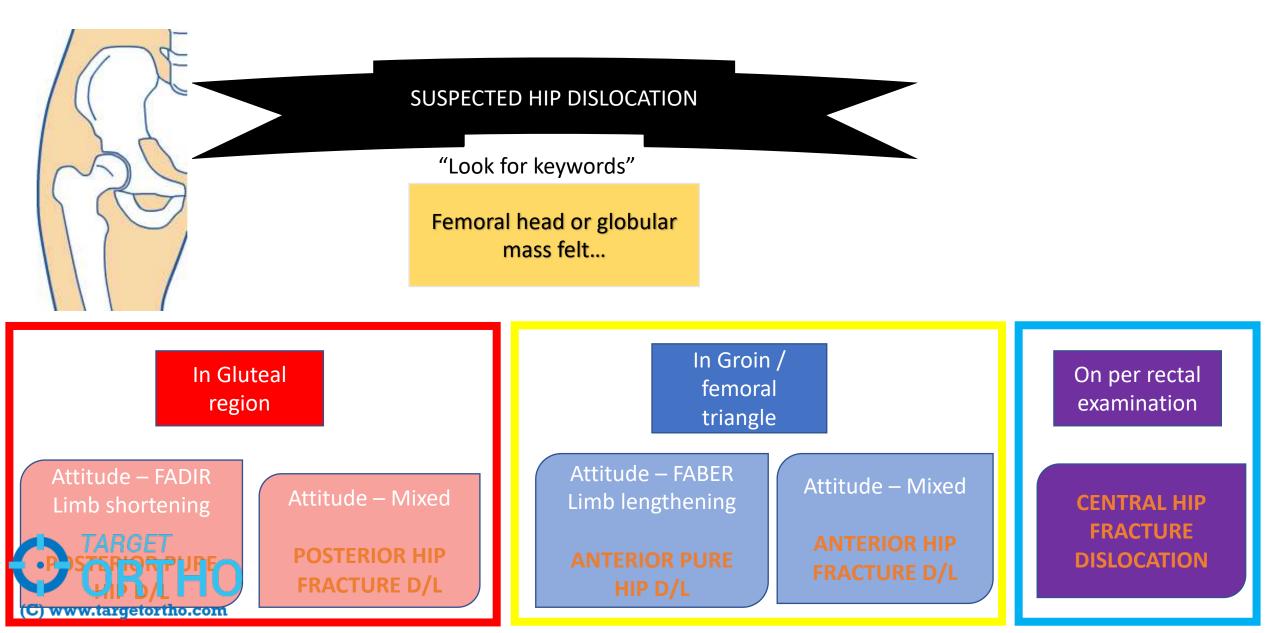








ALGORITHM FOR HIP DISLOCATION



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- The patient sustained a displaced, intracapsular, transcervical femoral neck fracture and is stable with the isolated skeletal injury. The fracture is displaced with a classic apex anterior deformity and is notably vertical in nature, which is typical of high- energy injuries with a documented propensity for potential failure.
- While it is an urgent procedure, there is no need for emergent overnight surgery; the timing to reduction and fixation for this injury has been shown not to be necessary within 6 hours as previously thought.
- The 1 factor that remains critical to success is the quality of and achieving the most anatomic reduction possible, and this will likely happen with a wellrested and alert surgeon with the most optimal setup including an orthopaedic trauma room with orthopaedic staff and optimal fluoroscopic support. There is no need for any type of traction, as it can potentially put the capsule, which is likely still intact, on tension and therefore increase the intracapsular pressure. This could potentially restrict circulation to the femoral neck blood supply and is therefore not indicated.
- Similarly, the role for percutaneous capsulotomy makes sense from a basic science standpoint but has not been shown to have a visible clinical impact and is therefore not warranted
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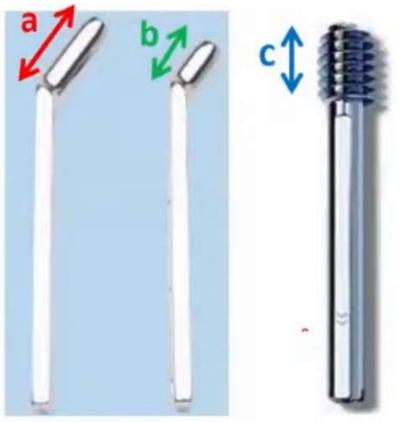
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Richard Screw

RICHARD SCREW PARTS	DIMENSIONS
THREAD DIAMETER	14MM
CORE DIAMETER	8MM
PITCH	3MM
THREAD LENGTH	22MM





SHORT BARREL VS LONG BARREL



LONG BARREL 38mm SHORT BARREL 25mm

BARREL LENGTH – 38MM THREAD LENGTH – 22MM COLLAPSE – 25MM

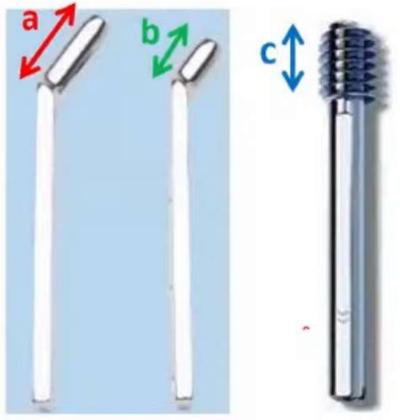




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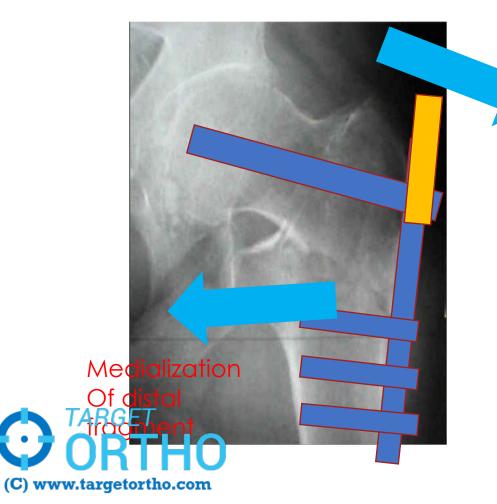
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 Improved stability due to fracture pattern
 Less damage to hip abductors
 Easier conversion to total hip arthroplasty
 More cost-effective





REVERSE OBLIQUE FRACTURE



Shearing force Proximal fragment to collapse

> Solution PFN

TSP+ DHS

- Cephalo-medullary nailing (CMN) would be preferred to sliding hip screw (SHS) fixation in intertrochanteric hip fractures with reverse obliquity patterns.
- In intertrochanteric hip fractures with less stability, like those with subtrochanteric extension or reverse obliquity, CMN may improve failure and reoperation rates by creating a fixed angle device with favorable biomechanical properties
- DHS and CMN are reasonable options for use in stable intertrochanteric hip fractures, but CMN is recommended in cases of unstable fracture. Chou et al. looked at the outcomes regarding CMN use to treat reverse obliquity intertrochanteric hip fractures. They noted that those with reverse obliquity fractures treated with CMN demonstrated satisfactory reduction with low rates of complication. They suggested that long CMN is recommended in CMN is recommended in the treat of reverse obliquity hip fractures.

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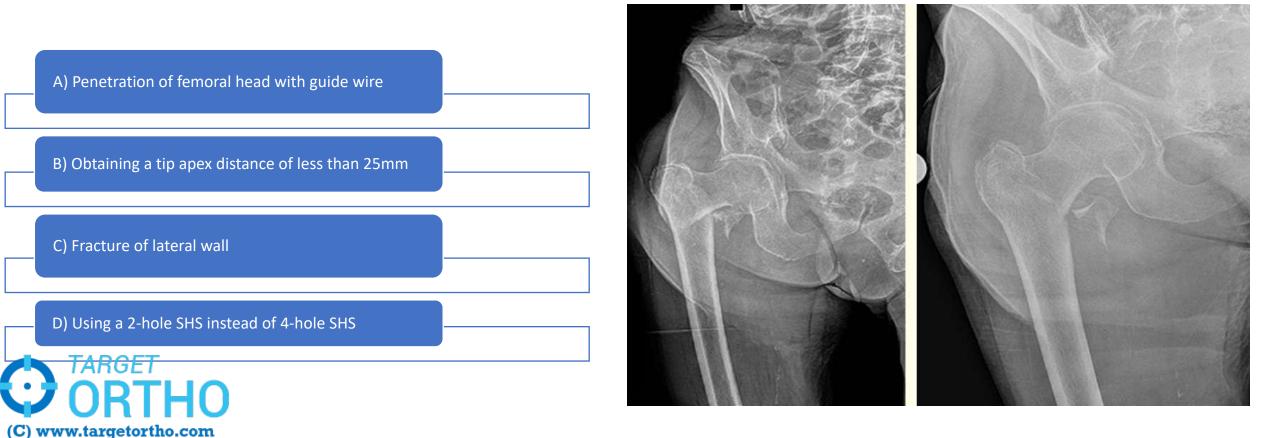
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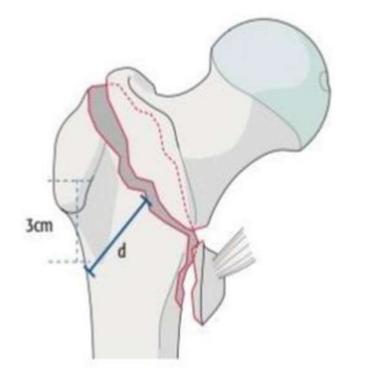
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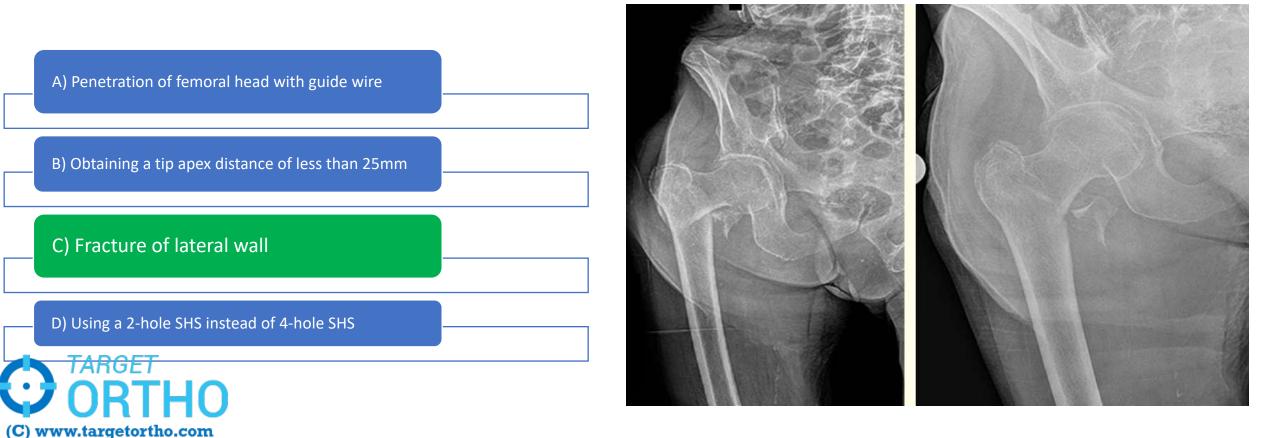


- Lateral wall thickness is defined as distance in millimeters (mm) from a reference point 3 cm below innominate tubercle of GT angled 135° upwards to the fracture line in the midpoint between the two cortex point on AP traction x-rays in neutral rotation
- The thickness must be less than 20.5 mm for the fracture to be A2

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STABLE FRACTURE – DHS UNSTABLE FRACTURE – PFN D = < 20.5 Lateral wall insufficiency UNSTABLE A2 Figure 1 is radiograph of a 96-year-old woman who fell down two steps and comes to the emergency department with an inability to bear weight and right hip pain. Figure 2 is the post-traction radiograph. What intra- operative event would increase the rate of failure when using a sliding hip screw (SHS) to treat this

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• Figure 1 is the initial CT scan of a 55-year-old day laborer who is brought to the emergency department after he fell off a roof. He has no other injuries, and medical history is unremarkable. Physical examination shows a shortened and internally rotated leg. Several attempts at closed reduction in the trauma bay are unsuccessful, but closed reduction under general anesthesia is successful. A post reduction radiograph is shown in Figure 2, and a coronal cut CT scan showing anatomical reduction is shown in Figure 3. After reduction, no mechanical block or instability is noted with range of motion of the hip under anaesthésia. Given this patient's injury pattern and the current location of the injury, what is the best next step?









A) ORIF of Fracture

B) Hip arthroscopy with fragment excision

C) Non operative treatment

D) Total hip arthroplasty

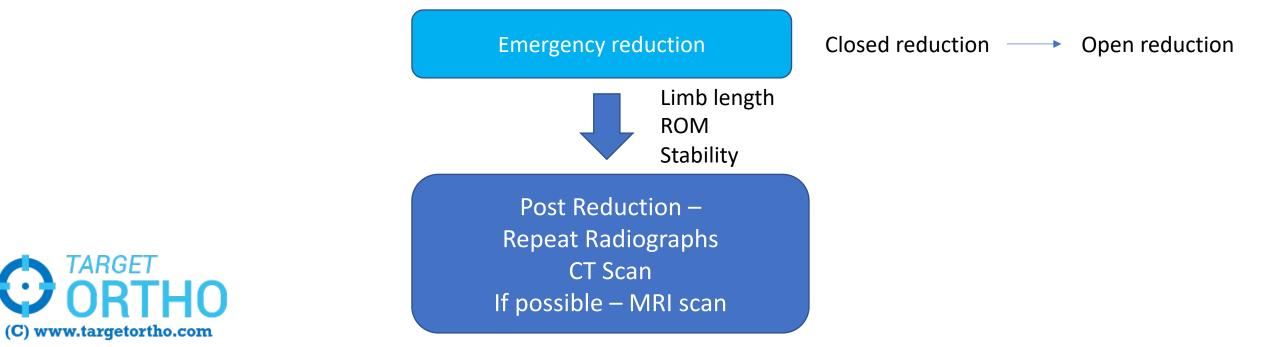


SUSPECTED HIP DISLOCATION

Plain Radiograph - Shows type of Dislocation Associated fracture

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Closed reduction contraindicated for Neck of Femur fracture



CT Post reduction

- Congruent reduction
- Intra articular fragments
- Femoral head #
- Acetabular #



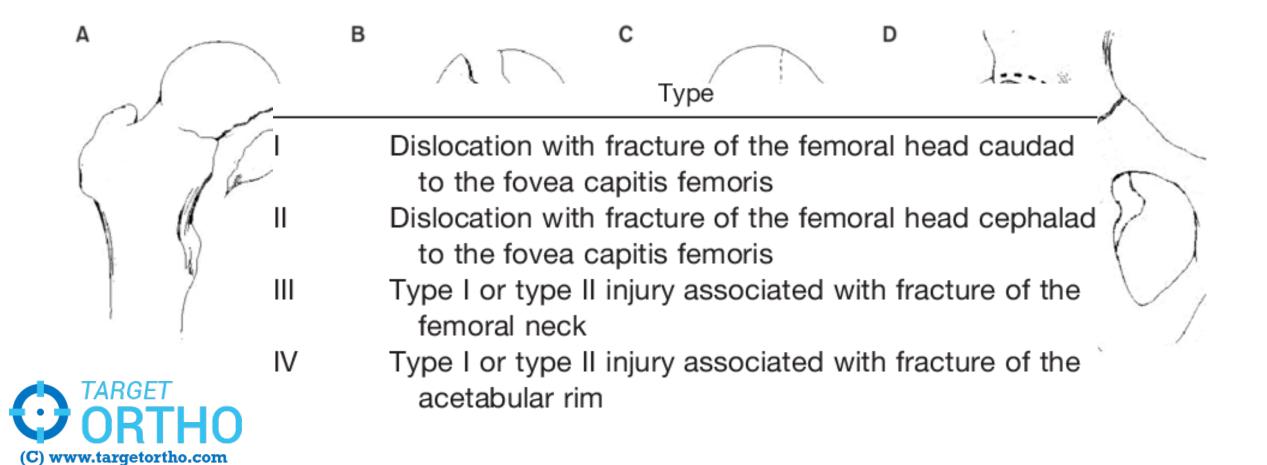


Thompson Epstein Classification

Type 1	Pure dislocation / no fracture involved
Type 2	Posterior hip dislocation with single large fracture fragment of posterior wall
Туре 3	Posterior hip dislocation with Comminuted fracture of posterior wall
Туре 4	Posterior hip dislocation with fracture of acetabular floor
	Posterior hip dislocation with fracture of the femoral head
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Type 5 Subclassification

PIPKIN'S CLASSIFICATION



A) ORIF of Fracture

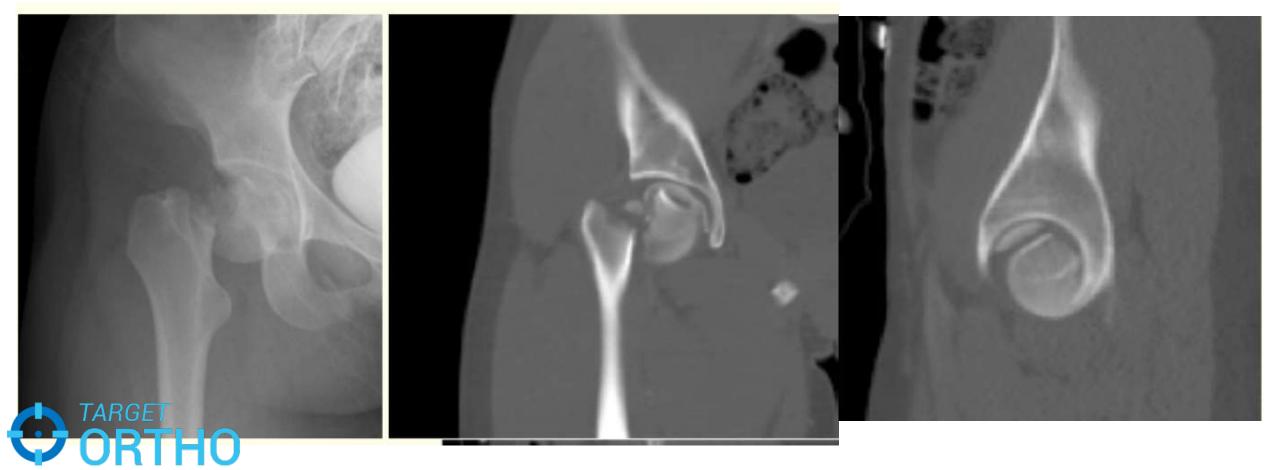
B) Hip arthroscopy with fragment excision

C) Non operative treatment

D) Total hip arthroplasty



A 58-year-old woman is involved in a motor vehicle collision and sustains the injury shown in Figures 1 through 3. What best describes the correct diagnosis and treatment option?



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- A. Pipkin IV and total hip arthroplasty (THA)
- B. Pipkin III and THA
- C. Pipkin IV and open reduction and internal fixation (ORIF) D. Pipkin III and ORIF



- Femoral head fractures are significant injuries to the hip, and the location and additional sites of injury have an impact on treatment choices.
- Pipkin I injuries can be treated nonsurgically or with excision, depending on location of fragment.
- Pipkin II injuries typically involve a sizeable portion of the femoral head and are candidates for operative repair with either an anterior or posterior approach, depending on surgeon comfort and experience.
- Pipkin III injuries are catastrophic injuries to the hip that have been shown to have very poor outcomes and should have consideration for primary THA, depending on patient age and functional level.
- Pipkin IV injuries are also quite complex and are treated operatively with the approach depending on surgeon experience/preference, as well as the size and location of each fracture.



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- C. Pipkin IV and open reduction and internal fixation (ORIF)
- D. Pipkin III and ORIF



Based on X-RAY establish a diagnosis on the right femur?

- a. Osteomalacic stress fracture
- b. Atypical fracture
- c. Osteopetrotic fracture
- d. Pathological fracture due to secondaries









Atypical Femoral Fracture

- Major Criteria (atleast 4)
- 1. Minimal trauma
- 2. Fracture originates from lateral cortex and transverse fracture orientation
- 3. Complete fracture have medial spike, incomplete involve only lateral cortex
- 4. Non comminuted, minimally comminuted
- 5. Localized periosteal or endosteal thickening of lateral cortex

- Minor Criteria (may or may not be present)
- 1. Generalized increase in cortical thickness of femoral diaphysis
- 2. Unilateral or bilateral prodromal symptoms , dull ache in lateral groin or thigh
- 3. Bilateral incomplete or complete femoral diaphyseal fracture
- 4. Delayed fracture healing



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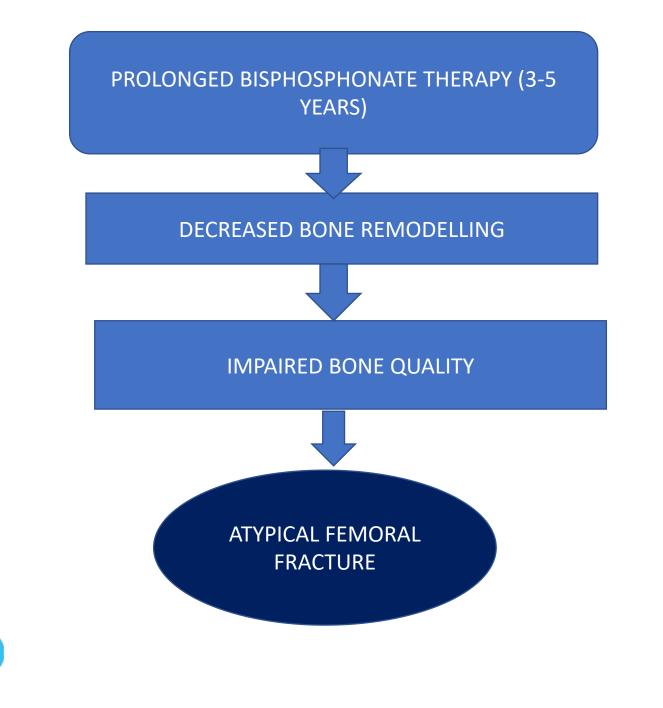
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1) 0.81
 2) 0.93
 3) 1.01
 4) 1.14
 5) 1.28





- An ABI of 0.81 is abnormal and would warrant a CTA to better evaluate for vascular injury. The location of this fracture is concerning for vascular injury.
- Patients with a lack of hard signs of vascular injury such as arterial bleeding, absent distal pulses, limb ischemia, and expanding hematoma are often evaluated with an ABI.
- The ABI is performed by taking the systolic blood pressure at the ankle and dividing it by the systolic pressure of the arm.
- ABI < 0.9 are abnormal and require further evaluation with a CTA.
- If the ABI >0.9, there is a 100% negative predictive value of arterial injury, and serial examinations should be performed.
- Use of a CTA had 100% sensitivity and specificity for clinically relevant vascular injuries.



What is Lobenhoffer Approach ?



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Lobenhoffer – Posteromedial approach

- Prone position
- Dorsal incision
- Lateralizing the medial head of gastroc muscle
- And partial proximal detachment of soleus
- Fix the main PM fragment





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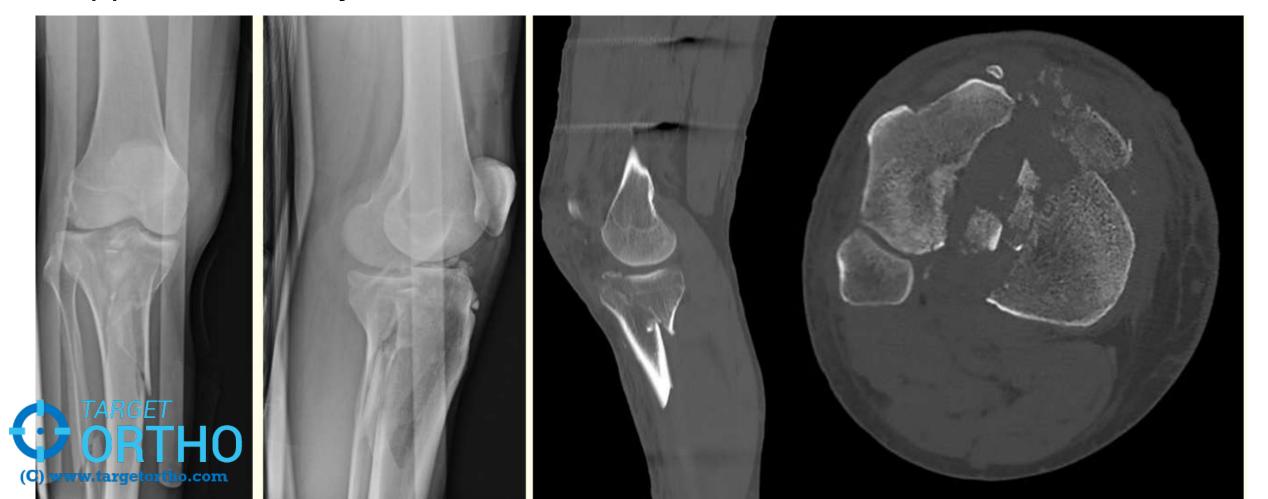
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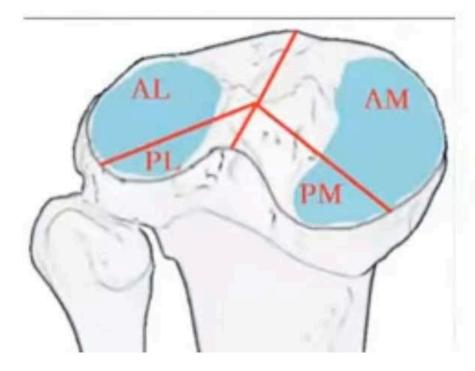
 Figures 1 through 4 are the radiographs and CT scans of a 40year-old male who comes to the emergency department after he fell while skateboarding. He undergoes placement of a temporary external fixator due to soft-tissue swelling. What approach is likely to be most useful



- A. Anterolateral
- B. Posteromedial via prone positioning
- C. Posteromedial via supine positioning
- D. Combined anterolateral and posteromedial approaches



CT based classification



Chang SM et al. Schatzker Type IV Medial Tibial Plateau Fractures: A Computed Tomography-based Morphological Subclassification Orthopedics August 2014 - Volume 37 · Issue 8: e699-e706



Kfuri et al – Column based classification

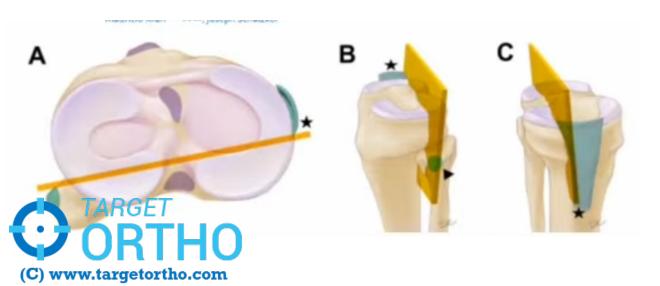


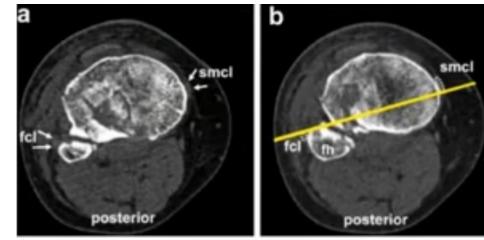
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Revisiting the Schatzker classification of tibial plateau fractures

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Based on quadrant

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	QUADRANT	APPROACH	
	Anterolateral quadrant	LATERAL PARAPATELLAR OR HOCKEYSTICK	
	Posteromedial quadrant	POSTEROMEDIAL APPROACH	
	Combined (5, 6)	AL & PM	
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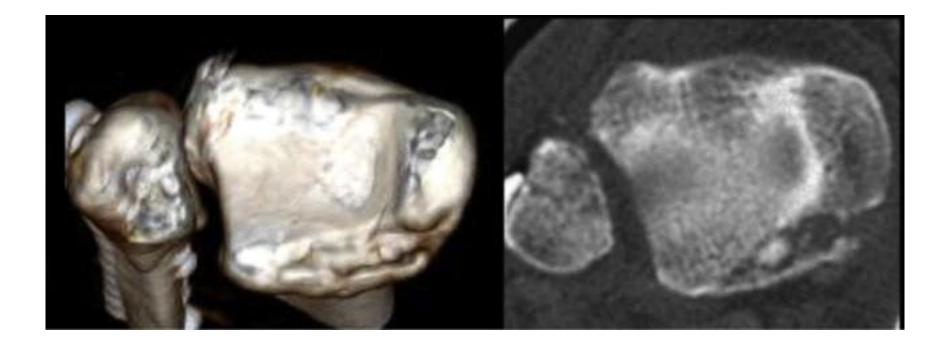
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Ankle and Foot

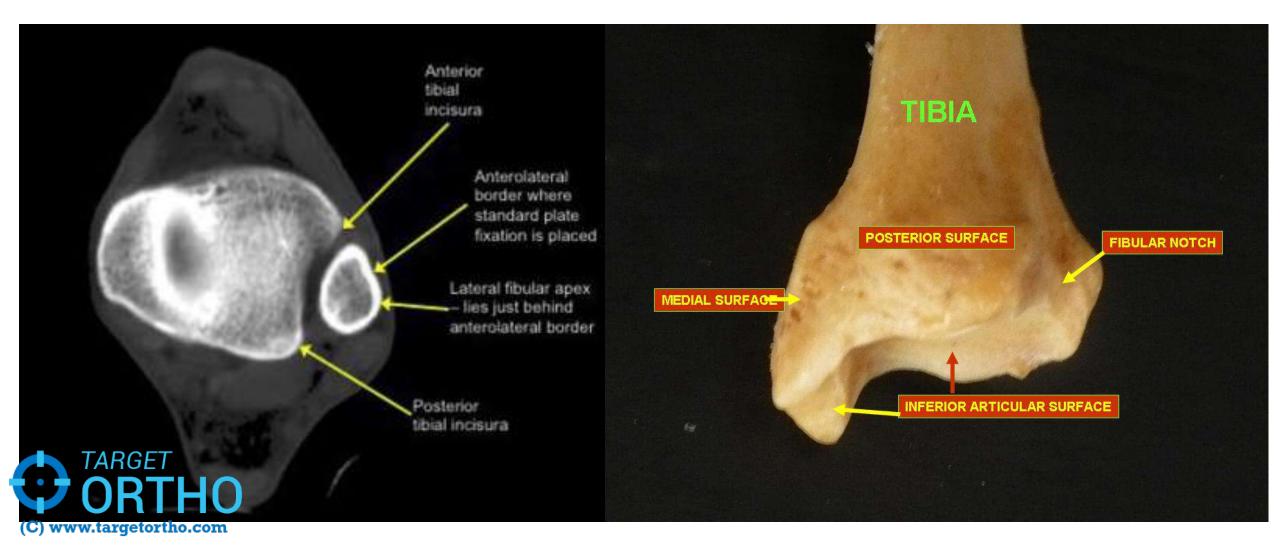




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- b. This does not require surgery as it does not involve the distal tibiofibular joint
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C This requires surgery as there is comminution and hence may cause instability

Fibular Incisura



Classification

Pathoanatomy of Posterior Malleolar Fractures of the Ankle

BY NAOKI HARAGUCHI, MD, HIROKI HARUYAMA, MD, HIDEKAZU TOGA, MD, AND FUMIO KATO, MD Investigation performed at the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Hospital and the Haruyama Hospital for Surgery, Tokyo, Japan





Bartonicek et al (2015)

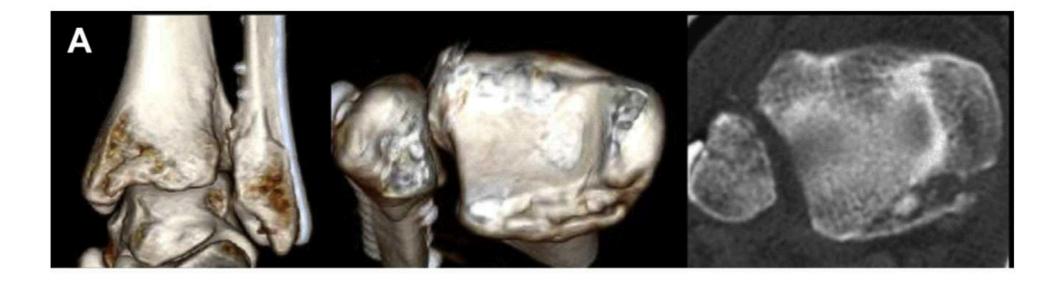
Posterior Malleolar Fractures Changing Concepts and Recent Developments

Jan Bartoníček, мо^{а,b,*}, Stefan Rammelt, мо^с, Michal Tuček, мо^а

These authors, in 2015, analysed 141 consecutive CT scans of individuals with an ankle fracture or fracture-dislocation of types Weber B or Weber C with fracture of PM

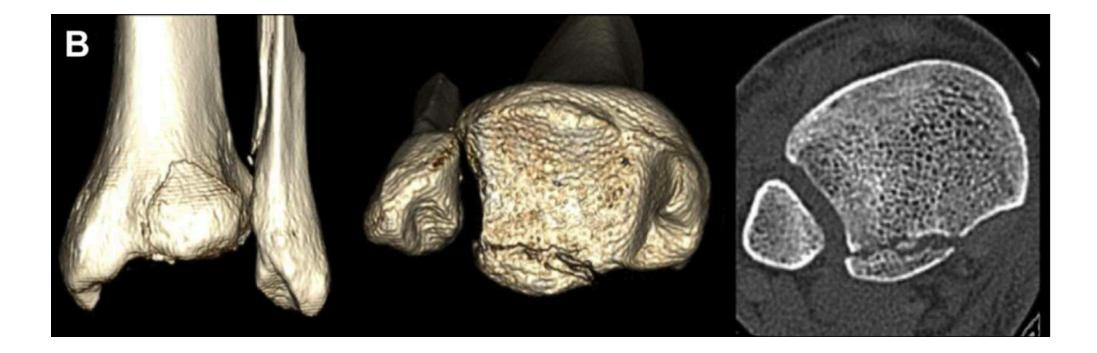
The fractures of PM were classified into four basic types having constant pathoanatomic features, with special reference to involvement of the fibular notch





Extraincisural fragment with an intact fibular notch





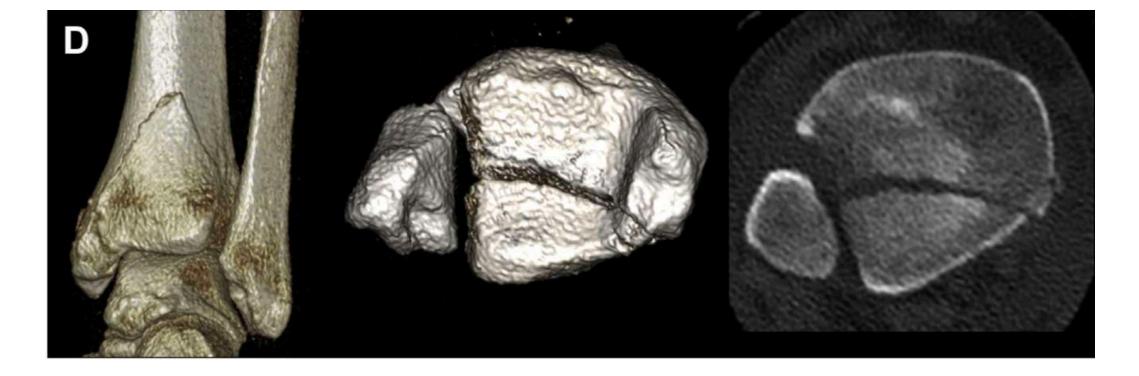
Posterolateral fragment extending into the fibular notch





Posteromedial two-part fragment involving the medial Malleolus





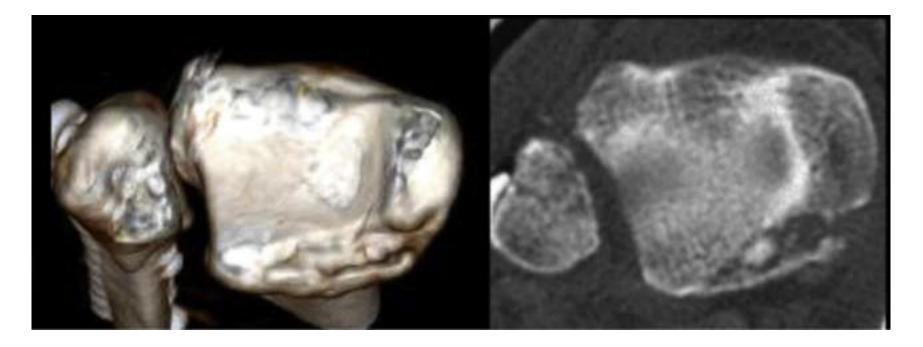
Large posterolateral triangular fragment (involving more than one-third of the notch)



• Irregular , osteoporotic fractures



	Type 1	Conservative management	
	Type 2 and type 4	Posterior lateral approach Medial malleolar fixation / deltoid ligament repair ORIF of Posterior malleolus performed first Internal Fixation of Fibula	
	Type 3	Posterior Medial approach Allows reduction and fixation of posterior fragment and medial malleolus	
	Type 5	Tailored treatment Combined approach Poor results	
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Lauge Hansen Classification

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Supination Adduction

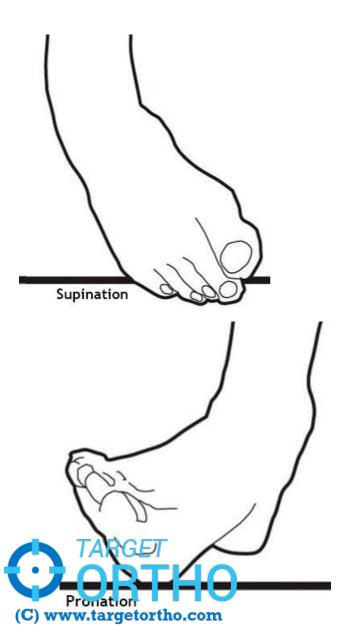
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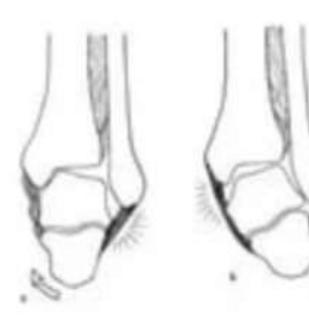
Pronation Abduction

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Algorithm





Supination – Adduction





Supination Adduction (SA)

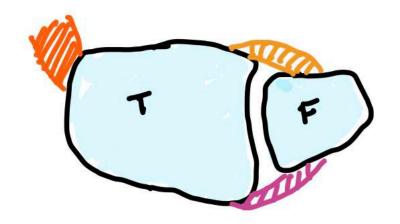
Stage 1 – Transverse fracture of fibula

Stage 2 – Vertical fracture of Medial malleolus



Supination – External Rotation







Supination – External Rotation (SER)

Most common type

- Stage 1 Sprain of Anterior Talofibular ligament
- Stage 2 Short oblique distal fibula # (Syndesmotic)

Stage 3 – tear of posterior tibiofibular ligament +/- fracture of posterior malleolus

Stage 4 – transverse fracture of medial malleolus or tear of deltoid ligament



Pronation Abduction (PA)





Pronation and Abduction

Stage 1 – Transverse fracture of medial malleolus

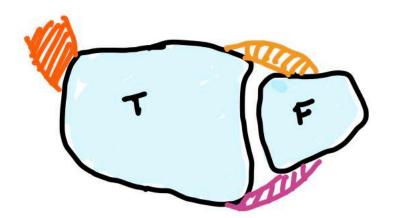
Stage 2 – rupture of syndesmotic ligaments

Stage 3 – Comminuted fibula fracture



Pronation – External Rotation (PER)







Pronation – External Rotation

Stage 1 – Tear of deltoid ligament or transverse fracture of medial malleolus

Stage 2 – Tear of Anterior tibiofibular ligament

(Avulsion fracture Tillaux chaput fracture)

Stage 3 – Spiral fracture of fibula above the level of the syndesmosis (Maisonneuve fracture)

Stage 4 – Tear of Posterior tibiofibular ligament or avulsion fracture of posterior malleolus

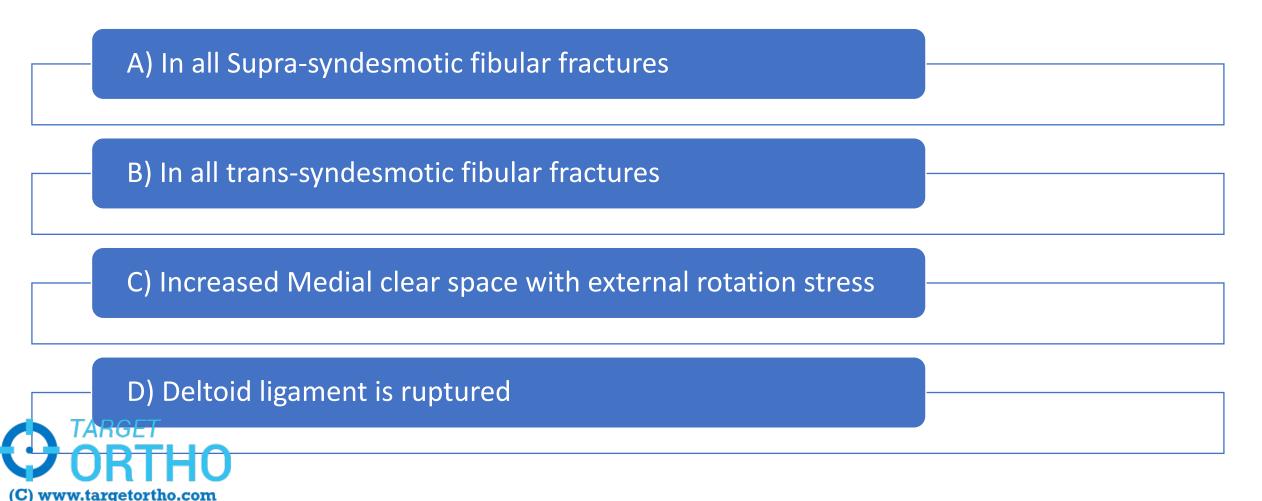




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After stabilizing a bimalleolar ankle fracture with a plate and lag screws for the fibula and two inter-fragmental compression screws for Medial Malleolus, a syndesmosis screw is indicated in which of the following structures ?



It is imperative to recognize the need for a position screw (syndesmosis screw) to hold the syndesmosis in proper alignment when surgically stabilizing an ankle fracture.

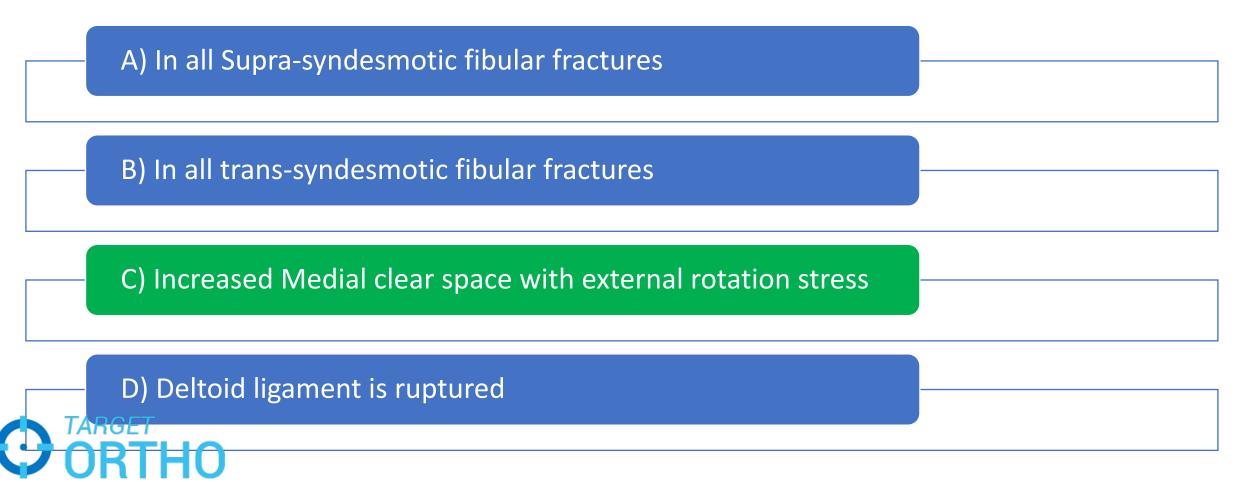
Although many different fracture patterns are suspicious for a disrupted syndesmosis, the only sure way to assess the syndesmosis is to stress it with abduction and external rotation of the talus and attempt to displace the fibula from the incisura fibularis.

Under fluoroscopy, the talus will move laterally and displace the fibula, show a valgus talar tilt, or show an increase in the medial clear space. If any or all of these signs occur, a syndesmosis screw is inserted after making sure that the fibula is reduced into the incisura fibularis.

This screw may traverse three or four cortices but must not act as a lag screw. It usually is inserted with the ankle in maximal dorsiflexion, although this is probably not necessary because it is almost impossible to over- compress the syndesmosis. The diameter of the screw does not make any difference. It may or may not be removed, but not before 3 months.

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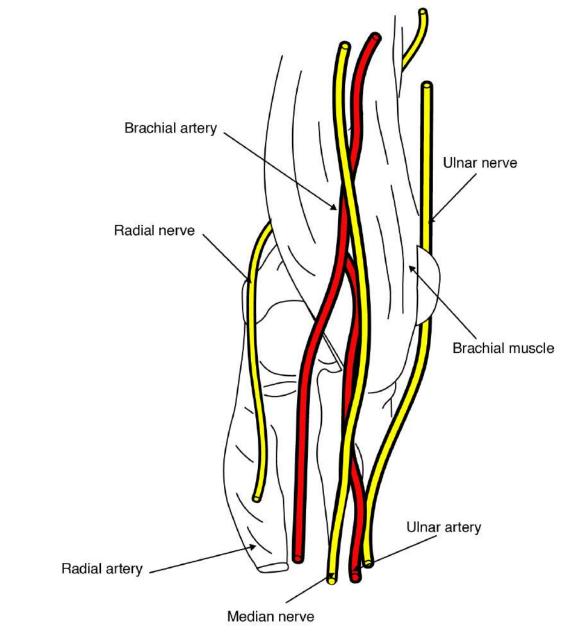


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- c. Anterior interosseus nerve
- d. Ulnar nerve





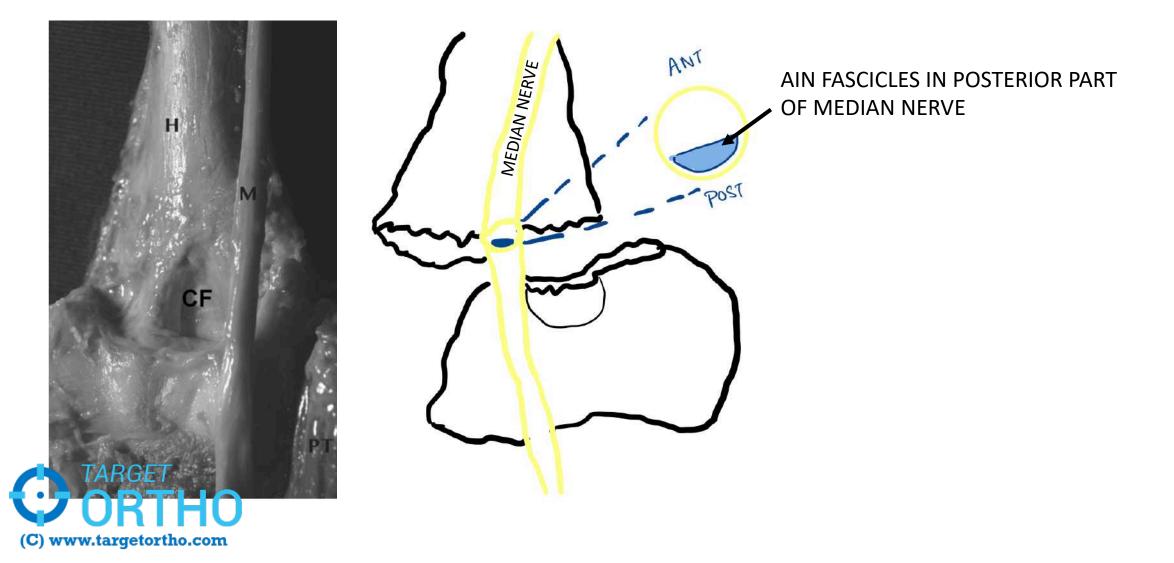




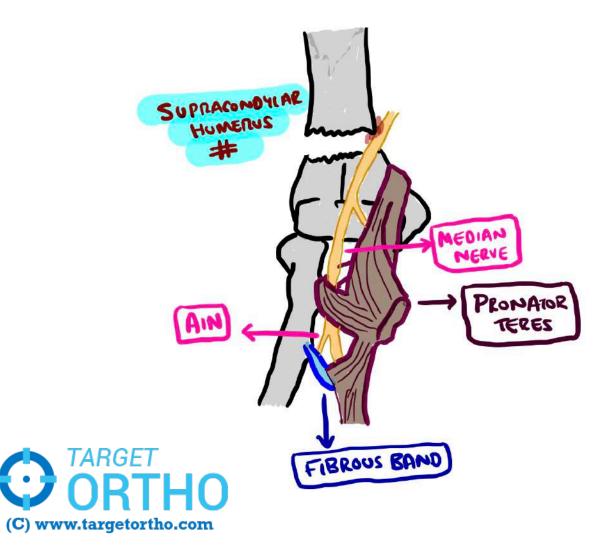




WHY IS THE AIN BRANCH INVOLVED ?



M/C Nerve Injured ?



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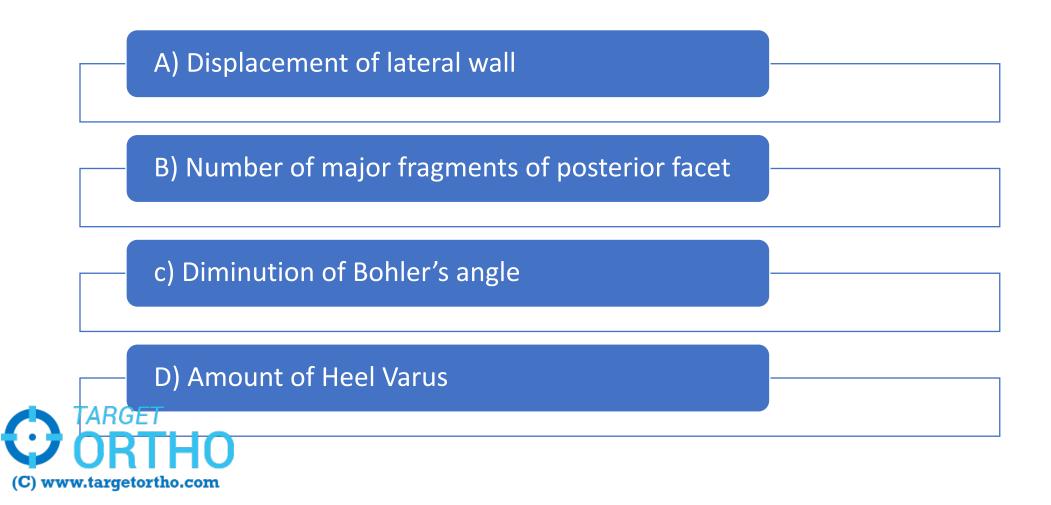
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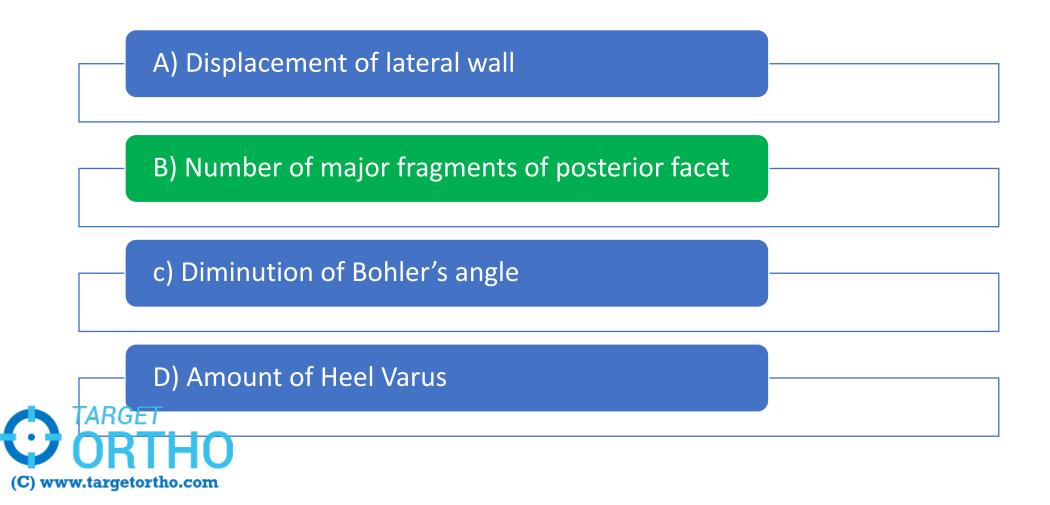
Which of the following preoperative findings correlates best with results after operative fixation of the calcaneus ?



- Satisfactory results correlate with lower fragments of the posterior facet.
- Two-part fractures have good outcome, four part tend to do poorly
- Varus and lateral wall displacement that occur post operatively predict a poor result, but presence of these findings preoperatively is common and indicate a need for surgery.



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Figures 1 and 2 are the radiographs of a 33-year-old female who sustained an open injury to her left foot and ankle in a motor vehicle collision. The development of osteonecrosis has been shown to correlate to what characteristic of this patient's injury?

- A. Medial neck comminution
- B. Subtalar dislocation
- C. Open fracture type
- D. Time to definitive surgical fixation





- A displaced comminuted talus fracture with tibiotalar and subtalar dislocation is shown. The Hawkins classification, based on displacement and location of peri-talar joint dislocation, has been shown to affect the rate of osteonecrosis.
- Vallier and associates reported that the presence of subtalar dislocation predicted osteonecrosis in their series; presence of an open fracture did not. Medial neck comminution is a common finding in talar neck fractures, and timing of definitive surgical management has not been shown to affect the rate of osteonecrosis.



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Thank you All the best !

