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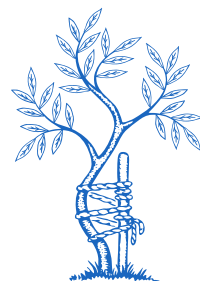
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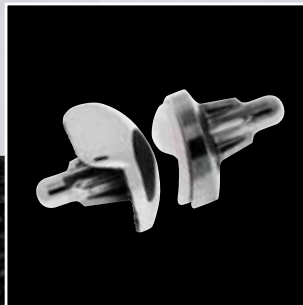
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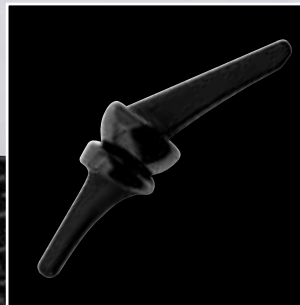
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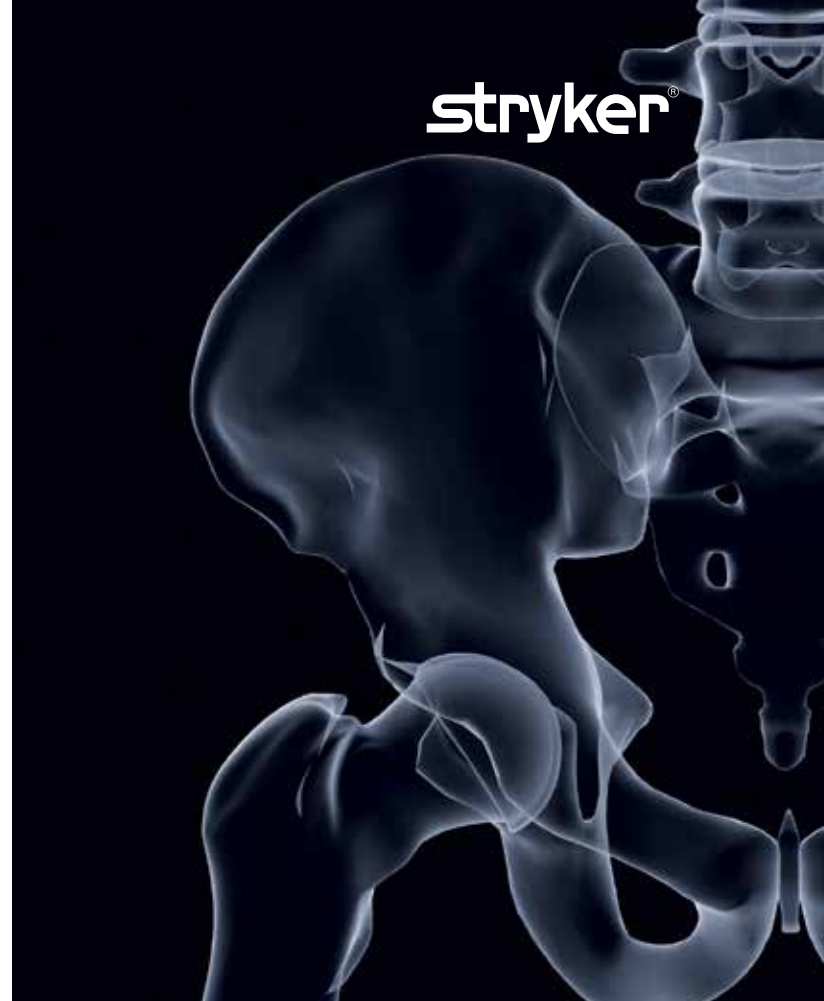
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# Letter from the Editor-in-Chief

**S. Terry Canale, M.D.**

Campbell Foundation President



May, 2016

Dear Colleagues,



I hope that you enjoy this second volume of the Campbell Orthopaedic Journal, a joint publication of the Campbell Foundation, Campbell Clinic and the University of Tennessee-Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Biomedical Engineering. We were inspired to begin this publication in 2015 to highlight research excellence among our staff, residents and fellows. Their ongoing commitment to research fuels innovation that translates to excellent, patient-centered care, vastly improving quality of life. We remain dedicated to the vision that this publication will present original research, and will also provide updates highlighting some of our accomplishments from this last year.

This volume contains 19 original articles and is but a small sample of the publications and presentations made by our staff, residents and fellows nationally and internationally. The first eight articles are the senior projects of our 2016 Graduating Resident Class. Each of these young men will be continuing in a Fellowship program in their chosen orthopaedic subspecialty, and we are proud to claim them as alumni. The journal has been sent to every orthopaedic chairman and program director in the country to add to their libraries, to the more than 600 distinguished alumni of our educational program, and to other donors and friends of the Campbell Foundation.

None of this would be possible without the guidance and support of the physicians, nurses and researchers at Campbell Clinic, the editorial staff of the Campbell Foundation, most notably Kay Daugherty, our editorial director, and the researchers at the University of Tennessee who are pursuing discoveries at the cellular level. We are grateful for their commitment to excellence and the enhancement of quality of life through the science of orthopaedic medicine.

We hope that this edition of the Journal reminds us all of what makes the educational experience at Campbell Clinic so special: the unique features of Memphis, our city on the banks of the muddy Mississippi, where physicians become excellent and compassionate orthopaedic surgeons, learn to pursue answers to curious questions, cultivate enduring friendships, and develop a love of life-long learning.

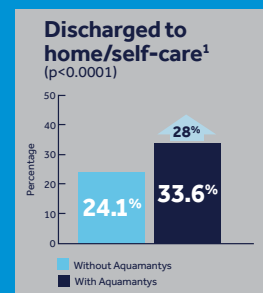
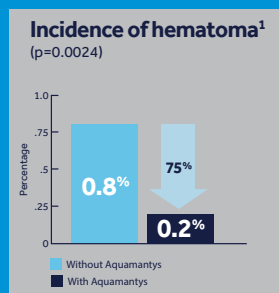
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# Departmental Update from the Chairman



## James H. Beaty, M.D.

Department Chairman, Harold B. Boyd, M.D. Professor  
UT-Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Biomedical Engineering  
University of Tennessee Health Science Center



I am humbled to step into the role held by so many of my mentors, and those whom I greatly admire. As of April 1, 2016, it is my honor to serve as the ninth chairman of the department founded in 1921 by Willis C. Campbell, MD. During his decade and a half as Chairman, Dr. S. Terry Canale expanded the department, and further sustained the legacy of education and research excellence for

which it was known, and I recognize the large shoes that I have to fill.

## RESEARCH

Under Dr. Canale's guidance, the department expanded to consist of nine full-time basic science researchers: Hong-sik Cho, PhD, Denis DiAngelo, PhD, Weikuan Gu, PhD, Karen Hasty, PhD, Yan Jiao, MD, Susan Miranda, PhD, Richard Smith, PhD, and Brooke Sanford, PhD; along with clinician scientist, Bill Mihalko, MD, PhD. This includes three Chairs of Excellence:

- George Wilhelm, Chair of Excellence,
- Harold Boyd Chair of Excellence and,
- Hyde Chair of Excellence.

Our scientists have robust extramural funding, including NIH R01 grants, and support from multiple other sources.

On the clinical side, our research effort has been equally impressive, with 99 scientific articles published in peer-reviewed publications, along with 59 podium presentations, and 28 posters highlighting our research presented at national and international meetings last year. Campbell Clinic continues to collaborate in prominent multicenter studies, and we have attracted both industry- and government-sponsored clinical research studies and grants. Our team will expand this year with the addition of a fifth research coordinator.

## EDUCATION

Musculoskeletal education from the department occurs at all post-graduate levels, including medical students, ortho-

paedic residents and fellows, engineers, clinical and research fellows, scientists and PhD candidates. On the scientific side, the Department oversees a joint MA and PhD program with the University of Tennessee and the University of Memphis. Drs. William Mihalko (University of Tennessee) and Gene Eckstein (University of Memphis) serve as Co-Directors.

Our orthopaedic surgical residency program is ranked in the top 10% nationally, with eight residents per class, in a five-year program. We are accredited through the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), and present our students with a greater than 1:1 ratio of faculty to students. Instruction is provided in all orthopaedic subspecialties by Fellowship-trained orthopaedic surgeons. Dr. Thomas W. 'Quin' Throckmorton and Dr. Derek M. Kelly ably serve as Program Director and Assistant Program Director, and do an outstanding job in supervising and advising the residents. Fellowships in the subspecialties are available, and we average from 5-8 fellows per year.

Monday night continues as our traditional 2½ hour interactive, didactic educational meeting sprinkled with case presentations. Weekly subspecialty conferences are held as well as a monthly journal club. The Visiting Professors Program is designed for distinguished orthopaedic surgeons to give "Grand Rounds" four times a year with our premier CME meeting, known as the Alvin J. Ingram Memorial Lecture held in the spring. Beginning this past fall, the Campbell Foundation initiated a Visiting Professor Lecture Series, funded with donor support. This important series, is open to area orthopaedic surgeons, nurses, physicians assistants, engineers and researchers, and brings prominent thought leaders in each orthopaedic subspecialty to Memphis for engaging discussions about important and challenging issues in orthopaedic subspecialties, and culminates in a lecture on a prominent topic within the subspecialty.

We continue to publish Campbell's Operative Orthopaedics approximately every four years, with the 13th edition due out in November 2016.

The department continues to make strong progress in education, research and innovation. We are well-positioned to advance toward the centennial anniversary of our residency training program in 2024. Dr. Campbell would be proud.

# News from Campbell Clinic

## Frederick M. Azar, M.D.

Chief of Staff, Campbell Clinic Orthopaedics  
Professor and Sports Medicine Fellowship Director



Since 1909, the Campbell Clinic has treated patients suffering from musculoskeletal injury and disease both locally and nationally. The tradition of teaching and research begun by our founder, Dr. Willis C. Campbell, continues today. With Dr. James H. Beaty's appointment as Chairman of the UT-Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedic Surgery & Biomedical Engineering and the Harold B. Boyd Professor,

we proudly continue the legacy established by Dr. Campbell. We offer one of the nation's most competitive residency and fellowship training programs in orthopaedics. This past year, we received more than 850 applications for one of our eight residency positions. We search for compassionate physicians who work to become skilled technicians, but who retain a balance between faith, family, and patient care.

Three years ago, we strategically focused our research efforts, ensuring that our scientific output is both substantial and award-winning garnering national recognition. Improving access for patients through convenience and affordability has long been a critical issue for us. As healthcare seeks solutions to the compound issues of optimal outcomes and cost efficiency, value becomes paramount. We thoroughly examined the safety and outcomes of procedures once performed in an inpatient setting, and several of those procedures may safely be moved to the ambulatory surgery center setting.

The enhancements and physical improvements our organization completed in recent years have worked to reach a singular goal: offering access to quality orthopaedic care for every patient in the Mid-South. Campbell Clinic now operates five outpatient clinics and two ambulatory surgery centers in the Mid-South region and has expanded the access to Shelby County, much of Northwest Mississippi, and Eastern Arkansas. We have added two new staff members this past year-Dr. Norfleet Thompson, a Campbell Clinic alumnus, as a hand specialist and Dr. Henry Sherman, a

sports medicine family practice physician.

Our staff continues to improve the patient experience by offering expanded automation for registration, scheduling, and communication. The Germantown and Southaven offices both operate After Hours clinics for the treatment of acute or urgent injuries. In addition, many of our providers offer regular evening additional clinics. These innovations demonstrate our staff's willingness to put the patient first. Unlike our After Hours clinics, which cater to urgent, acute injuries, the evening clinics allow our providers to actually schedule patients during a "third shift." This allows patients to see a specific provider for a specific need at a specific time that is convenient for their busy schedule. This program has been met with a great deal of satisfaction and gratitude from our patients.

Campbell Clinic physicians have taken the lead in the bundled payment care initiative (BPCI) for total joint replacement, and our initial results have been outstanding. Our BPCI Case Manager effectively works with each total joint patient, the patient's support system, and the various providers to coordinate perioperative care. This collaborative approach has enhanced the patient experience, is promoting positive outcomes, and maximizes value to the patient and provider.

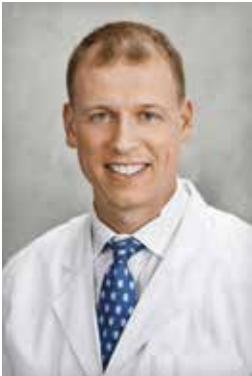
Our outpatient joint replacement program that began more than three years ago continues to be a game-changer for our clinic and its patients. Our total joint surgeons perform hip, knee, and shoulder replacement surgeries on healthy patients in the outpatient setting. The patient is discharged within 23 hours of having their surgery to the comforts of home - most often within eight or fewer hours. In addition to joint replacement, we also continue to perform a number of minimally-invasive spine surgeries in the outpatient setting. The success and safety of this program are the result of collaboration of care that is patient-focused.

In all, we treated more than 170,000 patients in 2015. Our operational and financial successes were a true team effort and remain a testament to the dedication of my partners and our staff.

# State of the Residency

## Thomas W. ‘Quin’ Throckmorton, M.D

Orthopaedic Residency Director, Associate Professor  
UT-Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and  
Biomedical Engineering



For nearly 100 years, the Campbell Clinic, in conjunction with the University of Tennessee-Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedic Surgery and Biomedical Engineering, has been proud to train orthopaedic surgeons from all over the country and, indeed, all over the globe. Over 550 orthopaedic surgeons have trained at our institution and our graduates include 8

presidents of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), 9 directors of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery (ABOS), 4 presidents of the American Orthopaedic Association (AOA), and numerous presidents of subspecialty societies. Surgeon education is a hallmark of our program. In addition to our responsibilities for teaching residents, we continue to author Campbell's Operative Orthopaedics, now in press for its 13th edition. While orthopaedic knowledge continues to expand, our educational goal has remained constant: to produce excellent, well-rounded orthopaedic surgeons who have the opportunity to pursue the subspecialty training of their choice.

Our residents train in all orthopaedic subspecialties, both as junior and senior residents, and our rotations combine an exposure to the academic/tertiary medical center environment as well as the private practice setting. This comprehensive approach offers the ability to see all subspecialties from different angles and maximizes true understanding of orthopaedic principles and their application. Our training program is designed to prepare residents for the Orthopaedic In-service Training Examination (OITE) and Step I of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery examination, through a combination of Core Curriculum training combined with subspecialty conferences in trauma, pediatric orthopaedics, sports medicine and shoulder/elbow surgery, adult reconstruction, hand surgery, foot and ankle surgery, and spine surgery. And in this era when medicine and business often intersect, we have augmented our curriculum with business training and an awareness of value as it pertains to

orthopaedic care.

Additionally, we have focused on strengthening and building our clinical and biomechanical research infrastructure, which includes multiple research nurse coordinators, database access to track patient outcomes, a biomechanics laboratory and an extensive orthopaedic library staffed by a full-time librarian. We currently are conducting over 100 active clinical and biomechanical research projects. Investigators have been awarded funding from both internal and external sources to conduct these studies, in addition to additional extramural (NIH, NSF, etc.) awards among our basic science research staff. We have been committed to sharing our research at regional, national, and international meetings, and in academic and scientific publications. In 2015, the program published almost 100 papers and, most recently, won the Charles S. Neer award for shoulder and elbow research and was named Best of the AAOS at the 2016 Annual Meeting in multiple categories.

Our international elective medical mission program continues, with sponsorship of an international community service medical mission. Our residents have served in Nicaragua, Guatemala, Honduras and, this year, Tanzania. In this way, we imbue a commitment to community service within our residents.

This year, we will celebrate the graduation of our 91st residency class, whose members are profiled within this publication. We are proud of these eight skilled orthopaedic surgeons, who all matched into outstanding fellowship programs for subspecialty training. Their senior research efforts are depicted within these pages, and thousands of patients will benefit from the clinical discoveries these projects have yielded. Simultaneously, I am pleased to recognize the incoming Class of 2021 which will begin training in July. We are confident these exceptional young physicians will continue the tradition set forth by their predecessors.

In summary, we are proud of our heritage at the Campbell Clinic, but we are equally proud of our present and we look forward to our future. With our comprehensive, diverse, high-volume brand of training, we will continue to strive for excellence in the training of orthopaedic surgeons.



Alvin J. Ingram, M.D.

## Dedicated Lectureship Series:

# **Alvin J. Ingram, MD Memorial Lecture 2015 and 2016**

Each year, the Campbell Foundation is privileged to host a Distinguished Professor in memory of a fine surgeon. The annual Alvin J. Ingram, MD Memorial Lecture was initiated in memory of former Campbell Clinic Chief of Staff and Department Chairman Alvin J. Ingram, M.D., through a gift from members of his family, to honor his commitment to education. Dr. Ingram was a graduate of our residency program, was a world authority on the treatment of polio.

The lecture series highlights achievements in surgeon education, and features a Keynote Address by a Distinguished Professor, followed by presentations

from the Campbell Foundation graduating residents. Beginning in 2014, under the guidance of course director Derek M. Kelly, M.D., the Ingram Lecture was expanded considerably and included not only lectures by our Distinguished Professor, faculty and the residents, but also an Expert Panel and technical exhibits. The Ingram Lecture was opened to the public, with continuing education credits available for physicians and other allied health professionals. The Ingram Lecture regularly attracts an audience of more than 150 surgeons, engineers, scientists, and others dedicated to excellence in orthopaedics.

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## **2015 Alvin J. Ingram, MD Memorial Lecture • May 22, 2015**

**Distinguished Professor: J. Lawrence Marsh, M.D.**

Chairman, Professor

Residency Director, Carroll B. Larson Chair

Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

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Iowa City, Iowa

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J. Lawrence Marsh, M.D.

2015 Distinguished Professor, Dr. J. Lawrence Marsh MD, is a renowned expert in trauma treatments and adult reconstruction. He has developed the techniques of minimally invasive articular fracture surgery. Dr. Marsh is the past president of the Mid-American Orthopedic Association and the American Orthopaedic Association (AOA).

Dr. Marsh's lecture, "Tipping Points in Surgical Education and Skills Training", highlighted the historical events that have molded GME programs over the years from the Halsted system to the G.I. Bill.

These events, among others, caused GME to cross a threshold or "tip" to a new system. Dr. Marsh discussed the challenges surrounding surgical skills training, the basic educational path and competency training and evaluation. Rather than have unfavorable changes imposed upon the profession, Dr. Marsh challenged orthopaedic leaders to learn from the past, evaluate the present, and mold the future in the development of physicians ready for independent practice.

Another highlight of the 2015 Ingram Lecture was the presentation of the research of our graduating class of residents. Resident research at the Campbell Foundation is only possible through donor support. These financial gifts offset the costs of research, including supplies, testing equipment and support personnel. In addition,



through a gift from the family of Dr. Hugh Smith, the Hugh Smith Research Award is presented each year to the best research project, judged by a panel from the Ingram Lecture. Dr. Hugh Smith, a former Campbell Clinic Chief of Staff, and one of the founders of the Campbell Foundation, believed strongly in the power of innovation to unlock solutions to challenging clinical programs. Dr. Smith recognized the significant role that research can play in developing new surgical techniques and implants that will lead to a better quality of life for

patients, and his family wanted to formally celebrate and recognize the importance of ongoing research. The panel of judges evaluated each presentation based upon the design, content, and originality of the research, clinical significance and potential for publication in a peer-reviewed journal. The 2015 Hugh Smith Presentation Award was presented to Dr. Byron Stephens, for “Optimal Baseplate Rotational Alignment for Locking Screw Fixation in Reverse Total Shoulder Arthroplasty: A Three-Dimensional Computer-Aided Design Study”.

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## **2016 Alvin J. Ingram, MD Memorial Lecture • May 20, 2016**

**Distinguished Professor: William J. Maloney, M.D.**

Chairman, Professor

Professor, Orthopaedic Surgery

Chairman, Stanford University School of Medicine

Redwood City, CA

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William J. Maloney, M.D.

William J. Maloney MD is the Elsbach-Richards Professor in Surgery and the Chairman of Orthopaedic Surgery for Stanford University School of Medicine. He attended undergraduate school at Stanford University, received a medical degree from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons, and was a clinical

fellow in hip reconstruction surgery at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Dr. Maloney's clinical practice is devoted to improved understanding of the causes of failure of surgical joint replacement with national and international recognition as an expert. The investigations of Dr. Maloney have

led to the establishment of a critical link between polyethylene wear debris and bony erosion. His research in the area of joint replacement has twice won awards from the Hip Society.

Dr. Maloney is the first vice president of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons (AAOS) Board of Directors. In addition, he is a member of the Central Program Committee of the AAOS, and he chairs multiple national committees, including the National Hip and Knee Registry Work Group of the AAOS, the Awards and Publications Committee of the Hip Society, and the ABC Exchange Fellowship Subcommittee of the American Orthopedic Association (AOA).

Dr. Maloney will participate in the Total Joint Symposium, and his Keynote Address will be “Surgical Management of the Failed Total Hip Replacement”.

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## AAOS Presents Tipton Leadership Award to S. Terry Canale, MD



Dr S. Terry Canale was awarded the William W. Tipton Jr., MD Leadership Award at the 2016 annual meeting of the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) in Orlando. The award was presented by AAOS President David D. Teuscher, MD during the Ceremonial

Meeting, and caps a notable career by this renaissance man, known and cherished by so many.

For more than 40 years, Dr. Canale has served his patients, profession and community. He joined the staff of Campbell Clinic in 1974, eventually becoming the chief of staff (1994-2001). Dr. Canale is Professor and Chairman-Emeritus of the University of Tennessee-Campbell Clinic Department of Orthopaedic Surgery & Biomedical Engineering, and is President of the Campbell Foundation. He has made extensive contributions to the orthopaedic literature in journals and textbooks, as well as his memorable editorials in the journal he founded, AAOS Now, the Academy's member newsmagazine. Two of those commentaries earned Gold Awards from the American Society of Healthcare Publications Editors. He is the former president of both POSNA and AAOS and chaired the board of directors of Orthopaedics Overseas (now Health Volunteers Overseas) and the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF).

In 1998, he led the campaign to measure the public's perception of orthopaedic surgery. This survey

revealed that orthopaedists were viewed as "high-tech, low touch" specialist. Dr. Canale founded the AAOS

Communications Skills Mentoring Program and became a teacher/coach in the program. He championed the Academy's "Sign Your Site" surgical safety program and chaired a task force on wrong-site surgery.

Dr. Canale's service to others extends beyond patients and physicians to the community as well. He serves or has served with 18 civic organizations in and around the Memphis, Tennessee area including St. Peters Orphanage, University Club of Memphis, First City Bank Board of Directors, Synergy Foundation Board of Directors, Shelby County Drug Court, and the Greater Memphis Arts Council.

Over the years, Dr. Canale has been involved in the education of approximately 5,500 medical students, 300 orthopaedic residents, 20 pediatric orthopaedic fellows, and countless national and international observers. It has been estimated that he has treated more than 100,000 patients. Dr James Beaty, past AAOS president and Campbell Clinic colleague, commented that it is impossible to even estimate the number of orthopaedic surgeons he has instructed during AAOS CME courses, skills courses and annual meeting instructional courses.

We salute Dr. Terry Canale in his receipt of this well deserved honor.



## Neer Award Presented to Quin Throckmorton, M.D., and Collaborators



Earlier this year, Dr. Thomas "Quin" Throckmorton, along with co-authors residents Tyler J. Brolin, MD, and Ryan P. Mulligan, MD, and Campbell Clinic Chief of Staff, Frederick M. Azar, MD were awarded the

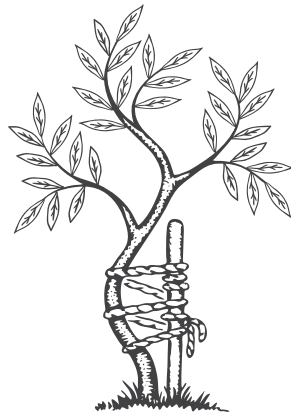
Charles S. Neer Clinical Science Award for their work entitled, "Outpatient Total Shoulder Arthroplasty in the Ambulatory Surgery Center Environment is a Safe Alternative to the Inpatient Hospital Setting," presented during Specialty Day for the American Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons in Orlando. The abstract of this work is included herein, and will be published later this year

in the Journal of Shoulder and Elbow Surgeons.

This research documents that total shoulder replacement in the outpatient setting is comparable to surgery done in the hospital setting in terms of safety. It also sets the stage for ongoing research to measure outcomes and cost-effectiveness for total shoulder arthroplasty in the ambulatory surgery center setting in order to make the value proposition.

Our congratulations are extended to all on the occasion of this prestigious award.





# CLASS OF 2016 RESIDENT RESEARCH



# Posterolateral Corner Reconstruction Using the Ipsilateral Anterior Tibial Tendon from a Concomitant Below-Knee Amputation

The frequency of ligamentous injuries of the knee in association with high-energy fractures of the femur and tibia has been reported to range from 22% to 48%.<sup>1-6</sup> Because of the more apparent and often life-threatening injuries in patients with polytrauma, these injuries may not be identified in the initial patient evaluation.<sup>7-13</sup> Once recognized, ligamentous injuries resulting in knee instability must be repaired or reconstructed to prevent disabling functional deficits. In this patient with open distal tibial and fibular fractures that ultimately necessitated a below-knee amputation, posterolateral corner reconstruction and arthrodesis of the proximal tibiofibular joint were done to allow efficient use of a below-knee prosthesis.

## CASE DESCRIPTION AND SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

A 34-year-old man was brought to our Level 1 trauma center with a pulseless right lower extremity after a motorcycle accident. Orthopaedic examination after stabilization according to ATLS protocol<sup>14</sup> found gross deformity of the right distal tibia and ankle, open anterolateral wounds proximally and distally, and no palpable dorsalis pedis pulse. Radiographs revealed AO type 43-C2 open fractures of the distal tibia and fibula (**Figs. 1A and 1B**), which were reduced and splinted; after fracture reduction, the dorsalis pedis pulse was palpable. Cefazolin was given for antibiotic prophylaxis. After formal irrigation and debridement, antibiotic beads were placed in the open wounds, both wounds were closed primarily, and the fractures were stabilized with a joint-spanning external fixator. Intraoperative fluoroscopy obtained for proximal fixator pin placement showed joint space asymmetry and posterolateral widening suggestive of ligamentous instability, which was confirmed



**Figure 1:** A and B: Lateral and A/P views of AO type 43-C2 open fractures of the distal tibia and fibula sustained in a motorcycle accident.

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**Figure 2:** Harvest of the anterior tibial tendon from the amputated lower limb.

with manual knee examination. A knee immobilizer was placed, and MRI evaluation revealed posterolateral corner (PLC) injury.

Two days after surgery, the soft tissue around the patient's distal tibia and ankle, starting at the open wounds and extending anteriorly and posteriorly, began to

devitalize and form eschar. Over the next several days, the necrosis continued to demarcate circumferentially. Before open reduction and definitive fracture fixation, plastic surgery consultation was obtained to assess the options for soft-tissue coverage. Free-flap coverage was recommended, but because of the patient's heavy tobacco use there were concerns about healing. The risks, benefits, and morbidity of open reduction and internal fixation with free-flap coverage were discussed with the patient, and the option of below-knee amputation was presented. After lengthy discussions with the orthopaedic and plastic surgery teams, family members, the hospital chaplain, and a below-knee amputee, the patient opted for amputation.

Eight days after the initial debridement, a standard below-knee amputation<sup>15</sup> was performed, and the anterior tibial tendon was harvested from the amputated lower limb (**Fig. 2**). Examination of the knee joint through a standard lateral approach found a tear in the lateral capsule, avulsion of the popliteus tendon from the femoral condyle, and tear of the lateral collateral ligament. A suspected subluxation of the proximal tibiofibular joint was confirmed on fluoroscopic imaging, and a fully-threaded 3.5-mm screw with a washer was placed with a lag technique through four cortices to stabilize the joint (**Fig. 3**). Posterolateral corner reconstruction then was done without complications (**Fig. 4**).

The patient was kept non-weight-bearing in a cast for 3 weeks, at which time he began gentle range-of-motion exercises. A below-knee prosthesis was fitted at 4 weeks

and he began strength and gait training. He regained knee range of motion of 0-90 degrees and reported no subjective symptoms of knee instability. At 4 months after the surgery, he was able to perform all activities of daily living and had returned to his occupation as a tattoo artist.

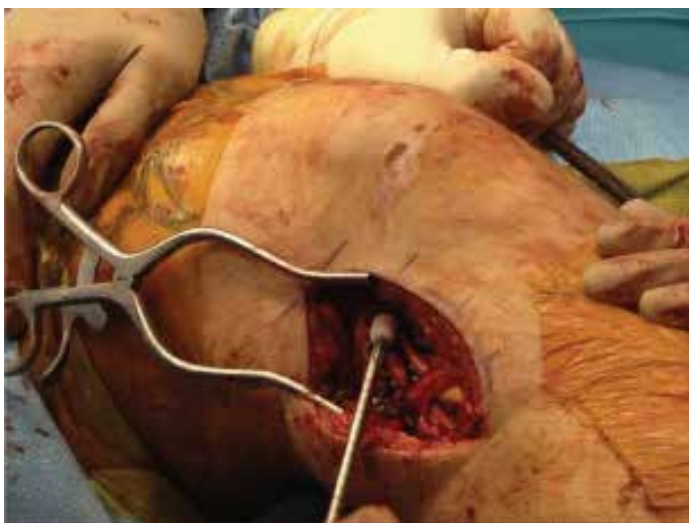
The patient was informed that data, radiographs, and photographs concerning his case would be submitted for publication, and he agreed to this.

## DISCUSSION

This unusual case highlights several important concepts in trauma care. First, in patients with polytrauma, a secondary (tertiary) survey is mandatory to identify injuries that may have been missed on initial evaluation of other more severe injuries. The reported frequency of missed injuries in polytrauma patients ranges from 1% to 42%, with orthopaedic injuries making up 50% to 75%.<sup>7-13</sup> Enderson et al.<sup>8</sup> were the first to describe the concept of a tertiary survey, emphasizing the impor-



**Figure 3:** Stabilization of the joint with a fully-threaded 3.5-mm screw and washer.



**Figure 4:** Reconstruction of the PLC.

tance of repeat examinations as trauma patients regain consciousness and become more active. They reported a 9% occurrence of missed injuries in nearly 400 trauma patients, and cited a low index of suspicion by the examiner as a factor in missed injuries. In our patient, the ligamentous knee injury was not discovered on a formal tertiary survey, but a high index of suspicion led to a close inspection of fluoroscopic images and identification of the knee injuries during initial debridement.

The frequency of ligamentous knee injuries in conjunction with femoral and tibial shaft fractures has been well-documented, with reported occurrences of 22% to

48% for femoral fractures<sup>1,2,5,6</sup> and 22% to 36% for tibial fractures.<sup>3,4</sup> A prospective study using MRI evaluation of 25 patients with 27 mid-shaft femoral fractures found internal knee derangement in 19 (70%).<sup>1</sup> We found no report of an association of knee ligament injuries with distal tibial fractures, but, as evidenced by our case, the high-energy trauma required to produce severe open fractures of the distal tibia and fibula also can result in ipsilateral multi-ligament knee injury. This suggests that a thorough knee examination should be performed in all patients with high-energy lower extremity fractures to avoid missing a knee ligament injury that could lead to disabling functional deficiency.

Although a hamstring autograft usually is chosen for PLC reconstruction,<sup>16,17</sup> the anterior tibial tendon autograft obtained from the ipsilateral amputated limb had several advantages in this case: it subjected the patient to no additional surgery for graft harvest, it avoided the morbidity associated with the use of a hamstring graft (myositis ossificans, decrease in semitendinosus muscle mass, strength deficit),<sup>18-20</sup> and it provided a graft with biomechanical strength equivalent to that of a bone-patellar tendon-bone graft.<sup>21-23</sup> In this unusual situation, we were able to achieve a strong, stable reconstruction with minimal morbidity and provide a functional knee joint that allowed our patient efficient use of his below-knee prosthesis.

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# Biomechanical Effects of Two Hip Arthroscopic Capsulotomy Techniques - Interportal vs T-shaped

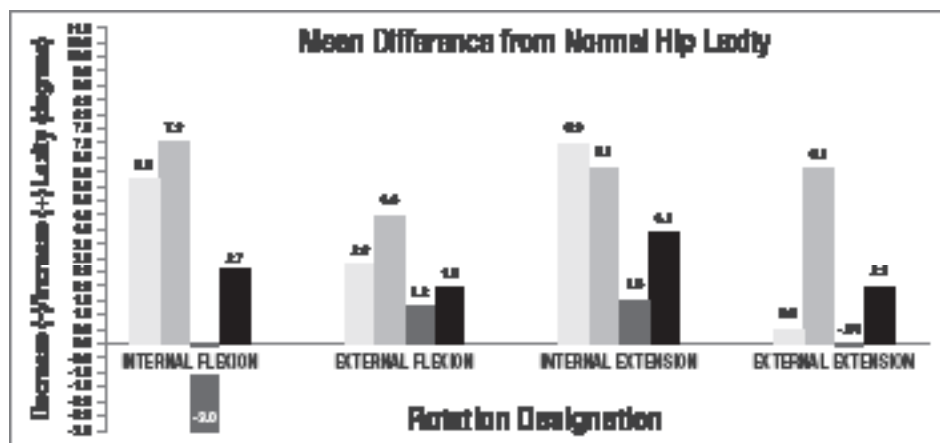
## ABSTRACT

**Background:** Different arthroscopic capsulotomy techniques may be utilized to better visualize the hip joint. We hypothesized that an unrepaired standard 12-3 o'clock capsulotomy would have more rotational laxity than an unrepaired T-capsulotomy, and that after repair, both techniques would have no significant difference compared to the measured laxity prior to arthrotomy.

**Methods:** Ten hip specimens had the femur and pelvis potted to simulate a neutral standing position. Native specimens were tested with the femur at full extension and at 90° of flexion using 1.5Nm internal and external rotational torque and a joint compressive force (30N). The specimens were then tested with the following surgical techniques: a standard interportal capsulotomy, a repaired standard interportal capsulotomy, a T-capsulotomy, and a repaired T-capsulotomy. The rotation from the normal neutral position was then compared in the transverse plane to determine the change in rotational laxity of the joint. A Wilcoxon signed rank test with a Holms-Sidak correction was used to determine statistical significance; p-values less than 0.05 were considered significant at the 95% confidence level.

**Results:** More rotational laxity in external rotation was recorded after the unrepaired T-capsulotomy compared to the unrepaired interportal capsulotomy however this did not reach a significant difference (**Figure 1**). Six out of twenty suture repairs experienced partial suture failure. There existed a significant greater rotational laxity with internal rotation in both flexion and extension with the unrepaired interportal capsulotomy technique as well as with external rotation and flexion of the unrepaired T-capsulotomy technique. There was no statistically significant difference in laxity between the normal hip and either of the repaired capsulotomy techniques.

**Conclusion:** This data is important for surgeons to realize that when better access to the joint is necessary it comes with the possibility of more external rotational laxity. Although repair of both techniques offered a normalization of support, suture failures did occur, and external rotation of the joint after surgery may need to be limited until the capsular repair is established.



**Figure 1:** Mean values of paired differences in internal and external deflections from normal at  $\pm 10$ Nm of torque. Error bars represent the standard error of the mean (SEM), and stars represent significant differences.

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## Outpatient Total Shoulder Arthroplasty in the Ambulatory Surgery Center Environment is a Safe Alternative to the Inpatient Hospital Setting: A Matched Cohort Study

**Background:** Total shoulder arthroplasty (TSA) is a well-recognized treatment for glenohumeral arthritis. As the health care policy environment continues to evolve, increasing emphasis has been placed on high quality healthcare that can be delivered in a safe and efficient manner. To that end, there has been recent increased interest in outpatient total joint arthroplasty. We proposed to compare a matched cohort of outpatient anatomic total shoulder arthroplasties with those performed in the inpatient hospital setting to evaluate episode-of-care complications.

**Methods:** Thirty patients underwent outpatient TSA at a freestanding ambulatory surgery center (ASC). An age and co-morbidities matched cohort consisted of 30 patients undergoing TSA in the traditional inpatient hospital setting. Ninety day episode-of-care measures included hospital (re)admissions, reoperations, and complications. Two-tailed t-tests were used to evaluate differences between ASC and inpatient groups. Differences with  $p < 0.05$  were considered statistically significant.

**Results:** No statistically significant differences were seen between the ASC and hospital cohorts regarding average age (52.6 vs. 54.2 years), pre-operative American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) score (2.1 vs. 2.3), operative indication, and body mass index (31.6 vs. 31.5). None of the patients required re-operation. There were no hospital admissions from the ASC cohort and no re-admissions from the hospital cohort. There were 3 minor complications in the ASC cohort including 2 cases of arthrofibrosis and 1 patient with mild asymptomatic anterior subluxation. There was 1 major complication in an outpatient who fell at 11 weeks postoperatively and disrupted his subscapularis repair. There were 3 minor complications in the hospital cohort including mild asymptomatic anterior subluxation, blood transfusion, and superficial vein thrombosis. The complication rate (13% vs. 10%,  $P = 1.0$ ) was not statistically significant between groups. There were no cardiopulmonary complications in either group.

**Conclusions:** This study demonstrates that TSA performed in the outpatient ASC setting is a safe alternative to hospital admission in appropriately selected patients. Further investigation is warranted to evaluate the longer term outcomes and cost-effectiveness of TSA performed on an outpatient basis.

**Level of Evidence:** Level III, Retrospective Cohort Design

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# Preoperative MRI as a Prognostic Factor for Outcomes of Core Decompression for Osteonecrosis of the Femoral Head

**Introduction:** Osteonecrosis of the femoral head (ONFH) is a potentially debilitating condition that is commonly progressive, leading to early joint destruction and the eventual need for total hip arthroplasty (THA). Due to the high rate of failure after non-operative treatment, hip core decompression has become a common pre-collapse surgical technique. However, failures are common and literature to guide the surgeon to appropriately select a patient for hip core decompression is limited. The aim of this study was to examine how pre-operative MRI findings correlate with outcomes of a modified core decompression technique.

**Methods:** Inclusion criteria are patients with a preoperative MRI, Steinberg stage I or II osteonecrosis, and greater than 1 year of documented follow-up. Patients who had a previous history of acetabular surgery or hip trauma were excluded. All pre-operative MRIs were interpreted by a musculoskeletal-trained radiologist. Patients were stratified according to percent involvement of the femoral head (0-15%, 15-30%, >30%) and hip effusion grade (0-3). The lead surgeon performed core decompression with a modified technique on all patients. Standard operative and post-operative protocols were used. Failure of procedure is defined as the patient needing a total hip arthroplasty. Fisher's exact test and multivariate logistic regression were used for statistical analysis with p-values < 0.05 considered significant.

**Results:** One hundred patients were included with an average follow up of 40 months (12 to 97 months). Forty-two of one hundred (42%) underwent THA. Increased grade of effusion was an independent risk factor for THA (OR=2.30, 95% CI (1.27-4.18), p=0.006). THA was ultimately necessary in 1/13 (8%) patients with grade 0 effusion, 17/42 (42%) grade 1, 12/35 (34%) grade 2, and 12/12 (100%) grade 3. Percent involvement of the femoral head was also an independent risk factor for THA (OR=4.66, 95% CI (2.07-10.52), p<0.001). THA was performed in 0/17 (0%) of patients with 0-15% head involvement, 10/32 (31%) with 15-30% head involvement, and 32/51 (63%) with >30% head involvement. There were no failures in patients (0/10) with grade 1 or less effusion and <15% femoral head involvement, p<0.001. Patients with grade 2 or higher effusion and >30% femoral head involvement underwent THA in 20/29 (69.0%) patients, p<0.001.

**Discussion and Conclusion:** Grade of hip effusion and percent involvement of the femoral head are prognostic indicators of success/failure of core decompression for ONFH. Patients with minimal hip effusion and/or minimal involvement of diseased femoral head should be counseled to undergo a less invasive procedure like core decompression. Conversely, patients with a large hip effusion or significant amount of diseased femoral head may be better served with total hip arthroplasty.

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Multivariate Analysis	Failure of Procedure	p-value
Grade <1 effusion and <15% head involvement	0% (0/10)	<0.001
Grade >2 effusion and >30% head involvement	69% (20/29)	<0.001

% Involvement of Femoral Head**	Failure of Procedure
0-15%	0% (0/17)
15-30%	31% (10/32)
>30%	63% (32/51)

\*\*Independent risk factor for THA (OR=4.66, 95% CI (2.07-10.52), p<0.001)

Grade of effusion*	Failure of Procedure
0	8% (1/13)
1	42% (17/42)
2	34% (12/35)
3	100% (12/12)

\*Independent risk factor for THA (OR=2.30, 95% CI (1.27-4.18), p=0.006)

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# Safety and Cost-effectiveness of Outpatient Unicompartmental Knee Arthroplasty in the Ambulatory Surgery Center: A Matched Cohort Study

**Background:** Unicompartmental knee arthroplasty (UKA) has an established track record for pain relief and improved function in patients with unicompartmental osteoarthritis of the knee. Historically, UKA was performed in the inpatient hospital setting. However, with renewed emphasis on procedural safety, efficiency, and cost effectiveness in the healthcare industry, many surgeons and patients are finding the ambulatory surgery center (ASC) to be a viable option for arthroplasty procedures. We proposed to compare a matched cohort of outpatient ASC UKA's with those performed in the inpatient hospital setting to evaluate episode-of-care complications. We also proposed to investigate our ASC UKA total facility charges.

**Methods:** Sixty-seven patients underwent UKA performed by one of two surgeons at a freestanding ASC. An age and co-morbidities- matched cohort included 48 patients undergoing UKA in the standard inpatient hospital setting. Ninety day episode-of-care measures included complications, hospital (re)admissions, and reoperations. Total facility charges were evaluated for all ASC patients. Statistical differences ( $p < 0.05$ ) between the ASC and inpatient groups were determined by two-tailed t-tests.

**Results:** The ASC and hospital cohorts revealed no statistically significant differences with respect to age (58.8 vs 59.4), sex (15M/33F vs 20M/28F), BMI (34.3 vs 32.9), and preoperative ASA scores (1.94 vs 2.08). One minor complication was noted in the ASC group including one superficial stitch abscess. There were no major complications in the ASC group and no patients required hospital admission or reoperation. In the hospital cohort there was one minor complication: a superficial skin rash. Four major complications were noted: one deep venous thrombosis (DVT), one pulmonary embolus (PE), one acute postoperative infection, and one postoperative periprosthetic fracture. All four of the hospital cohort patients with complications required readmission, while two of the hospital cohort patients required reoperation. The average total charge for all ASC patients was \$29,475.14.

**Discussion:** These results demonstrate that outpatient UKA in the ASC is a safe and reasonable alternative to UKA performed in the traditional inpatient hospital setting. Additionally, the average total charge for UKA in the ASC compares favorably to reported inpatient total charges for UKA and total knee arthroplasty in the literature. Despite our favorable short-term results with UKA in the ASC, further investigation is required to address the long-term safety and cost-effectiveness of UKA performed in the ASC setting.

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# Orthopaedic Surgeon Modularity Utilization and Surgical Technique Considerations in the Face of Implant Corrosion\*

## ABSTRACT

The use of modular femoral components for total hip arthroplasty (THA) allows surgeons to adjust leg lengths, restore anatomy, and improve stability through alterations in femoral offset, neck length, and version; however, corrosion, fretting, and fatigue failure have raised concerns about these implants. To determine surgeons' opinions and trends regarding the use of modularity in THA, during 2013 and 2014 surveys were sent to AAOS fellows to investigate the use of modularity in THA. The survey included questions regarding technique and basic science knowledge of modular components. Results from 2013 and 2014 were compared to evaluate trends in modular component use. Ninety-nine surgeons (2013) and 106 surgeons (2014) responded, more than 93% of whom routinely perform THA. Over 50% of respondents were fellowship trained. Most respondents (> 87%) in both years reported that they had used a modular implant, either when absolutely necessary (<5% of time) or routinely (>50% of time). From 2013 to 2014, the routine use of modular implants decreased. In 2014, a higher percentage of surgeons reported concerns over debris and stem breakage and more chose ceramic heads over metal heads. Most respondents reported locking the femoral head with one or more forceful hits. When corrosion was noted on the taper during revision cases, most surgeons retained the femur while cleaning the taper with either a sponge or bovie scratch pad. Some respondents applied an additional metal taper sleeve between the damaged taper and the new femoral head; 93.9% of respondents reported cleaning and drying the taper prior to head insertion. These results demonstrate that modular implants are widely used in THA, either occasionally or routinely. The number of surgeons routinely using modular implants remains high, making education regarding debris production and breakage with modular stems a necessity.

**KEYWORDS:** total hip arthroplasty, modular components, usage trends, technique

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## INTRODUCTION

The development of modular femoral components for total hip arthroplasty (THA) has allowed surgeons to intraoperatively adjust leg lengths, restore anatomy, and improve stability through changes in femoral offset, neck length, and version; however, corrosion, fretting, and fatigue failure with dual modular components have raised concerns about these implants. Increased revision rates have been reported with some dual-taper modular-neck femoral components for THA<sup>1,2,3</sup>, raising questions about whether adding modularity is necessary, or even desirable, in THA and TKA surgery. If long-term outcomes are not improved, we should rethink the direc-

tions that implant designs are taking and whether newer designs need more stringent guidance and post-market surveillance. For example, post-market research identified the interface of modular-neck femoral components with the tapered junction in the Stryker Rejuvenate system as a potential source of metal fretting and crevice corrosion, leading to adverse local tissue reactions and device failure. In 2012, citing the risk of fretting and corrosion associated with the Rejuvenate and ABG II modular-neck hip stems, Stryker issued a voluntary recall of both stems<sup>4</sup>. DePuy, in 2010, issued a recall of both of its ASR hip systems, citing higher-than-normal failure rates due to implant loosening, implant erosion,

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and metallosis<sup>5</sup>.

Surgeons today have increased access to modular options for primary arthroplasty procedures, but the frequency of modular implant use is relatively unknown. As modular component use increases, the need for surgeon education also increases. We proposed to investigate surgeons' opinions and trends regarding the use of modularity in THA.

## METHODS

During 2013 and 2014, the AAOS survey system was used to investigate fellows' perceptions and experiences regarding the use of modularity in THA. A total of 604 fellows were invited to participate (99 fellows participated in 2013 and 106 in 2014). Participants were first asked if they perform joint reconstruction surgery. Those who performed total joint reconstruction surgery were then asked questions regarding society memberships, fellowship training, and their use of implants that use modularity with a metal-metal taper junction. The surgeons who did use modular metal-metal components were then asked to continue the survey.

Participants who reported using modular implants were then asked about the frequency of modular component use, and their knowledge on modular implant production of metal particulate debris was tested. Surgeons also were asked how they lock femoral heads onto metal tapers and how they deal with obvious fretting and corrosion debris on a well-fixed stem during revision procedures.

Several true/false questions were included in the survey which aimed at investigating participants' knowledge regarding the interchangeability of varying components and alloys, particulate debris with single compared to dual modular components, debris generation from the use of varying modular alloys, and tissue reaction from generation of metal debris. Participants also were asked how they prepare the taper junction before femoral head impaction.

Finally, participants were asked how their use of modular implants has changed over the past 12 months. Specifically, they were asked if their use of femoral heads larger than 36 mm has decreased, if their use of modularity has decreased, and if their use of ceramic heads has increased because of concerns regarding modularity reported in the literature.

## RESULTS

Of the 604 surgeons invited to participate in the survey during 2013 and 2014, 99 responded in 2013 and

106 surgeons in 2014. In 2013, 93% of the respondents reported performing joint reconstruction surgery, which increased to 99% in 2014. Only those who performed total joint reconstruction procedures proceeded with the rest of the survey. In 2013, 38 of the respondents belonged to a joint reconstruction subspecialty society while in 2014 58 of the 106 respondents belonged to a society. Almost all respondents who belonged to a society were members of the American Association of Hip and Knee Surgeons (AAHKS). Over half—50.5% in 2013 and 61.9% in 2014—of those who performed total joint reconstructions were fellowship trained. Finally, of those surgeons performing total joint reconstruction, 87% (2013) and 94.3% (2014) used some type of modular implant with a metal/metal taper junction.

When questioned regarding the frequency of modular implant use, 29.6% (2013) and 40.4% (2014) of respondents used modularity only when necessary, while 45.7% (2013) and 36.4% (2014) routinely used a modular taper junction. The remaining surgeons used modularity infrequently (19.8% in 2013 and 14.1% in 2014) or on a semi-routine basis (4.9% in 2013 and 9.1% in 2014).

Respondents were asked about the potential hazards of using modular implants: 54.3% (2013) and 38.4% (2014) reported that negligible particulate debris was produced by metal taper junctions, and 35.8% (2013) and 40.4% (2014) agreed that a modular metal taper junction is a weak link in the reconstructive device. When asked if modular metal taper junctions were a source of osteolysis that could jeopardize implant survival, 97.5% (2013) and 93.9% (2014) of respondents agreed. Finally, 7.4% (2013) and 15.2% (2014) of surgeons agreed that the amount of debris generated from a metal taper modular junction is of major concern, thus causing the respondents to seldom use modularity.

Respondents to the 2014 survey were asked about which method they use to lock a femoral head to the stem-taper junction: 25% reported using one heavy impaction force in line with the taper neck, and 68% reported using several mallet hits in line with the taper neck. The remaining respondents (5%) reported that they did not pay attention to the direction of the impacted force because of a minimally invasive approach or other various reasons. Most respondents (93.9%) also reported that they clean and dry the taper junction before impacting it on the femoral head.

Respondents to the 2014 survey were asked about their preferred method for addressing taper corrosion debris during revision procedures: 17.2% reported cleaning the taper with a bovie scratch pad and placing

**Table 1:** Responses to True/False Questions in 2013 and 2014 (% of respondents)

	Question # 1		Question # 2		Question # 3		Question # 4	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
True	22.2	22.2	3.7	2.0	13.6	7.1	30.9	24.1
False	77.8	77.8	96.3	98.0	86.4	92.9	69.1	75.8

**Question 1:** Modular metal taper junctions are standardized and interchangeable between manufacturers as long as the taper is of the same measure.

**Question 2:** During a hip reconstruction procedure, using multiple metal taper junctions produces the same amount of debris as the same construct with one modular taper, since they are subjected to the same loads.

**Question 3:** The wear debris and corrosion generated by a metal modular taper junction is only of concern when two dissimilar alloys are used.

**Question 4:** In a metal/metal articulating THA the modular head neck taper junction does not significantly contribute to the generation of metal wear debris or acute local tissue reaction.

a new femoral head on the femoral stem, 19.2% reported revising well-fixed femoral stems with obvious corrosion debris, 33.3% reported cleaning the taper with a laparotomy sponge and placing a new femoral head on the taper, and 30.3% reported using a metal taper sleeve between the damaged taper and a new femoral head.

Respondents in both 2013 and 2014 were asked a series of true/false questions concerning their knowledge of the basic science of modular implants (**Table 1**) and three questions true/false questions regarding how their use of modular implants has changed over the 12 months prior to completion of the survey (**Table 2**).

## DISCUSSION

The use of modular implant designs in primary and revision THA has become commonplace because of the intraoperative flexibility they provide. A modular head-neck junction allows customization of leg length, offset, and version, as well as the use of varying metallic or ceramic head options. The component taper also allows for bearing replacement in the presence of wear<sup>6</sup>. While modularity provides many benefits to the surgeon and

patient, it is not without its unique disadvantages. Taper corrosion, fretting, wear, and implant fracture are known complications inherent in modular implant designs. Modularity also contributes to additional risks such as elevated serum ion levels and local tissue reactions.

The modular taper articulation in total hip arthroplasty has been found to be a significant generator of metal wear debris<sup>1,7,8</sup>. Micromotion associated with loading (fretting) leads to crevice corrosion of the taper surface<sup>9</sup>. This component wear has several important consequences. In a study of 114 metal-on-metal THAs, Meyer et al. found evidence of corrosion at the cone/taper interface that caused implant instability and loosening in 94% of patients<sup>10</sup>. This taper junction fretting and corrosion can be significant enough to lead to early implant failure. Molloy et al. reviewed 15 patients who had a Stryker ABG II dual modular hip system<sup>11</sup>. Seven patients showed evidence of medial calcar erosion, elevated cobalt-ion levels, and local soft-tissue reaction at a mean follow-up of 42.3 months. These patients eventually required revision arthroplasty. The component was subsequently recalled by the manufacturer and is no lon-

**Table 2:** Responses to True/False Questions Regarding Previous 12-Month Use of Modular THA Components (percentage of respondents)

	Question # 1		Question # 2		Question # 3	
	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
True	56.8	58.6	45.7	50.5	43.2	55.6
False	43.2	41.4	54.3	49.5	56.8	44.4

**Question 1:** I have decreased the use of head sizes > 36 mm in my practice due to literature reports about corrosion of metal taper modular junctions.

**Question 2:** I have decreased the use of modular femoral stems and necks in my practice due to literature reports about corrosion of metal taper modular junctions.

**Question 3:** I have increased the use of ceramic heads in my practice due to literature reports about corrosion of metal taper modular junctions.

ger in production. Significant corrosion has been found to occur in both mixed metal couples and similar metal couples<sup>12</sup>, and the amount of metal debris generated is increased when multiple modular interfaces are present within an implant. The use of alternative bearings such as ceramic heads has been shown to decrease fretting at taper junctions<sup>7,13</sup>.

The generation of metal debris from taper corrosion has been shown to have important local soft-tissue as well as systemic consequences. Locally deposited metal debris can lead to local soft-tissue destruction or pseudotumor formation<sup>8,14,15</sup>. Metal ion release from modular tapers also is likely the primary contributor to elevated serum ion levels in patients with THA. Levine et al. found elevated serum metal levels in THA patients for as many as 10 years postoperatively<sup>16</sup>. The clinical significance of increased serum metal concentrations is, however, unclear at this time.

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Femoral component Morse tapers are made in various sizes, angles, and surface finishes specific to each implant. Combining stem and head implants from different manufacturers should be avoided because of the risk of component mismatch. The presence of biologic debris such as fat or blood in the taper junction has been shown to increase the risk of component dissociation<sup>17</sup>. Care should be taken to clean the taper interfaces before impaction of the femoral head component.

Although modularity provides many advantages in implant placement and customization, it has not been shown to decrease the rate of total hip revision<sup>1</sup>. Our survey reflects a gradual recognition of both the advantages and shortcomings of modular total hip implants. It also highlights the need for continued surgeon education and rigorous clinical testing of modular designs. Surgeons need to understand the risks and benefits of implant modularity before widely adopting these implants in their practice.

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# Psychosocial Risk Factors of Postoperative Pain in Ankle and Hindfoot Reconstruction

**Introduction:** With the possibility of patient pain and satisfaction scores affecting reimbursement, there is increased awareness of pain as a complication. The purpose of this study was to examine medical, social, and psychological factors associated with pain after elective ankle and hindfoot reconstruction.

**Methods:** After IRB approval, 139 cases (132 patients) of total ankle replacement, ankle fusion, and/or hindfoot fusion over a 3-year period were identified. All operations were performed by one of three fellowship-trained foot and ankle surgeons. Retrospective chart review determined patient demographics, medical comorbidities, and associated surgical procedures. Specific pre-operative factors including age, sex, body mass index, etiology, diabetes, tobacco use, alcohol use greater than two or more drinks per day, chronic pain disorder, mood disorder, and any pre-operative narcotic use 3 months prior to surgery were examined. Narcotic usage was tracked through initial and subsequent post-operative prescriptions in the electronic medical record and linked narcotic database within a 2-year follow-up period. Primary outcomes were cumulative amount of narcotic prescribed (morphine milligram equivalent dose) in the initial 90-day post-operative period, need for continued narcotics beyond 90 days, and VAS pain score at minimum one year follow up. Bivariate and multivariate logistic and linear regression were used, in addition to student's T-test and Fisher's exact test for continuous and categorical data. P-values less than 0.05 were considered significant.

**Results:** The average amount of narcotic prescribed in the initial 90 days after surgery was 1711 mg (morphine equivalent) and 37% required narcotic prescriptions past 90 days. Pre-operative narcotic use (76%; OR=7.67, 95% CI (2.36-24.91),  $p<0.01$ ), chronic pain disorder (93%; OR=7.83, 95% CI (1.35-45.44),  $p=0.02$ ), and mood disorder (77%; OR=10.67, 95% CI (3.46-32.83),  $p<0.01$ ) were risk factors for continued narcotic use past 90 days in multivariate analysis. Tobacco use (4659 mg;  $\beta=0.205$ ,  $p=0.01$ ) and chronic pain disorder (5713 mg;  $\beta=0.40$ ,  $p<0.01$ ) were risk factors for increased initial post-operative narcotic use in a multivariate model. 91 patients (94 feet, 68.9%) responded with VAS pain score at mean 2.7 years follow up. Average VAS was 2.14. Mood disorder was a risk factor for increased VAS (3.87;  $\beta=0.37$ ,  $p<0.01$ ) in multivariate analysis. Age, sex, BMI, etiology, alcohol use, and diabetes were not associated with increased post-operative pain.

**Discussion and Conclusion:** Patients who were being treated for chronic pain pre-operatively, had been diagnosed with a mood disorder, had been prescribed any amount of narcotics pre-operatively, or used tobacco products had an increased risk for pain post-operatively. As more emphasis is placed on patient outcomes and satisfaction, appropriate counseling is necessary regarding pain expectations after surgery. The presence of risk factors should prompt physicians to discuss modified pain management strategies before surgery.

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# The Effect of Obesity on Forefoot Surgery\*

**BACKGROUND:** Forefoot surgery is typically elective so it is important to define risk factors to educate patients on potential complications. The purpose of this study was to determine if obesity is an independent risk factor that contributes to increased complication rates after forefoot surgery.

**METHODS:** A retrospective review of records for 633 patients who had forefoot surgery at one institution between 2008 and 2010 was performed. All patients who currently smoked or smoked in the past were excluded to eliminate a confounding factor, as smoking is known to increase complication rates, leaving 427 patients for inclusion, 299 non-obese (BMI <30) and 128 obese (BMI > 30). Medical records were reviewed for the occurrence of complications, including nonunion, delayed union, delayed wound healing, infection and persistent pain.

**RESULTS:** The overall complication rate was 9% with similar rates between obese (10%) and non-obese patients (9%). The only specific complication approaching significance ( $p=0.13$ ) was a higher rate of infection in obese patients (4 % vs. 1%) which could be attributed to the higher percentage of diabetic patients in the obese group. Diabetic patients, regardless of weight, had significantly higher rates of infection ( $p=0.03$ ) with a trend towards higher rates of overall complications and delayed wound healing ( $p=0.08$  and  $p=0.06$  respectively).

**CONCLUSIONS:** Obesity was not shown to lead to higher complications after forefoot surgery. Diabetes was associated with significantly higher rates of infection, regardless of weight. Though not significant, there was a trend towards higher rates of overall complications and delayed wound healing in diabetic patients as well.

**LEVEL OF EVIDENCE:** Level III, retrospective, comparative study

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Obesity is a rising epidemic in the United States with nearly 78 million adults and 13 million children dealing with its health effects. One in three Americans is now considered obese, which is defined as having a body mass index greater than 30. Reports have shown that obesity in adults more than doubled from 13 percent in 1962 to 35 percent in 2006. These rising numbers are putting an increasing strain on our healthcare system, with more than 190 billion being spent a year on weight-related medical bills.<sup>18</sup> Not only does obesity increase your risk to develop life-threatening diseases such as type 2 diabetes, cancer, and heart disease, it also damages the musculoskeletal system.<sup>14,18</sup> Excess weight places higher biomechanical load on our joints, lead-

ing to osteoarthritis at younger ages and increasing risk for injuries. The odds of sustaining a musculoskeletal injury is 48 percent higher for obese people compared to people of normal weight.<sup>14</sup> There is also a negative impact on bone and soft tissue metabolism leading to increased pro-inflammatory cytokines and higher rates of osteoporosis, fractures, and wound healing complications.<sup>13</sup>

There has been extensive research into the effects of obesity as it relates to orthopaedic outcomes. The majority of complications relate to increased infection rates, thromboembolic events, and problems with wound healing.<sup>1,3,4,5,7,8,11,16,211</sup> Why obese patients are more susceptible is complex and multifactorial. Local

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conditions at the wound, associated systemic diseases and factors directly altering the immune response all play a role. An obese patient's surgical site typically is in a state of relative hypoperfusion secondary to increased adipose tissue and wound tension. This may lead to poor delivery of antibiotics and reduced availability of oxygen.<sup>1,6</sup> Increased adipose tissue also leads to increased levels of secreted bioactive molecules including cytokines, chemokines and hormone-like factors, collectively known as adipokines. Many of these adipokines have a deleterious effect on the immune system, as they have been linked to a state of chronic low grade inflammation that is believed to influence the healing process.<sup>6</sup>

Successful outcomes in forefoot surgery typically requires the relief of persistent pain, healing of the wound in a timely manner, bony union in the case of osteotomies, and return to pre-surgical level of function. Many of these patients are obese and it is unknown whether this adds any additional risk to their surgical outcome. Obesity has been linked to higher perioperative complication rates in many other orthopaedic subspecialties including total joints, trauma, pediatrics, spine, and sports surgery.<sup>3,4,5,7,8,11,12,15,16,19,211</sup> Obese patients tend to have a multitude of comorbidities that may independently increase risks and confound outcomes.<sup>14</sup> The purpose of this study was to investigate whether obesity alone is an independent risk factor increasing the rate of complications following forefoot surgery. We hypothesized that obese patients would have a higher complication rate than non-obese patients after surgery of the forefoot, particularly rates of infection and wound dehiscence.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

This study was approved by our institution's Institutional Review Board before data collection began. All patients who had forefoot surgery for whom body mass index could be determined from the medical record were included. A CPT code search for all forefoot operative procedures performed between 2008 and 2010 was used to compile a list of patients for a retrospective medical record review.

All surgeries were performed by three fellowship-trained orthopaedic foot and ankle surgeons. Medical records were reviewed to determine patient demographics, including age, sex, and presence of comorbidities. Comorbidities recorded were those that were known to have a negative impact on operative outcomes, including diabetes mellitus, rheumatoid arthritis,

peripheral vascular disease, peripheral neuropathy, and chronic steroid use as detailed on the intake history and physical. All patients had palpable pulses in the operative foot before surgery or vascular consultation was obtained before any surgical intervention. Weight and height was determined from the intake history at initial visit and patients were classified as obese or non-obese based on their body mass index.

Patients with a body mass index less than 30 were considered non-obese. Patients with a body mass index greater than or equal to 30 were considered obese. All patients who currently smoked or had smoked in the past were excluded as this has been found to be an independent risk factor for complications in forefoot surgery.<sup>2</sup> The type of forefoot surgery was similar among each group. Correction of hallux valgus and/or hammertoes consisted of approximately 50% of the surgeries within each group. Medical records were reviewed from the immediate post-operative visit through the latest follow-up visit. The length of follow-up was recorded for each patient.

Outcome measures were complications that occurred including nonunion, infection, delayed wound healing, delayed union, and persistent pain as detailed by the surgeon in the medical record. The presence of each complication was recorded to allow calculation of total complications and complication rate. Nonunion, delayed wound healing, and delayed union were considered to be present when the primary surgeon had documented each in the medical record during a follow-up visit. Infection was considered to be present when documented by the primary surgeon at follow-up and treated with antibiotics. Persistent pain was defined as pain significant enough to be reported by the patient as leaving him or her dissatisfied with the outcome at latest follow-up in the absence of any other complication.

To account for patients who had more than one complication and to avoid artificial inflation of the complication rate, the rate was calculated as the number of patients with any complication divided by the total number of patients. A power analysis using a beta of 20% and a p-value of 0.05 was performed, as were a chi-square analysis and Fisher's exact test with a p-value of less than 0.05 indicating significance. Relative risk also was calculated.

## RESULTS

The retrospective review of CPT codes identified 633 patients who had forefoot procedures between 2008 and

2010. All patients who currently smoked or smoked in the past were excluded to eliminate a confounding factor, as smoking is known to increase complication rates. This left 427 patients for inclusion, 299 non-obese (BMI <30) and 128 obese (BMI > 30). The average age of the 348 females and 79 males was 53.5 years. The obese group had a higher percentage of diabetic patients ( $p < 0.001$ ) but otherwise the groups were similar in the percentage of those with rheumatoid arthritis, steroid use, peripheral vascular disease and neuropathy.

The overall complication rate of forefoot surgery at our institution was found to be 9%, with similar rates among the obese (10%) and non-obese groups (8 %). The most common complications were persistent pain (4%), infection (2%) and delayed wound healing (1%). While the overall complication rates in both groups were similar, we did find that diabetic patients were twice as likely to experience a complication compared to non-diabetics, though this number only approached significance ( $p = 0.09$ ).

Diabetics were also found to have higher rates of infection (9% vs. 2%) and delayed wound healing (6 % vs. 1%) when compared to non-diabetic patients ( $p = 0.03$  and  $p = 0.06$  respectively). Complication rates in diabetic patients were independent of weight. The rates were similar in obese diabetic patients (17%) compared to normal weight diabetics (18%).

Obese patients had a 3 times higher rate of infection compared to patients of normal weight. This approached significance ( $p = 0.13$ ) but could be attributed to the higher percentage of diabetic patients within the obese group. When controlling for diabetes, the overweight group had infection rates similar to the normal weight groups (2% vs. 1%), while patients who were diabetic and overweight had infection rates of 13 %.

## DISCUSSION

Obesity has commonly been associated with increased complication rates after orthopaedic surgery. The negative effect of BMI on surgical morbidity has been studied extensively in the total joint, spine and trauma literature but there are only a few studies in the foot and ankle literature and none to our knowledge looking at obesity's effect on forefoot surgery. There are many theories as to why obesity may lead to higher complication rates including technical difficulty secondary to larger soft tissue envelopes, nonoptimal wound healing environments, longer operative times and inability to mobilize

effectively in the postoperative period. These reasons have lead to conclusions that obesity results in higher rates of infection, thromboembolic events and decreased functional outcomes after specific types of orthopaedic surgery.<sup>1,3,4,5,6,7,8,11,12,16</sup> Collins et al. showed that obese patients undergoing hip arthroscopy were 11.1 times more likely to have a complication, specifically, higher rates of deep vein thrombosis and worsening pain. They found the surgery to be much more technically challenging due to body habitus which led to significantly longer operative times as well.<sup>3</sup> Patel et al. showed an increase in significant complications after elective spine fusions in obese patients with a 14% rate in patients with BMI <25 and a 36% rate in patients with BMI >40. These complications were independent of associated co-morbidities such as diabetes and hypertension.<sup>15</sup> Namba et al. prospectively looked at the incidence of obesity and its effect on perioperative morbidity in patients undergoing total hip and knee arthroplasty. They found that obese patients were significantly younger and more likely to have comorbidities such as diabetes and hypertension. The odds ratio was 6.7 times higher risk of infection in obese total knee arthroplasty patients and 4.2 times higher in total hip arthroplasty patients.<sup>12</sup>

Obesity is a complex issue though, as many of these patients have confounding comorbidities that may actually contribute to their higher complications rates after surgery. Our question was to whether obesity was an independent risk factor that leads to more complications and our data indicated that it was not. This is in contrast to our hypothesis and the initial trend seen during the literature search. Upon closer examination, we found that our data mirrored the results of other similar studies involving the foot and ankle region. Markdana-Kivi et al presented a case series study on 36 patients evaluating the effect of obesity on the arthroscopic findings and the functional outcome after arthroscopic treatment of anterolateral impingement syndrome of the ankle. They showed that the presence of obesity had no effect on the functional outcome scores at one year follow-up and that regardless of weight, arthroscopic treatment for impingement was equally effective.<sup>10</sup> Strauss et al. found no difference in time to union, incidence of complications or level of function after operatively treated ankles fractures in a cohort of obese (99 patients with BMI >30) and non-obese patients (180 patients with BMI <30). They did find that obese patients had more severe fractures and a higher number of co-morbidities,

but concluded that obese patients should be treated in line with standard protocol, keeping in mind any known associated comorbidities.<sup>17</sup>

London et al. compared the rates of postoperative complications in obese and non-obese patients following elbow, forearm, and hand surgery. Their case control study included 436 patients with a BMI>35 and 433 patients with a BMI<30 who were frequency matched by type of surgery, age and sex. The overall complication rate was 8.7% with similar rates between obese and non-obese (8.5% and 9.0%).<sup>9</sup> Many of the reasons that they theorize for similar complications rates between the groups can be extrapolated to forefoot surgery as well. First, many of these surgeries are short, performed under regional block and should not significantly affect mobility, as most patients are able to weight bear to tolerance afterwards or at least weight bear through their heel. This may significantly cut down on the rate of thromboembolic events, more commonly seen after more extensive lower extremity surgeries. Second, wound complications in obese patients are often seen after deep dissections that can lead to increased rates of hematoma, seroma or infection. The forefoot has limited subcutaneous fat even in the most obese patients so they should be more protected from these problems as well.

We did find that diabetes mellitus was an independent risk factor associated with significantly higher rates of infection and a trend towards higher overall rates of complication and delayed wound healing. This correlates with the findings of other authors who have shown increased complications and infections in complicated diabetics undergoing foot and ankle surgery. Wukich et al. retrospectively reviewed 1000 patients following foot and ankle surgery and showed that diabetic patients had an infection rate of 13.2% compared to 2.8% in non-diabetics. After removing diabetics with neuropathy, there was no longer a significant risk of infection. They concluded that complicated diabetic patients had a greater risk of developing postoperative infections and that HbA1C > 8% was independently associated with surgical site infections.<sup>20</sup> SooHoo et

al. demonstrated that complicated diabetes was a strong predictor of short term complications following open reduction internal fixation for ankle fractures, with an odds ratio of 2.3 (p<0.001).<sup>22</sup>

The primary limitation of this study is its retrospective nature. All past medical history was obtained from a self-reported patient questionnaire filled out at their initial visit, which could lead to omissions of co-morbidities or medication use. There may also be a tendency to neglect listing peripheral vascular disease and neuropathy, two diagnoses included in our data, as these may not be known by the patient or may be seen as complications of a broader disease such as diabetes, rather than a stand-alone disease process. We also have no knowledge as to the severity of diabetes in most cases unless it was mentioned specifically in the physician's note. Therefore we are unable to determine if all diabetic patients are at greater risk of infection after forefoot surgery or just complicated diabetics, as demonstrated in other studies.

Though we have a large number of patients overall, we are limited by the small number of total complications (n=39), as this is the actual sample size that we are trying to analyze. This limitation introduces the possibility of a type II error. On the other hand, there were trends seen in diabetic patients undergoing forefoot surgery, such as increased complication rates and delayed wound healing, that could be statistically significant if this study had a higher power. Also, our sample size allows us to only analyze two groups (obese vs. non-obese). Further stratification may show a dose dependent type higher complication rate in the super-obese group but we were limited in the fact that we only had 14 patients with a BMI>40.

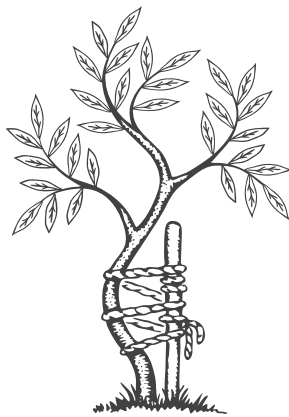
Our management of forefoot conditions is similar for obese and non-obese patients, as these results concluded there was no significant difference in the complication rates between the two groups. Though pre-operative counseling may not specifically address risks of obesity in forefoot surgery, we do often encourage preoperative weight loss as this will have a beneficial effect for the patient as a whole.

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# CAMPBELL CLINIC STAFF RESEARCH

# Preoperative Narcotic and Alcohol Use Are Risk Factors for Complication in Ankle and Hindfoot Reconstruction

**Introduction:** Predictors of complications after foot and ankle surgery have been well documented; however, some potentially confounding medical and psychological diagnoses have not been assessed regarding their relationship to outcomes. The purpose of this study was to examine medical, social, and psychological factors associated with complications and reoperations after elective ankle and hindfoot reconstruction.

**Methods:** After IRB approval, 139 cases (132 patients) of total ankle replacement, ankle fusion, and/or hindfoot fusion with a minimum 2-year follow-up were identified. All operations were performed by one of three fellowship-trained foot and ankle surgeons. Retrospective chart review determined patient demographics, medical comorbidities, and associated surgical procedures. Specific pre-operative factors examined were age, sex, body mass index, etiology, diabetes, tobacco use, alcohol use greater than two or more drinks per day, chronic pain disorder, mood disorder, and any pre-operative narcotic use 3 months before surgery. Primary outcomes included complications and reoperations. A major complication was defined as infection, nonunion, or failure requiring revision or reoperation; otherwise, the complication was considered minor. Bivariate and multivariate logistic regression were used, in addition to student's T-test and Fisher's exact test, for continuous and categorical data, respectively. P-values less than 0.05 were considered significant.

**Results:** The overall complication rate was 28%. Minor complication rate was 23% and major complications occurred in 6.5%. Including elective implant removal, reoperation rate was 17%. Alcohol use (53%; OR=3.87, 95% CI (1.17-12.84),  $p=0.03$ ) and pre-operative narcotic use (40%; OR=2.63, 95% CI (1.21-5.75),  $p=0.02$ ) were risk factors for complications in a multivariate model. Delayed wound healing was significantly more frequent in alcohol users (31%,  $p=0.03$ ), and deep infection (6%,  $p=0.045$ ) and nonunion (24%,  $p=0.046$ ) were significantly more frequent with pre-surgery narcotic use. Older patients were less likely to undergo reoperation (OR=0.97, 95% CI (0.94-0.995),  $p=0.02$ ). Age, sex, body mass index, etiology, diabetes, mood disorder, and chronic pain disorder were not associated with increased complications.

**Discussion and Conclusion:** Patients who consumed two or more drinks of alcohol per day or had been prescribed any amount of narcotic within 3 months prior to surgery were at increased risk for complications. Surgeons should be aware of these factors and counsel patients before surgery.

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# Vitamin D Supplementation and Awareness in Patients Presenting to an Orthopaedic Foot and Ankle Clinic

**Background:** Vitamin D deficiency has been implicated in delayed bone healing, stress fractures, and bone pain, but there is limited information about patient awareness of vitamin D. This study was conducted to determine the level of awareness of vitamin D and the rate of vitamin D supplementation in patients presenting to a foot and ankle clinic.

**Methods:** New patients presenting to our foot and ankle fellowship-trained staff were asked about vitamin D supplementation and related factors. They also were asked if they were aware that vitamin D deficiency could cause delayed bone healing, stress fractures, and bone pain and whether this information made them more likely to use vitamin D supplements. They were contacted at an average of 47 days (range 21-81 days) after their office visit to determine rates of vitamin D supplementation.

**Results:** At the initial visit 46.8% of the 359 patients reported taking some form of vitamin D. Previous diagnoses of vitamin D deficiency and stress fracture were present in 21.1% and 17.4% of patients, respectively. Prior to their visit, 40.2% of patients knew the importance of vitamin D for bone health, while 79.3% stated the new information made them more likely to take vitamin D supplements. At follow-up 58.1% of 199 patients were taking vitamin D; 43.2% of patients recalled their doctor discussing vitamin D with them.

**Conclusion:** Awareness of vitamin D among patients presenting to a foot and ankle clinic is low. Patients who recall discussing vitamin D with their surgeon are more likely to use vitamin D supplements.

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# Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis Treated with Simultaneous Translation on Two Rods (ST2R) with Preoperative, Postoperative, and Follow-up Evaluation by EOS 3D Imaging: A Pilot Study

## ABSTRACT

**Background:** Simultaneous translation with 2 rods (ST2R) is a relatively new technique for the correction of adolescent idiopathic scoliosis (AIS), and to date has been reported only by its developer and with only radiographic evaluation of the correction obtained.

**Purpose:** To evaluate preoperative, postoperative, and follow-up 3D spinal and pelvic parameters using EOS 3D imaging in patients who had ST2R corrective posterior spinal surgery for AIS.

**Methods:** This study included 5 patients, who had surgical correction of Lenke 1 or 2 AIS with the ST2R technique. The preoperative average Cobb angle of the 5 patients was  $72.4^\circ \pm 19.4$ . Low-dose standing biplanar radiographs were obtained to evaluate several spinal and pelvic parameters preoperatively (5 patients), immediately postoperatively (4 patients), and at follow-up (4 patients). One operator performed the 3D reconstructions (total of 13 reconstructions).

**Results:** The mean number of levels fused was  $11.2^\circ \pm 2.0$ . The number of pedicle screw used for constructs averaged  $19.2^\circ \pm 3.06$  (1.75 density screw per vertebra). The Cobb angle values were significantly changed by the operation ( $75^\circ \pm 21$  to  $28^\circ \pm 7$ ,  $p = 0.009$ ), but no other values were significantly altered. The maximal apical axial change at junctional region was  $32.8^\circ$  (absolute value) and the minimal apical axial change at apical region was  $4.8^\circ$  (absolute value). The intervertebral rotation difference in the axial plane was larger near the apical region (T8-T9), from  $2.1^\circ \pm 2.7$  to  $-14^\circ \pm 6.9$ , and smaller near the junctional region (T12-L1), from  $-2.6^\circ \pm 2.9$  to  $-1.1^\circ \pm 8.4$ .

**Conclusion:** This pilot study suggests that corrective posterior spinal surgery for AIS using ST2R can achieve 3D correction of the spine and some additional intervertebral axial rotation correction, with little deterioration during follow-up. Preoperative, postoperative, and follow-up evaluation of spinal and pelvic parameters can be accurately evaluated with EOS low-dose 3D imaging.

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## INTRODUCTION

Adolescent idiopathic scoliosis (AIS) is a structural spinal deformity with unknown etiopathogenesis that affects about 1% to 3% of children between the ages of 10 and 16 years<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>. Severe morphologic changes, such as rib cage and pelvic asymmetry, may develop among affected individuals<sup>5,6</sup>. Although conventionally diagnosed and classified based on two-dimensional x-ray projections of the spine, AIS is a three-dimensional deformity that affects all three

planes (coronal, sagittal, and transverse) of the vertebrae<sup>6,7,8,9</sup>. The simultaneous translation on 2 rods (ST2R) technique was developed to achieve three-dimensional correction of spinal deformities, including scoliosis and kyphosis. ST2R pulls the spine toward the pre-contoured rods, as opposed to pushing down or leveraging on the spine. Clement et al.<sup>13,14</sup> demonstrated superior sagittal correction with ST2R reduction compared to cantilever reduction.

Traditionally, the Cobb method has been the stan-



**Figure 1:** EOS Imaging System

deformities<sup>9</sup>. Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and computerized tomography (CT) show the complete 3D geometry of the spine, but they are performed with the patient supine, which modifies the curvature<sup>12,9</sup>. Also, CT exposes young patients to high radiation.

EOS (EOS Imaging, Paris, France) is a fairly new development that can avoid some of the problems associated with other imaging methods. It is a low-dose X-ray device that creates a 3D reconstruction of the spine from biplanar (lateral and posteroanterior) images taken simultaneously (**Figure 1**)<sup>11,12</sup>. Because it automatically records many different spinal and pelvic parameters, EOS is especially helpful for evaluation of changes in spinal deformity after surgery.

The objective of this study was to compare preoperative, postoperative, and follow-up 3D spinal and pelvic parameters using EOS imaging of patients who had corrective (ST2R) instrumentation and fusion for AIS.

## METHODS

### Patients

Following institutional review board approval, 5 consecutive patients who had surgical correction of AIS (Lenke type 1 or 2) with the ST2R technique were retrospectively studied. Four patients with a minimum of 8-months follow-up were included. Patients were evaluated preoperatively, in the early postoperative period (within 6 weeks), and at the latest follow-up. None of the patients had prior spinal surgery.

dard method to quantitate the degree of deformity<sup>10</sup>. This angle is based on sagittal and coronal radiographic views, but it does not adequately portray the 3D nature of scoliosis because it overlooks the rotational component<sup>11</sup>. Thus, 3D models have been used to better evaluate spinal

## Surgical Technique

For the ST2R reduction maneuver, two 6.0-mm titanium rods are first bent according to the desired sagittal profile, and then attached to the anchors with threaded polyaxial screw extensions and claws. Two proximal nuts are tightened on the threaded extension to lock rotation of the rods. Gradual and alternative tightening of the nuts on the threaded rods pulls the vertebrae back toward the rods (translation maneuver), resulting in a reduction in the coronal plane and the restoration of kyphosis. Contrary to other techniques, which persuade the rod to approach the anchorages, ST2R pulls back the vertebrae toward the rods, and the forces are distributed among all vertebrae with anchorages. No distraction techniques were used.

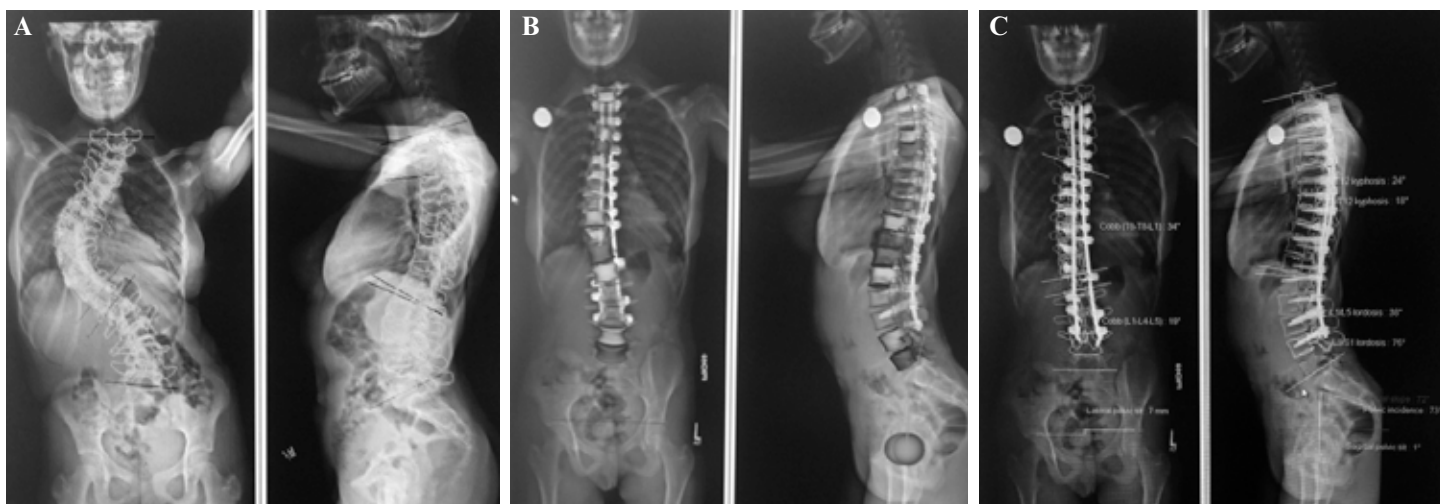
## Reconstruction Process

Full 3D images of the spine were reconstructed (total 13 reconstructions) by a trained observer. The preliminary step was the identification of a segment on the sacral endplate and two spheres around the femoral heads in the acetabulum, which permitted the creation of a ‘patient frame’ that was compatible with the reference axis used by the SRS for classification of AIS<sup>15</sup>. The spinal curve, the T1 upper endplate and the L5 lower endplate were then digitized and used as predictors to statistically estimate the other descriptors of the parametric spine 3D-model. A highly detailed 3D model was generated then projected on both X-rays so that the operator could verify and, if necessary, perform fine adjustments of the position and shape of each reconstructed vertebra (T1–L5)<sup>16</sup> (**Figure 2**).

## Method of Evaluation

Several spinal and pelvic parameters were measured preoperatively, postoperatively, and at the latest follow-up. Although all five patients had preoperative measurements, only four had immediate postoperative, and latest follow-up measurements. The parameters include major and minor Cobb angle, T1/T12 and T4/T12 kyphosis, L1/L5 and L1/S1 lordosis, apical vertebral rotation (AVR), pelvic incidence, sacral slope, and sagittal pelvic tilt. Additionally, intervertebral axial rotation was measured.

The kyphosis was defined as the angle between vectors normal to the endplates when projected into the local sagittal (xz) plane. Similarly, the local coro-



**Figure 2:** Illustrative Case: Preoperative (A) and Postoperative (B) radiographs and 3-Dimensional Reconstruction (C) of a 12-year old patient corrected using the ST2R technique.

nal Cobb angle of each vertebra and disc was defined as the angle between vectors normal to the endplates when projected into the local coronal (yz) plane<sup>17</sup>.

Apical vertebral rotation was defined as the angle between projections of the x-axis of the apical vertebra and the x-axis of the global spinal reference frame onto the XY plane of the global spinal reference frame. The intervertebral axial rotation used the same projection concept. Clockwise rotation was defined as positive, using the anteroposterior view<sup>17</sup>.

The intervertebral rotation in the axial plane between adjacent vertebrae was defined as the angle between adjacent y-axes projected on the subjacent local coordinate x–y plane<sup>18</sup>.

### Statistical Analysis

Two-tailed paired t-test was used to compare 1) preoperative and postoperative and 2) postoperative and latest follow-up measurements. A p value <0.05 was considered to be significant. All statistical analyses were conducted using the software SAS version 9.3 (SAS Institute Inc, Cary, NC, USA).

## RESULTS

### Population

The average age of the two female and three male patients was 15 years and 6 months (range: 13-19 years); three had Lenke type 1 curves and two had Lenke type 2 curves. Frontal and lateral EOS 3D images were captured for each of the 5 patients preoperatively, for four patients immediately postoperatively (images unavailable for patient #2), and for four pa-

tients at latest postoperative follow-up (images unavailable for patient #5), giving full sets of images for three patients.

All patients had structural thoracic curves and two had structural (thoraco) lumbar curvature on the basis of bending criteria. Three patients had preoperative Cobb angles between 50 and 65 degrees, and two had severe curves with Cobb angles of more than 65 degrees.

The average number of days between the first examination and surgery was 56 days; between surgery and postoperative immediate examination, 25 days; and between surgery and latest follow-up, 328 days.

### Operative Procedure

The mean number of levels fused was  $11.2^\circ \pm 2.0$ . The number of pedicle screw used for constructs averaged  $19.2^\circ \pm 3.06$  (1.75 density screw per vertebra). Poliaxial screw constructs were used for all 5 patients. The apical vertebra was instrumented with two pedicle screws in all cases.

### Spinal and Pelvic Parameters

The anatomic landmarks were clearly distinguishable by varying the luminosity and contrast to optimally reveal the vertebrae and pelvis. In particular, the superior endplate of T1 and the femoral heads were visible in all cases. Consequently, the 10 radiologic parameters were measurable in all 5 patients. We compared preoperative and immediate postoperative measurements in 4 subjects<sup>1,3,4,5</sup>, and immediate postoperative and latest follow-up measurements in 3 sub-

**Table 1:** Mean Values (degrees) of deformity parameters pre- and immediately post-operatively (4 patients)

	Preoperative (Mean $\pm$ SD)	Immediate Postoperative (Mean $\pm$ SD)	p
Major Cobb(°)	75 $\pm$ 21	28 $\pm$ 7	0.009
Minor Cobb(°)	35 $\pm$ 18	25 $\pm$ 3	0.22
Kyphosis (T1/T12) (°)	32 $\pm$ 7.5	28 $\pm$ 7	0.56
Kyphosis (T4/T12) (°)	31 $\pm$ 30	22 $\pm$ 8	0.52
Lordosis (L1/L5) (°)	48 $\pm$ 22	41 $\pm$ 8	0.60
Lordosis (L1/S1) (°)	77 $\pm$ 25	81 $\pm$ 10	0.76
Apical Vertebral Rotation (AVR) (°)	-5.4 $\pm$ 17	6.5 $\pm$ 25	0.31
Pelvic Incidence(°)	76 $\pm$ 4	82 $\pm$ 6	0.16
Sacral Slope(°)	71 $\pm$ 5	73 $\pm$ 4	0.65
Sagittal Pelvic Tilt(°)	4.9 $\pm$ 4	8.5 $\pm$ 7	0.33

jects<sup>1,3,4</sup>. The mean values of the spinal and pelvic parameters of the series are summarized in **Table 1** and **Table 2** at various follow up intervals. The Cobb angle values were significantly changed by the operation (75°  $\pm$  21 to 28°  $\pm$  7, p = 0.009), but no significant changes occurred at the latest follow-up (**Figure 2**). Apical vertebral derotation failed to reach statistical significance.

## DISCUSSION

With this study, we attempted to quantify the multi-planar correction capabilities of ST2R spinal system using EOS imaging and SterEOS reconstruction software. Although the interpretation of the results is difficult because of the small number of patients, it provided interesting preliminary information to warrant further study.

**Table 2:** Mean Values (degrees) of deformity parameters between immediate post-operative and 1-year follow up (3 patients)

	Immediate Postoperative (Mean $\pm$ SD)	Final Follow Up (Mean $\pm$ SD)	p
Major Cobb(°)	29 $\pm$ 7	38 $\pm$ 7	0.16
Minor Cobb(°)	25 $\pm$ 3	27 $\pm$ 6	0.76
Kyphosis (T1/T12) (°)	27 $\pm$ 8	30 $\pm$ 6	0.12
Kyphosis (T4/T12) (°)	22 $\pm$ 10	24 $\pm$ 10	0.67
Lordosis (L1/L5) (°)	41 $\pm$ 10	40 $\pm$ 5	0.91
Lordosis (L1/S1) (°)	81 $\pm$ 12	77 $\pm$ 3	0.76
Apical Vertebral Rotation (AVR) (°)	13 $\pm$ 26	-3 $\pm$ 43	0.25
Pelvic Incidence(°)	83 $\pm$ 7	81 $\pm$ 2	0.65
Sacral Slope(°)	73 $\pm$ 5	69 $\pm$ 5	0.40
Sagittal Pelvic Tilt(°)	10 $\pm$ 8	12 $\pm$ 6	0.19

The number of levels fused (11.2°  $\pm$  2.0) compared with thoracic and lumbar curves was similar to the average published. All of the patients in this study required fusion at least to the level of L2 to stabilize the curves and avoid distal junctional kyphosis<sup>19</sup>.

A significant decrease in Cobb angle was observed between preoperative and immediate postoperative measurements, but not in kyphosis and lordosis (L1-L5). There was a non-significant increase in Cobb angle at the latest follow-up, probably caused by biomechanical adjustments

during the healing process<sup>19</sup>. Winter et al. expressed concern about over-correction in the attempt to obtain a few supplemental degrees of coronal reduction and suggested that it is more important to obtain a balanced fusion<sup>20</sup>. The pelvic parameters showed the same relation during follow-up with no significant difference.

In the present study, reconstructed models from images obtained by an EOS imaging system enabled accurate measurement of the axial profile (apical vertebral rotation). Furthermore, it became possible to measure not only the axial AVR, but also that of each intervertebral segment.

We had some limitations in our study. This is pilot study with a very small sample size, and there was no control group of nonscoliotic patients. The correc-

tions obtained with PASS LP instrumentation MEDICREA® simultaneous translation on 2 rods (ST2R) will need to be compared in the future to other reduction techniques assessed with low dose stereoradiography<sup>19</sup>. Although the follow-up period was short (9 months), it is generally accepted that loss of correction after fusion in AIS primarily occurs during the first postoperative year and that results of spine surgery can be reliably evaluated radiologically after a minimum follow-up of 2 years<sup>22</sup>. The measurements obtained with the EOS system were not compared



to another imaging method, since the purpose of the study was not to evaluate the reliability of stereoradiography, which has already been reported previously in AIS<sup>23</sup>. Finally, this was a purely radiographic study; no functional score was used to evaluate the clinical outcome of these patients.

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## CONCLUSIONS

This pilot study suggests that corrective ST2R spinal surgery for AIS is able to achieve 3D correction of the spine and some additional intervertebral axial rotation correction, with little deterioration during the follow-up period, and that EOS imaging is effective for evaluation of this 3D correction.



# Cervical Spine Trauma Immobilization Protocols in Young Children. How Often Are These Safety Protocols Followed?

**Background:** Children have a larger head to torso size ratio than adults. Positioning them on a standard flat backboard during computed tomography (CT) examination will place the cervical spine in a flexed position.

**Methods:** Patients < 7 years old who had a CT of the cervical spine as part of a trauma evaluation were included. Head positioning was determined by measuring the vertical displacement of the occipital protuberance above the plane of the posterior aspect of the thorax on the CT scout view.

**Results:** A total of 158 CT scans were obtained, of which 135 (85%) were adequate for review. Of these, 66 (49%) had the occipital protuberance elevated above the level of the posterior thorax, indicating a relative hyperflexion of the cervical spine.

**Conclusions:** Despite having a cervical immobilization protocol and positioning devices, 49% of children presenting to a pediatric level 1 trauma center were not positioned correctly for CT imaging. Constant review and education of health care providers is needed to ensure that cervical spine immobilization protocols are followed in order to prevent unwanted cervical flexion in the young child with suspected cervical spine trauma.

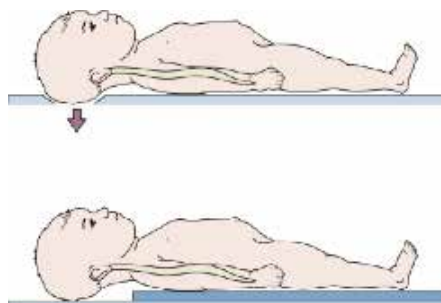
## INTRODUCTION

Children less than 8 years old have a larger head to torso ratio compared to adults. As a result, positioning them on a standard flat backboard for transport and CT imaging results in cervical spine flexion. This is undesirable in the setting of cervical spine trauma as flexion may lead to further spinal cord compromise or inaccurate diagnosis of spine trauma. To achieve neutral cervical spine positioning in children less than 8 years old, Herzenberg et al recommended using a pediatric backboard with either an occipital recess or a pad to elevate the chest relative to the head<sup>1</sup> (Figure 1).

This study seeks to determine how often children presenting to a level 1 trauma center emergency department with suspected cervical trauma have correct cervical spine positioning during CT imaging.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

After IRB approval, a retrospective review was conducted of CT scans of the cervical spine in children 7 years



**Figure 1:** Illustrations representing the two proper methods of positioning a pediatric trauma patient for CT scanning of the cervical spine. Figure 1A (top) demonstrates an occipital protuberance relief hole in the back board while Figure 1B (bottom) demonstrates elevation of the torso above the level of the occipital protuberance. (Used with permission from: Dorman JP: Evaluation of Children With Suspected Cervical Spine Injury, in Beaty JH:(ed): Instructional Course Lectures 51. Rosemont, IL, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, 2002, pp 401-409.)

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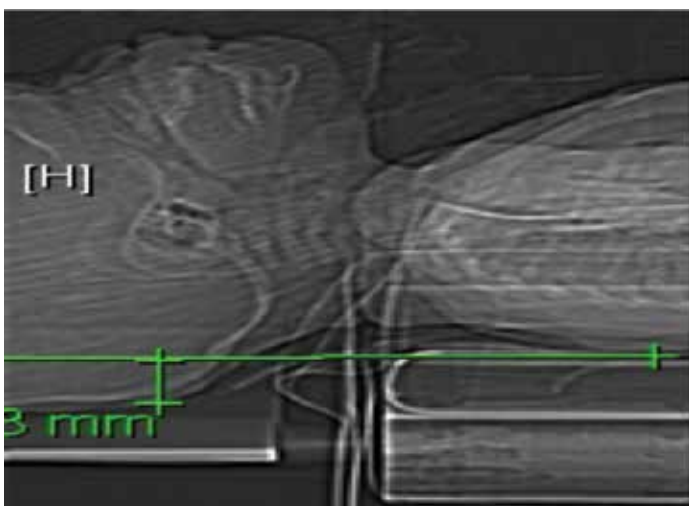
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**Figure 2:** CT scout image demonstrates improper positioning with vertical displacement of the occipital protuberance above the plane of the posterior chest.

old and younger presenting to the emergency department with suspected cervical spine trauma. The study was limited to CT scans from January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2014. Effectiveness of immobilization protocols during CT examination was determined by measuring the vertical displacement of the occipital protuberance above the plane of the posterior chest. The vertical displacement was measured by drawing a horizontal line from the most dependent part of the chest on the scout lateral radiograph in the CT scanner and recording the displacement of the occipital protuberance above or below this line. Vertical displacement of the occipital protuberance above the plane of the posterior chest indicated relative cervical flexion and incorrect positioning (**Figure 2**), whereas displacement of the occipital protu-



**Figure 3:** CT scout image demonstrates proper positioning with vertical displacement of the occipital protuberance below the plane of the posterior chest.

berance below the plane of the posterior chest indicated correct positioning (**Figure 3**).

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No external funding was obtained for this project.

## RESULTS

A total of 158 CT scans were reviewed, of which 23 were excluded due to inability to adequately visualize the occipital protuberance or the posterior chest. Of the remaining 135 CT scans, 66 (49%) had the occipital protuberance elevated above the posterior chest indicative of cervical hyperflexion and incorrect positioning (mean displacement 2.0 cm anterior with a range of 0.5-3.4 cm). On the contrary, 69 (51%) were found to have the occipital protuberance below the posterior chest indicating correct positioning, with a mean displacement of 1.1cm posterior and a range of 0.2-4.2cm.

## DISCUSSION

Despite having a cervical immobilization protocol in place at a level 1 trauma center, 49% of children presenting to the ED with cervical spine trauma were found to be in cervical flexion, indicative of incorrect positioning.

It must be noted that the measured vertical displacement in our study does not directly indicate whether a split mat or occipital recess pillow was used. It only indicates whether the patient is improperly positioned in cervical flexion. We can infer two etiologies of the improper positioning: 1) lack of adherence to immobilization protocols 2) immobilization protocols are inadequate in achieving a neutral cervical position.

Previous studies have suggested that immobilization protocols do not completely remove the risk of improper positioning. Pediatric cervical spine immobilization techniques by Curran et al showed that despite documented use of backboards with towels to elevate the chest above the head, 55% of patients were still found to have cervical kyphosis or lordosis greater than 5 degrees<sup>2</sup>. Regardless of the efficacy of technique in achieving neutral cervical positioning, the health care provider doing the immobilization should ultimately provide proper immobilization by ensuring the patient's external meatus is posterior to the shoulder for immobilization<sup>3</sup>.

## CONCLUSION

In addition to review of immobilization protocols, constant education of health care providers is also needed to ensure that cervical spine immobilization protocols are followed to prevent undesirable cervical flexion.

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# Comparison of Axillary Lateral Radiography with Computed Tomography in the Preoperative Characterization of Glenohumeral Wear Patterns and the Effects of Body Mass Index on Quality of Imaging

**Background:** Pre-operative imaging is critical in shoulder arthroplasty for understanding pathoanatomy and to prepare for glenoid component placement. Both axillary lateral radiographs and computed tomography (CT) have been advocated to guide pre-operative planning. The purpose of this study was to evaluate and compare preoperative axillary lateral radiographs and axial CT slices for classification and measurement of glenoid wear, glenoid version, and glenohumeral subluxation as well as to determine the influence of body mass index on characterization of glenoid wear patterns.

**Methods:** Following Institutional Review Board approval, the axillary lateral radiographs and CT imaging of 88 consecutive patients who underwent shoulder arthroplasty for the diagnosis of glenohumeral osteoarthritis were reviewed. Patient demographics were obtained from chart review. The best preoperative axillary lateral radiograph for glenoid visualization, taken with a standardized institutional protocol, and best representative axial CT image of glenoid wear and glenohumeral subluxation were obtained. All radiographs and CT images were deidentified and randomized prior to evaluation. Seven blinded observers reviewed the images to classify glenoid wear (Walch and Mayo classifications) and glenohumeral subluxation (Mayo classification). Glenoid version measurements were made using Friedman's technique. After a minimum two week period, the same observers repeated the process to obtain intra and interobserver reliability. Statistical analysis was performed to obtain Cohen's kappa, Fleiss' kappa, intraclass correlation coefficients, and t-test and F-test probabilities. Kappa values greater than 0.8 were considered to indicate substantial agreement, values between 0.6-0.8 good agreement, values between 0.4-0.6 fair agreement and values less than 0.4 were considered to indicate poor agreement. Differences with  $p < 0.05$  were considered statistically significant.

**Results:** Of the 88 shoulders reviewed, 58 (66%) radiographs and 84 (95%) CT scans were of sufficient quality to perform each classification by all evaluators ( $p < 0.0001$ ). The average body mass index (BMI) of patients whose x-rays could not be entirely evaluated by each observer was 37 (vs 31,  $p = 0.0003$ ). The average BMI of the four CT scans that could not be fully classified was 51 (vs 32,  $p < 0.0001$ ). For measurement of glenoid version, 69 (78%) radiographs and all 88 CT scans were sufficient for evaluation by all observers ( $p < 0.0001$ ).

Kappa values for intraobserver reliability for the Walch, Mayo glenoid wear, and Mayo subluxation classification on axillary lateral radiographs were 0.42, 0.46, and 0.47, and 0.50, 0.49 and 0.41 for CT imaging; all indicating fair agreement. Kappa values for interobserver reliability for the Walch, Mayo glenoid wear, and Mayo subluxation classifications on axillary lateral radiographs were 0.28, 0.21, and 0.21, and 0.27, 0.23, and 0.19 for CT imaging; all indicating poor agreement.

The intraobserver reliability for measurement of glenoid version using x-ray was 0.66 (good agreement) and 0.88 (substantial agreement) for CT scan. The interobserver reliability for measurement of glenoid version using x-ray was 0.56 (fair agreement) and 0.78 (good agreement) for CT scan.

**Conclusions:** When readable, axillary lateral radiographs and axial CT imaging demonstrated similar intra- and interobserver agreement for all classifications of glenoid wear and glenohumeral subluxation in this study. However, CT imaging was significantly more likely to provide sufficient characterization of glenohumeral wear patterns by multiple observers; as over 1/3 of axillary lateral films were inadequate for classification and 22% were inadequate for version measurements. For axillary lateral and CT images that were unable to be fully evaluated, increased body mass index factored significantly in the observers' ability to judge classifications, likely due to projection of the axillary soft tissue. Precise characterization of glenoid wear by measurement of glenoid version was more reliable with CT imaging.

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# Comparison of Outcomes of Reverse Total Shoulder Arthroplasty in Patients Younger than 65 Years to Those in Patients Older than 65 Years

**Background:** Younger patients with reverse total shoulder arthroplasty (RTSA) are believed to have higher activity levels that place higher stresses across the prosthesis, increasing the risk of failure, but there is little information to support or refute this supposition. The purpose of this study was to define the patient-reported activity levels of patients younger and older than 65 years who had RTSA and to evaluate any differences between the groups.

**Methods:** Forty-six patients with primary RTSA answered a questionnaire regarding their activity levels. Data were categorized and tabulated according to pain, range of motion, strength, and activity level (low, medium, and high demand). Fisher's exact test, chi square test, and independent t-test statistical analyses were performed. Differences with  $p < 0.05$  were considered statistically significant.

**Results:** Seventeen patients younger than 65 years (average 57.7) and 29 older than 65 (average 75.2) were included. No significant differences were found for range of motion, strength, or number of activities; 47% of younger patients and 44% of older patients reported high-demand activities ( $p = 0.64$ ); 24% of younger patients and 37% of older patients reported medium-demand use ( $p = 0.30$ ). Patients younger than 65 were more likely to require narcotic pain medication ( $p = 0.03$ ) and to be disabled ( $p = 0.0001$ ).

**Conclusion:** These data provide initial evidence that commonly held concerns about higher activity levels among younger patients placing excessive demands on the RTSA prosthesis may not be as important as currently thought. Rather, patients seem to self-regulate their activities to minimize pain and maximize essential functions after surgery.

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# Generic Targeting Guides Place Revision Glenoid Components in More Anatomic Version than Traditional Techniques

**Background:** Glenoid component positioning in revision shoulder arthroplasty is difficult due to distorted anatomic landmarks and significant scarring in and around the glenoid vault. However, accurate glenoid component placement remains an important goal, particularly in the revision setting. The purpose of this study was to compare post-operative glenoid component version in revision total shoulder arthroplasty (TSA) and reverse total shoulder arthroplasty (RTSA) using traditional instrumentation compared with a generic reusable glenoid targeting guide.

**Methods:** The post-operative radiographs of 50 shoulders undergoing revision shoulder arthroplasty were retrospectively reviewed in a randomized fashion by an independent reviewer not involved with the surgical cases and without knowledge of operative technique. Twenty one components were placed using traditional instrumentation and the remaining twenty nine were placed with a targeting guide placed down the anterior glenoid neck to direct guidewire placement in anatomic version. Using Friedman's technique, glenoid component version was measured on the best available post-operative axillary lateral radiograph. Absolute deviation of implant placement from anatomic version was calculated. Statistical analysis was performed using t-tests and F-tests. Differences with  $p < 0.05$  were considered statistically significant.

**Results:** The average deviation in component version from anatomic for the traditional technique group was 8 degrees, compared to 5 degrees in the targeting guide group ( $p = 0.03$ ). In revision to TSA, the average deviation in version was 10 degrees in the traditional group and 3 degrees in the targeting guide group ( $p = 0.01$ ). There was not a significant difference in revision to RTSA, with an average deviation in version of 8 degrees in the traditional group and 6 degrees in the targeting guide group ( $p = 0.45$ ).

Glenoid components in obese patients ( $BMI > 30$ , 58% of patients) were in more anatomic version following placement with the targeting guide when compared to traditional instrumentation (5 degrees vs 9 degrees,  $p = 0.04$ ). There were no significant differences between techniques in glenoids with greater than 15 degrees of pre-operative retroversion, TSA conversion to RTSA, or arthroplasty in the setting of prior proximal humerus fixation.

**Conclusions:** In the revision arthroplasty setting, glenoid components placed with the generic targeting guide were significantly more accurate in version when compared to traditional instrumentation, particularly when revising to anatomic TSA. The targeting guide was also useful in the obese population, which was over half of our cohort. This suggests that excess soft tissue, whether post-traumatic scarring or secondary to obesity, can make glenoid placement using traditional techniques more prone to error.

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# Is a Generic Targeting Guide Useful for Glenoid Component Placement in Shoulder Arthroplasty?\*

## ABSTRACT

**Background:** This study compared postoperative glenoid component version using traditional instrumentation or a generic glenoid targeting guide during total or reverse total shoulder arthroplasty.

**Methods:** Glenoid component version was measured on postoperative radiographs of 184 shoulders (traditional 109; targeting guide 75). Demographics, preoperative imaging, and operative technique were identified from medical records. Absolute deviation from neutral version and standard deviations (SDs) were calculated.

**Results:** Average mean  $\pm$  SD deviation in component version for the traditional technique group was  $10^\circ \pm 7^\circ$  compared with  $9^\circ \pm 6^\circ$  for the targeting guide group ( $P = .37$ ; SD  $P = .12$ ). No significant difference was noted based on operation, body mass index, preoperative version, or operative indication. For the last 30 shoulders in the targeting group, absolute mean deviation was  $6^\circ$  compared with  $11^\circ$  in the first 30 of that group ( $P < .01$ ) and  $10^\circ$  in the entire traditional group ( $P = .01$ ). The SD in the last 30 shoulders in the targeting group was  $5^\circ$  compared with  $7^\circ$  in the first 30 in that group ( $P = .04$ ) and  $7^\circ$  in the traditional group ( $P < .01$ ).

**Conclusions:** No significant difference in component accuracy was noted between the 2 techniques. The narrower SD in the targeting group, although not statistically significant, suggests less glenoid placement in the extremes of version. A learning curve was noted with the targeting guide, with significantly improved accuracy in later patients.

**Levels of evidence:** Level III, Retrospective Cohort Design, Treatment study.

**Keywords:** Glenoid; version; targeting; total shoulder arthroplasty

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## INTRODUCTION

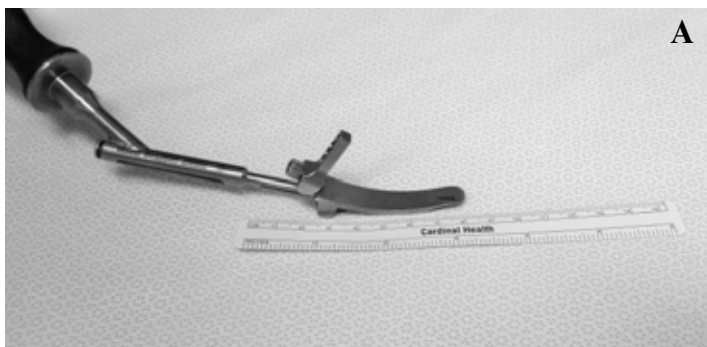
Shoulder arthroplasty has proven to be an effective treatment for patients with degenerative shoulder conditions, but success often is related to glenoid component orientation and survival.<sup>6,14,26</sup> Excessive glenoid retroversion may cause glenoid component loosening and humeral head subluxation or dislocation.<sup>9,11,16,23,27</sup> Often the surgeon is able to identify glenoid wear and plan for eccentric reaming or bone grafting preoperatively, but intraoperative landmarks may be distorted and cause uncertainty with glenoid version correction. Increased glenoid bone loss makes proper component

placement much more difficult. Normal glenoid version varies widely in the population, within a range of about  $20^\circ$ .<sup>4,5,8,18</sup> However, without knowing the patient's native orientation, the goal for glenoid version in arthroplasty is typically perpendicular to the plane of the scapula or "neutral" version.

Traditional techniques of accurately preparing the glenoid and placement of the component have been inconsistent.<sup>16</sup> Recent literature supports the use of the three-dimensional computed tomography (CT) scanning and production of custom alignment guides, but at many institutions this is either cost prohibitive for the patient, or the technology is lacking.<sup>1,2,3,10,13,17,18,19,21,24,25,28,29</sup> As a

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**Figures 1A & 1B:** Generic targeting guide for glenoid component positioning.

result, commercially available, noncustom and reusable targeting guides have been created to assist with component positioning (**Figure 1A**). Appropriate alignment is obtained by placing the guide down the anterior glenoid neck, which directs guidewire placement.

The purpose of this study was to compare postoperative glenoid component version after using traditional instrumentation or a generic glenoid targeting guide during total shoulder arthroplasty (TSA) and reverse total shoulder arthroplasty (RTSA).

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

A retrospective review of 184 patients who underwent primary shoulder arthroplasty, including TSA and RTSA, was conducted to assess postoperative glenoid version, using 1 of 2 glenoid component positioning techniques. Patients were included over a 4-year period, from 2009 to 2013. Exclusion criteria were revision shoulder arthroplasty and glenoid bone grafting, which directly affects postoperative glenoid version and confounds the contribution of the positioning technique.

All TSAs in this series were performed by a single surgeon (T.W.T), and 1 of 2 techniques was used to prepare the glenoid with the goal of placing components in neutral version: the traditional technique or a generic targeting guide. The traditional technique involves using preoperative CT imaging to assess glenoid wear and anatomic landmarks intraoperatively to estimate anatomic version. A pencil tipped burr is used in the center of the glenoid articular surface to “sound the vault” and ensure that the trajectory of the centering pin does not exit the glenoid neck anteriorly or posteriorly. The generic reusable targeting guide uses an anterior flange placed down the anterior glenoid neck to direct guidewire placement in anatomic version. The flange acts similar to an anterior cruciate ligament guide in that its tip contacts the base of the glenoid vault and allows the guide to reference the scapular body to obtain pin placement

in neutral version (**Figure 1B**). The surgeon had gained prior experience with the guide in a cadaver laboratory setting and then adopted it into regular practice.

In patients with significant glenoid erosion in whom implants were unsupported on native bone after reaming, RTSA components were placed with the goal of 50% cortical contact on native bone. These patients were included in the study, but patients with structural bone grafting used in anatomic TSA were excluded. The traditional method was used in the first 109 patients in this series until the reusable targeting guide was introduced and used in the final 75 patients.

An independent reviewer not involved with any of the operations and without knowledge of the operative technique randomly assessed postoperative axillary lateral radiographs. Axillary lateral radiographs were obtained with the patient supine and the arm abducted between 60° and 90°. The X-ray beam was projected through the axilla superiorly towards a cassette placed horizontally above the shoulder. All radiographs were obtained by a licensed radiology technician. Fluoroscopic positioning was not used. Images were reviewed retrospectively with this standardized axillary lateral technique. Radiographs with full view of the scapular body as well as the glenoid vault and implants were considered adequate and were available in all patients. Anatomic total shoulder implants employed a porous titanium central post that was used to assess glenoid component version, and the RTSA baseplates were placed with a center screw that allowed measurement of component version (Comprehensive Shoulder System, Biomet, Inc, Warsaw, IN). The Friedman technique was used to measure glenoid component version on the best available postoperative radiograph.<sup>7</sup>

Electronic medical records were then reviewed for each patient to obtain demographics (sex, age, and body mass index [BMI]<sup>20</sup>), assess preoperative imaging, and identify the operative technique.

**Table I: Demographics**

	TOTAL	TRADITIONAL	GUIDE	p-value
Total	184	109 (59.2%)	75 (40.8%)	
Men	77 (41.8%)	46 (42.2%)	31 (41.3%)	1.00
Age	66.2 (27 - 90)	69.1 (47 - 90)	61.9 (27 - 80)	<0.01
BMI	30.6 (15.8 - 55.1)	29.6 (15.8 - 55.1)	32.1 (17.2 - 50.5)	0.01
Right shoulder	97 (52.7%)	56 (51.4%)	41 (54.7%)	0.76
30 BMI or greater	88 (47.8%)	43 (39.4%)	45 (60%)	0.01
40 BMI or greater	17 (9.2%)	7 (6.4%)	10 (13.3%)	0.12
Pre-op retroversion (degrees)	11 (-12 - 44)	10.7 (-7 - 44)	11.4 (-12 - 32)	0.64
Absolute pre-op version (degrees)	11.5 (0 - 44)	11.2 (0 - 44)	12.1 (0 - 32)	0.45
More than 15 degrees pre-op retroversion	47 (25.5%)	26 (23.9%)	21 (28.0%)	0.61
Indication				
Osteoarthritis	94 (51.1%)	52 (47.7%)	42 (56.0%)	0.30
Inflammatory arthritis	10 (5.4%)	6 (5.5%)	4 (5.3%)	1.00
Cuff pathology	41 (22.3%)	27 (24.8%)	14 (18.7%)	0.37
Trauma/Post-trauma	32 (17.4%)	21 (19.3%)	11 (14.7%)	0.55
Other	7 (3.8%)	3 (2.8%)	4 (5.3%)	0.43
Procedure				
Total shoulder arthroplasty	114 (62.0%)	64 (58.7%)	50 (66.7%)	0.28
Reverse total shoulder arthroplasty	70 (38.0%)	45 (41.3%)	25 (33.3%)	0.28
Post-op anteversion	31 (16.8%)	13 (11.9%)	18 (24.0%)	0.04

Average absolute deviation from neutral version and standard deviations (SDs) were calculated between techniques overall and based on demographics and preoperative imaging. Statistical analysis was performed using SPSS 22 software (IBM, Armonk, NY). Means were compared with *t* tests and SDs were compared with *F* tests. *P* values of <0.5 were considered statistically significant.

## RESULTS

The study included 184 consecutive patients (77 men and 107 women) undergoing primary shoulder arthroplasty. Of the total number of arthroplasties, 114 were anatomic TSA and 70 were RTSA. There was no difference in distribution of operations (TSA compared with RTSA) between technique groups. There was no difference in sex between technique groups. Patient demographics are summarized in Table I. The average age was significantly different between the groups, with the targeting guide group on younger by an average of 7 years. Almost half of the patients in the study were clinically obese (BMI > than 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup>), and 9% had a BMI > 40 kg/m<sup>2</sup>. The difference between groups was statistically significant, with more obese patients in the targeting group (see Table I).

More than 25% of patients had a preoperative retroversion of more than 15°. The average absolute preoperative glenoid retroversion was 11.5° (range, 0° - 44°), with no difference between technique groups. More than half of the patients had a primary diagnosis of osteoarthritis.

The average mean ± SD deviation in component version from neutral for the traditional technique group was 10° ± 7° compared with 9° ± 6° in the targeting guide group, which was not significant (Table II). Glenoid components placed with the targeting guide also were more likely to be placed in slight anteversion (18 of 75 [24%]) compared with the traditional technique (13 of 109 [12%]; *P*=.04). There was no statistically significant difference in the SD between groups (*P*=.12). Differences in deviation from neutral version based on arthroplasty type (TSA vs RTSA), BMI, preoperative retroversion, or operative indication also did not reach statistical significance (see Table II).

Table III documents the mean degree differences and variances. The difference in absolute mean deviation in version from anatomic for the first 30 shoulders compared with the last 30 in the targeting group was statistically significant (*P*=.002). This was also true when the last 30 in the targeting group were compared with

the all-traditional group ( $P=.014$ ). The SD in the last 30 shoulders in the targeting group was  $5^\circ$  compared with  $7^\circ$  in the first 30 in the targeting group ( $P=.04$ ) and  $7^\circ$  in the traditional group ( $P=.006$ ).

In the 47 glenoids with more than  $15^\circ$  of preoperative retroversion, absolute mean deviation from anatomic version in the traditional group (26 shoulders) was  $13^\circ$  compared with  $11^\circ$  in the targeting group (21 shoulders), which was not significant. Accuracy was improved when preoperative version was less than  $15^\circ$  in both the traditional ( $8^\circ$  vs  $13^\circ$ ,  $P<.01$ ) and targeting ( $7^\circ$  vs  $11^\circ$ ,  $P=.03$ ) groups. The results were not significantly different between procedures performed. A significant difference in results with the targeting guide also was not demonstrated in patients with a BMI of greater than 30 kg/m2.

### DISCUSSION

Methods to accurately place the glenoid component in shoulder arthroplasty continue to evolve. Although many agree traditional techniques may be inferior, this is the first study to our knowledge comparing a traditional free-hand technique with a reusable, nonpatient-specific targeting guide. We did not find a significant difference in postoperative version in our series overall. Although a narrower SD was noted in the targeting guide group, which may indicate less glenoid placement in the extremes of version, this finding was not statistically significant.

Our most notable finding in this study is the apparent learning curve with use of the targeting guide. The average deviation from neutral version in the final 30 glenoids using the guide was significantly improved compared with the first 30 glenoids using this technique ( $6^\circ$  compared with  $11^\circ$ ). The final 30 glenoids also were

placed with significantly improved accuracy compared with the traditional instrumentation group ( $6^\circ$  compared with  $10^\circ$ ).

Previous studies have shown traditional instrumentation techniques place the glenoid component less accurately in as much as  $13^\circ$  average deviation from anatomic version in 1 study.<sup>10,15,17,21,28</sup> Cadaver and in vivo models of patient-specific instrumentation (PSI) have demonstrated glenoid placement in more anatomic version.<sup>10,17,21,19,28</sup> After a learning curve, the generic targeting guide used in this study placed glenoid components on average within  $6^\circ$  of neutral version, which is close but not equal to the range of reported results for PSI.

Traditional instrumentation techniques have been shown to be particularly poor in restoring anatomic version of the glenoid in patients with moderate to severe glenoid deformity.<sup>15</sup> In contrast, a strong benefit of PSI is correction of significant glenoid wear patterns. Hendel et al.<sup>10</sup> found the greatest advantage of PSI in patients with greater than  $16^\circ$  of retroversion. Average postoperative deviation in their traditional group was  $10^\circ$  compared to  $1.2^\circ$  using PSI technology ( $P<.001$ ). Similar improvements were not seen with the generic targeting guide in this study because there was no difference in glenoid component accuracy between the groups when preoperative retroversion was greater than  $15^\circ$ . However, our study may have been underpowered to show a statistically significant difference in this subset.

The advantages of the generic guide include that it is easily attainable, reusable, and less expensive than PSI; however, a learning curve was present, which low-volume shoulder arthroplasty surgeons may not be able to ascend in a short period of time. Nevertheless, the re-

Table II: Results

	TRADITIONAL (mean degrees)	GUIDE (mean degrees)	p-value	TRADITIONAL (variance)	GUIDE (variance)	p-value
Overall	10 ± 7.4	9 ± 6.2	0.37	54	39	0.12
TSA	11 ± 8.2	10 ± 6.8	0.80	68	47	0.17
RTSA	8 ± 5.7	7 ± 4.5	0.44	33	20	0.21
≥15 degrees pre-op	13 ± 9.6	11 ± 6.9	0.47	92	48	0.14
<15 degrees pre-op	8 ± 6.0	7 ± 5.6	0.53	36	32	0.72
≥30 BMI	11 ± 7.6	9 ± 6.4	0.22	58	41	0.26
<30 BMI	9 ± 7.0	8 ± 5.9	0.56	50	34	0.28
≥40 BMI	13 ± 9.6	10 ± 6.7	0.40	92	45	0.32
OA	11 ± 8.5	10 ± 7.0	0.66	73	48	0.18
Cuff pathology	9 ± 5.4	7 ± 4.5	0.22	29	21	0.54
Trauma	9 ± 6.8	8 ± 4.5	0.81	47	20	0.17
Final 30 patients	8 ± 6.0	6 ± 4.6	0.24	36	22	0.18

**Table III: Results**

MEAN (degrees)					VARIANCE		
Last 30 Guide		All Traditional		p-value	Last 30 Guide	All Traditional	p-value
6	± 4.6	10	± 7.3	0.014	22	54	0.006
First 30 Guide		Last 30 Guide		p-value	First 30 Guide	Last 30 Guide	p-value
11	± 6.9	6	± 4.6	0.002	48	22	0.04
TSA Guide		RTSA Guide		p-value	TSA	RTSA	p-value
10	± 6.8	7	± 4.5	0.09	47	20	0.03
Pre-op version ≥15 Guide		<15 Guide		p-value	Pre-op version ≥15 Guide	<15 Guide	p-value
11	± 6.9	7	± 5.6	0.03	48	32	0.26
Pre-op version ≥15 Traditional		<15 Traditional		p-value	Pre-op version ≥15 Traditional	<15 Traditional	p-value
13	± 9.6	8	± 6.0	0.005	92	36	0.002
BMI ≥30		<30		p-value	BMI ≥30	<30	p-value
9	± 6.4	8	± 5.9	0.13	41	34	0.31

sults during this study period were not worse than those using the traditional technique, and accuracy with the generic guide improved with time until a significant difference was noted after the learning curve was completed. The learning curve with PSI is likely shorter and may convey an advantage for low-volume surgeons, but in environments where PSI is not available, we suggest that a generic guide may offer a reasonable alternative to traditional glenoid preparation methods.

Our study has notable weaknesses. This is a retrospective case series reviewing 2 glenoid preparation methods performed by a single surgeon. A large proportion of 1 technique was done early in the series, followed by a change in practice, which introduces the possibility of experience bias. Results could have improved because of increased surgeon familiarity with other aspects of the procedure, thereby improving glenoid component positioning. Although postoperative imaging was evaluated by an independent, blinded reviewer experienced with radiographic measurements, reliability was not established by comparing his results to those of another reviewer. Finally, the difficulties of measuring glenoid version on axillary lateral radiographs have been established in previous literature.<sup>22</sup> Soft-tissue projection, restricted shoulder motion, and operator experience all

contribute to variable image quality and out-of-plane radiographs. Nevertheless, Ho et al.<sup>12</sup> found moderate agreement between postoperative axillary lateral radiographs and CT and supported this modality as an appropriate measure of glenoid version.

## CONCLUSIONS

Our study did not find an overall improvement in glenoid component accuracy using a generic targeting guide; however, this most likely is attributed to a learning curve inherent in a new operative technique. With further experience, the generic targeting guide was accurate and reproducible in later patients, resulting in significant improvements in glenoid component placement compared with traditional instrumentation, although it did not achieve the accuracy reported with PSI. Further comparative studies may assess the utility of targeting guides in primary and revision shoulder arthroplasty and the cost-effectiveness of various techniques in patients with severe glenoid wear patterns.

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# Reliability Testing for Three Classifications of Glenohumeral Rheumatoid Arthritis

**Background:** Several radiographic classifications exist for glenohumeral wear patterns found in rheumatoid arthritis. To date, no published data exists confirming the reliability of the Neer, Levigne, or Myoshi classifications. We proposed to examine the intra- and inter-observer agreement of these systems to determine which scheme is most reliable for classification.

**Methods:** Four orthopaedic surgeons with fellowship level training in upper extremity disorders and four orthopaedic trainees examined 53 radiographs of rheumatoid shoulders and classified them according to the three radiographic schemes. After a minimum two week interval, each observer repeated the classification process. Intra-observer agreement was calculated using weighted Cohen's kappa values. Inter-observer agreement was quantified using weighted Conger's kappa values. Altman's benchmark scale was used with Kappa values from 0.81 – 1.00 considered very good agreement, values between 0.61-0.8 good agreement, values between 0.4-0.6 moderate agreement, values between 0.21-0.4 fair agreement and values less than 0.2 were considered to indicate poor agreement.

**Results:** The Levigne classification demonstrated good intra-observer agreement ( $k=0.80$ ) and good inter-observer agreement ( $k=0.64$ ). The Neer classification scheme demonstrated good intra-observer agreement ( $k=0.61$ ) and moderate inter-observer agreement ( $k=0.50$ ). Finally, the Myoshi classification scheme was also found to have good intra-observer agreement ( $k=0.66$ ) and fair inter-observer agreement ( $k=0.37$ ). There were no differences in intra-observer reliability between trainees and fellowship-trained physicians.

**Conclusions:** We found the Levigne classification to have good intra- and inter-observer reliability in this study. In contrast, the Neer and Myoshi classifications both demonstrated good intra-observer reliability with moderate and fair inter-observer agreement, respectively. While all systems demonstrated reasonable overall reliability, these data suggest the Levigne system may be most reliable for classification of rheumatoid arthritis affecting the glenohumeral joint. Level of training did not impact the ability of observers to reliably judge rheumatoid wear patterns with these classification systems.

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# Combined ACL and ALL Reconstructions in Patients with a Grade III Pivot Shift: Technique and Early Outcomes

**Background:** The anterolateral ligament (ALL) has been identified as an important structure involved in internal tibial rotational stability. There have been a limited number of studies recognizing its importance as a knee stabilizer when anatomically reconstructed in combination with a ruptured anterior cruciate ligament (ACL). To our knowledge this study is the first to provide early outcomes on a subset of patients with an ACL deficient knee exhibiting grade III pivot shift preoperatively.

**Methods:** Inclusion criteria were patients who underwent combined ACL and ALL reconstruction during the year 2015. All patients exhibited a grade III pivot shift under anesthesia prior to the procedure. Patellar tendon autograft was used for ACL reconstructions. Hamstring autograft was used for ALL reconstructions.

**Results:** A total of 17 patients underwent combined ACL and ALL reconstruction. Patient ages ranged from 15-40 years old with an average of 22.2 years. Mean follow up from time of surgery was 6 months. Average time from surgery to full range of motion was 7.6 weeks (range 3-12 weeks). 16 patients were found to have no pivot shift on exam at latest follow up. One patient exhibited a grade 1 pivot glide. There were no wound complications.

**Conclusion:** This study illustrates what we believe to be a useful technique when reconstructing anterior cruciate ligaments in patients found to have a grade III pivot shift preoperatively. The combination of the ALL reconstruction in conjunction with ACL reconstruction not only allows for increased knee anterolateral rotational stability in selected patients, it appears to do so without increasing complication rates of traditional ACL reconstructions. Long term and comparative follow up studies are still needed to provide a definitive answer on the results of combined ACL and ALL reconstructions.

**Study design:** Retrospective case series, Level IV

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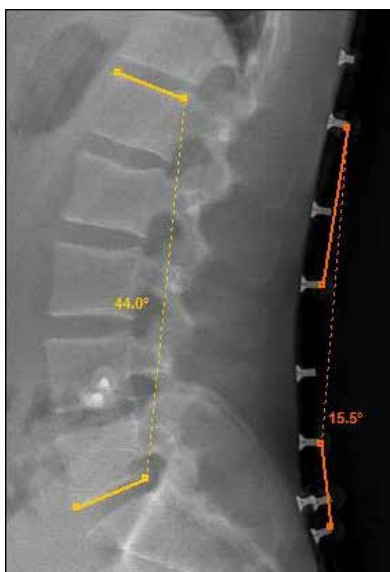
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# Effect of Hamstring Lengthening on Pelvic Tilt and Lumbar Lordosis during Normal Gait

**BACKGROUND:** A direct correlation between hamstring tightness and severity of lower back pain (LBP) has been previously reported [1]. Hamstring contraction creates knee flexion, hip extension and posterior rotation of the pelvis (pelvic tilt). Posterior pelvic tilt causes the lumbar spine to flatten (hypolordosis) which places pressure on the anterior structures of the spine, including the intervertebral disc. This increased pressure may predispose individuals to disc degeneration and associated pain [2]. For this reason, hamstring stretching is often prescribed to alleviate LBP, however, the effect of hamstring lengthening on the kinematics of the lumbar spine and pelvis is not well understood. Accurate measurement of lumbar spine movement is difficult to obtain in a motion capture laboratory due to subtle differences in marker placement, tissue interface and distribution. Therefore, the purpose of this study was to develop and apply a lumbar curvature correction factor to assess the effect of hamstring lengthening on pelvic tilt (PT) and lumbar lordosis (LL) in healthy subjects during normal gait.

**METHODS:** Healthy individuals with reported tight hamstrings and no history of LBP or back injuries were recruited for this study. Hamstring length was assessed by a physical therapist with the subject in supine with one limb passively moved to 90° hip flexion. Each knee was independently, passively extended to reported discomfort and the angle between shank and vertical (popliteal angle) was measured. A popliteal angle (PA) greater than 25° was required to participate in the study. Upon confirmation of tight hamstrings, nine (7 M, 2 F) participants were enrolled into the study and signed institutional review board approved informed consent. A physical therapist placed 58 reflective markers by palpation on anatomical landmarks of the torso and lower extremities. Ten optoelectronic cameras (Qualisys, Gothenburg, Sweden) and 3 force plates (AMTI, Watertown, MA) were used to track marker position and define gait events. Subjects walked at a self-selected speed across the force plates until ten clean trials were performed. Subjects were then scanned with the reflective markers on the spine using an EOS (EOS Imaging, France) bi-planar x-ray system. Following testing, participants completed a six week stretching program designed to increase hamstring length. All baseline testing was then repeated. Laboratory based measures of pelvic tilt (PT) and lumbar lordosis (LL) were calculated for all trials. Laboratory based PT was defined as the angle between horizontal and the line extending from the posterior superior iliac spine marker to anterior superior iliac spine marker. Laboratory based LL was defined as the acute angle between lines connecting the markers on T12 to L2 and S2 to L4. Anatomical based LL was found using the bi-planar x-ray by measuring the acute angle formed by a line drawn along the superior surface of L1 and inferior surface of the



**Figure 1: Anatomical based LL (Yellow) and marker based LL (Orange)**

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**Table 1:** Degrees changed in popliteal angle (PA), pelvic tilt (PT), lumbar lordosis (LL), and corrected lumbar lordosis (LL\*) at heel strike

Subject	Change PA (Deg)	Change PT (Deg)	Change LL (Deg)	Change LL* (Deg)
145	12.5	1.1	-7.0	-14.5
148	22.5	3.9	1.3	4.8
150	22	3.0	3.7	4.7
151	27.5	4.8	-0.8	-4.6
152	39	-4.0	-3.8	2.1
153	15	3.6	-4.6	-8.9
155	5	2.3	0.4	1.0
MEAN	17.4	3.1	-1.5	-2.2

L5. Marker based LL was also derived on the x-ray by measuring the acute angle between lines connecting T12 to L2 markers and S2 to L4 markers (**Figure 1**). Both measurements were made three separate times on each scan and averaged to decrease the human error in measurement. The ratio of anatomical and marker based LL measures were then used to calculate a correction factor which was multiplied by all laboratory based LL measures producing a Corrected LL. Both corrected LL and laboratory based PT at heel strike was averaged over ten trials. The correction factor was validated by comparing correction factors of seventeen different subjects each standing in two different positions.

**RESULTS:** Seven participants completed the stretching program and post intervention testing. PA increased in all subjects (mean  $\pm$  SD)  $20.5^{\circ} \pm 11^{\circ}$  ( $p < .01$ ). Six of seven subjects had a decrease

in posterior PT resulting in a mean change of  $2.1^{\circ} \pm 2.9^{\circ}$  ( $p < .01$ ). The average error in anatomical based LL and marker based LL was  $\pm 1.7^{\circ}$  and  $\pm 0.8^{\circ}$  respectively. The average difference in the correction factor between standing positions was 8%. Corrected LL increased in four subjects (**Table 1**).

**CONCLUSIONS:** Utilization of the correction factor allowed comparison of LL pre and post intervention. Posterior PT decreased, however LL did not increase consistently among participants. The small sample size was a limitation to this study as well as applying a novel method for LL comparison. Continued research, including an expansion of the study to include more subjects and validation of radiograph measurements by a physician, will provide additional information to strengthen the validity and generalizability of this study.

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# Campbell Foundation Achievements

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Reflecting on the past year and my affiliation with the Campbell Foundation, one of the greatest sources of pride has been the progress made to build a robust research infrastructure that would accelerate the discovery of answers to challenging clinical questions.

Approximately three years ago, the Campbell Foundation Board of Trustees validated the mission of the foundation to enhance quality of life through the science of orthopaedic medicine. In addition, the three main “pillars” of the mission: surgeon education, orthopaedic research, and community outreach healthcare were also reinforced. The change, however, was a driving effort to focus our research efforts for greater impact. The Trustees sought the “sweet spot” of orthopaedic research at the intersection of

- areas of clinical expertise at Campbell Clinic where we could provide unique insights,
- issues of clinical significance in our local area, and the orthopaedic community in general, and
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Our research results have proven the wisdom of the focused approach. At this year’s annual meeting of the

American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS), research from our team was recognized as the “best of the best,” making the “Top 10” lists within the Foot & Ankle and Shoulder & Elbow sections of the meeting - even winning the Charles S. Neer Clinical Research Award. The abstracts of this work are presented within this journal.

When working to deliver meaningful, impactful results, it is important to have a strategic focus. Our research is designed to address real-world, clinical problems that persist; and it is our intention to quickly share our findings with the world, in order to implement our results for the immediate benefit of patients everywhere. Our efforts to focus our research, as evidenced in this journal, have paid off, resulting in innovative and meaningful research output, that will benefit thousands of patients.

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# CAMPBELL PRESENCE — ACROSS THE GLOBE: —

## INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE ELECTIVE

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“I heard a great presentation by local businessman, Bill Courtney, on the responsibility of a business leader to give back to his community,” says Daniel Shumate, CFO of Campbell Clinic. “He (Courtney) is known for leading a previously losing high school football team, in an impoverished area of Memphis, to a winning season. The movie, *Undefeated*, was made about his experience. But more important than winning, the movie told the story of how Courtney molded these young men into fine adults, capable of great things. I had the chance to hear him talk about ‘doing what you can,’ and it really got me thinking.”



**Dr. Sean Calloway and the orthopaedic residents of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Clinic review patient x-rays at the beginning of the day.**

And, in that instant, the idea of a Community Service Scholarship was born. Shumate continues, “I wanted to help patients who needed orthopaedic care, but I’m not a physician. I thought, ‘What can I do? What are my talents and how can I use them?’ I knew I didn’t have the skill set to do medical missions myself, but I had access to people who could.” So, with that motivation, and to honor his wife, three years ago, Daniel founded the Molly Shumate Community Service Scholarship to sponsor medical missions nationally and internationally as a way to provide excellent orthopaedic care to pa-



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tients in need - here and across the globe.

Thanks to the scholarship, four orthopaedic surgery residents in training at the Campbell Foundation have now gone on medical mission trips. Locations have included Nicaragua, Guatemala and Honduras, and this year, to Moshi, Tanzania. Senior resident Dr. Sean Calloway, traveled with a seasoned team to a Health Volunteers Overseas outpost, the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Clinic (KCMC). Calloway served for two weeks, participating in clinic, rounds, surgeries, and even presenting four lectures on surgical treatment of complex



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**Dr. Sean Calloway and the team at the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Clinic operating on a patient.**

orthopaedic trauma. Calloway was also able to deliver critical medical supplies, including vital small and large fragment fracture sets, external fixator equipment, and operating room supplies to KCMC.

“I gained great insights into what makes this kind of enterprise successful. It is more than just a ‘come in and cut’ mentality. Much like orthopaedic training in the United States, resident education is critical. I was able to share with the surgeons and residents in Tanzania some of the techniques and surgical approaches that we

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*- Sean P. Calloway, MD, Class of 2016*

learn in our residency training. It’s similar to the biblical proverb of ‘teaching a man to fish so he will never go hungry.’ Also, each day, we spent time organizing the surgical equipment in order to allow for much more efficient and successful surgery.”

So many things that surgical teams in the U.S. take

for granted require deliberate measures in developing and underserved countries. Health Volunteers Overseas has a well-organized infrastructure and, for more than thirty years, has been dedicated to improving the availability and quality of health care through the education, training and professional development of the health workforce in resource-scarce countries.

“I am so grateful for this experience,” says Dr. Calloway. “I learned so much, and I hope, in a small way, that I was able to share some of my knowledge with the team in Kilimanjaro. I am indebted to the Campbell Foun-



**Dr. Sean Calloway leads an in-service on fracture management.**

dation, and to Drs. Sue and Glen Crawford from Portsmouth, New Hampshire, who were my mentors and travel guides while we were in Tanzania. A final thank you goes to Health Volunteers Overseas. I know that this is one way that I will work to continue to give back. We are so fortunate in the U.S., and this is one small thing we can do to make a difference in the world.”

What started at a business luncheon has grown into a robust medical mission. The Shumates are continuing their support, and there is a desire to expand the program this year.

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**Undergraduate Institution:** Texas A&M University

**Medical School:** University of Texas Southwestern

Dr. Barkoh is the first in his immediate family to pursue a medical career, however his cousin is finishing his pediatric residency in Houston, TX. Dr. Barkoh chose to pursue a career in medicine because it allowed him to combine his passion for biology, anatomy, and physiology with his desire to help and serve others through his profession. Dr. Barkoh chose to specialize in orthopaedics because it allows him to help people get back to doing what they wanted to do physically, and have a more immediate, tangible result.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Barkoh will complete a Spine Fellowship at the University of Southern California before returning to his home state of Texas to begin his practice.

Dr. Barkoh extends thanks to his co-residents, faculty, and patients for teaching him about orthopaedics and the practice of medicine. *"I hope my career will make you all proud."*



**COLLIN C. BILLS, MD**

**Hometown:** Tullahoma, TN

**Undergraduate Institution:** Harding University

**Medical School:** East Tennessee State University Quillen College of Medicine

With medicine as a career choice for Dr. Bills, he follows in his father's footsteps, who is an internal medicine physician.

Dr. Bills chose the medical field because he grew up witnessing what a great impact his father had on the lives of his patients. He chose orthopaedics because "I wanted to learn a profession that serves both through knowledge and tactical skill."

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Bills will complete a Sports Medicine Fellowship in Jackson, MS.

*"I am grateful for the opportunity I have had to train here at Campbell Clinic. My many thanks to the surgeons who allowed my unskilled hands hold a retractor, cut with a knife, burn with the bovie, stitch with a needle, tie over a vessel, screw through precarious bone, and even watch from a distance in order that I may learn, grow, and participate in this honored profession of orthopaedics. My praise goes to the physicians in my life that represent a true servant-led life. To my fellow residents, thank you for challenging me every day. I will never work amongst a more talented and hard working group of men and women."*



# 2016 Graduating Orthopaedic Residents



**TYLER J. BROLIN, MD**

**Hometown:** Fargo, ND

**Undergraduate Institution:** Concordia College – Moorhead, MN

**Medical School:** University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences

Dr. Brolin is the first in his family to pursue medicine. He chose the field of orthopaedics because of his personal experience with a knee injury during football in his freshman year of high school. The injury, his love for the health sciences, and the ability to work around different personalities each day solidified

his career path.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Brolin will complete a Shoulder and Elbow Surgery Fellowship at Thomas Jefferson University/Rothman Institute and then return to Memphis to join the Campbell Clinic staff in 2017.

Dr. Brolin would like to thank the Campbell Clinic staff who have been instrumental in his development, not only as an orthopaedic surgeon, but also a person. *“I am truly grateful for the opportunity to train here and join the Campbell Clinic family. I simply could not have asked for a better experience. As for my fellow residents, it has been quite the journey and I am glad to call you all part of my family.”*



**SEAN P. CALLOWAY, MD**

**Hometown:** Valparaiso, IN

**Undergraduate Institution:** University of Notre Dame

**Medical School:** Indiana University School of Medicine

Dr. Calloway is the first in his family to pursue medicine. Medicine was his career choice because of the selflessness of the profession and because it gives him the opportunity to improve the lives of others, which he believes is remarkably powerful and should not be taken for granted.

He was drawn to the field of orthopaedics because of the opportunity to “fix” clinical injuries or conditions. It is rewarding to operate on a patient with a femur fracture, ACL tear, or hip arthritis and give him or her the opportunity to get back to a desired level of activity. Dr. Calloway believes there are very few other specialties in medicine that allow the physician to see the “results” of their work so quickly. These positive results are what drives him to work hard and continue the lifelong learning that is required to be a successful practitioner and orthopaedic surgeon.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Calloway will complete a Sports Medicine Fellowship at Santa Monica Orthopaedic Group in Santa Monica, CA.

Dr. Calloway would like to thank the Campbell Clinic and Campbell Foundation for the opportunity to train at “the birthplace of orthopaedics”. He states, *“I am humbled to walk the halls of the Germantown office and see all of the Campbell Clinic Alumni who have come before me: those who have made the Campbell name synonymous with the very best in orthopaedic education. I look forward to my fellowship; and I will do my very best to represent the Campbell Clinic’s legacy of excellence in the future.”*

# 2016 Graduating Orthopaedic Residents



**MARCUS C. FORD, MD**

**Hometown:** Louisville, KY

**Undergraduate Institution:** University of Kansas

**Medical School:** University of Texas Health Science Center

With Dr. Ford's choice of medicine as a career, he is following in the footsteps of his father, who is an anesthesiologist. He was drawn to medicine because he enjoyed helping people, along with the science that is involved in medicine. Dr. Ford chose the field of orthopaedics because the vast majority of patients get better and are typically happy with their surgical results. His career decision was also influenced by the orthopaedic surgeons teaching at his medical school, along with his genuine interest in studying musculoskeletal anatomy.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Ford will complete a Joint Reconstruction Fellowship at Washington University in St. Louis, MO, and will join the Campbell Clinic staff in 2017, focusing in total joint arthroplasty.

Dr. Ford would like to thank the faculty for the opportunity to be a part of Campbell Clinic. *"It is a special place with great people."*

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**JOHN W. HARKESS, MD**

**Hometown:** Memphis, TN

**Undergraduate Institution :** University of Virginia

**Medical School:** University of Tennessee Health Science Center

Dr. Harkess follows in the medical footsteps of his father and grandfather, both orthopaedic surgeons. He was drawn to medicine because he was interested in science from a very young age and was attracted to the idea of using that knowledge to help people. He explained, "I grew up seeing how much my dad loved his job and the difference that orthopaedics can make in people's lives. I love the technical challenge and the satisfaction of seeing patients regain function and mobility".

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Harkess will complete a Total Joint Fellowship at Scripps Clinic in La Jolla, CA.

Dr. Harkess added *"The Campbell Clinic is a truly special place, and I am forever grateful for the opportunity to have trained here. The attendings are excellent teachers and role models. My fellow residents and the clinic staff have become my dear friends. I will miss each of them next year, but will always stay connected to 'the Clinic'."*

# 2016 Graduating Orthopaedic Residents



**RYAN P. MULLIGAN, MD**

**Hometown:** Plano, TX

**Undergraduate Institution:** Texas A&M University

**Medical School:** Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine

Dr. Mulligan is the first in his immediate family to pursue a career in medicine, however, his wife is also a physician.

He chose the medical field because he enjoyed science, working with people, and applying both to solve difficult problems. He was drawn to orthopaedics because he enjoyed seeing the instant impact made on patients and working with a wide spectrum of the population, using his hands and orthopaedic instruments and implants, and the camaraderie among orthopedic surgeons.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Mulligan will complete a Foot and Ankle Fellowship at Duke University following residency. After fellowship, he plans to move back to his home state of Texas, with practice plans still in development.

*"Thank you Rebekah. You have put up with a lot and deserve all the credit. Thank you to the Campbell Clinic physicians and Campbell Foundation staff for your constant support. To my brothers (co-residents), I could not have done it without you. You have a life-long friend in me and I'm there if you need anything."*



**MATTHEW G. STEWART, MD**

**Hometown:** Columbus, GA

**Undergraduate Institution:** Auburn University

**Medical School:** Medical College of Georgia

With Dr. Stewart's choice of medicine as his career, he will be following in the footsteps of his grandfather, an orthopaedic surgeon, and three uncles who are physicians. Dr. Stewart chose orthopaedics because of his grandfather. After writing a biography about him for a school project in 4th grade, he became fascinated by his life. He explained, "My grandfather loved his job and spoke about it with such great passion that I knew that it was something I had to do. He couldn't have been more right."

**Plans After Campbell:** After graduation from residency, Dr. Stewart will move to Durham, North Carolina to participate in a one-year Foot and Ankle Fellowship at Duke University.

Dr. Stewart added: *"I want to thank the Clinic for the past five years. It has been one of the great honors of my life to train here under such giants of Orthopaedics, but more importantly, with faculty who set such a great example of what it means to be well-rounded clinicians, surgeons, and teachers. I also want to thank my fellow residents. We have stayed such a strong program because we attract the best. Their drive and commitment to this place has only strengthened my own experience, forcing me to stay at the top of my game so I don't fall behind. I'd also like to thank Dr. Jim Beaty. You have been an excellent mentor from the time I was a medical student and I can't thank you enough for the guidance you've given me."*

# 2016 Orthopaedic Fellows



**MARIELLE A. AMOLI, MD**

**Pediatric Fellow**

**Hometown:** Atlanta, GA

**Undergraduate Institution:**

University of Notre Dame

**Medical School:** Medical College of Georgia

**Orthopaedic Residency:** University of Florida

The choice of a career in medicine runs in Dr. Amoli's family, her brother is a critical care attending at Emory university in Atlanta, her sister-in-law is an ID physician at Emory, and her husband is an Oral Maxillofacial and Cosmetic Surgeon in Jacksonville, FL.

She was drawn to medicine from a young age and loves the opportunity it provides to meet and work with people from all aspects of life. Also, she finds the human body and what it can endure, how it can heal and adapt, to be fascinating. Dr. Amoli chose the field of orthopaedics because of the hands-on nature of it, the variety of procedures performed, and the ability to fix something that's broken: or otherwise help alleviate someone's pain and get them back to a normal life.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Amoli will be joining Pediatric Orthopaedic Group at Nemours Children's Health System in Jacksonville, FL.

Dr. Amoli added, *"A big thank you to everyone I've met and worked with this year. You've made this year a wonderful experience I'll never forget!"*



**JACOB GUNZENHAEUSER, MD**

**Sports Medicine Fellow**

**Hometown:** Roanoke, VA

**Undergraduate Institution:** Miami University, Oxford, OH

**Medical School:** University of Cincinnati College of Medicine

**Orthopaedic Residency:** University of Cincinnati Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

With Dr. Gunzenhaeuser's choice of medicine as a career, he is following in the footsteps of his father, an anesthesiologist.

His father inspired him to choose medicine, and he chose the field of orthopaedics because he enjoys working with motivated individuals and getting them back to the activities they love.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Gunzenhaeuser will be moving back home to Cincinnati and joining a community hospital as a general orthopaedics / sports medicine physician.

Dr. Gunzenhaeuser adds, *"Thank you Dr. Fred Azar, Dr. Quin Throckmorton, Dr. Robert Miller, Dr. Tony Mascioli, and Dr. Barry Phillips for an amazing and invaluable year in sports medicine."*



**SEAN B. KUEHN, MD**

**Trauma Fellow**

**Hometown:** Great Lakes, IL

**Undergraduate Institution:** University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Medical School:** University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Medicine

**Orthopaedic Residency:** University of New Mexico

With the choice of orthopaedics as a career, Dr. Kuehn follows in his late father's footsteps who was an orthopaedic surgeon. His brother is currently an orthopaedic resident and

will start his trauma fellowship next year. Dr. Kuehn's wife is an orthopaedic intern at University of Utah.

Dr. Kuehn chose medicine because of his family's influence and his strong interest in science. He chose the field of orthopaedics because it is a constantly evolving field, always presenting new challenges, with the ability to help patients in a tangible and immediate way.

**Plans After Campbell:** Orthopaedic trauma in Utah.

Dr. Kuehn would like to thank all the trauma attending at Campbell Clinic for making this a very worthwhile year and incredible learning experience. *"Thank you to the residents, many of whom are now good friends, for making this year truly enjoyable."*

# 2016 Orthopaedic Fellows



**RODRIGO GOES MEDEA**  
**DE MENDONCA, MD**  
Pediatric Spine Research Fellow

**Hometown:** Sao Paulo, Brazil

**Medical School:** School of Medicine  
of the Santa Casa de São Paulo, Brazil

**Orthopaedic Residency:** Spine  
Surgery Fellow of the Santa Casa de  
São Paulo, Brazil

Dr. Medea is not the only person in his family to chose orthopaedic medicine as a career, his younger sister, Priscilla, is a PGY1 resident in orthopaedic surgery in Brazil. Dr. Medea's wife is a pediatrician.

Dr. Medea chose medicine and the field of orthopaedics to help people in the most effective way.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Medea will return to Brazil to start his academic career in Orthopaedic Research.

*"The best staff that I've had the privilege to work with! A special thanks to: Dr. Terry Canale's team, Dr. Jeff Sawyer as a wonderful mentor, Dr. Derek Kelly as an incredible surgeon, Dr. David Spence for his surgical talents, Dr. Bill Warner is a gifted teacher, and Dr. Beaty for his vast knowledge."*

*"I appreciate all the residents that helped me this year: Clayton Bettin, Don Franklin, Nick Jew, Will, Clay Nelson, Chris Carver, Chad Champion, Catherine Olinger, Erin Meehan, Collin Bills... and special thanks to Kaku Barkoh and Daniel Wells."*



**F. PATTERSON OWINGS, MD**  
Hand Fellow

**Hometown:** Atlanta, GA

**Undergraduate Institution:**  
Washington and Lee University

**Medical School:** Medical College of  
Virginia

**Orthopaedic Residency:** Emory  
University

A career in medicine is a Owings family tradition. Dr. Owings' father is a general surgeon, with other family members in orthopaedics, radiology, pathology, dermatology, and family practice medicine.

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Owings will start his own private orthopaedic practice.

*"My sincerest thanks to all of the faculty and staff at the Campbell Clinic and in particular the hand surgery faculty: Dr. Calandruccio, Dr. Cannon, Dr. Jobe, and Dr. Mauck."*



**DAVID J. RUTA, MD**  
Foot & Ankle Fellow

**Hometown:** Elmhurst, IL

**Undergraduate Institution:**  
University of Illinois

**Medical School:** Rush University  
Medical Center

**Orthopaedic Residency:** University  
of Michigan

Dr. Ruta is the first in his family to chose a career in medicine. He chose this field because a medical career provides an opportunity to help people, the opportunity and duty of a physician is to aid others with often their most valued possession: their personal health and that of their loved ones. Further, this help is typically needed when

people are ill and therefore most vulnerable. That is a distinct privilege.

Dr. Ruta was drawn to the field of orthopaedics because, "I have found the anatomy, pathology, patients, treatments, and colleagues within the field of orthopaedics to be independently enjoyable of their respective categories. I'm exceedingly grateful that these are all found in orthopaedic surgery."

**Plans After Campbell:** Dr. Ruta will be joining the staff of St. Luke's Orthopedics & Sports Medicine in Duluth, Minnesota.

*"Drs. Gear, Ishikawa, Murphy, and Richardson: I cannot thank you enough for the time, instruction, opportunity, and mentorship you've provided me and the hospitality you've shown me. I am indebted to you all. To all faculty, staff, and residents: I'm very proud to have trained at this outstanding institution and to be a part of the Campbell family."*



# Current Orthopaedic Residents

## INTERNS

### Chad E. Campion, MD

**Undergraduate:** Stevens Institute of Technology  
**Medical School:** Rutgers New Jersey Medical School

### Ryan Eads, M.D

**Undergraduate:** University of Kentucky  
**Medical School:** University of Kentucky  
College of Medicine

### Matthew Fournier, M.D

**Undergraduate:** University of Wyoming  
**Medical School:** University of Washington  
School of Medicine

### Peter R. Henning, M.D

**Undergraduate:** Marquette University  
**Medical School:** Medical College of Wisconsin

### Andrew M. Holt, M.D

**Undergraduate:** University of Tennessee  
**Medical School:** Baylor College of Medicine

### Catherine R. Olinger, M.D

**Undergraduate:** Creighton University  
**Medical School:** Creighton University  
School of Medicine

### Zachary Pharr, M.D

**Undergraduate:** Lipscomb University  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

### Carson M. Rider, M.D

**Undergraduate:** Union University  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

## CLINICAL YEAR 2

### Austin R. Davidson, MD

**Undergraduate:** Lipscomb University  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

### Steven M. DelBello, MD

**Undergraduate:** Rhodes College  
**Medical School:** University of Texas  
Medical Center, Houston

### Donald B. Franklin, MD

**Undergraduate:** Samford University  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

### Clay G. Nelson, MD

**Undergraduate:** University of North Carolina  
**Medical School:** Eastern Virginia Medical School

### Mims G. Oschsner, MD

**Undergraduate:** University of Georgia  
**Medical School:** Mercer University  
School of Medicine

### Colin W. Swigler, MD

**Undergraduate:** Florida State University  
**Medical School:** Florida State  
College of Medicine

### Kirk M. Thompson, MD

**Undergraduate:** Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology  
**Medical School:** Southern Illinois University  
School of Medicine

### Jordan D. Walters, MD

**Undergraduate:** Furman University  
**Medical School:** Wake Forest  
School of Medicine

# Current Orthopaedic Residents

## CLINICAL YEAR 3

### **Thomas R. Acott, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Illinois  
at Urbana-Champaign  
**Medical School:** St. Louis University  
School of Medicine

### **D. Christopher Carver, MD**

**Undergraduate:** East Tennessee State University  
**Medical School:** East Tennessee State University  
James H. Quillen College of Medicine

### **Justin D. Hallock, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Birmingham Southern College  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

### **Travis W. Littleton, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Lipscomb University  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

### **Timothy M. Lonergan, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Saint Louis University  
**Medical School:** Saint Louis University  
School of Medicine

### **Erin M. Meehan, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Clemson University  
**Medical School:** Mercer University  
School of Medicine

### **A. Ryves Moore, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Mississippi  
**Medical School:** University of Mississippi  
School of Medicine

### **Daniel B. Wells, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Georgia  
**Medical School:** Mercer University  
School of Medicine

## CLINICAL YEAR 4

### **Eric N. Bowman, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Tennessee  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

### **John J. Feldman, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Denison University  
**Medical School:** West Virginia University  
School of Medicine

### **Christopher M. Hopkins, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Texas  
**Medical School:** University of Texas  
Medical Branch at Galveston

### **Nicholas B. Jew, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Mississippi  
**Medical School:** University of Mississippi  
School of Medicine

### **Megan N. Mayer, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Webster University  
**Medical School:** University of Missouri- Kansas City  
School of Medicine

### **Arturo D. Villarreal, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Texas State University- San Marcos  
**Medical School:** University of Texas  
Medical Branch at Galveston

### **William J. Weller, MD**

**Undergraduate:** Illinois College  
**Medical School:** Rush Medical College

### **Andrew J. Wodowski, MD**

**Undergraduate:** University of Tennessee  
**Medical School:** University of Tennessee  
Health Science Center College of Medicine

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