

Best Practices in Hand & Wrist Treatment

Chairperson:

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Hand & Wrist Treatment

- Traumatic Hand Injuries
 - Andrew Stein
- Lateral Epicondylitis
 - Taylor Horst, MD
- Ulnar Side Wrist pain
 - Hervey Kimball, MD
- Case Discussion- Panel

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Andrew Stein, MD





Speaking today on- Traumatic Hand Injuries



Taylor Horst, MD

- An Orthopaedic surgeon practicing out of Excel Orthopaedic Specialists in Woburn
- Fellowship trained in and specializes in hand and upper extremity surgery
- Speaking today on- Lateral Epicondylitis



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Hervey Kimball, MD

- Hand and upper extremity surgeon at New England Baptist Hospital
- Boston Sports and Shoulder Center in 2018.
- Attending staff for the Tufts NEBH combined Hand Surgery Fellowship
- Speaking today on- Ulnar wrist pain





Traumatic Hand Injuries

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Injuries May Be Obvious or Subtle





- History (mechanism of injury) and good PE should allow diagnosis
- X-ray usually indicated
- Advanced imaging studies may be helpful





Bad Traumatic Injuries are easy...





Subtle Injuries More Likely to be Missed/Mistreated

- Basic Principles:
 - For finger injuries get finger x-rays (not hand)
 - Finger fractures require careful evaluation for rotational alignment of digits
 - Assess integrity of tendon & nerves
- If something seems amiss it probably is
 - Significant swelling with normal x-rays necessitates further w/u
- Missed injuries often lead to poor outcomes



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True *Emergent* Injuries

- Vascular Insult/Insufficiency
- Compartment Syndrome
- (Open Fractures *urgent*)





Finger Fractures

"Hand fractures can be complicated by deformity from no treatment, stiffness from overtreatment, and both deformity and stiffness from poor treatment."

Alfred Swanson

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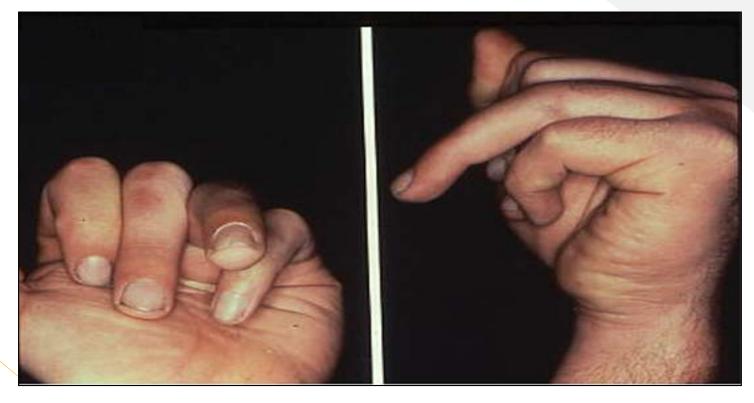
Finger Fractures

- Most can be treated nonoperatively
 - Clinical exam more important than x-rays
- Early motion important
 - Typically stable enough to start ROM by 3 weeks (or sooner)
- Consider surgery for
 - Open fractures
 - Articular injuries
 - Rotationally unstable injuries



Malrotation ("Scissoring")

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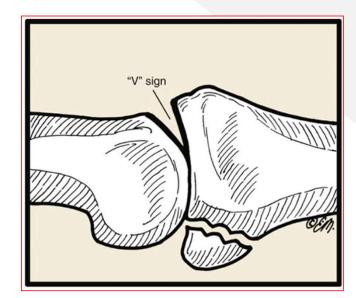
Malrotation of ring finger due to proximal phalanx fracture. Note that malrotation is most obvious when fingers are flexed and viewed end-on. All fingers should point to base of thumb (scaphoid tuberosity)

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Insist on *Finger* Films

- Injuries may be missed with hand x-rays
- "V" sign is indicative of joint incongruity
 - May be subtle





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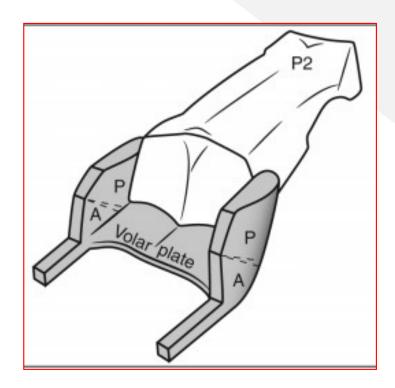
PIP Joint Injuries

- Motion Critical for normal finger function
 - Accounts for 85% excursion at fingertip
 - Unforgiving when injured
- Long lever arm/exposed position make it vulnerable
 - Most commonly injured joint in hand
- Injuries often overlooked/dismissed (Just a "jammed" finger)
 - Self treatment often leads to late presentation
 - Early diagnosis & treatment lead to better outcomes



PIP Anatomy

- Hinge Joint
 - ROM: 0-110°
- Ligamentous "Box"
 - Volar Plate
 - Collateral ligaments
 - Disruption of 2 "sides" results in instability



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PIP Sprains

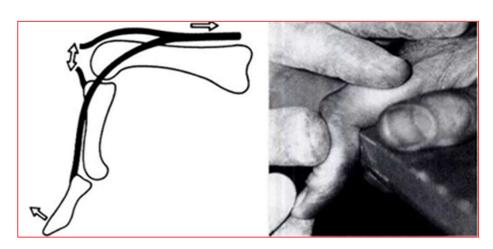
- Typically overtreated (by PCP or ED) w/splint
 - Instability uncommon (swan neck deformity 2° volar plate disruption)
- Stiffness more likely







"Pseudo-boutonniere" (i.e. flexion contracture of PIP) vs. True boutonniere -Distinguish with Elson's Test (DIP hyperextension is seen if central slip disrupted)



Sprains

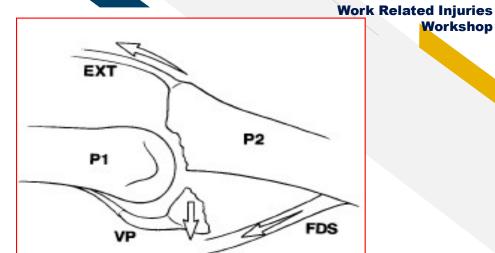
- Avoid splints!
- Start ROM ASAP
 - Buddy-tape
- Typically 3-4 months for pain to resolve
- 1 year for appearance to improve (patient education helpful)

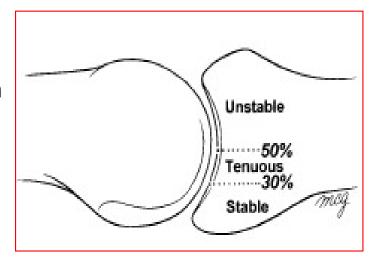




Volar Lip Fractures

- Stable
 - <30% base
- Tenuous
 - 30-50% base
- Unstable
 - >50% base
 - Need >30° flex to maintain reduction





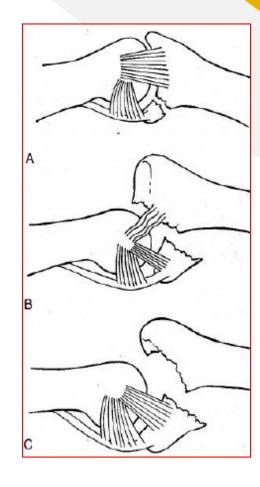
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Dorsal Fracture-Dislocation

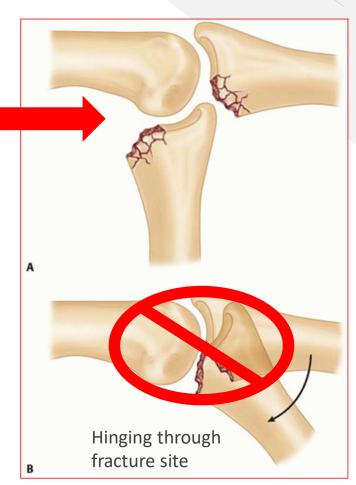
- Stable or not? (depends on collateral ligament attachments)
 - Exam
 - Digital block may be necessary to assess ROM and joint stability
 - X-ray
 - If hinging suspected get flexion/extension views (may appear as normal ROM)



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Goals of Treatment

- Restore Joint Congruence/Glide
 - anatomic reduction not crucial
- Early Motion

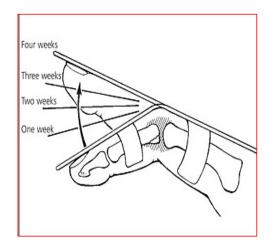


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Fracture Dislocation

- Treatment Options
 - Immobilization
 - Protected motion
 - Traction/Ext. Fixation
 - ORIF
 - Buttress reconstruction

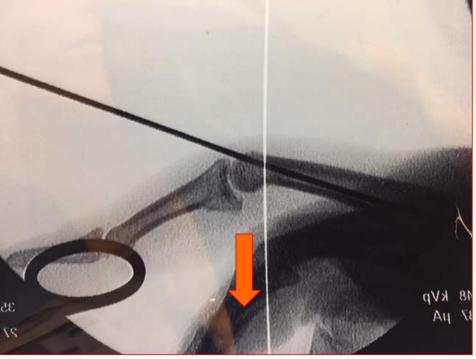






Extension Block Pinning

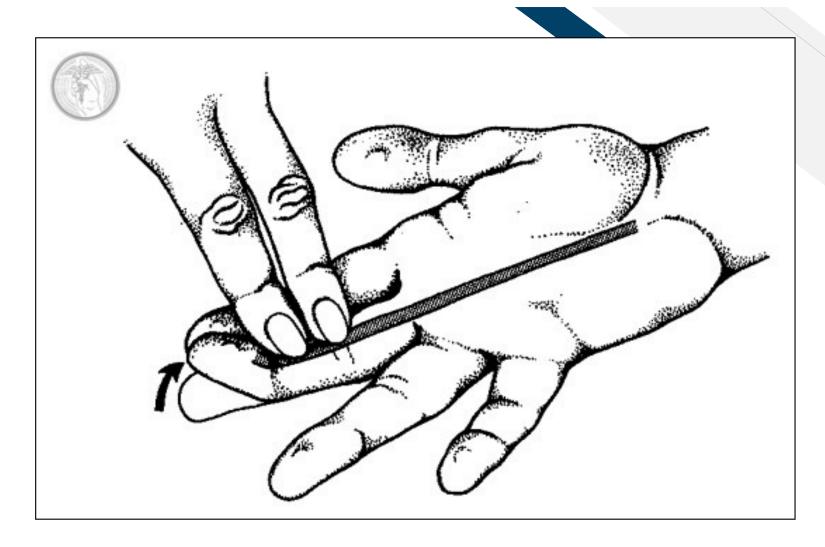




Flexor Tendon Injuries

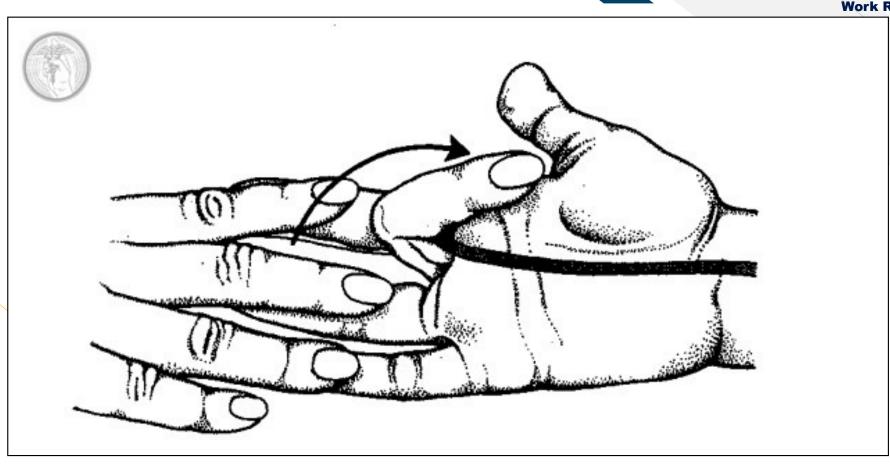
- Note size and location of any acute wounds
- Can often predict likelihood of tendon damage just based upon location of wound & resting posture finger (loss of flexor tone)
- Painful digital flexion is suggestive of partial tendon injury





Testing for flexor digitorum profundus musculotendinous function

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Testing flexor digitorum superficialis function (ulnar 3 digits FDP tendons share common muscle belly)

Emergency Room Care

- Irrigation and debridement
- Wound closure
- Update tetanus immunization
- Administer oral antibiotics
- Early referral for purpose of repair
 - Within 2 weeks ideal (4 weeks generally upper limit for primary repair)
 - 1 week for FDP avulsion injuries



FDP Avulsion ("Jersey Finger")

- Common, esp. in athletes
- First described by von Zander (1891)
- Typically occurs in young males when playing football / rugby
 - While attempting to to grasp a jersey, FDP eccentrically contracts as opponent pulls away, extending finger





FDP Avulsion

- Frequently a delay in treatment unless active DIP joint flexion tested specifically
- Majority (75%) involve ring finger, possibly because of weaker profundus tendon insertion in ring finger (Manske & Lesker, Hand, 1978)
- X-rays & clinical exam
 - Consider US or MRI if diagnosis in question



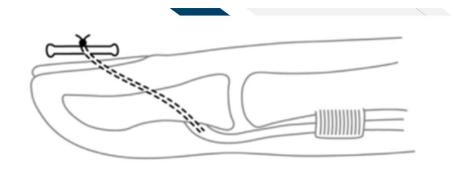
FDP Avulsion: Classification (Leddy & Packer, J Hand Surg, 1977)

- Type I: Tendon retracts all the way into palm beneath A1 pulley, vincula rupture, synovial fluid nutrient diffusion interrupted
 - No active DIP flexion
 - Tender mass in palm
 - Reinsertion within 7-10 days before myostatic contracture occurs
- Type II: bony fragment at PIPJ
- Type III: bony fragment at A4
- Type IV: bony frag in sheath/tendon& in palm





Treatment



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- Direct repair of tendon +/- bony fragment
- After 10 days type I injuries usually not repairable
 - Excision of FDP stump +/stabilization of DIP joint ("FDS finger")





F/U to 1st Case



Multiple MCP Fxs & Tendon Loss



Plates & Hunter Rods



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Summary

- Hand/finger injuries are common in the workplace
- Non-obvious injuries have the potential to be missed/neglected
- A good history and PE combined with appropriate x-rays generally leads to correct diagnosis
- Early recognition & treatment leads to better outcomes

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Lateral Epicondylitis

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Disclosures

None

Goals

- Understand history behind lateral epicondylitis
- Describe the actual pathology and cause of ECRB enthesopathy
- Understand the numerous nonoperative treatment options available
- Discuss the different surgical options available
- Understand treatment outcomes for worker's compensation patients
- Understand effective strategies to communicate with patietns

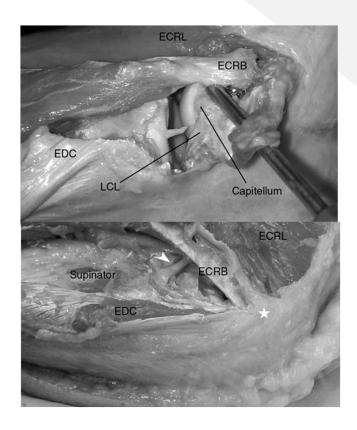
Epidemiology

- Typically an adult in the fourth and fifth decade of life (but can range from 35 to 65)
- Men and women affected equally
- More often in the dominant arm
- Goldie 1965 attributed the onset of symptoms to overexertion of the extremity with repetitive wrist extension and alternating forearm pronation/supination
- Risk factors: ? Manual labor with heavy tools, significant strain while performing repetitive tasks



Lateral Epicondylitis

- 1% to 3% of adults every year
- First diagnosed by Runge in 1873 and labeled "lawn-tennis arm" by Major in 1883
- Attributed to degeneration of the extensor carpi radialis brevis origin

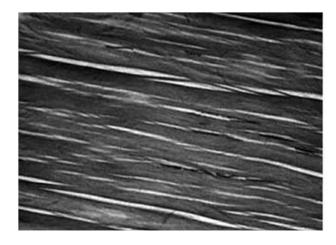


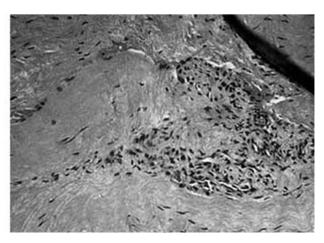
Words Matter

- Lateral epicondylitis
 - Refers to inflammation around the lateral epicondyle
- But pain attributed to this area is typically not inflammatory
- Better to refer to as enthesopathy
 - In this case enthesopathy of the ECRB (eECRB)

Histology

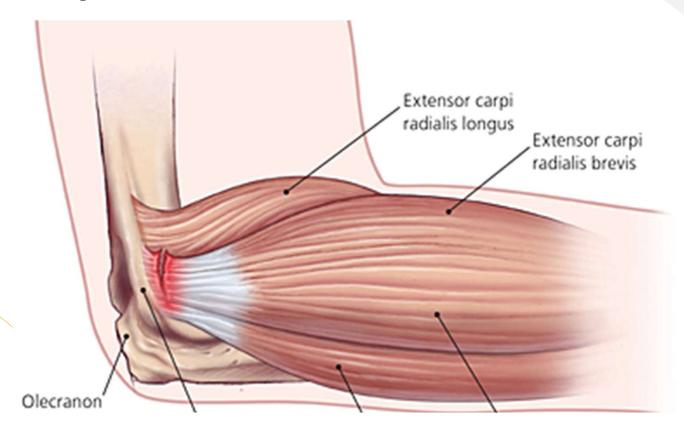
- Noninflammatory angiofibroplastic tendinosis with neovascularization
 - Disordered collagen scaffold
 - Mucoid degeneration
- Consistent with pattern of microinjury and healing attempts





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Anatomy



Physical Exam

- Max tenderness slightly anterior and distal to lateral epicondyle origin of the ECRB and EDC
- Pain elicited with wrist and digit extension





Outcomes

- 80% of newly diagnosed patients report symptomatic improvement at 1 year
- Only 4% to 11% who seek medical treatment will require surgical intervention
- Poor prognostic factors include:
 - Manual labor
 - Dominant arm involvement
 - Long duration of symptoms with high baseline pain levels
 - Poor coping mechanisms



Treatment

- Basic premise behind treatment is to aid or enhance natural healing
- Provide education for what "tennis elbow" is and how it resolves
- Nirschl and Asman suggested an ordered treatment progression
 - Initial control of exudation and hemorrhage
 - Promotion of tissue healing
 - Encouragement of general fitness
 - Control of force loading

Anti-inflammatory Drugs

- NSAIDs may relieve pain from associated synovitis or acute inflammation in surrounding tissues
- Topical NSAIDS have contradictory support in the literature
- Labelle and Guibert (1997)
 - 28 days of oral NSAID vs placebo
 - Both immobilized
 - Treatment group reported less subjective pain
 - Lack of improved grip strength and GI complications led to no endorsement
- Hay 1999
 - 2 week course of naprosyn vs placebo showed no effect at 4 weeks, 6 mo, and 12 mo

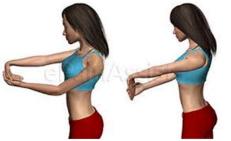




Physical Therapy

- Most effective mode of therapy a matter of debate
- Classic protocol described by Nirschl
 - Increasing forearm strength, flexibility, and endurance
- Stretching of the extensor origin by bringing the wrist in flexion with the elbow extended and the forearm pronated
 - Isometric and concentric strengthening exercises





Injections

- Good for pain relief
- Several studies have compared steroid injection vs NSAIDs and placebo
 - Pain relief at 5 days to 6 weeks has been shown to be sig (p<0.05) better in the steroid group than all others
 - HOWEVER, 12 wks to 12 mo results of those who received injections were the same as, OR WORSE, than those of the other treatment groups



Injections

- Reasons for worsening symptoms:
 - Injections may have weakened the tendon itself
 - Patients may have further aggravated the tendon during the relative "painless" period early after the injection
- Altay et al (2002) found no difference in outcomes at 1 year comparing lidocaine to lidocaine and steroid
- Similar results in other studies

A Meta-Analysis of the Effect of

Corticosteroid Injection for Enthesopathy

of the Extensor Carpi Radialis Brevis Origin

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Femke et al, J Hand Surg 2016, A Meta-Analysis of the Effect of Corticosteroid Injection for Enthesopathy of the Extensor Carpi Radialis Brevis Origin

Orthoses

Proximal forearm band and neutral wrist splint

 Goal is to reduce tension of the extensor origin allowing time for the area to heal

- Conflict on efficacy
- Cochrane review failed to provide evidence for superiority of one over the other



Forearm Bands

- Counterforce braces
- Limit muscle expansion thus creating a new origin and effectively redirecting the muscle force
- Electromyographic analysis has shown reduced muscle activity during braced play



Neutral Wrist Splint

- Prohibit contraction of the wrist extensors
 - Provides mechanical rest to the tendinous origin
- No adequately powered studies to determine their efficacy



Shock Wave Therapy

- Extracorporeal shock waves (ECSWs)
 - Single-pulsed sonic waves that dissipate energy at the interface of two substances with differences in acoustic impedance
 - Mechanism by which they provide relief not well understood
- 2 RCT showed conflicting results
 - Haake et al 2002 enrolled 272 pts and showed no sig difference compared with placebo
 - Pettrone et al reported a sig difference (p=0.001) at 12 weeks (smaller group; 114 pts)
- Cochrane review suggested minimal benefit



Other Modalities

- CONFLICT, CONFLICT
- Non-coherent light
 - Thought to improve local blood supply
- Low-intensity ultrasound therapy
- Topical nitric oxide
- Iontophoresis with dexamethasone
- Autologous blood injection (often not covered by insurance)

Coombes et al JAMA 2013

- Meta –analysis identified 22 studies performed with randomization and placebo control
 - Evaluating effectiveness of PT, multiple injection modalities, transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation, and ESWT
- Conclusion: NO TREATMENT showed benefit at intermediate time of long term

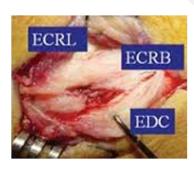
Surgical Treatment

- Indicated after at least 6 mo of failed nonop management
- Lateral fascia incised at the junction of the EDC and ECRL opening up to ECRB which lies underneath
- Degenerative tissue often present (gray hue)
- Debride tissue and decorticate epicondyle



Modifications of Surgery

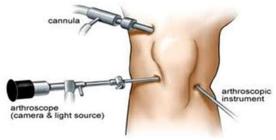
- Incorporation of arthrotomy
- Repair the ECRB
- Lengthen the ECRB
- Simultaneous decompression of the radial nerve
- Use of an anconeus flap to provide coverage in recurrent or chronic cases



Arthroscopic Surgery

- Many variations based on surgeon
- Some prefer to debride the lateral capsule and infolded tissue that may impingement in radiocapitellar joint
- Others prefer to focus debridement on the extensor origin





Surgical Results

- Historical: Nirschl and Pettrone 1979
 - Excellent results in 66 of 88 patients
 - 11% incidence of intra-articular pathology noted
 - 97% of patients were improved after surgery
 - 85% fully resumed their preoperative activity
- Subsequent studies have shown similar outcomes

Worker's Comp Surgical Results

- Balch et al: compared outcomes of ECRB release between WC claimants and nonclaimants
 - At mean f/u of 51 months both groups were equally satisfied with results and pain relief
 - Fewer WC patients returned to their original or similar work status compared with non-WC patients (65% versus 77%, respectively).
 - 24% of WC patients changed jobs because of persistent symptoms versus only 4% of non-WC patients
- Grewal et al: compared outcomes of arthroscopic extensor carpi radialis brevis tendon release for recalcitrant lateral epicondylitis
 - Patients with WC claims (n = 23) took twice as long as non-WC patients (n = 13) did to return to work (24.5 versus 10.3 weeks).
 - 7 of the WC patients were unable to return to work by 42 months.
 - WC patietns also scored lower on functional evaluations

Balk ML, Hagberg WC, Buterbaugh GA, Imbriglia JE: Outcome of surgery for lateral epicondylitis (tennis elbow): Effect of worker's compensation. Am J Orthop (Belle Mead NJ) 2005;34(3): 122-126.

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Communication Strategies

Ring et al JAAOS 2016

 Effective communication to present an accurate, optimistic, and enabling disease conception

 Providing unproven treatments can medicalize a likely unavoidable temporary condition that occurs in middle age



Four Point Script

- 1). "Can I tell you how tennis elbow works?"
- 2)."For no known reason, between 35 and 65 years, tennis elbow arises in healthy people doing healthy things"
- 3). "Tennis elbow lasts about a year or so, goes away on its own, is unlikely to return, and leaves no trace"
- 4). We have been working on this for years but have no yet found a way to shorten the time it take to get better"

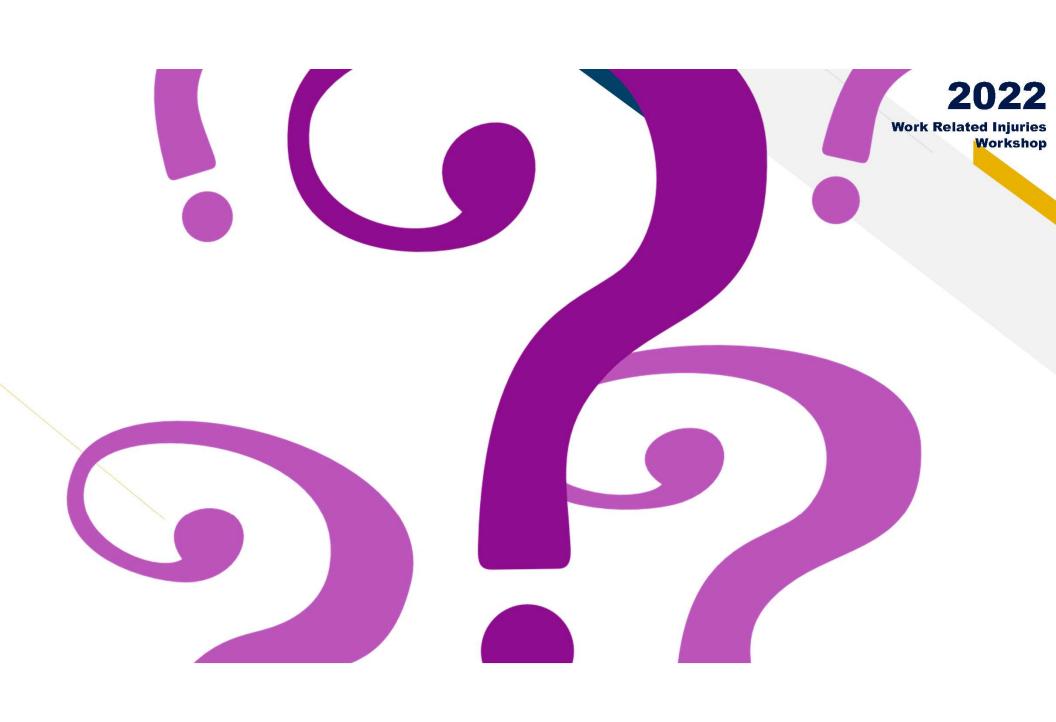
Summary

- Common source of morbidity in general population
- Nonsurgical measures and TIME usually provide relief
- The best predictor of outcome is the amount of daily physical strain encountered as opposed to the specific treatment rendered
- Surgical treatment only suggested in the small number of patients whom a prolonged attempt a nonsurgical treatment is unsuccessful
- WC patients tend to have decreased return to work status compared to non WC patients

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Ulnar Wrist Pain

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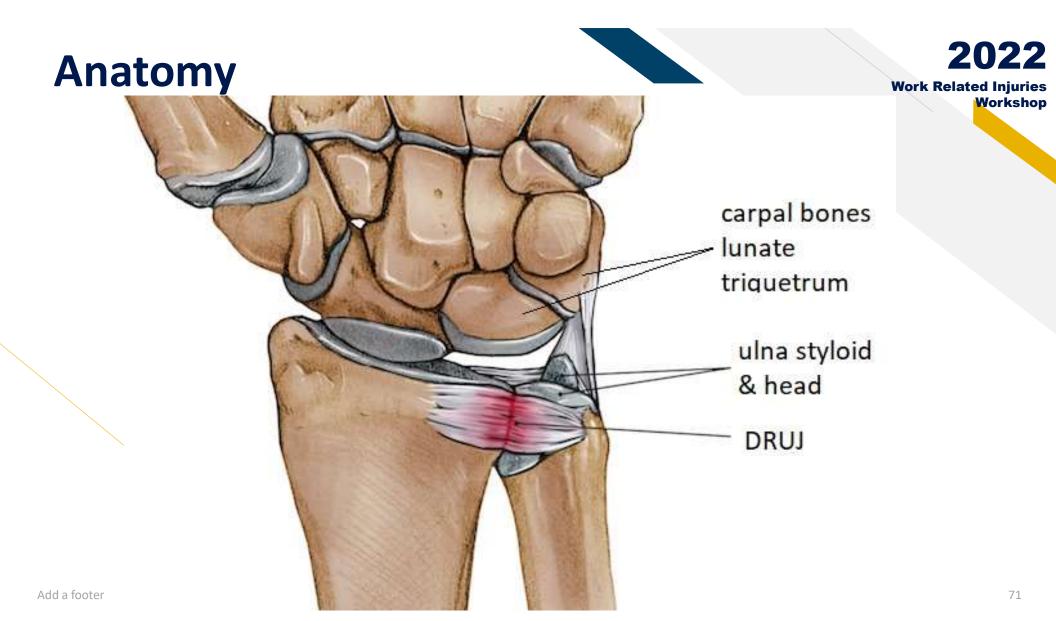
Outline

- Ulnar Wrist Anatomy
- Differential Diagnoses
- Case Examples
 - Injury vs. degenerative condition
 - Management



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Differential Diagnoses

- TFCC tear (acute or degenerative)
- DRUJ arthritis or instability
- Midcarpal instability
- Hamate (hook) fracture or nonunion
- Triquetrum or ulnar styloid fracture or nonunion

- Ulnocarpal impaction syndrome
- Piso-triquetral arthritis
- Ulnar nerve entrapment Guyon canal
- Extensor and flexor tendinopathies
- Extensor carpi ulnaris (ECU) instability
- Hypothenar hammer syndrome

Ulnar artery

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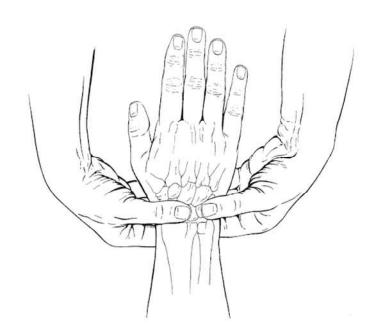
38 yr. old Laborer

- Twisting injury to the wrist 3 months ago
- Initial treatment with splinting
- No progress with therapy



Examination

- Ulnar wrist tenderness
- Fovea sign positive
- DRUJ stable



- Radiographs
 - normal



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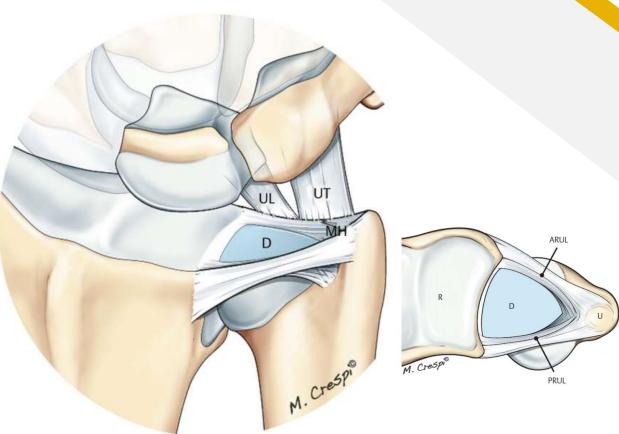
MRITFCC tear





<u>Triangular Fibrocartilage Complex</u>

- Articular Disc
- Radioulnar ligaments
- Meniscal homolog
- ECU subsheath
- Ulnocarpal ligaments



TFCC Injury: Exam

- Ulnar wrist pain with grip
- Wrist clicking +/-
- Ulnar wrist tenderness
- Pain with prono-supination
- Foveal sign

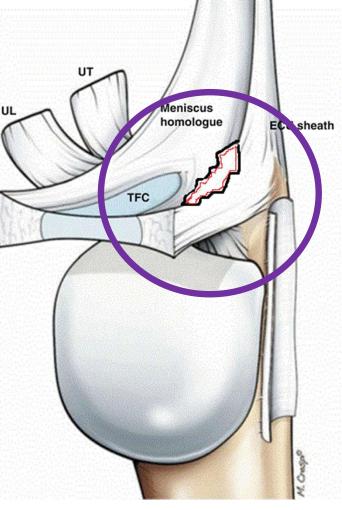


TFCC Injury: Traumatic

- Acute Injury
 - Fall on wrist pronated
 - Peripheral tear location





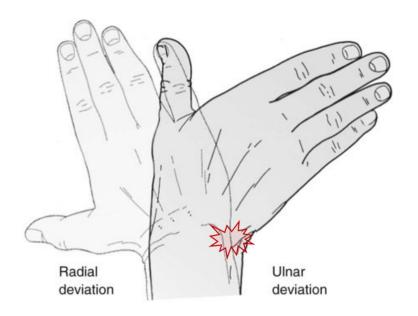


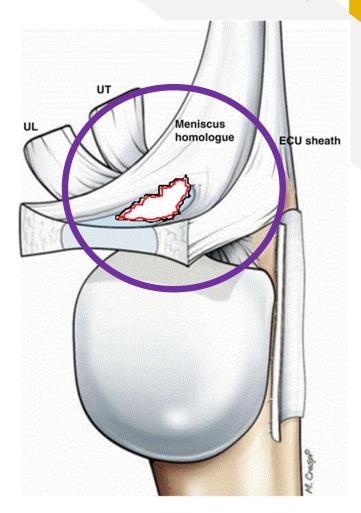
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TFCC Injury: Degenerative

- Chronic Injury
 - Ulnar positive variance
 - Central tear location





TFCC Injury: Diagnostic Tests

- •MRI
- Arthrogram



TFCC Injury: Nonoperative Management

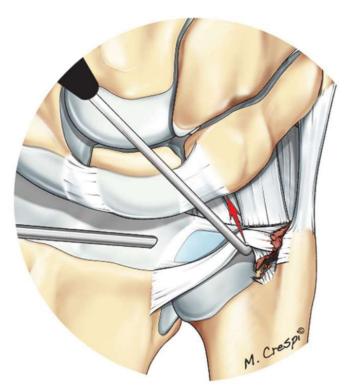
- Cast 4-6 weeks
- Transition to:Wrist splint, strap or taping
- Therapy
- Cortisone injection



TFCC Surgical Treatment

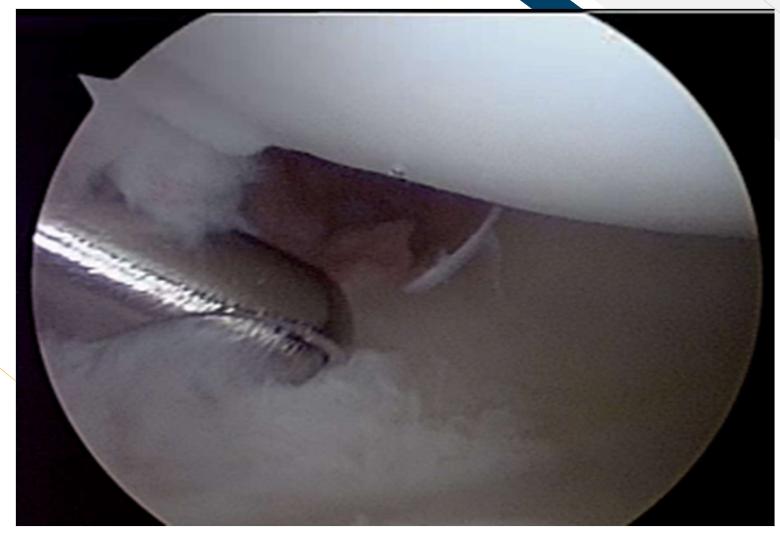
Wrist arthroscopy

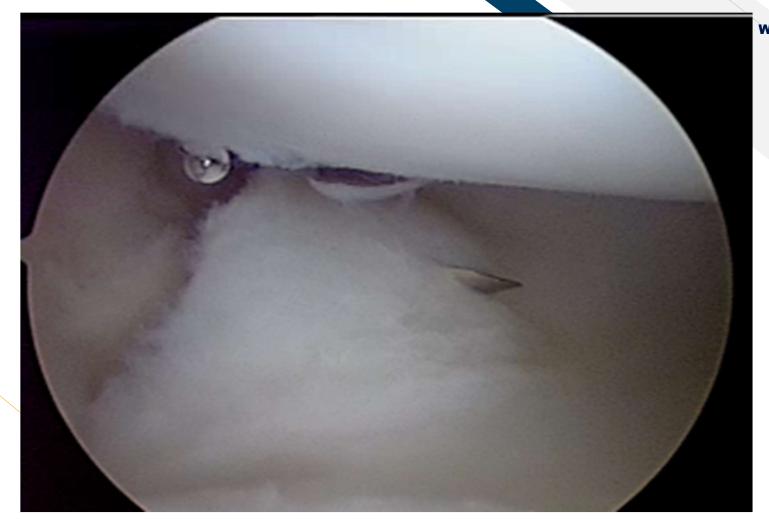
- Peripheral tear : Repair
 - Post op 3-6 wks. in cast
- Central tear : Debride
 - 2 to 4 weeks SAC



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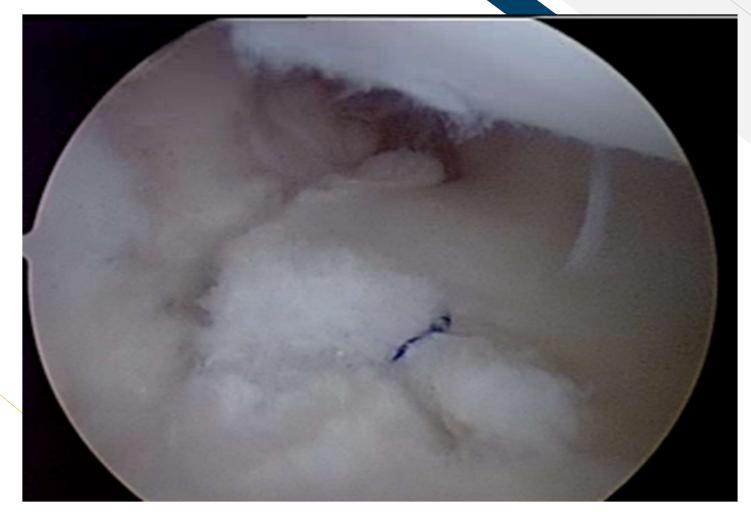






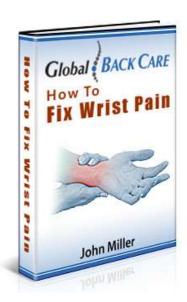






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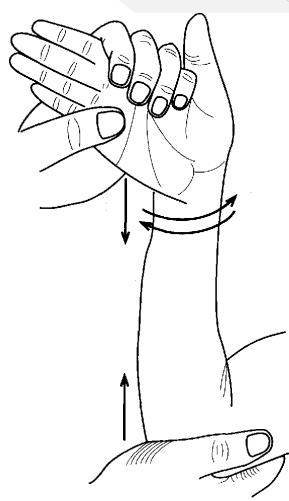
- Lifting books and computer use
- Ulnar sided wrist pain
- Initial treatment with splinting
- No progress with therapy



Case Presentation 2

Examination

- Ulnar wrist tenderness
- Pain with ulnar deviation
- DRUJ stable



Radiographs

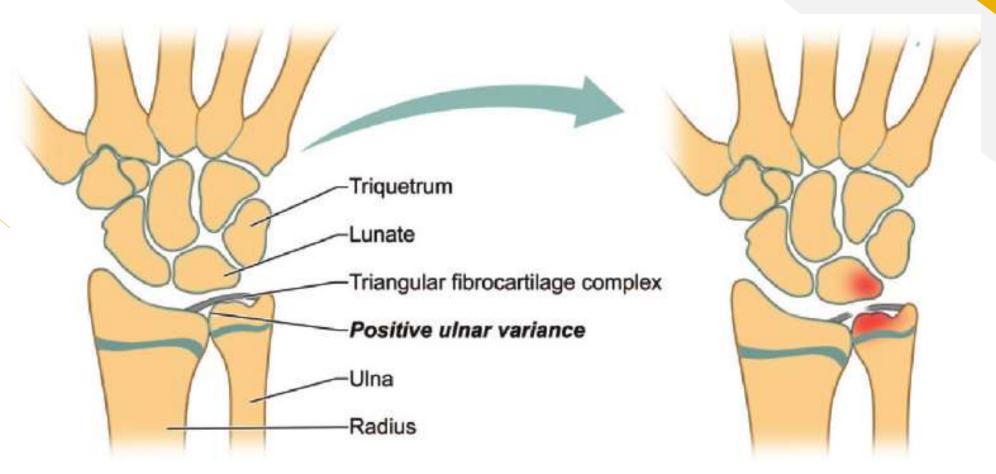




MRI



Ulnocarpal Impaction Syndrome



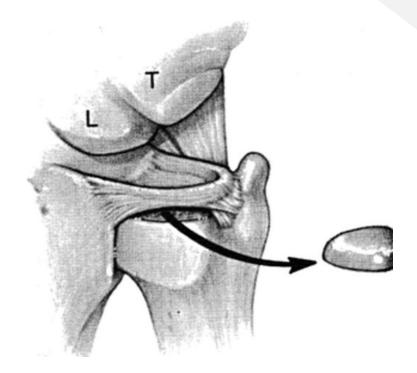
Ulnocarpal Impaction: Treatment

- Nonoperative
 - Splinting
 - Intra-articular cortisone injection



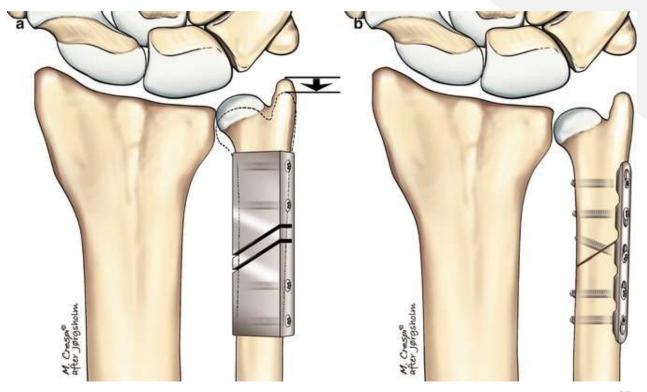
Ulnocarpal Impaction: Surgery

- Ulnar Shortening
 - Wafer Procedure
 - Shaft Osteoplasty



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Ulnar Shortening







Ulnar Shortening

Post-operative

- Cast 4 weeks
- Splint additional 2 weeks
- Hand therapy with strengthening
- Return to full duty 3-6 months

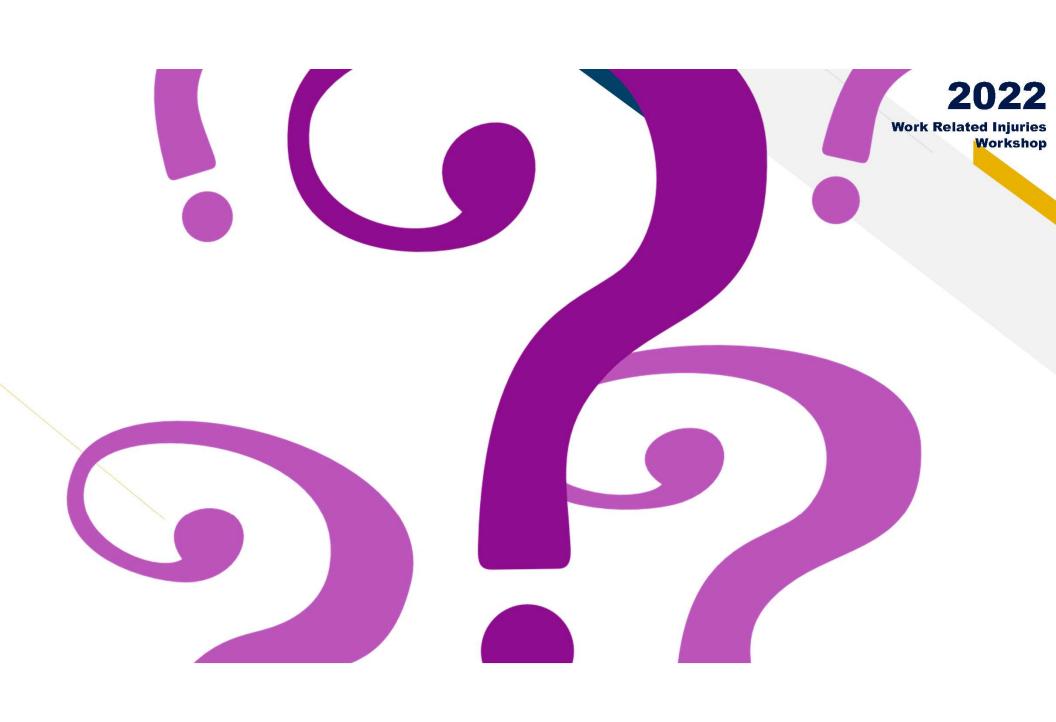


Summary

- Ulnar sided pain common
 - traumatic vs. degenerative
 - other causes: nerve, ulnar artery
- MRI TFCC abnormalities are common
- Most patients can be managed w/o surgery

Thank You!





Hand & Wrist Treatment Case Discussion- Panel

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- Fay Gallant
- Colleen Medlin, PT
- Andy Stein, MD
- Taylor Horst, MD
- Hervey Kimball, MD

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Hand & Wrist Treatment- Cases

Case

- History
- Physical exam
- •? Imaging
- Work Status
- Insurance

Case- History

- Age?
- Job
 - Office worker? Assembler? Occ Health nurse?
- Injury
 - yes/no
- Prior symptoms, treatment
 - Yes/no
- Numbness tingling- document often comes up later

Case- Exam

- •What is important?
- Similar presentations

Case-Imaging

- X-ray
 - •When?
 - First visit?
 - If no response?
 - If h/o injury?
- MRI
 - When?

Causation



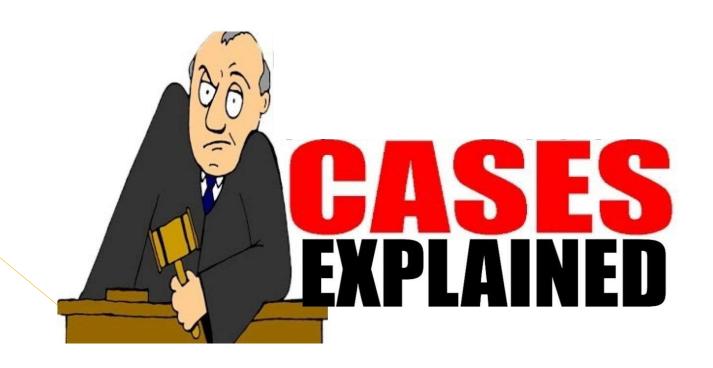


Causation-

AMA guide on Causation 2014

Return to Work

- How to determine
 - Preop
 - Postop
- When
- Modified
 - What if patient states there is none
 - What if none
- Full
- I can't do it Doc!!



Case

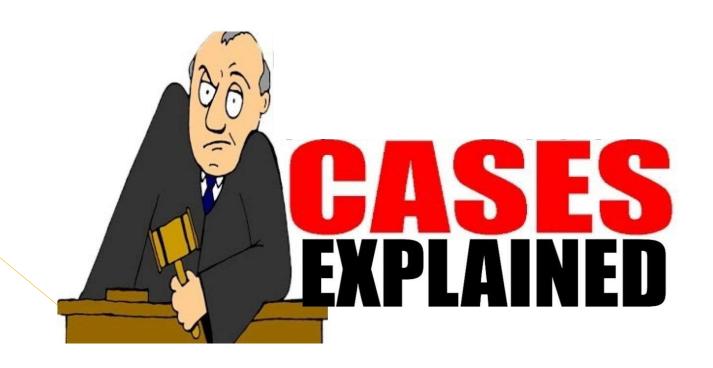
- 49 you right hand man with lateral elbow pain
- 4 weeks ago he banged the lateral elbow on the corner of a wall as he walked by
- H/o Lateral epicondylitis 10 years ago treated nonoperatively including one injection

Case- exam



Case-Issues

- Causation
 - Pre-existing or new
- Treatment
 - Is there "traumatic epicondylitis"
 - When PT, inject, surgery
 - RTW Modified, Full



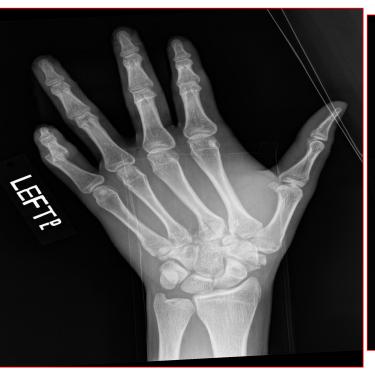
Case 3

26M RHD s/p Crush Injury (concrete slab) to Left Hand



• Andrew B. Stein, MD

Initial X-rays







Initial management

• Thumb spica short arm cast

Small finger PIP closed reduction with alumifoam splint

• Because of massive swelling & hemorrhagic fracture blisters managed closed

initially







At 6-week clinic follow-up:

Left ring finger malrotated











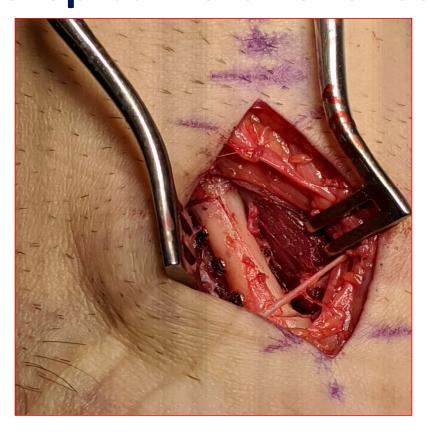


PO X-rays





Treatment: Step-cut rotational osteotomy Work Related Injuries
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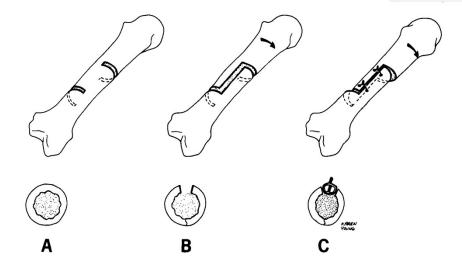
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Work Related Injuries
Workshop

Step Osteotomy: A Precise Rotation Osteotomy to Correct Scissoring Deformities of the Fingers

Ralph T. Manktelow, M.D., F.R.C.S.(C), and James L. Mahoney, M.D. Turonto, Ontario, Canada

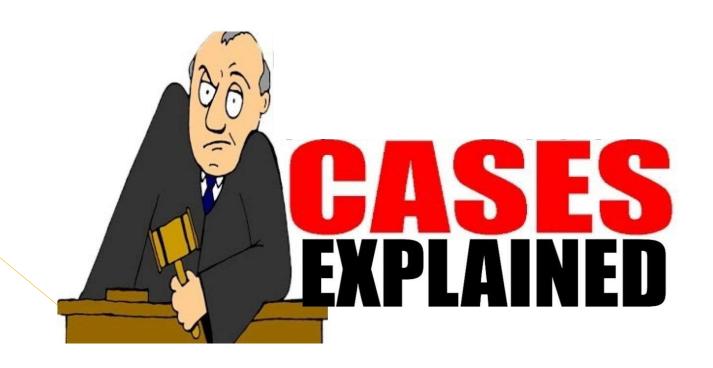
- 1980: study describes metacarpal step-cut osteotomy
 - Initial study on 22 cadaveric metacarpals, followed by 10 patients
 - Removal of 1mm dorsal cortex allowed for ~1mm correction at fingertip
 - Replicated by Pichora et al. (J Hand Surg 1991)



Modified Step-Cut Osteotomy for Metacarpal and Phalangeal Rotational Deformity

Andrew Jawa, MD, Maura Zucchini, MD, Guilio Lauri, MD, Jesse Jupiter, MD

- 2009 study using modified Manketelow & Mahoney's technique
- 2000-2007, 15 patients (ages 14-55) treated for scissoring deformity
- 12 patients included in study due to complete follow-up
 - Average 25 months



Ulnar Wrist Pain Case History- EH

- 38 you RHD woman laborer
- She was injured at work 3 wks. prior to evaluation
- She was working with a fire hose and had a hyperextension injury
- She was treated in a prefab splint

EH History

- She complained of ulnar wrist pain
- She did not have any mechanical symptoms (i.e. clicking, locking)
- She did not have any prior wrist problems
- •H/O bipolar disorder

EH Physical Exam

- Examination was difficult to isolate pain
- She had mild wrist swelling
- ROM of the wrist was 45/35 (with pain)
- Full pronation and 10° loss of supination with pain
- There was no DRUJ instability
- The ECU tendon was normal w/o subluxation

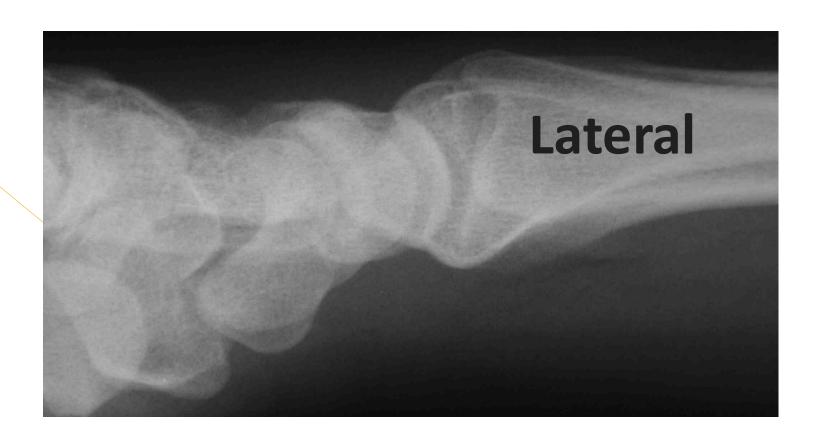
Case EH X-rays- Initial







Case 2 X-rays- Initial



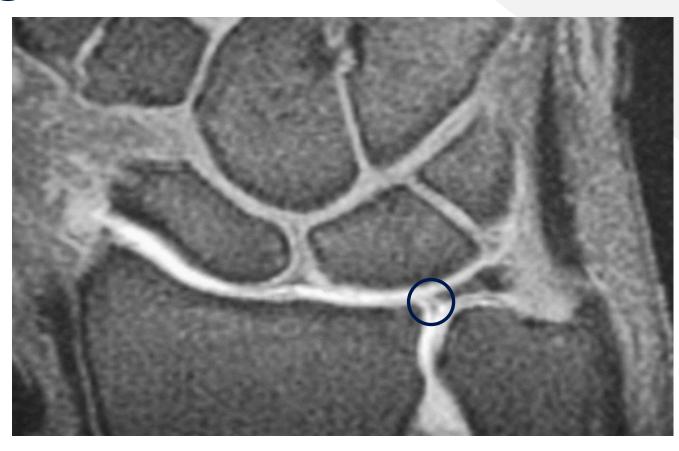
- Failed LACast and SACast
- She still complained of pain, globally and had ulnar wrist tenderness

Case EH Treatment

- She was placed in a short arm wrist splint
- An MR Arthrogram was ordered

Case EH MRI-Arthrogram

TFCC tear



Case EH Treatment

- Arthroscopy debride TFCC
- Still pain

Case EH Treatment

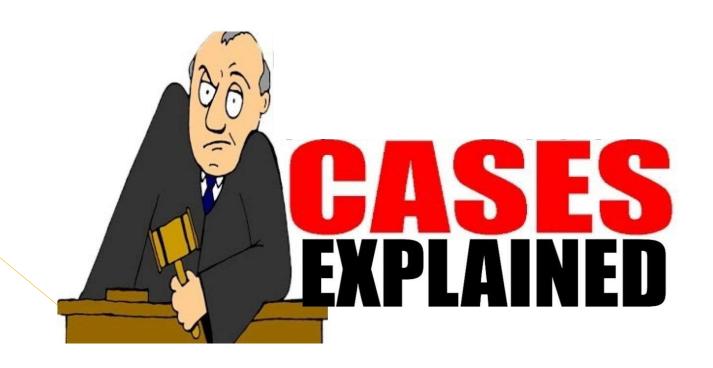
- Wafer ulnar shortening (? Pre-existing)
- Wrist ROM 60/55, 30/45, full rotation. Grip equal.

Complains of achy pain with strenuous use

Significantly improved

Post op





Case 1- Hand Injury

43M RHD s/p Nailgun Injury to Left SF PIP Joint

Injury Films





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4 Month F/U









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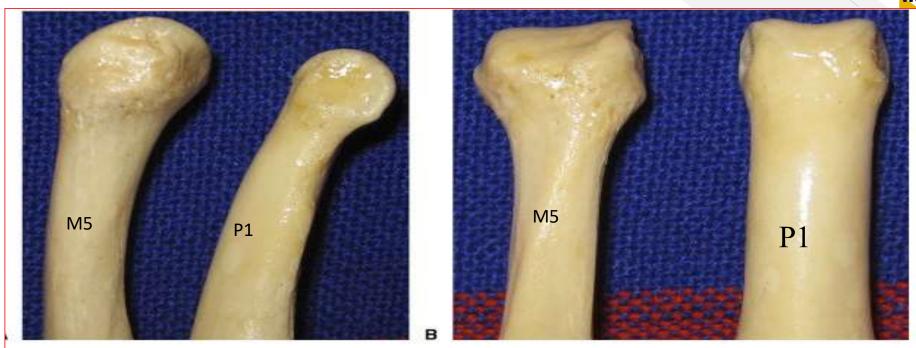
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Measurements in 15 cadavers

Base of M5 radius of curvature: 5.6mm (range 4.7-7.2)

Condyles of P1 of IF & LF: 4mm ("Suitable Donor")



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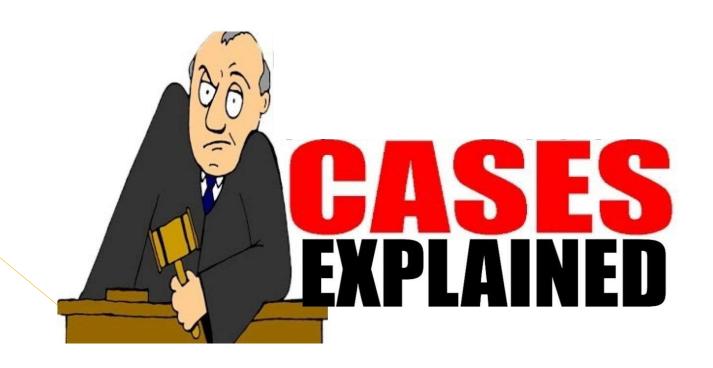
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15 patients (16 digits) treated with mean f/u 4.8 yrs. Mean arc of active motion 60° (20° -100°)

No deterioration over time



Case 2 25 RHD M FOOSH: R LF





Treatment: Extension block pinning





