Implants - Are There Any Advancements Left to Make?

focus only a few aspects...

- individualized implants
- Hybrid implants
- Smart active implants
- Reduction support
- Periprosthetic trauma care





Problem: Large articular defect too big and too complex for a auto-graft What are the options?

> large central trochlea defect

ulnar side

radial capitulum







Individualized Implants - Hybrid Implants Example: polytrauma, massive liver trauma and chest injury, packing, lung resection, DCO ... ECMO ... ICU for 6 weeks ... How can 3D print help?

- 1. 3D copy of the contralateral femur
- 2. Comparison with the fractured exfixed femur
- 3. 3D print of a proximal and distal Schanz screw connector and a reduction module
- 4. Removal of classic exfix and application of the SS connectors.
- 5. Automatic reduction by the application of the snap-in reduction module

Advantages

- +++ precise
- even outside the OR (ICU)





3D alignment analysis postop

3D printed reduction ExFix for 3D print template assisted navigation





Reduction Support by the implant

alignment modification during osteotomy healing (modified Precice nail) excentric longitudinal force lateral results in frontal plane incomplete alignment change osteotomy (valgization) =hinge medial osteotomy









alignment changing nail (modified Precice nail)





not only ...

- forward/backward
- distraction/compression

Advancements

• Torsion?

. . .

 feed back information from bone-implant complex to outside

(stiffness, degree of healing, loading capacity)

 aktive bone healing stimulating patterns

Reduction Support by the specific devices

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A surgical telemanipulator for femur shaft fracture reduction[†]

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Reduction Support by the implant



TKA 2007





10d after implantation hinged TKA the patient feels a crack in her knee





1 month later Low energy fall, pain right knee



Additional trauma (fall from chair) 1 month after longer stem implantation





Custom made diaphyseal spacer



The only mechanically sound structure is the implant ...

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Technical note

Intraprosthetic screw fixation increases primary fixation stability in periprosthetic fractures of the femur—A biomechanical study



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Methods: A Vancouver C periprosthetic fracture was simulated in femur prosthesis constructs. Fixation was then performed with either unicortical locked-screw plating using the LISS-plate or with intraprosthetic screw fixation. Fixation stability was compared in an axial load-to-failure model.

Results: The intraprosthetic fixation model was superior to the unicortical locked-screw fixation in all tested devices. The intraprosthetic fixation model required $11,807 \text{ N} \pm 1596 \text{ N}$ for failure and the unicortical locked-screw plating required $7649 \text{ N} \pm 653 \text{ N}$ (p = 0.002).

Conclusion: Intraprosthetic screw anchorage with a special prosthesis drill enhances the primary stability in treating periprosthetic fractures by internal fixation.

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Prosthetic Bridging

direct drilling in prosthesis







Spreading Deformation

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Prosthesis to prosthesis



hip to knee replacement

Prosthesis to Bone

Prosthesis: Advancements left to make ...



prostheses shoud have standardized connector options

- extramedullary fixation
- intramedullary fixation

would require legislation to implement ...

Prosthesis: Advancements left to make ...

... like EU did with mandatory USB-C connector by 2024



end of 2024



Summary Advancements Left to Make ...

- individualized implants / Hybrid implants
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Case 3, Hildegard F, *

- 87 year old female
- TKA 2001 right side
- THA 2003 after femoral neck fracture right side
- Low energy fall
- Pain right leg



Hildegard F, *

after minor fall 2 month later



Intraop dead avital bone ... 12 cm resection and spacer implantation ...











Study design:

- 1. Establishment of a model of robot-assisted repositioning of femoral fractures in rats
 - Construction of a fixateur externe
 - Creation of a control program for the robot
- 2. Analysis of plasma cytokine concentrations: Short vs. prolonged repositioning maneuver
- 3. Analysis of muscle biopsies to find pathological changes
- 4. Analysis of non-decalcified bone slices
- 1. μ CT and biomechanical analysis

Implantation of Fixateur extern:



Implantation of Fixateur extern:



Repositiong maneuver:



Dislocation:

←→ 2mm

10 mm up and down

Sham:-Short repositioning:1x timeProlonged repositioning:10x times

Repositiong maneuver:

