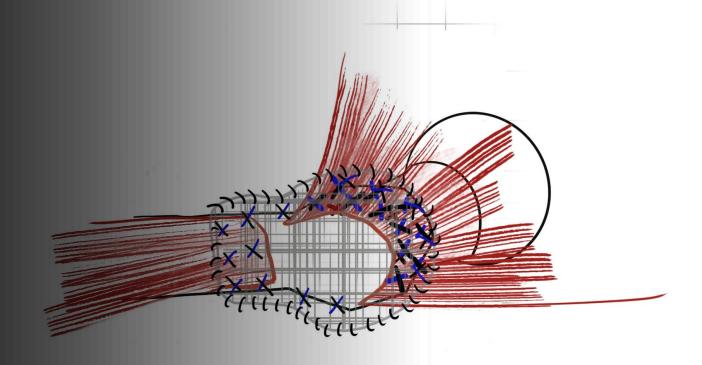


# GLUTEAL TENDON REPAIR Update



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#### Conflicts

- Stefano Alec Bini, MD, FAAOS
- JOURNALS
  - Arthroplasty Today,
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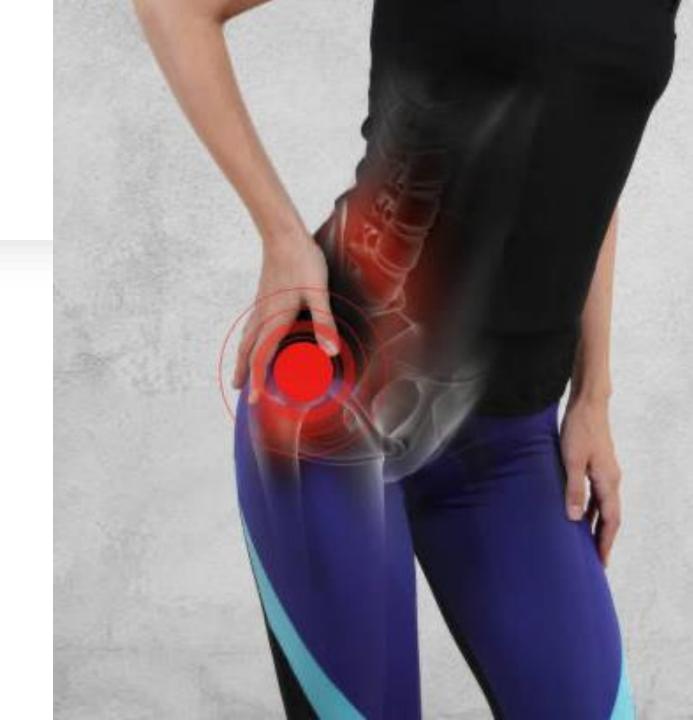
#### DIAGNOSIS

- Symptoms of Abductor insufficiency
- Pain / Bursitis
  - Lateral hip pain
  - Sleep disturbance
  - Pain with stair climbing, walking
- Weakness/ Limp
  - Side to side waddle
  - Use of a cane, walker
- History
  - Multiple injections
  - Hip Surgery

- Imaging
  - XR
    - Flattening of GT,
       Calcifications
  - U/S
    - Detachment
  - MRI
    - Detachment from insertion
    - Fluid Collections
    - Medius and/or Minimus
    - fatty degeneration of muscle

### Greater Trochanteric Pain Syndrome

- Sunil Kumar et all, ESSKA 2021
- Middle aged women
- No history of trauma
- Female predominance
  - Wider pelvis
  - 30% increase abductor moment arm





- Anterolateral Approach
- Metal Ion related Abductor deficiency

Neutral metal insert

26 10 5 mm coramic head

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n cup

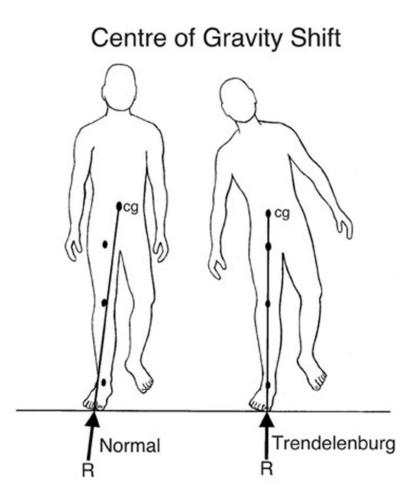
Indications repair Gluteal Sling post THA

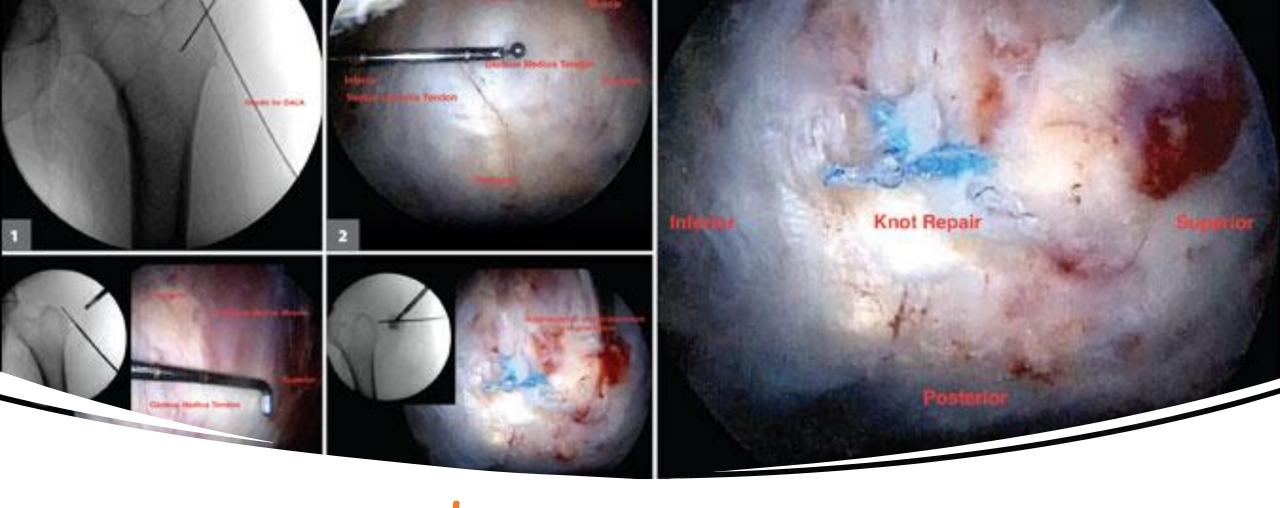






- 4-5 times body weight
- 8 times BW when stumbling
- Much lower forces than the shoulder
  - Impacts recovery and surgical techniques





### Solutions

- Open vs Closed
- Anchors vs. bone tunnels vs knotless anchors
- Patches vs Tendon Transfers

# University Consideration and Challenges

- Tendon
  - Retraction
  - Fatty degeneration
  - Metallosis
- G minimus joint sided tears
- Ipsilateral HIP OA
- Shoulder pathology and ability to use a walker



#### RESULTS



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Complications - Other

Equivalent Mid-Term Results of Open vs Endoscopic Gluteal Tendon Tear Repair Using Suture Anchors in Forty-Five Patients

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- 37 Open Repairs
  - 23 Primary Repairs
  - 12 Secondary Repairs (following THA)
    - 9 Failed
       Anterolateral Repair
    - 6 Metal Ion related
- Mean F/up 20 months
- Decreased Opioid use
- Improved Clinical Function

- 70% excellent results
- 30% poor results
  - Fatty degeneration on MRI >50%
    - Delayed diagnosis
    - Larger Tears
      - No functional attachment
    - Metal ion
  - No functional improvement
  - Good Pain relief

# University Systematic Review

- Parilla, Sappey Marinier, Bini
- 2000 and 2022, 2284 studies published, 25 met inclusion criteria
- Improvement
  - 7/10 transosseous
  - 12/15 suture anchors
  - 30% sub-optimal outcomes
- Of 25 studies complication rates ranged from 0-19%
- Re-tear rates 0-25%
- Infection 0-6 %



#### Fatty Degeneration and Gluteal Tendon Repairs

Archives of Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery https://doi.org/10.1007/s00402-021-03787-2

#### ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY

## Impact of fatty degeneration on the functional outcomes of 38 patients undergoing surgical repair of gluteal tendon tears

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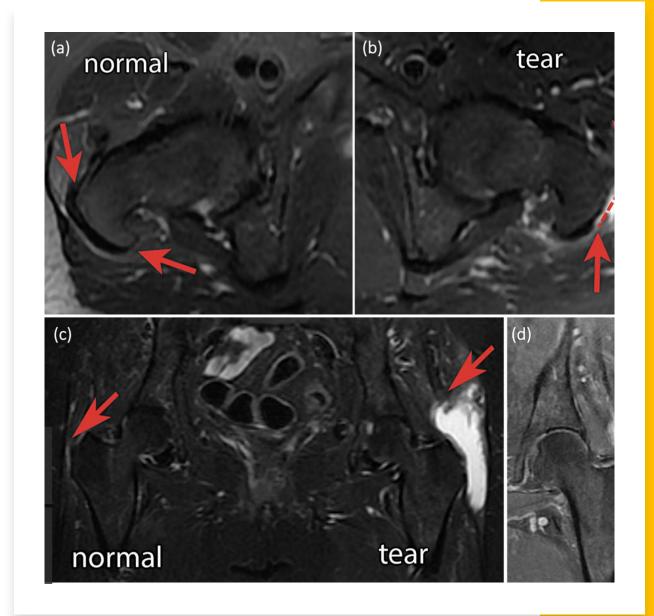
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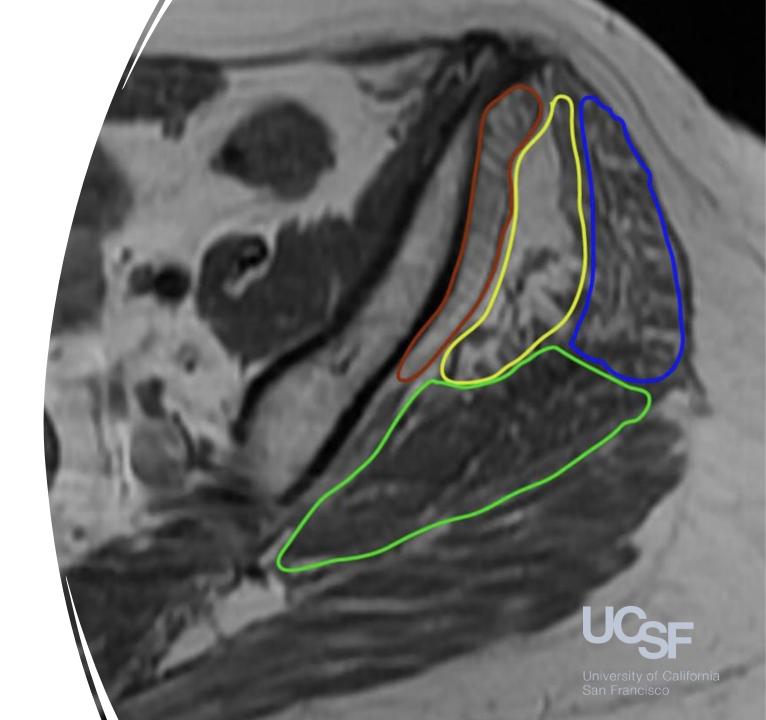
#### Tear Retraction

- X-Rays evaluated for offset and LL rest.
- Tears: Glut med and Min separate eval
  - Full thickness
  - Partial
    - Lateral Burrsal side
    - Medial joint side partial tears
- Length of tendon retraction from GT
- AP width of tear
- Bursitis (0-3) per Chi et al
- MSK radiologist



# Fatty Degeneration and Atrophy

- An axial T1 Sequence of an MRI illustrating the Gmin and 3 parts of the Gmed included in the assessment of Fatty Degeneration
  - Thaunaut (Arthroscopy 2018)
- Muscle atrophy was present if >25% reduction in cross sectional are compared to contralateral side on Coronal mid trochanter view
  - Cvitanit et al AJR 2004





## Results

**38 patients were identified**, 29 (76.3%) were female.

The average age was 67.

Of the **11 (28.9%) patients with a prior hip arthroplasty** 87.5% of primary THAs had a direct lateral approach.

29 (76.3%) patients were treated open and 9 (23.7%) arthroscopically.

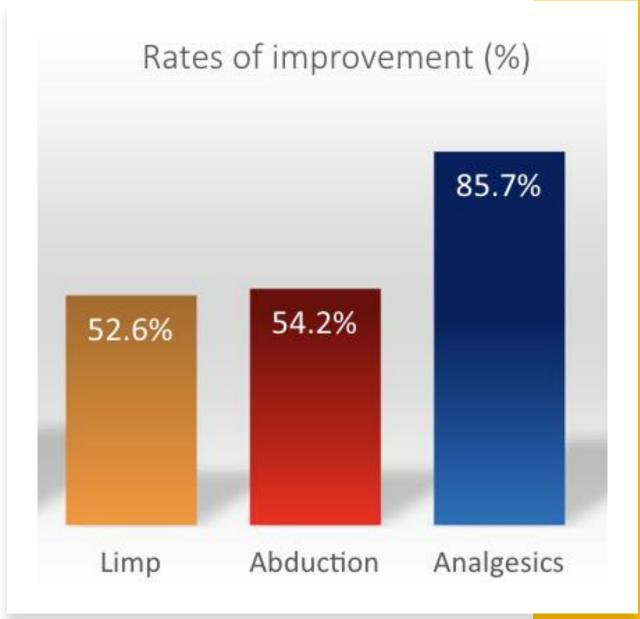
All used a form of **suture anchor** (76% anchor with #2 Fiberwire)

1 had an addition of mesh



#### Results

- At an average follow-up of 20.9 months, patients reported
- a significant improvement in pain (97%),
- No analgesic use (85.7%),
- Persistent limp (52.6%)
- Abduction strength (54.2%) (all: P ≤ 0.01).

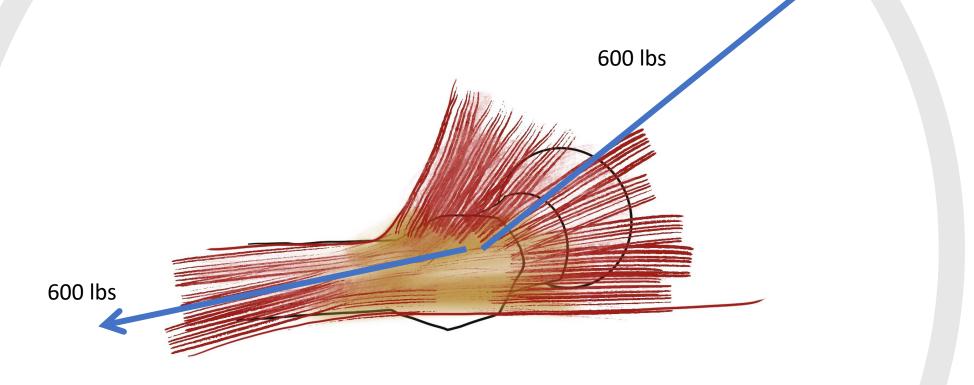




#### Impact of GFC class.

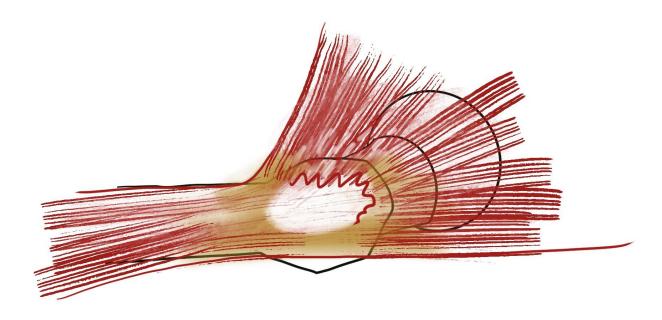
- GFC ≥ 2° were associated with significantly worse outcomes in terms of
- $\lim (0.19/3 \text{ vs. } 1.2/3, P = 0.05),$
- HHS-S1 (58.19 vs. 71.68, P = 0.04) and complication rates (37.5% vs. 0%, P = 0.02)
- There was a strong correlation between tear retraction (P = 0.005), tear size (P = 0.009) and muscle atrophy (P = 0.001) with GFC ≥ 2° but not with clinical outcomes.
- GFC ≥ 2° was strongly related to lateral THA exposures (P < 0.001).</li>
- Open vs closed Surgical approach had no impact on clinical outcome











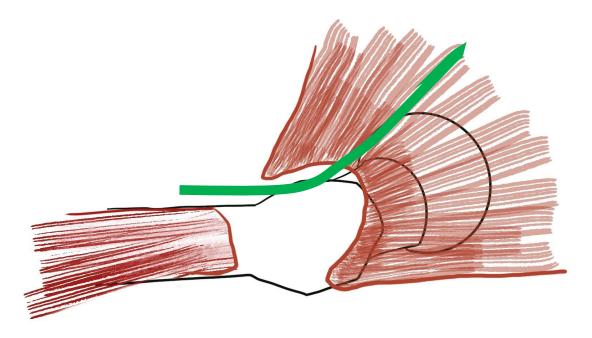
Central Tears, Degenerative







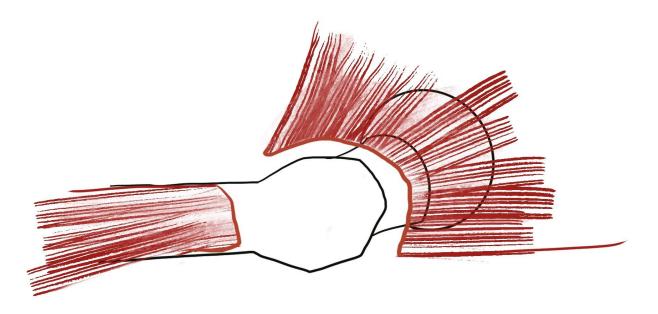




latrogenic from Anterolateral Approach

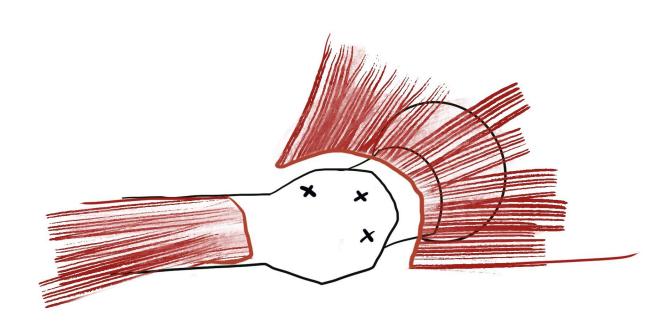




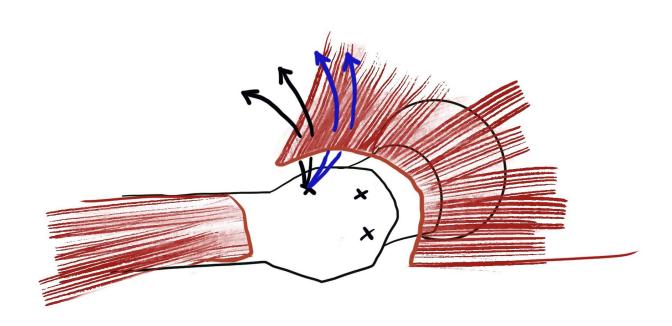


Chronic, degenerative

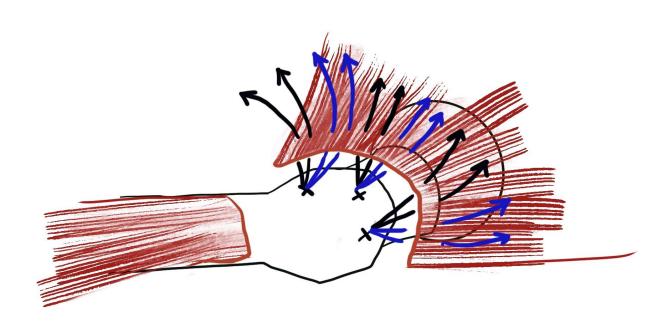




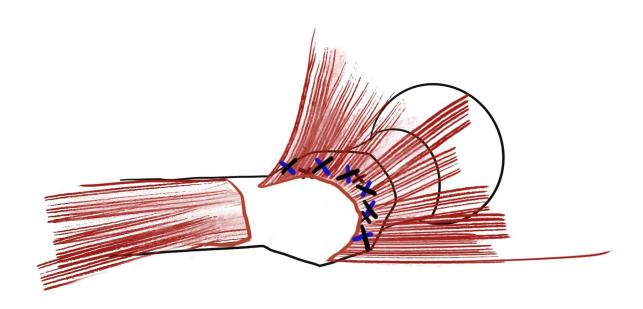




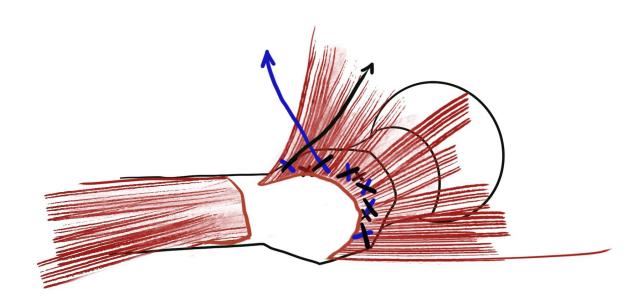




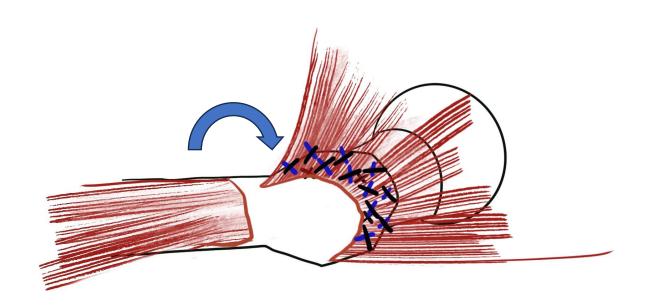




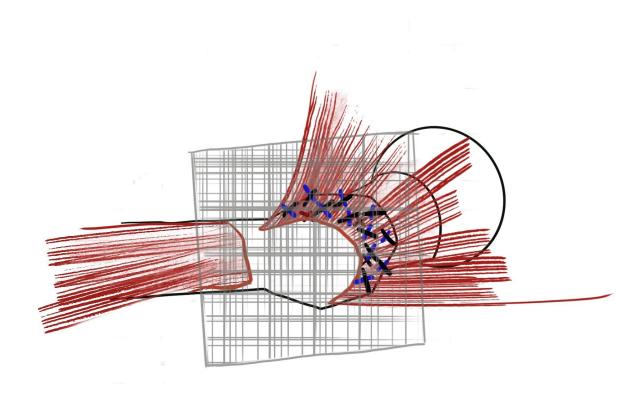




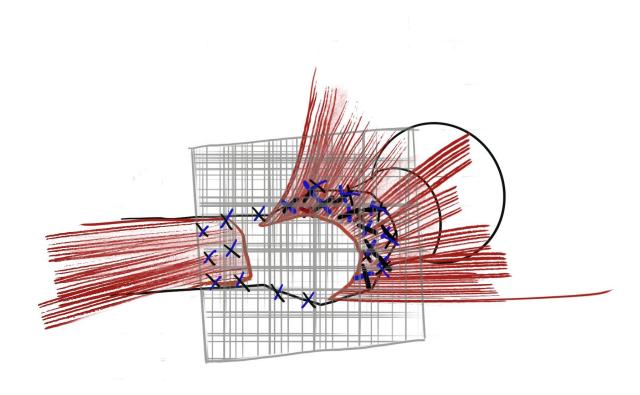




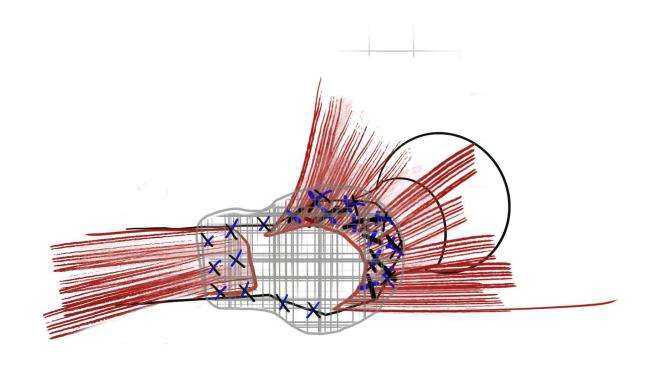




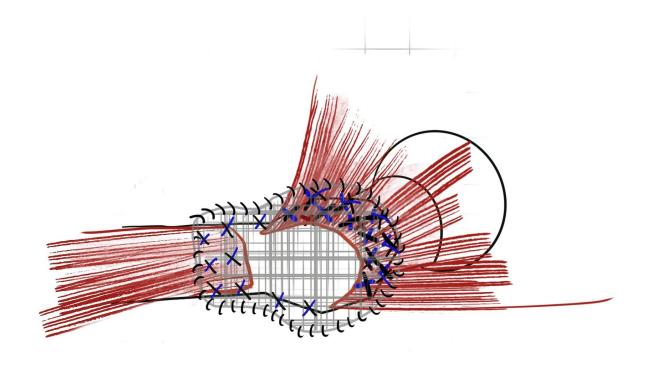




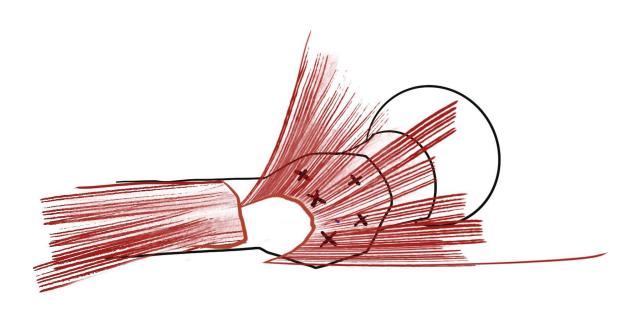




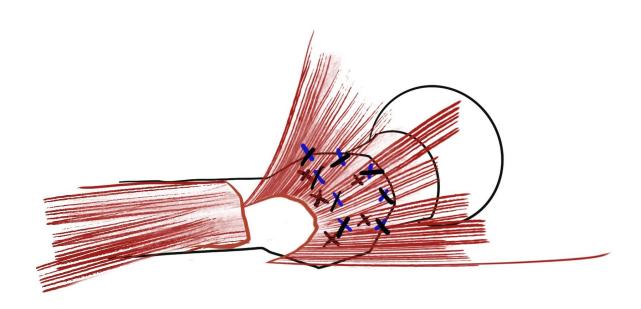




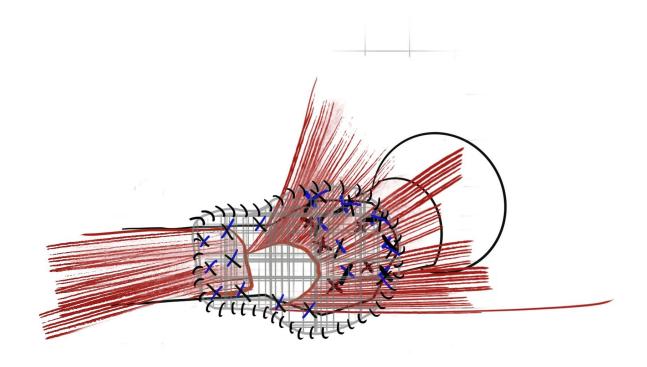


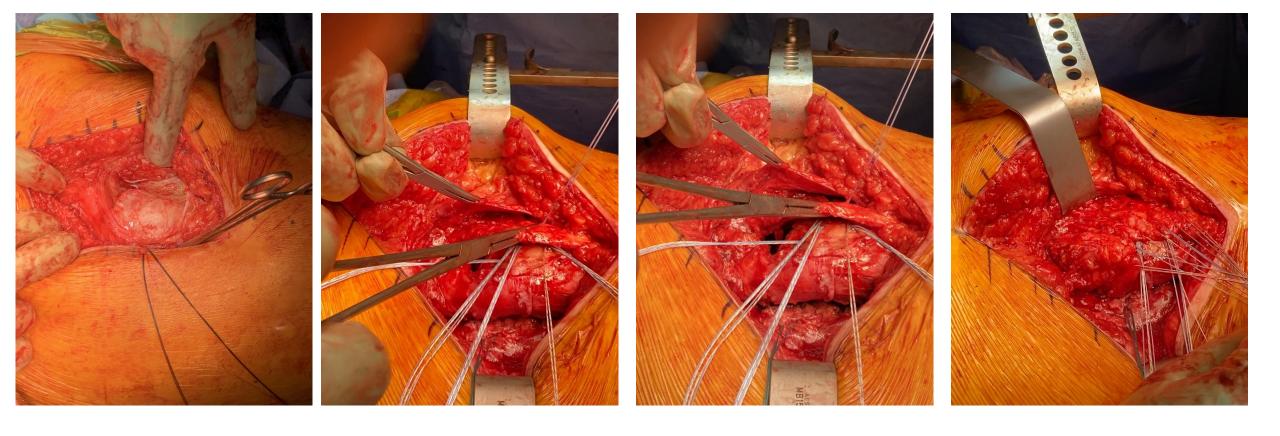




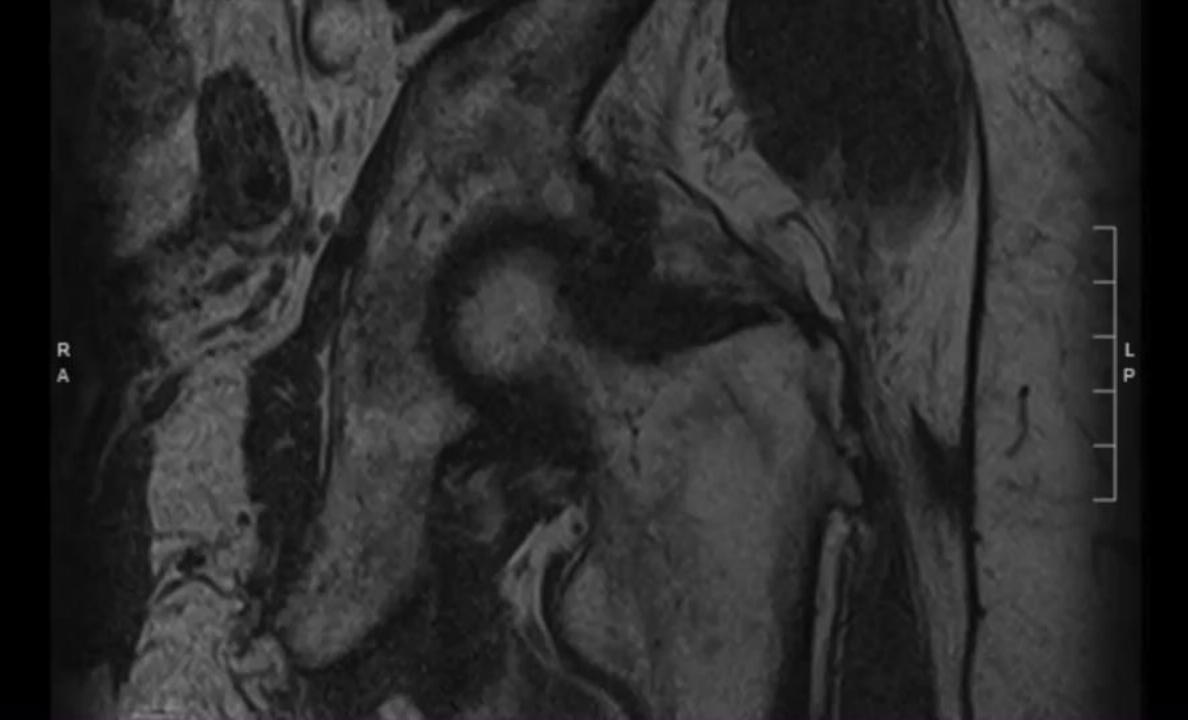


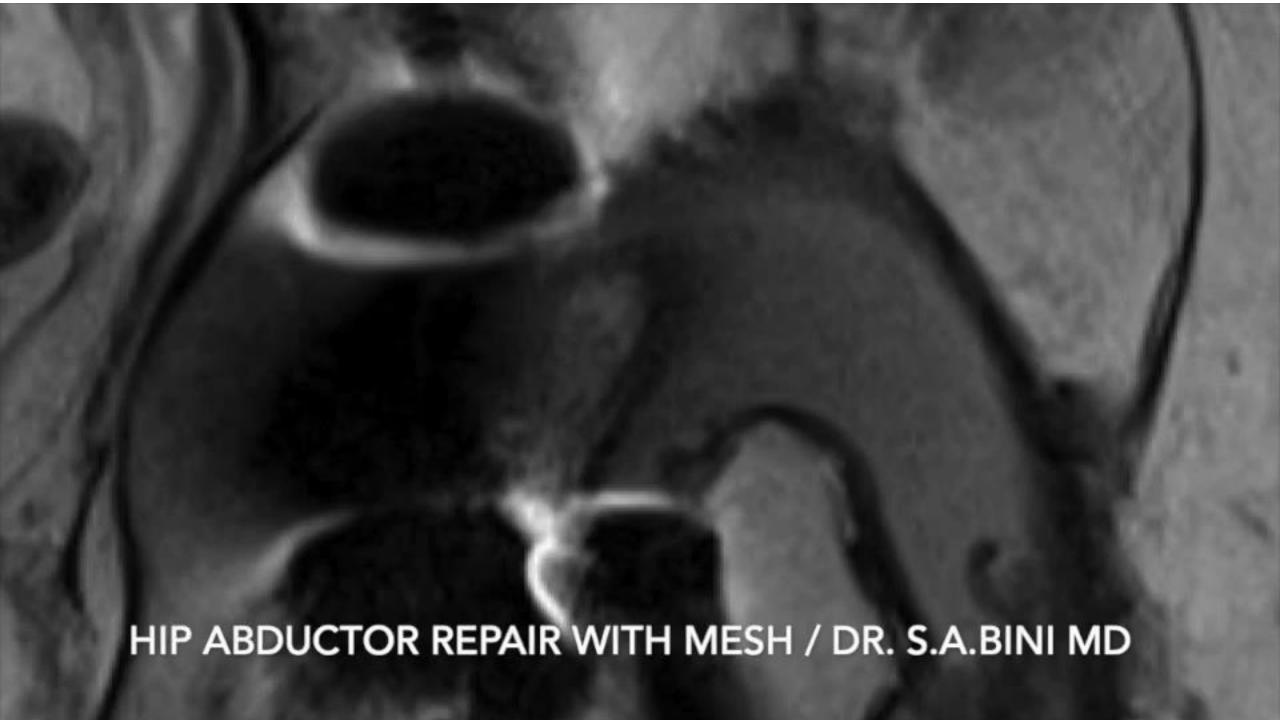






Identifying and freeing the Gmed Sleeve



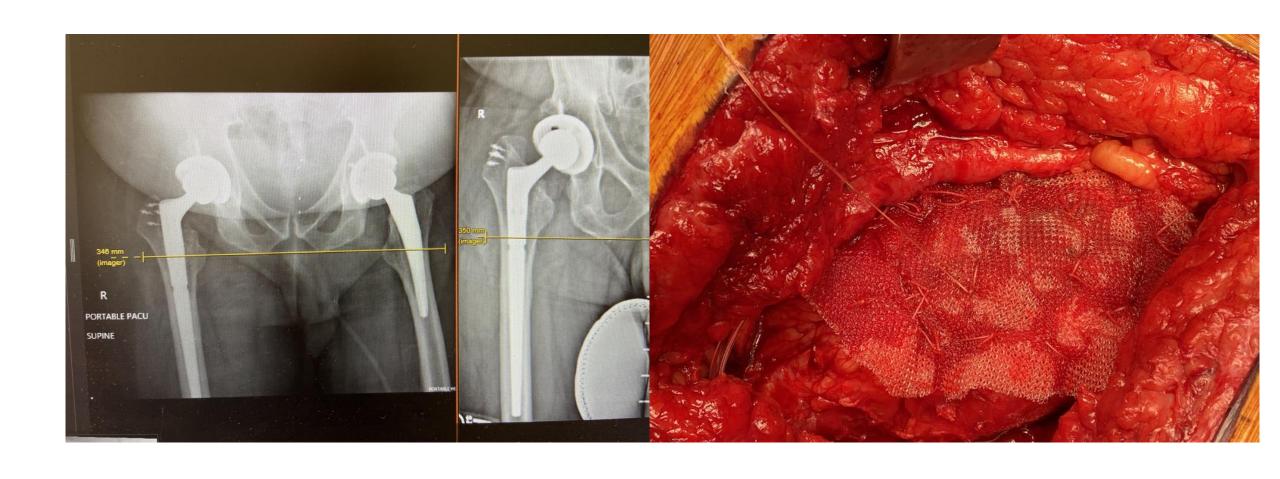


## Post operative recovery

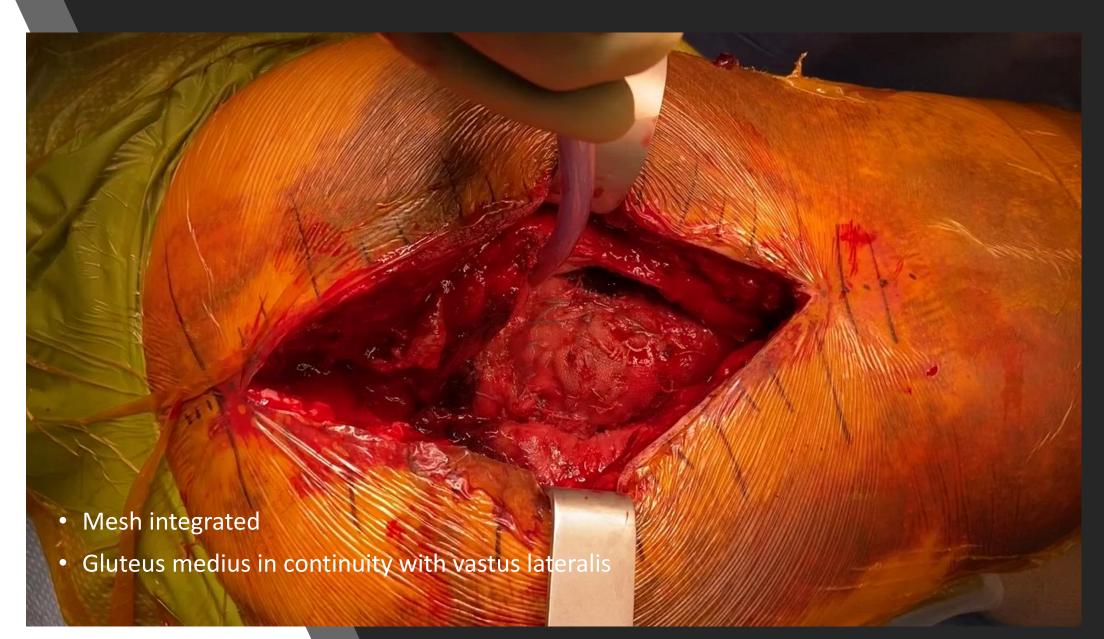
- Prolonged protected weight bearing
  - 12 weeks, 24/7
  - Walker
- PT
  - 0-12 weeks walk
  - >12 weeks OK to do Abductor strengthening
- Wounds SQ closure with Glue and Tegaderm
  - Can bathe immediately



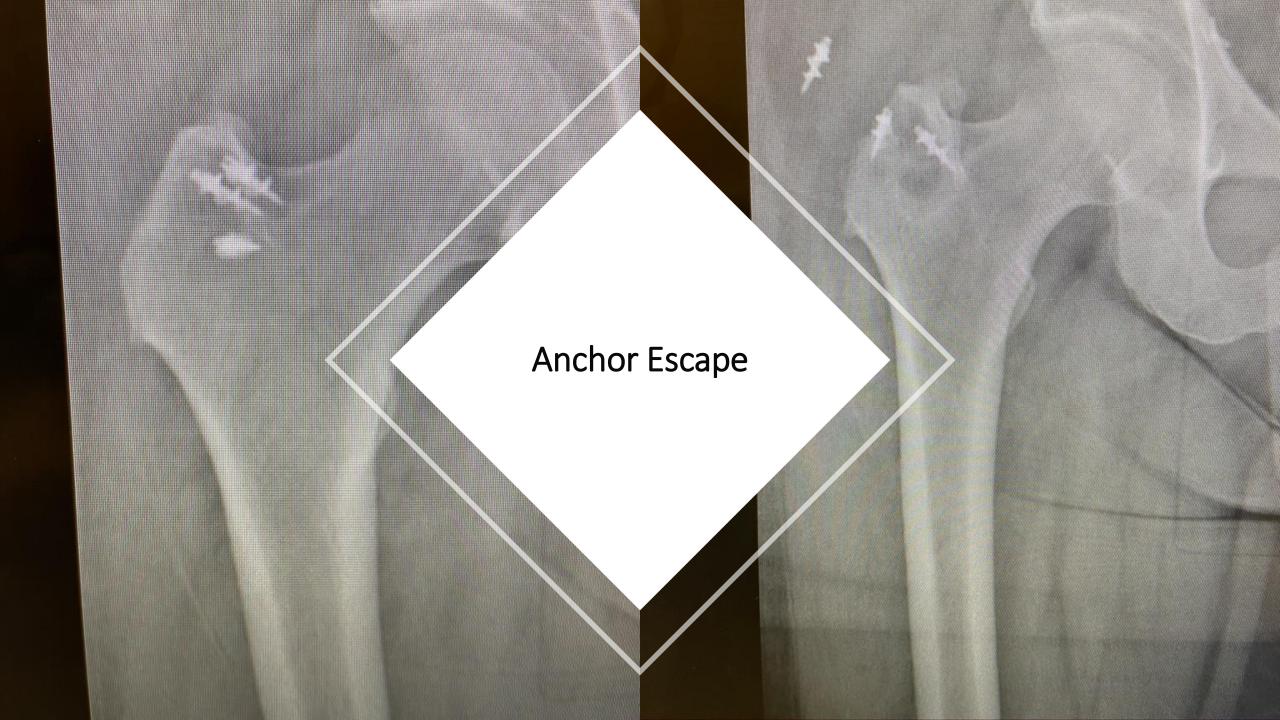
## At time of Revision Surgery



#### Gluteus Medius Repair (revision hip)



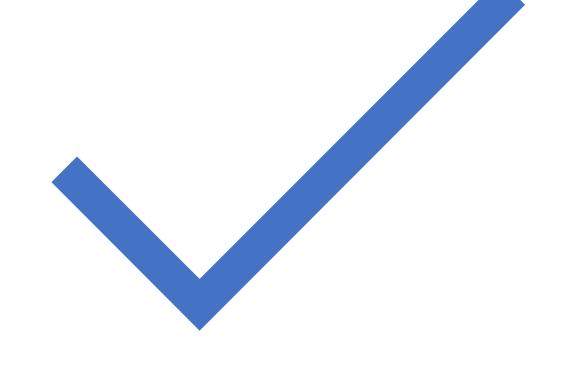






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And one more thing...



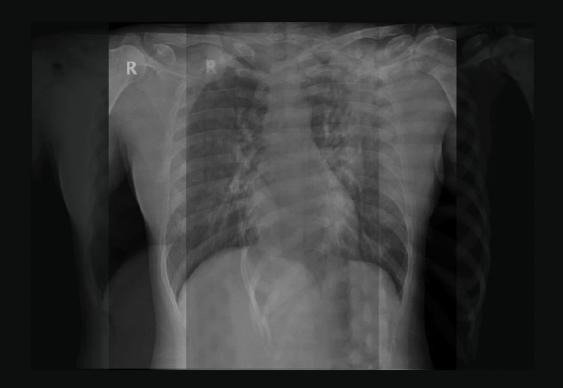
#### Clinical Decision Support Systems

- Knowledge Based (rules driven) and Knowledge Free (machine learning) to analyze clinical data
- Currently mostly leverage EHRs
- Philips, Allscripts, AthenaHealth, GE Healthcare, McKesson etc
  - Medication Errors
  - Image Analysis
- Currently over \$2B



#### from Single X-ray image with Al

Tissue Separation on X-ray



**Tissue extraction from X-ray image** 

### Mid Flexion Instability

take a perfectly good knee balance it in flexion and extension about the wrong axis ...then "drive".

Mid-flexion instability is an artifact of mechanical alignment.



What happens when you change the axis of rotation of a knee?

# Take a perfectly good car

