

Cemented stems in osteoporotic patients undergoing elective THA

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Osteoporosis

Significant public health problem with an expected increase in prevalence in the coming decades

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Osteoporosis and THA

- 16% to 26% of candidates for elective THA may present with Osteoporosis Xiao, Arch Osteoporos. 2022
- Higher risk of both surgical and medical complications after THA Daher, Hip Pelvis. 2024
- higher readmission rates and can compromise functional outcomes Emara, J Arthroplasty. 2025.
- Medically treated osteoporosis is associated with a 2.8x greater risk of PFF (compared to non-osteoporotic patients) Lindberg-Larsen Acta Orthop. 2017



Patients with Osteoporosis Are at Higher Risk for Periprosthetic Femoral Fractures and Aseptic Loosening Following Total Hip Arthroplasty

> 90d*, 1y and 2y* Layson, Orthop Clin North Am 2024



Cemented stems vs Cementless stems

Overall PPF risk: Classical knowledge

Cemented stems have significant lower risk of PPF compared to cementless fixation

Thien, JBJS 2014

- Cementless: Early post op
- Cemented: Late post op



Is the risk of femoral failure in osteoporotic patients influenced by the type of fixation in the current era in the US?

Kuyl, JOA 2024

- 8,431 osteoporotic patients included (Pearldiver)
- Primary THA from 2015 to 2022.
- 2,564 patients (13.9%) cemented femoral stem fixation
- 15,867 (86.1%) cementless femoral stem fixation.

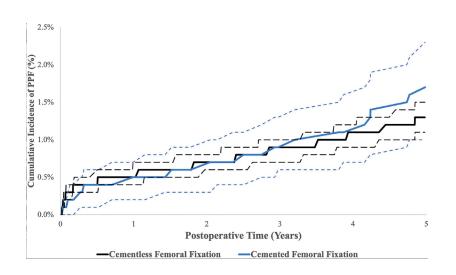


Aseptic loosening more prevalent in cemented stems No difference in PPF or all aseptic revisions

Table 2. Cumulative Incidence Rate and Cox <u>Proportional Hazard Analysis</u> of 5-Y Periprosthetic Fracture, Mechanical Loosening, and Aseptic Revision for Total Hip Arthroplasty With Cemented Versus Cementless Femoral Fixation.

| Outcome | Cemented Femoral Fixation CIR (%) | Cementless Femoral Fixation CIR (%) | Hazard Ratio | 95% CI | <i>P</i> Value |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| 5-Year Surgical O | utcomes | | | | |
| Periprosthetic Fracture | 1.7 | 1.3 | 0.96 | 0.64 to 1.44 | .858 |
| Mechanical Loosening | 1.7 | 0.8 | 1.79 | 1.17 to 2.71 | .007 |
| Aseptic Revision | 2.3 | 1.4 | 1.13 | 0.79 to 1.62 | .500 |

CIR, cumulative incidence rate.



Cementless in the current US scenario is a great option



Specifically in Osteoporotic patients

- A literature gap exists regarding the performance of the Collared Triple-Taper Stem (CTTS) in osteoporotic patients.
- Recent registry data comparing CTTS to cemented stems in elderly patients shows no difference in periprosthetic fracture risk Kelly, JOA 2025
- Limitation: This data uses age as the sole surrogate for bone quality





Low Risk of Early Femoral Failure in Osteoporotic THA with Cementless Collared Triple Taper Stems: An Early Clinico-Radiographic Analysis



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INTRODUCTION

- Osteoporosis is a major risk factor for early femoral failure after elective cementless total hip arthroplasty (THA)
- The performance of cementless collared triple taper stems (CTTS) in patients with confirmed osteoporosis remains unknown
- Our study aimed to evaluate early clinico-radiographic outcomes of cementless CTTS in osteoporotic patients undergoing elective THA

METHODS

 Design: Retrospective study at a single academic institution (2018 – 2025)

| Characteristic | Mean ± SD | Characteristic | %N |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-----|
| DEXA < -2.5 | 89% | Treatment | 81% |
| T-score | -3.1 ± 0.6 | Pre-op | 26% |
| T-score range | -5.7 – -2.5 | Peri-op | 47% |
| Time from surgery (months) | 6.2 ± 3.3 | Post-op | 8% |
| Fragility Fracture | 35% | Bisphosphonates PO | 52% |
| Hip, n | 11 | Bisphosphonates IV | 11% |
| Pelvis, n | 2 | RANKLi | 10% |
| Spine, n | 9 | PTH Analog | 5% |
| Wrist, n | 4 | PTHrP | 3% |

Table 1. Patient Osteoporosis Characterization





RESULTS

- The morphologic characterization of the included osteoporotic proximal femurs is shown in table 2
- Postoperative CFRs were high (Zone 1: 0.66; Zone 2: 0.79; Zone 3: 0.76; Zone 4: 0.74) indicating a satisfactory fit of the CTTS in osteoporotic proximal femur
- No measurable stem subsidence (>3 mm) was observed, even in the cases with a proud collar (number?)
- During the first 90 days, there were no femoral failures
- With a mean follow-up of 18.5 months, there was no femoral failures

PPF after a fall. No previous diagnosis of osteoporosis









Femoral neck fractures

The definition of Osteoporotic patient

Revision Risk

- 30-day revision risk due to PFF with CS is ten times lower (0.07%) compared to uncemented stems (0.74%)
- No revisions for CS were reported at 90 and 180 days in a 4,427 THA cohort
- More pronounced effect on FNF favoring cemented

Heckmann, JOA 2021



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2021 John Charnley Award: A protocol-based strategy when using hemiarthroplasty or total hip arthroplasty for femoral neck fractures decreases mortality, length of stay, and complications

Heather J. Roberts ✓ Jeffrey Barry ✓ Kevin Nguyen ✓ Thomas Vail ✓ Utku Kandemir ✓ Stephanie Rogers ✓ Derek Ward ✓

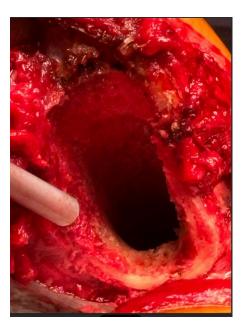
Cemented stems are our choice



Line to Line Cementation (French Paradox)

Current personal choice







If you decide to go cemented, what should you know





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Cemented Femoral Stem Fixation: Back to the Future

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PPF in CS: Low risk, late presentation

- Long-term Risk Baryeh Arch Orthop Trauma Surg. 2022
- 1.5% PFF risk observed with CS.
- Average time to fracture was 71 months, usually following low-energy falls



Not all cemented stems are equal

- National Joint Registry of England and Wales (2003 a 2013)
- **1**292.987 CS
- There was a difference in the risk of PPF between the most implanted taper-slip design (0.1%, Exeter V40) and all other taper-slip stems (0.3%), both higher than the composite beam groups (0.05%), which was statistically significant.

Kazi, Acta Orthop 2019



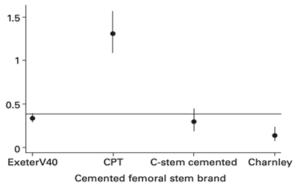


Fig. 2

Person-time incidence rates (PTIR) for the four cemented stem brands with the 95% confidence intervals shown. The overall PTIR for all cemented femoral stems is shown as a solid black horizontal line for comparison.

Table III. Univariable and multivariable Poisson regression models of the effect of stem brand and patient factors on revision rate for periprosthetic fracture for cemented femoral brands (based on the cemented sample of brands with n = 206 004)

| | Univariable model RR (95% Cl), p-value for model* | Multivariable model 1 [†] RR (95% CI) | Multivariable model 2 RR (95% CI) | |
|-----------------|--|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Brand | | | | |
| Exeter V40 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | |
| C-Stem Cemented | 0.88 (0.56 to 1.38) | 0.87 (0.55 to 1.37) | 0.88 (0.56 to 1.38) | |
| CPT | 3.91 (3.09 to 4.95) | 3.97 (3.13 to 5.02) | 3.93 (3.10 to 4.97) | |
| Charnley | 0.41 (0.24 to 0.69), p < 0.001 | 0.41 (0.24 to 0.70) | 0.42 (0.25 to 0.70) | |



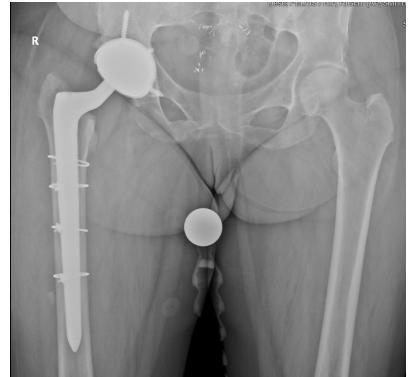
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Good Bone cement interface Kwong, Under Review





Poor BC interface



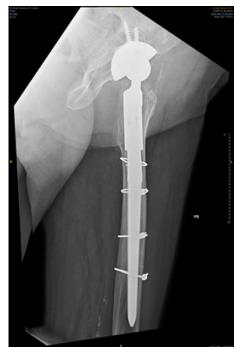




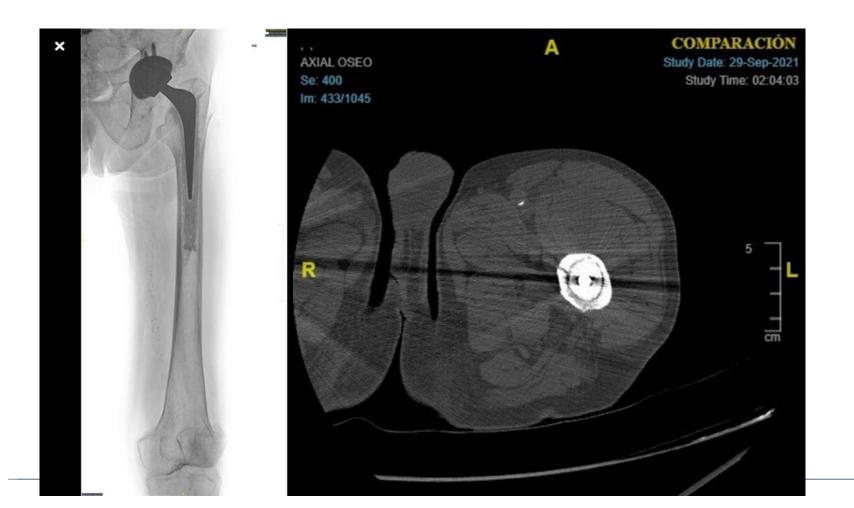






















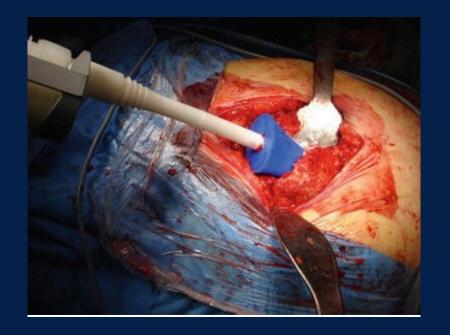
DAA: Some cemented designs perform better than others, scarce data Which is The Optimal Cemented Stem in Direct Anterior Approach THA? A Systematic Review of Current Evidence. Ghanta, Under Review

| Author | Year Publis hed | Journal | Level of Evidence | MINORS | Study Period | No. of Hips | Female Patients (%) | Mean Age | ВМІ | Mean Follow- up (yrs) | Stem (Cassar-Gheiti Classification) | All-Cause Revision rate (%) | Femoral Aseptic Loosening Revision rate (%) | Periprosthetic fracture rate (%) |
|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------|--------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------|------|-----------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Kawarai | 2017 | International Orthopaedics | IV | 18 | 2013-2015 | 106 | 89.6 | 67.3 | 23.7 | 1 | Type 3 (Line to Line) | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Cidambi | 2018 | JOA | IV | 10 | 2007-2011 | 16 | - | - | - | - | Type 2 (Shape Closed) | - | 6.3 | - |
| Kenanidis | 2020 | Arthroplasty Today | IV | 11 | 2016-2019 | 116 | 57 | 76 | 24.8 | 0.08 | Type 3 (Line to Line) | - | - | - |
| Nizam | 2021 | SICOT-J | IV | 10 | 2013-2018 | 215 | - | 77 | 28.6 | 2.9 | Type 1 (Force Closed) | - | - | 0.5 |
| Ennin | 2021 | BJJ | III | 18 | 2016-2018 | 157 | 70 | 76 | - | 1.3 | Type 3 (Line to Line) | - | 0 | 0 |
| McGodrick | 2021 | BJJ | IV | 20 | 2018-2021 | 58 | 39 | 72.8 | 26.9 | 0.12 | Type 1 (Force Closed) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Miyamoto | 2022 | JOA | IV | 11 | 2009-2011 | 151 | 88.7 | 62.9 | 23.8 | 10.7 | Type 3 (Line to Line) | 5.3 | 0 | 2.6 |
| Pomeroy | 2022 | JOA | III | 20 | 2016-2021 | 147 | 82.3 | 75.1 | 27.5 | - | Type 1 (Force Closed) | - | - | - |
| Moskal | 2022 | JOA | III | 10 | 2013-2020 | 473 | 64.7 | 76 | 27.3 | 3.2 | Type 1 (Force Closed) | 2 | 0 | 1.1 |
| Menken | 2022 | JOA | IV | 19 | 2009-2019 | 161 | 91.9 | 78 | 22 | 0.9 | Type 2 (Shape Closed) | - | - | 0 |
| Shichman | 2023 | AOTS | IV | 20 | 2016-2021 | 204 | - | - | - | 0.12 | Type 1 (Force Closed) | - | - | - |
| Hoskins | 2024 | Hip International | III | 22 | 2015-2021 | 10,742 | 67.1 | 73.9 | 27.9 | 6 | Type 1 (Force Closed) | 1.6 | 0.2 | 0.4 |
| Melman | 2024 | JOSR | IV | 9 | 2009-2013 | 175 | 77 | 70 | 28 | 7 | Type 4 (Anatomical) | 4.6 | 3.4 | 4.6 |
| Simon | 2024 | AOTS | IV | 18 | 2013-2022 | 1042 | 39 | - | - | 3.9 | Type 1 vs 3 | 1.9 | - | - |
| argas-Meouchi | 2024 | EJOST | III | 18 | 2018-2019 | 50 | 60 | 85.4 | 28.2 | 12.4 | Type 1 (Force Closed) | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Laboudie | 2024 | BJJ | III | 11 | 2018-2022 | 416 | 72.8 | 77.4 | 25.3 | 2.6 | Type 3 (Line to Line) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| hadayammuri | 2025 | JOA | III | 19 | 2016-2018 | 101 | 82.9 | 75 | 27.2 | 1.7 | Type 3 (Line to Line) | 0 | 0 | 0 |



It remains unknown

 The number of cemented stems you have to do annually to be proficient in the current US scenario





Osteoporosis should be recognized as a substantial comorbidity requiring careful assessment and consideration during THA planning.

Use the stem you have the more experience with CTTS are, so far, an excellent alternative to cemented stems Possibly better than all other cementless designs



39 yo F, Rheum Arthritis

Femur Neck BMD values= 0.551 T-score= -2.7 Z-score= -2.5





