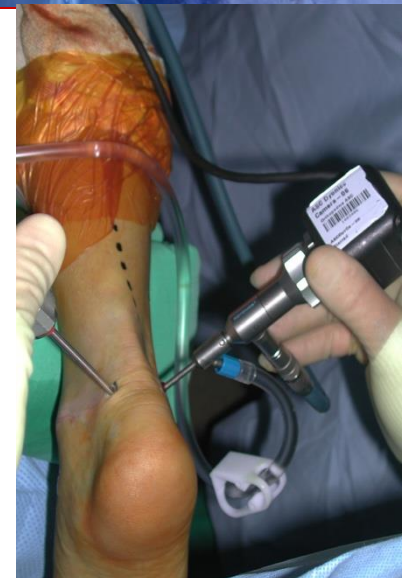




Advances in Foot and Ankle Arthroscopy

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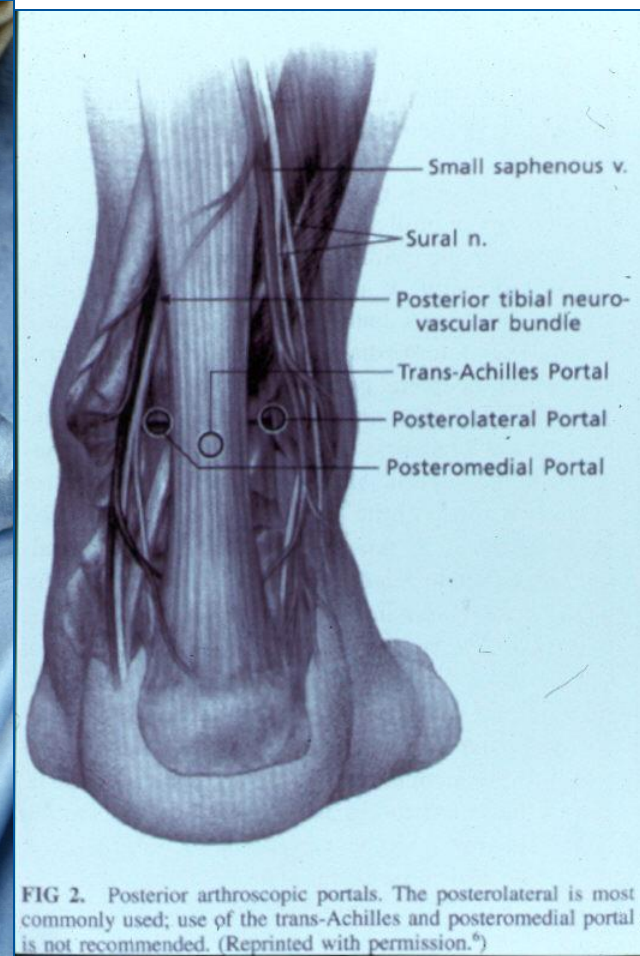
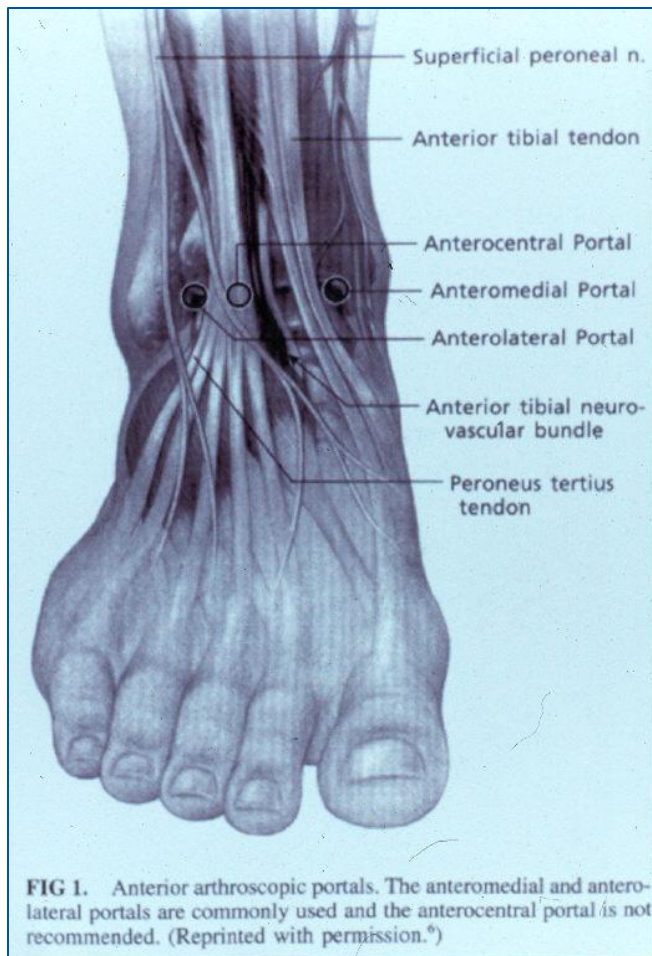
Ankle Arthroscopy:

Standard Indications:

- **Soft tissue/bony impingement**
- **Loose bodies**
- **OCL talus(OLT) : medial/lateral**
- **OA/chondromalacia**
- **Arthrofibrosis post fracture**
- **synovitis**



Ankle Arthroscopy: technique





Arthroscopy : Results

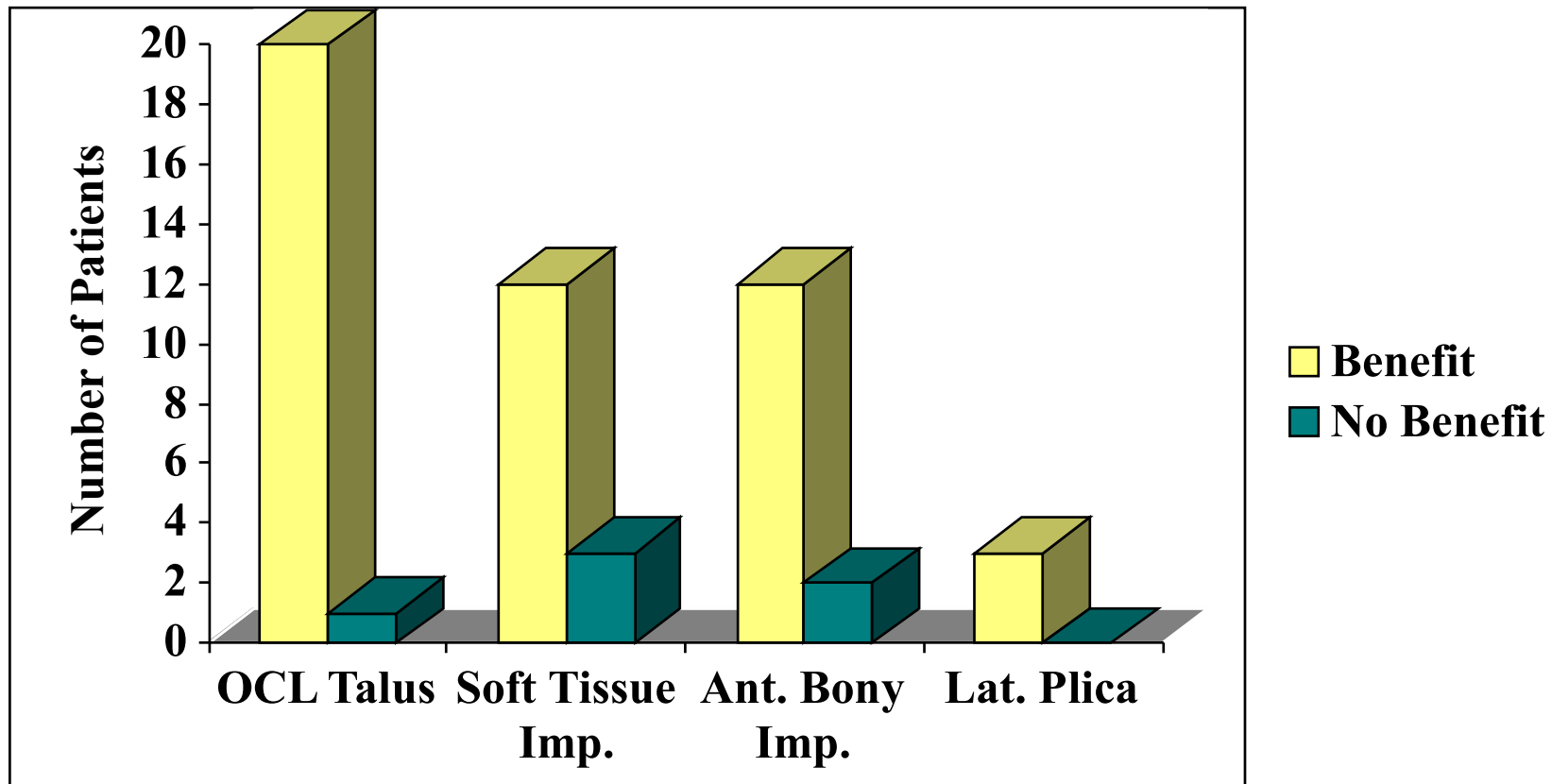
- Demographics

- 79 patients
- 51 M/ 28 F
- average age 30.8 yrs (16 - 56)
- follow up 24 - 42 mos

Amendola et al, Arthroscopy, 1995



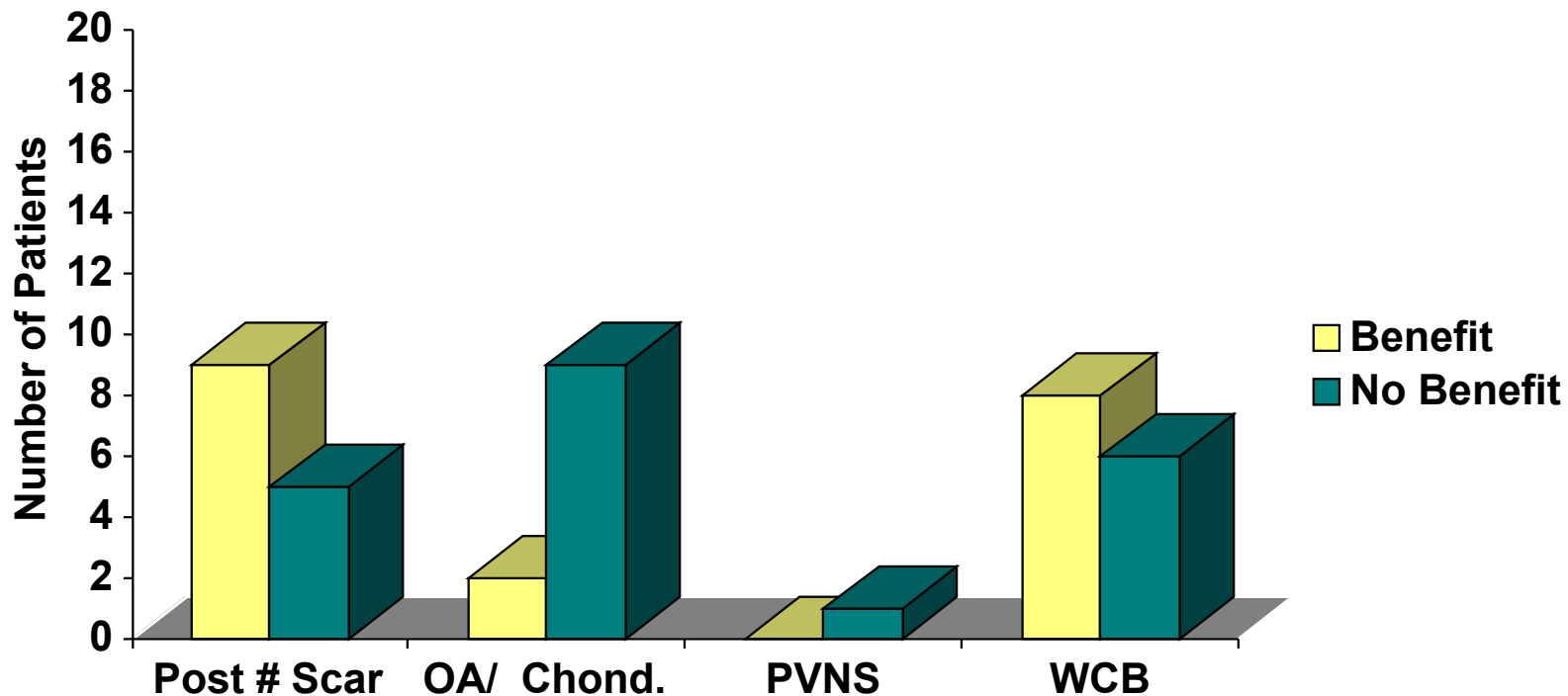
Outcome of Ankle Arthroscopies



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Outcome of Ankle Arthroscopies



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INDICATIONS in SPORT

- Acute and chronic osteochondral lesions
- Acute and chronic instability
- Syndesmotic injuries
- Soft tissue/bony impingement: anterior and posterior
- Loose bodies



Ankle Arthroscopy

Evolving INDICATIONS

- Acute ankle fractures
- Posterior ankle arthroscopy/ subtalar joint
- Tendoscopy / peri-articular
- Arthrodesis : ST/Ankle

OLT long term outcomes

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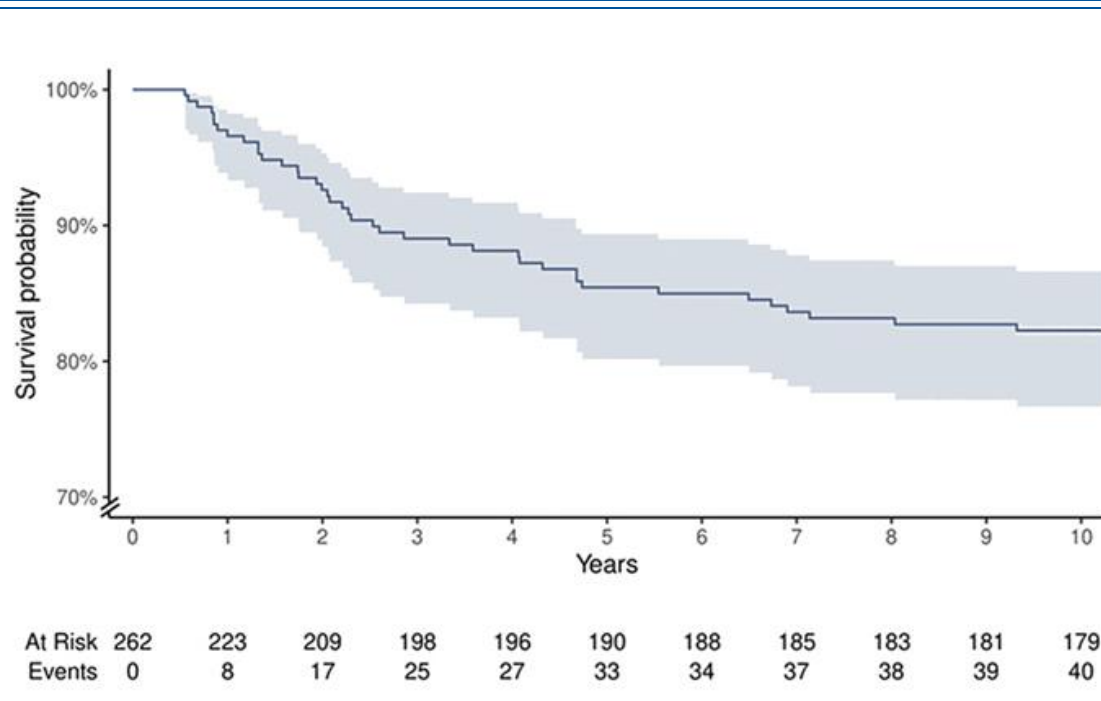
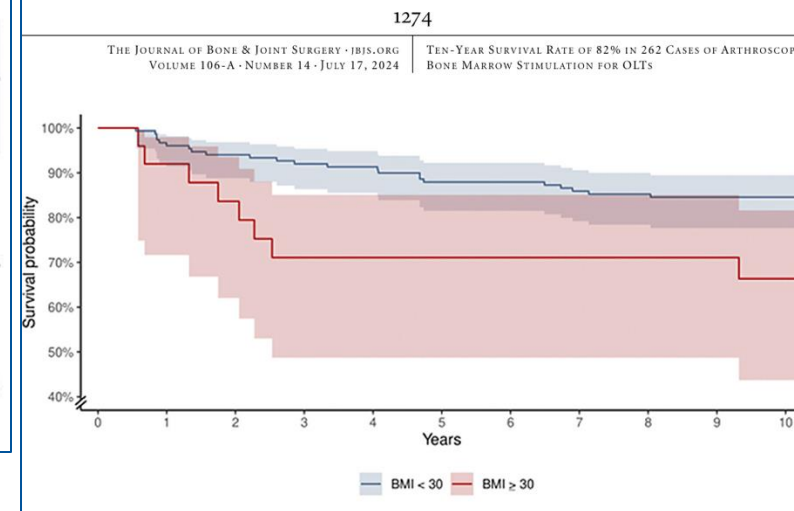


TABLE III Cox Regression Analysis of Baseline Factors Associated with Failure*

Analysis and Variable	HR (95% CI)	P Value
Univariate		
Lesion size		
≤100 mm ²	Reference	
>100 mm ²	0.93 (0.47-1.83)	0.82
Lesion type		
Primary	Reference	
Non-primary	1.78 (0.93-3.41)	0.08
Presence of cyst		
No	Reference	
Yes	1.02 (0.57-1.85)	0.94
BMI		
<30 kg/m ²	Reference	
≥30 kg/m ²	3.04 (1.44-6.43)	<0.01
Sex†		
Male	Reference	
Female	0.60 (0.33-1.08)	0.09*
Multivariable		
Lesion type		
Primary	Reference	
Non-primary	1.57 (0.83-3.03)	0.18
BMI		
<30 kg/m ²	Reference	
≥30 kg/m ²	2.82 (1.30-6.1)	0.01
Final model		
BMI		
<30 kg/m ²	Reference	
≥30 kg/m ²	3.04 (1.44-6.43)	<0.01

*After multiple imputation. HR = hazard ratio, CI = confidence interval. †Sex was not included in the formal analysis because of underpowering, as described in the Materials and Methods section. However, it is shown here to support the secondary analysis and should be interpreted as such.





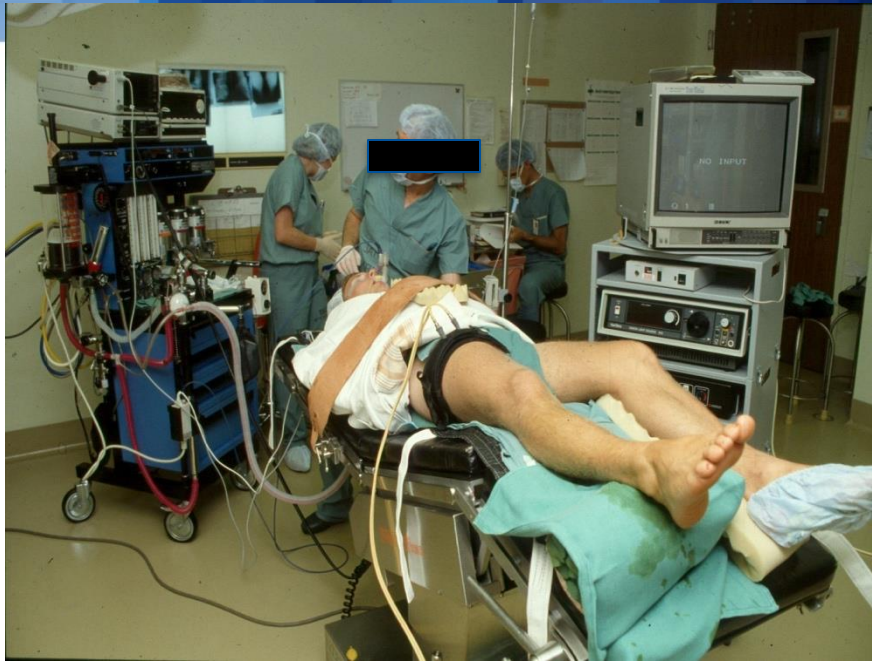
Ankle Arthroscopy : Portals

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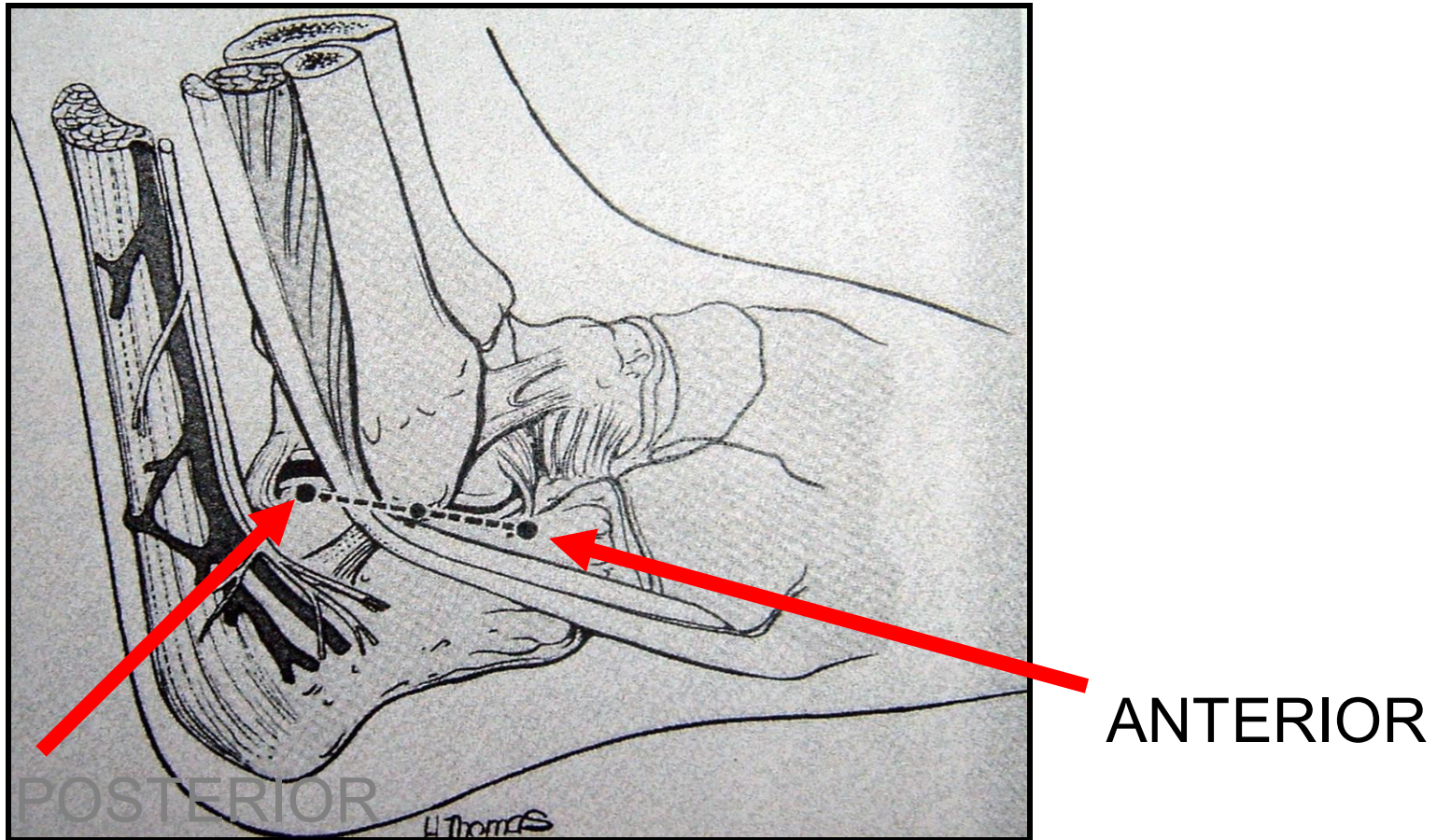
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 accessory lateral
2. anteromedial
 accessory medial
3. posterolateral
4. (transmalleolar)

Prone position

1. posteromedial
2. Posterolateral
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 posterolateral

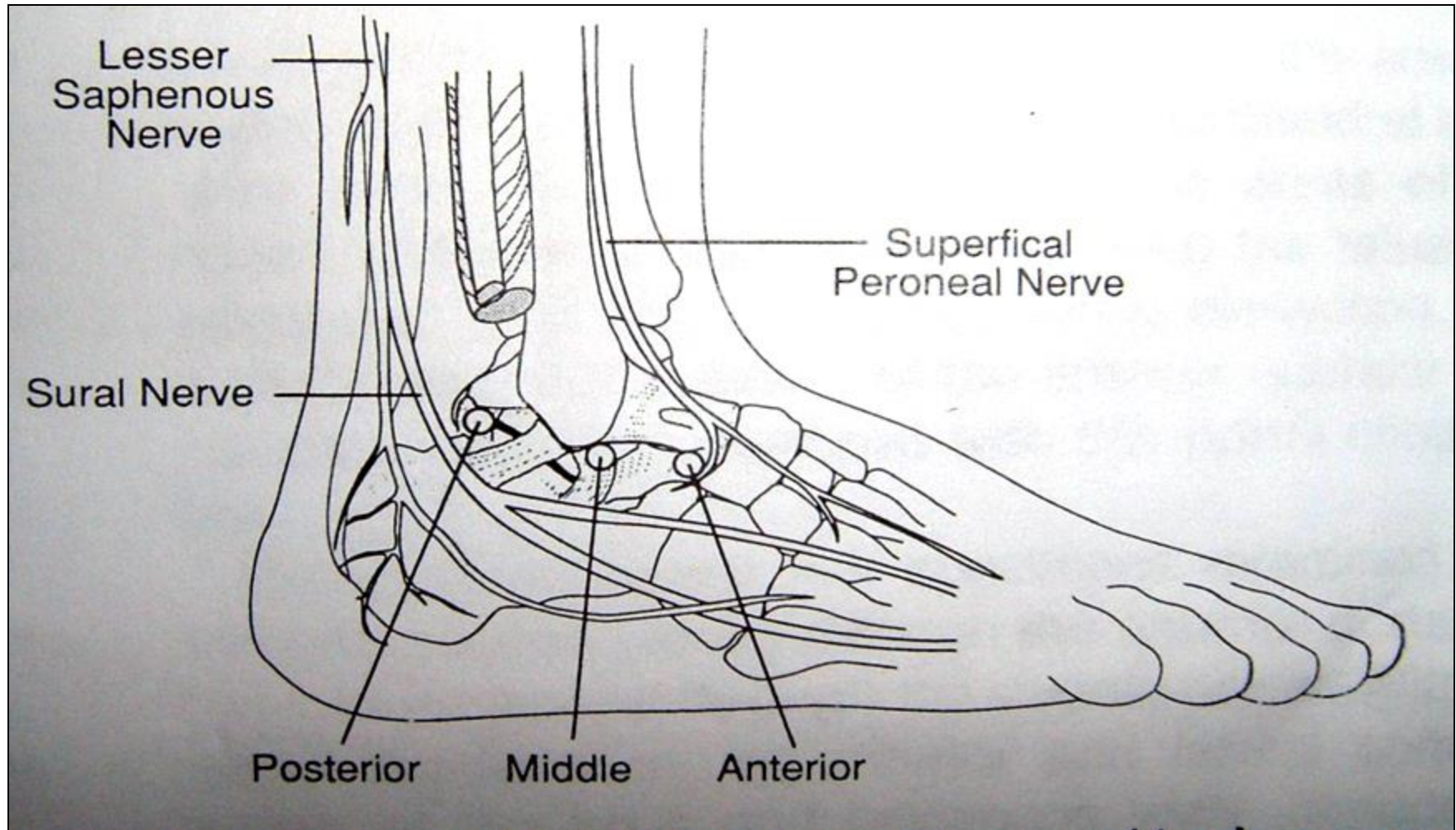


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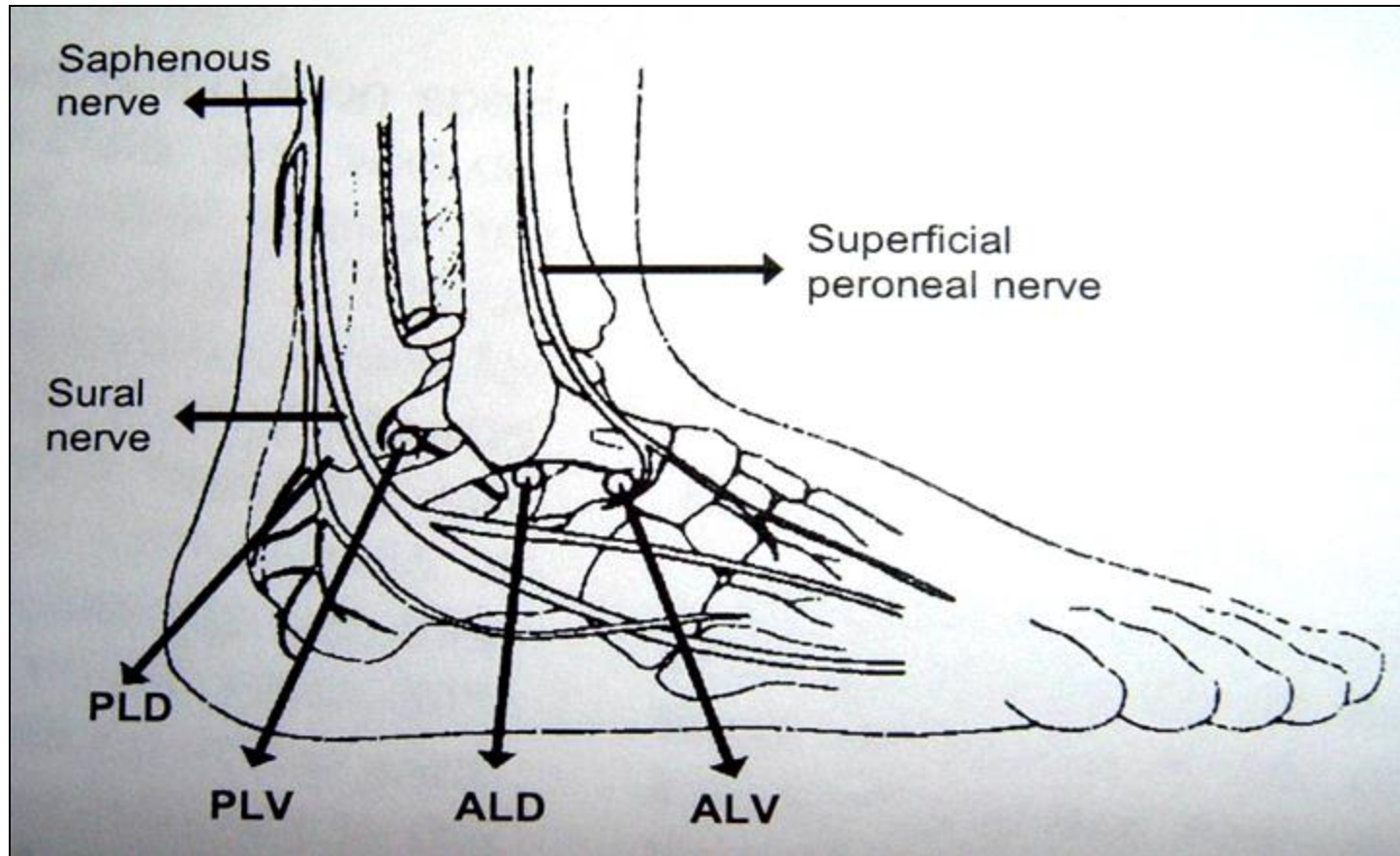


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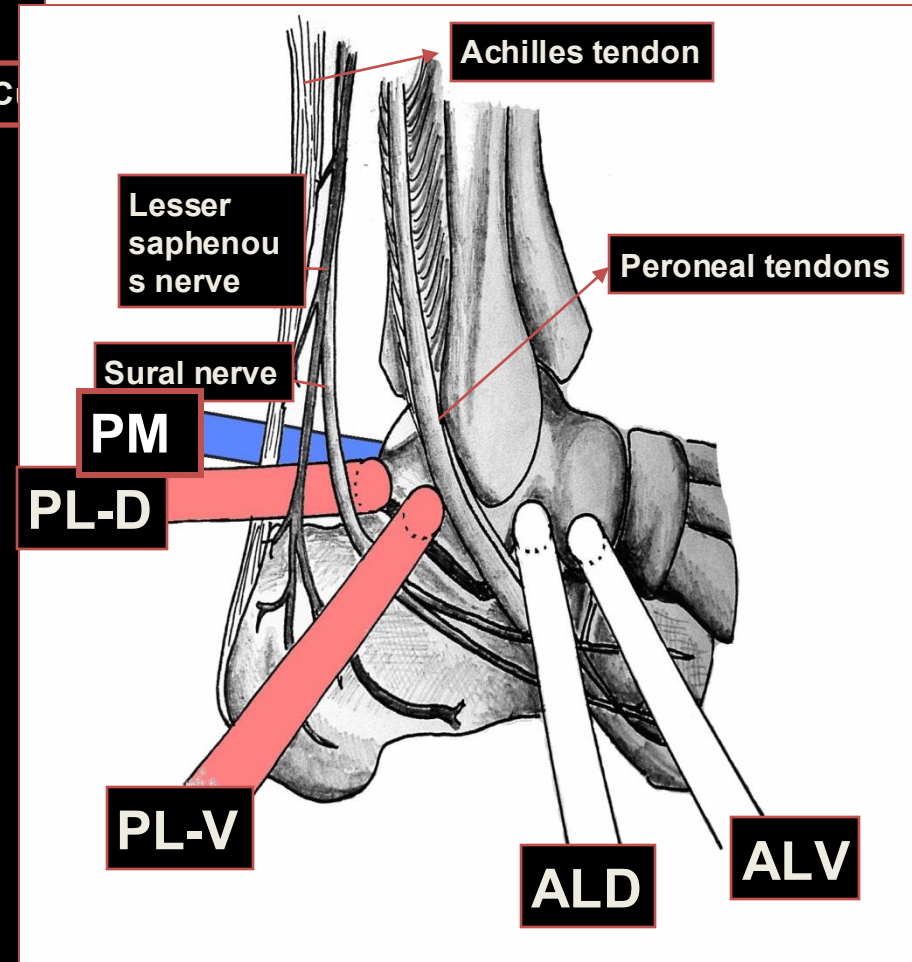
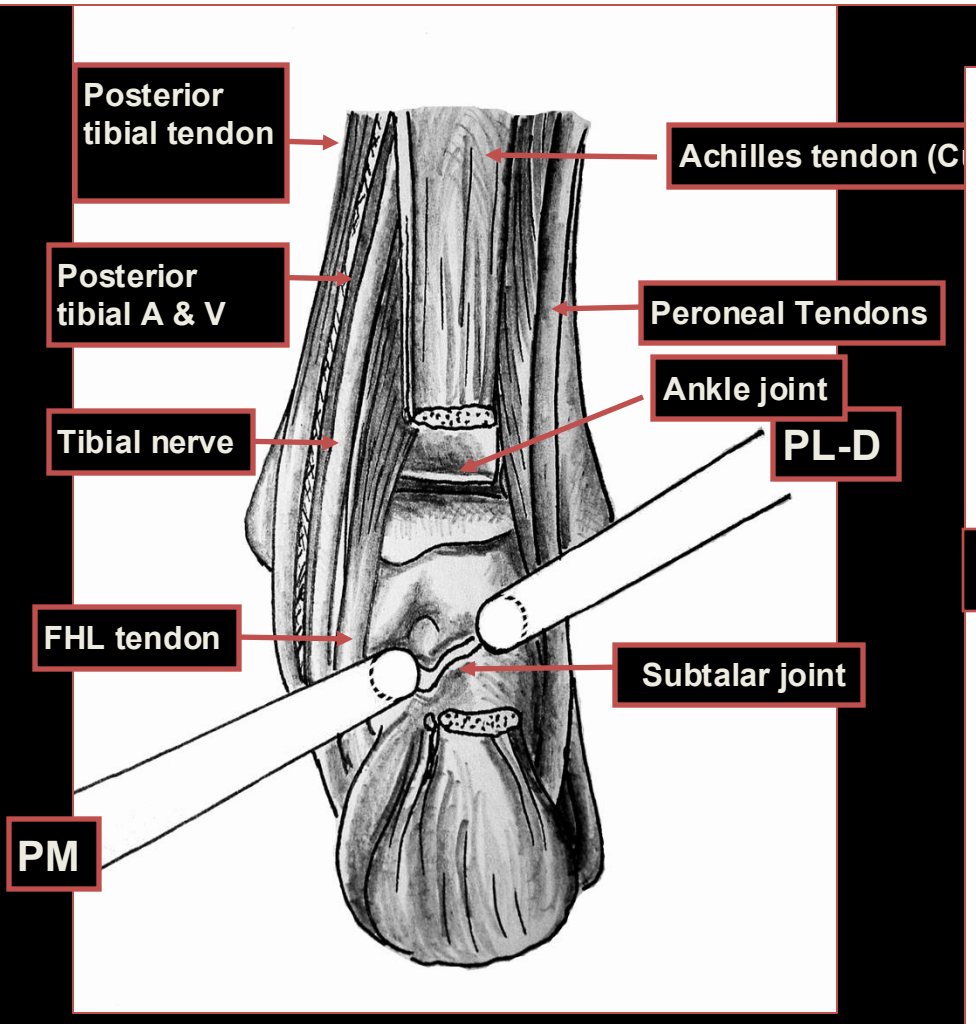
Jerosch et al, ESSKA Journal 1998



Prone Posterior Arthroscopy



Originally described by Nik van Dijk 2000
Case report of FHL impingement





Nano Arthroscopy



Fig. 1 Outside view during a 2-mm diameter arthroscopic procedure. The arthroscope is introduced through the anteromedial portal. A green needle marks the anterolateral portal





Two-millimetre diameter operative arthroscopy of the ankle is safe and effective

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Fig. 2 Points of biopsy on the anterior ankle capsule to determine surgical reach. The capsule as delimited by the white line. Cranial points 1 (most laterally), 2 (mid-tibial), 3 (most medially) and caudal points, 4 (most laterally), 5 (mid-talar), 6 (most medially)



Posterior Arthroscopy

- Complications

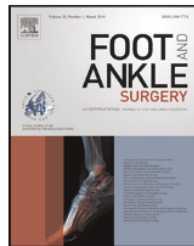
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Review

A literature review of the complications following anterior and posterior ankle arthroscopy

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Posterior Arthroscopy :Complications



Table 1

A list of the largest studies assessing the complications of ankle arthroscopy.

Author (year)	Type of study	Anterior/posterior	Number of procedures
Ferkel et al. (1996) [6]	Retrospective	Anterior	612
Amendola et al. (1996) [12]	Retrospective	Anterior	79
Rasmussen and Hjorth Jensen (2002) [46]	Prospective	Anterior	105
Wilits et al. (2008) [18]	Prospective	Posterior	24
Allegra and Maffulli (2010) [40]	Prospective	Posterior	32
Young et al.(2011) [10]	Retrospective	Anterior	294
Zengerink and van Dijk (2012) [13]	Retrospective	Both	1305
Deng et al. (2012) [16]	Retrospective	Anterior	405
Nickish (2012) [17]	Retrospective	Posterior	189
Vega et al.(2014) [53]	Retrospective	Anterior	74
Song et al. (2016) [58]	Prospective	Both	28
Blázquez Martín et al. (2016) [61]	Retrospective	Both	198

Complications following anterior and posterior ankle arthroscopies.

Neurovascular	Anterior ankle arthroscopy	Posterior ankle arthroscopy
SPN and branches of	1.04–8.3%	–
Deep peroneal nerve	0.2–0.77%	–
Saphenous nerve	0.16–3.3%	–
Sural nerve	0.08–4.04%	1.50%
Tibial nerve	–	0.16–2.1%
Pseudoaneurysm	0.008%	–
DVT	0.3–0.4%	–
Nonfatal PE	0.08%	–
Infection		
Superficial	0.13–3.3%	0.13–1.05%
Deep	0.03–3.3%	–
Sinus tract formation	0.3–0.9%	–
Tendon injury		
Extensor hallucis longus rupture	3 case reports	–
Extensor digitorum communis rupture	1 case report	–
Flexor hallucis longus injury	–	0.20%
Temporary Achilles tendon tightness	–	2.1–4.1%
Other		
Articular cartilage injury	31%	–
Postoperative swelling	0.30%	0.30%

Ankle Arthroscopy : Access



Optimizing Arthroscopy for Osteochondral Lesions of the Talus: The Effect of Ankle Positions and Distraction During Anterior and Posterior Arthroscopy in a Cadaveric Model



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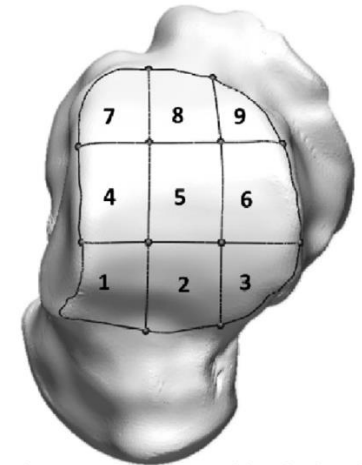


Fig 2. Arthroscopic accessible area of the talar dome by region

Table 3. Differences in Percent Accessibility by Zone Between Anterior and Posterior Arthroscopy of the Talar Dome Articular Surface

Zone	Anterior			Posterior			Paired <i>t</i> -Test
	% Accessible	Min	Max	% Accessible	Min	Max	<i>P</i> Value
1	100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)	100.0	100.0	2.7 ± 6.2 (0.0)	0.0	19.1	<.001
2	100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)	100.0	100.0	3.3 ± 10.0 (0.0)	0.0	37.1	<.001
3	100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)	100.0	100.0	3.6 ± 12.5 (0.0)	0.0	46.9	<.001
Anterior zones	100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)			3.2 ± 8.0 (0.0)			<.001
4	88.8 ± 19.1 (99.2)	43.4	100.0	77.0 ± 20.2 (82.4)	33.1	100.0	<.003
5	87.3 ± 19.0 (96.9)	39.7	100.0	75.6 ± 20.9 (80.2)	37.5	100.0	.030
6	86.9 ± 18.2 (94.4)	45.6	100.0	70.5 ± 22.9 (74.1)	30.3	100.0	.011
Central zones	87.7 ± 17.5 (94.7)			74.3 ± 19.8 (82.1)			.002
7	13.7 ± 18.3 (2.2)	0.0	56.4	100 ± 0.0 (100.0)	100.0	100.0	<.001
8	14.4 ± 20.9 (0.0)	0.0	61.1	100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)	100.0	100.0	<.001
9	18.5 ± 26.5 (0.0)	0.0	80.5	100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)	100.0	100.0	<.001
Posterior zones	15.5 ± 20.4 (4.2)			100.0 ± 0.0 (100.0)			<.001

NOTE. For the anterior zones 1 to 3 and central zones 4 to 7, anterior arthroscopy had significantly higher accessibility for the talus when compared with posterior arthroscopy. For the posterior zones 7 to 9, posterior arthroscopy had significantly higher accessibility for the talus when compared with anterior arthroscopy. Paired *t*-tests were used to compare anterior versus posterior percent accessibility for each zone. Mean ± standard deviation (median) shown. Generalized linear models were used to test whether there were significant differences in percent accessibility between zones within each approach. Analyses accounted for repeated measures.

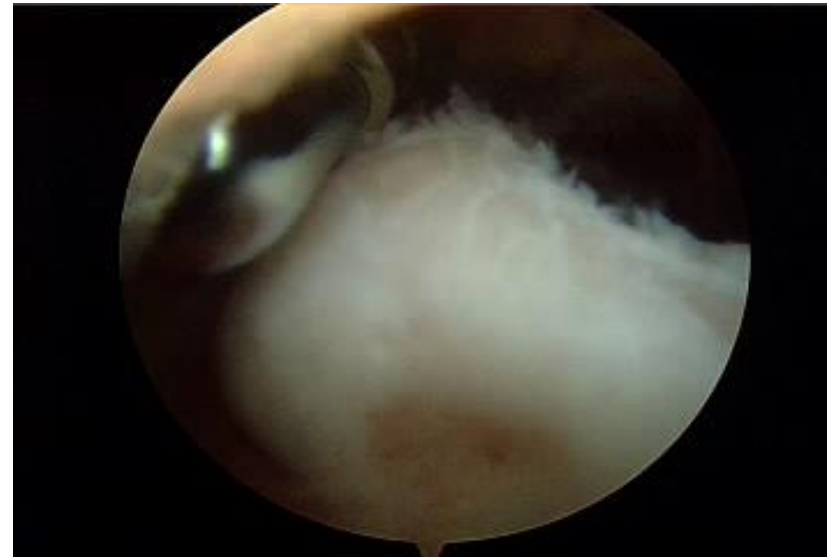
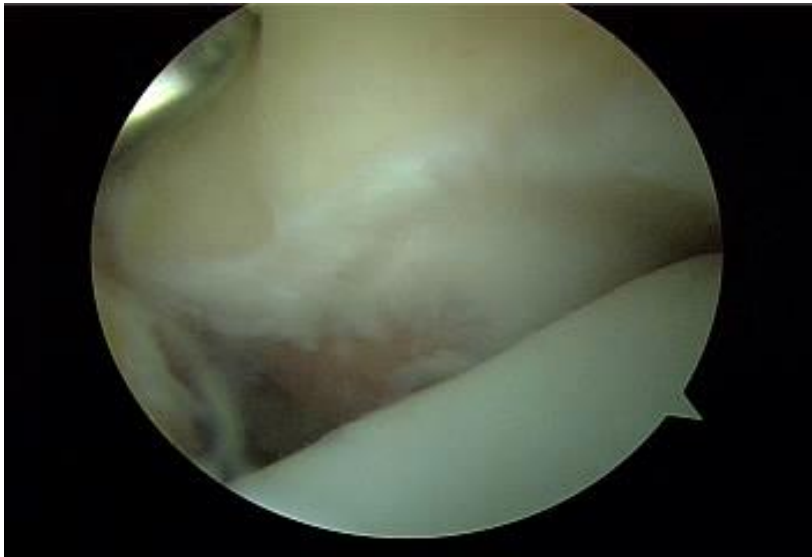
Case : 30 yo M with anterior and medial ankle pain



Anteromedial impingement



Anteromedial impingement



Pre



post



Case Example



case



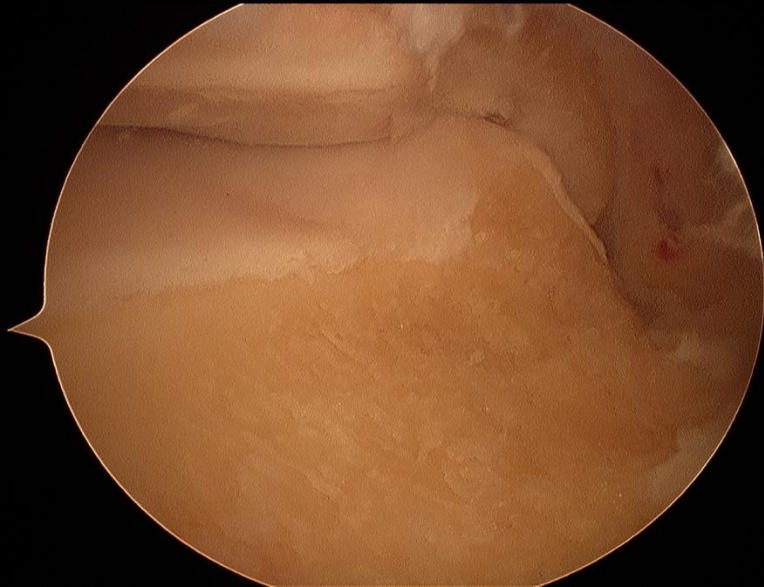
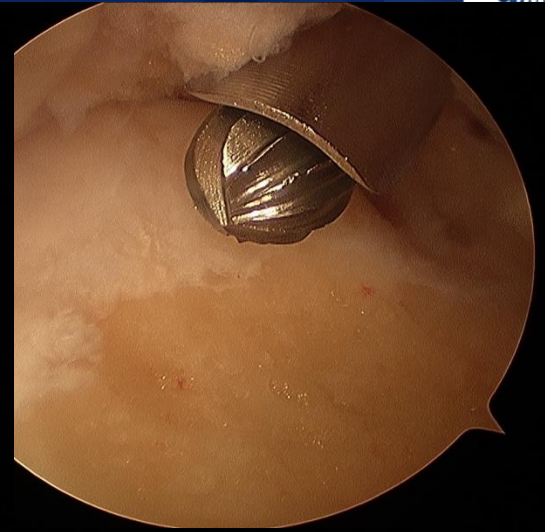
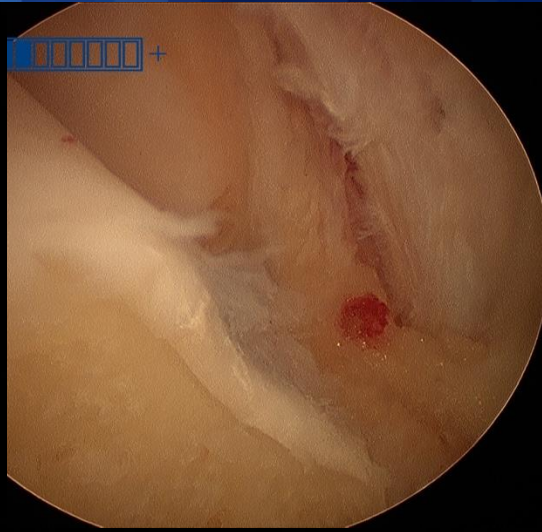
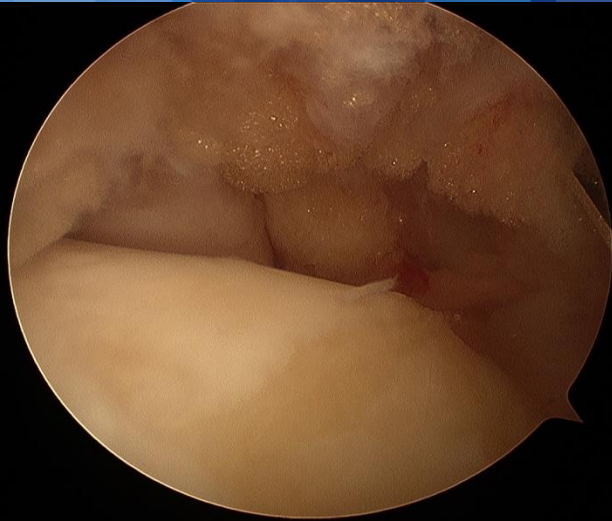
Example 2





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Example 2 post op



Examples - Impingement



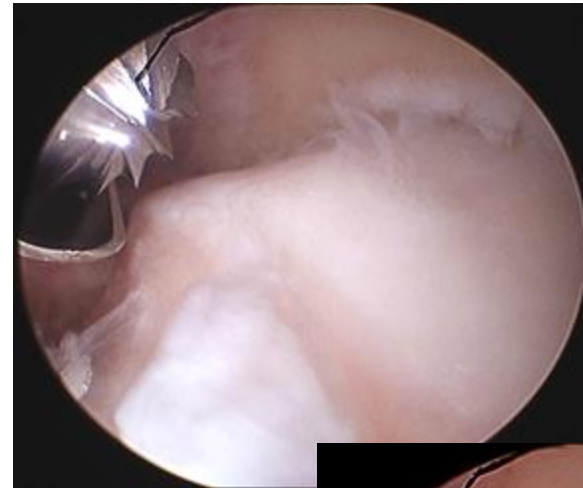
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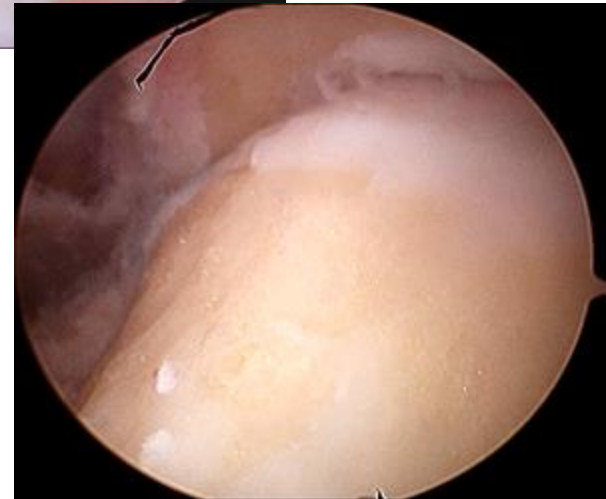
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Hip



Ankle



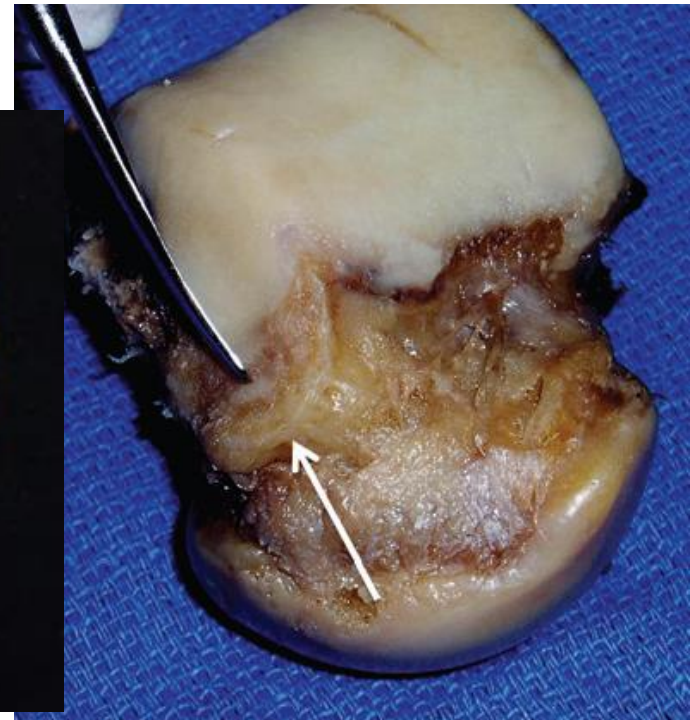
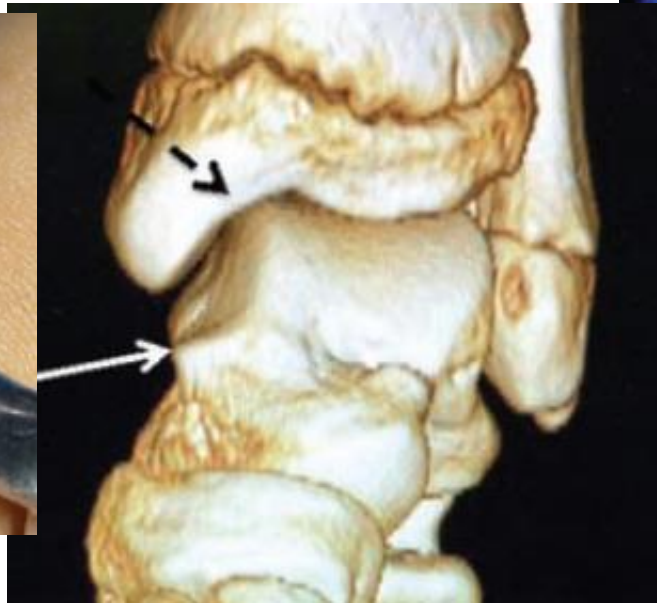
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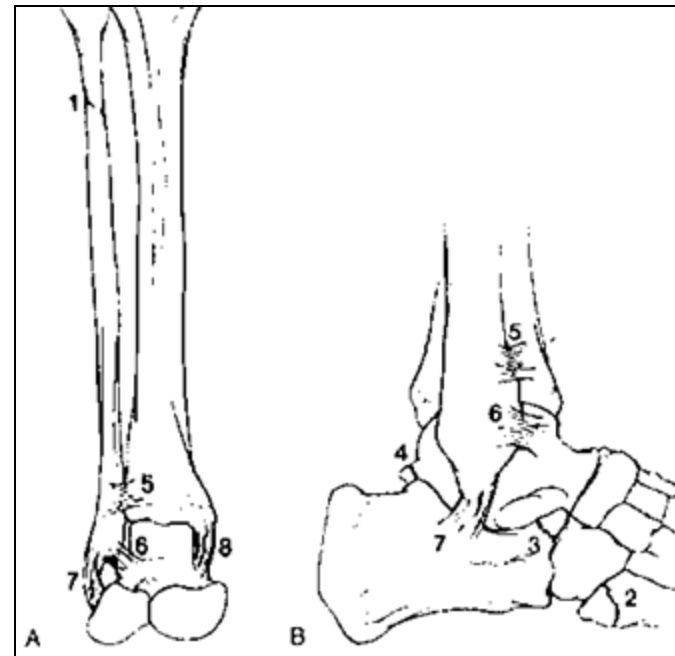
Arthroscopy: Chronic Ankle Instability

- ◆ Is **Arthroscopy** indicated at the time of lateral ligament stabilization?

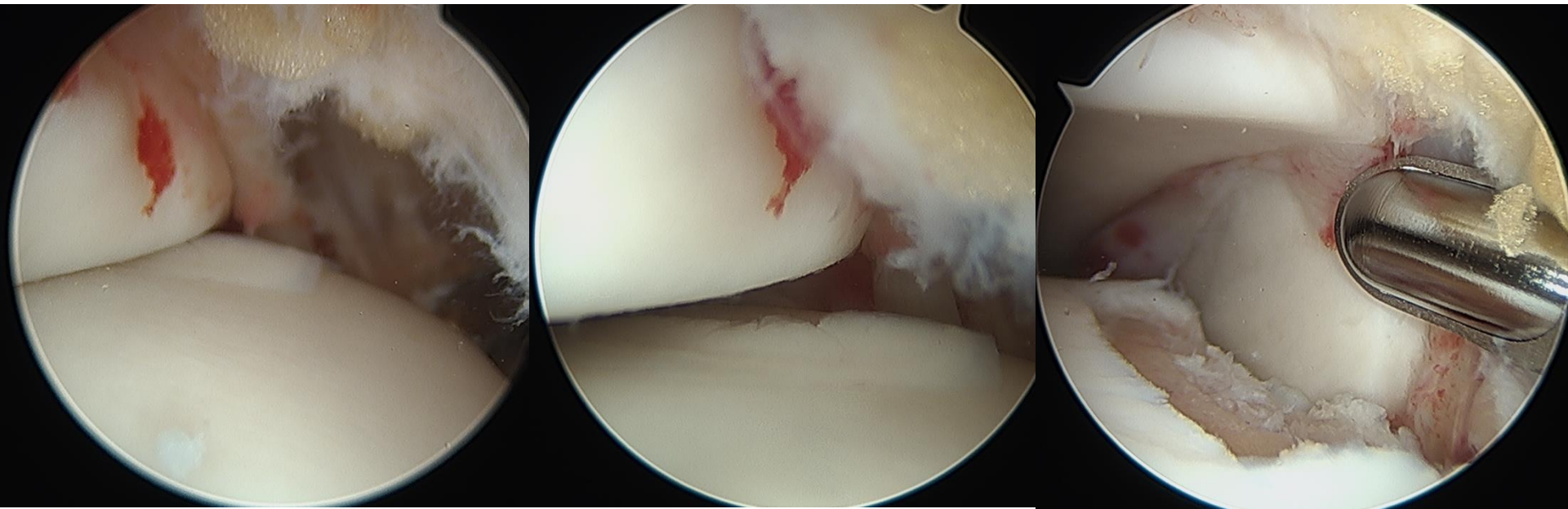


Arthroscopy: Chronic Ankle Instability

- *Ankle lesions at time of ligament stabilization:*
 - Osteochondral injuries
 - Impingement lesions
 - synovitis



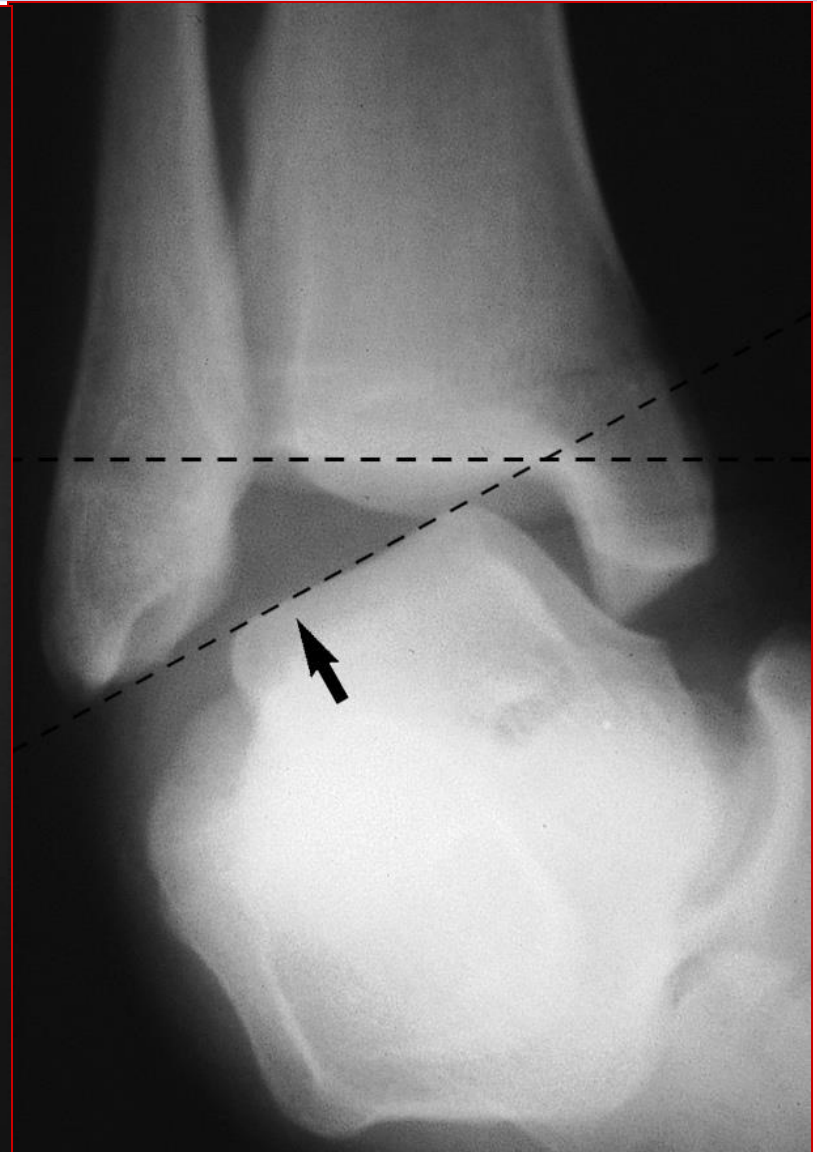
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Arthroscopy: Chronic Ankle Instability

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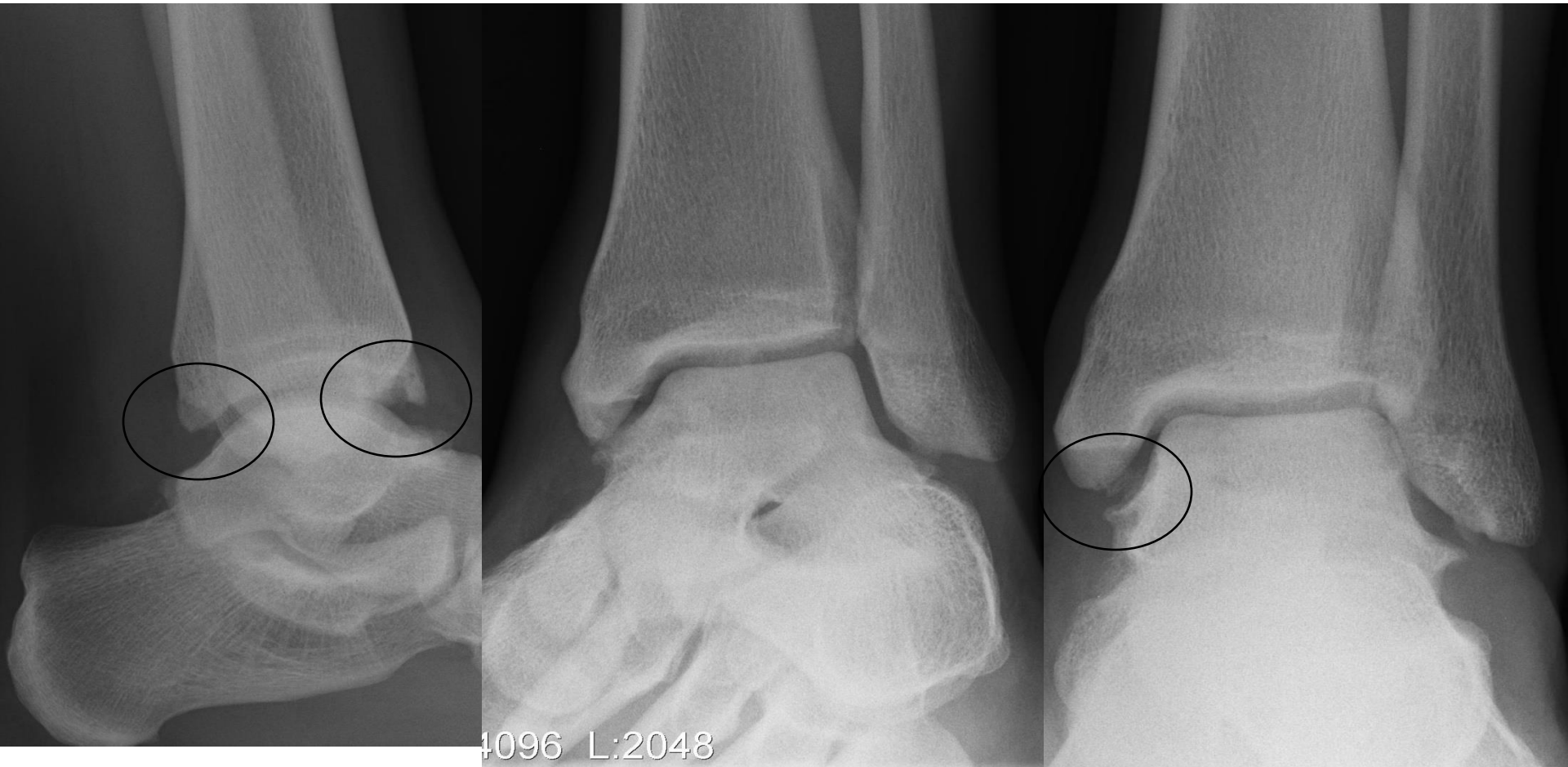


Acute Ankle Instability

- Acute Ankle Arthroscopy:
- **van Djik (1994)**
 - ◆ 66% medial talar chondral lesion



Ankle pain ; recurrent sprains



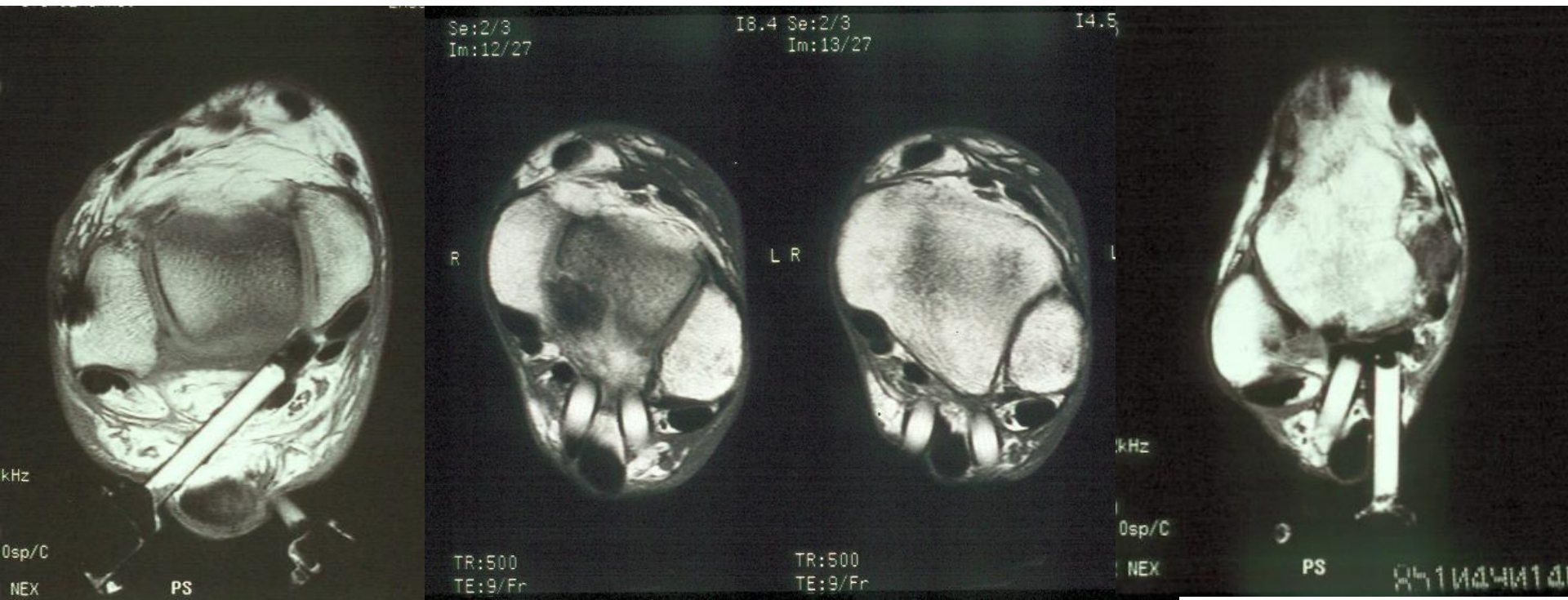
Ankle Arthroscopy

Evolving Indications:

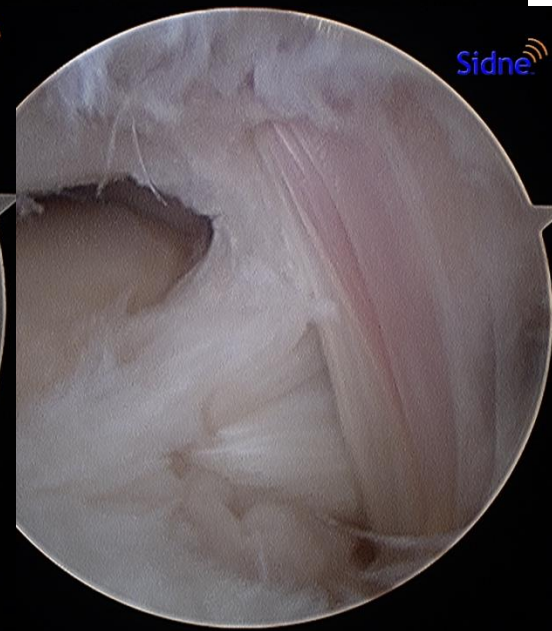
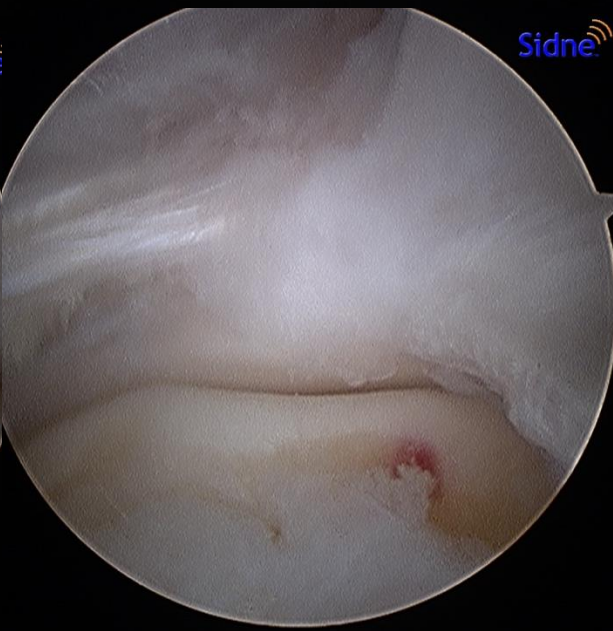
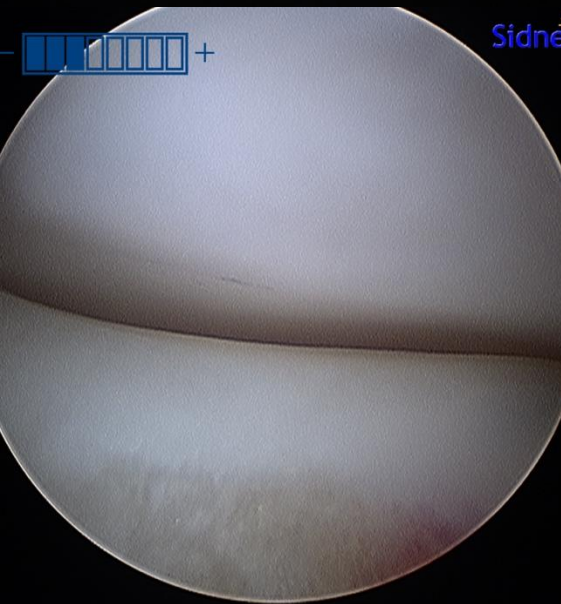
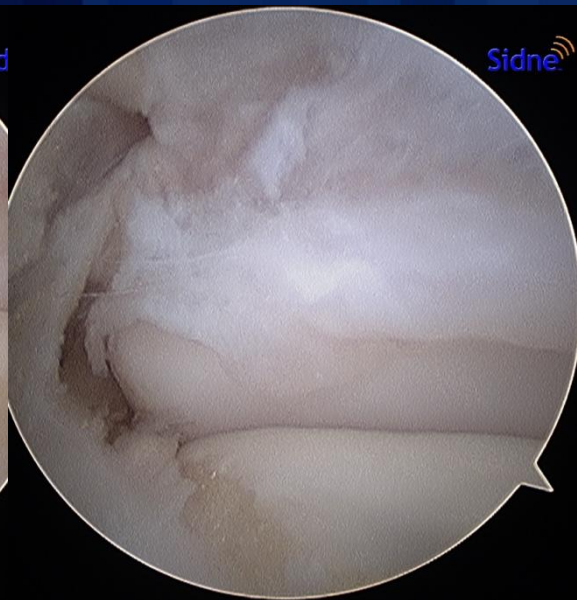
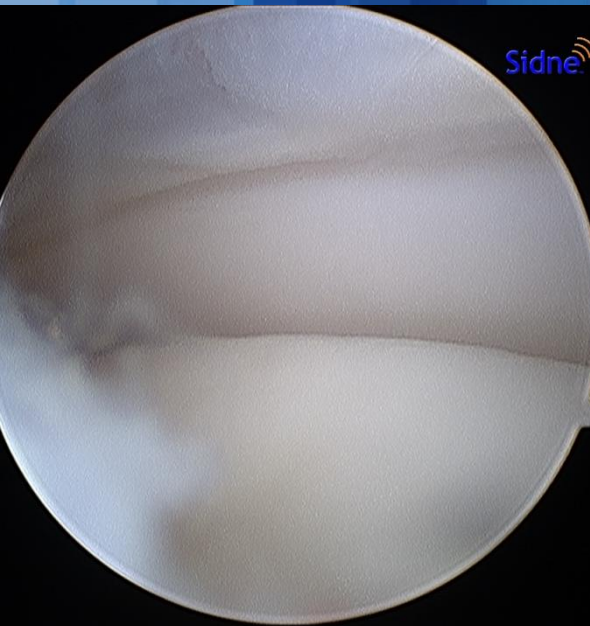
- Arthrodesis
- Acute ankle fractures
- *Posterior ankle arthroscopy/
subtalar joint*
- Tendoscopy / periarticular



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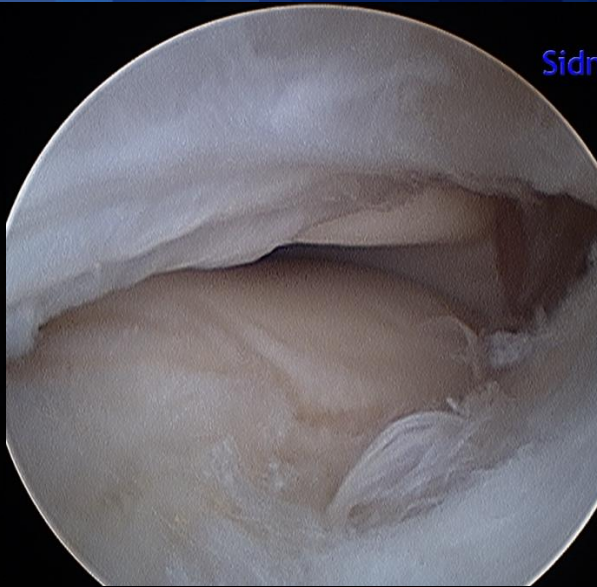




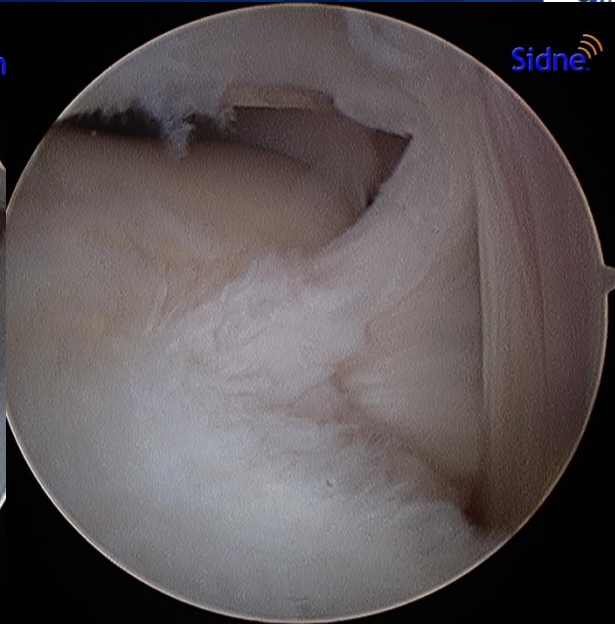
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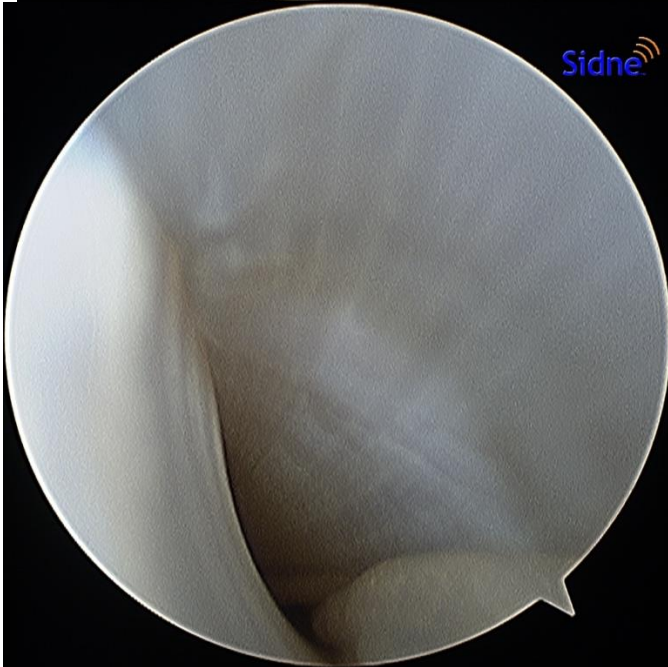
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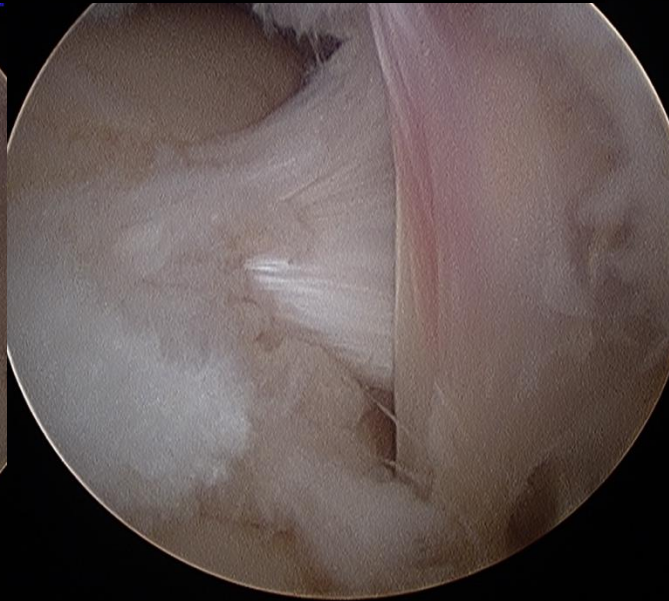
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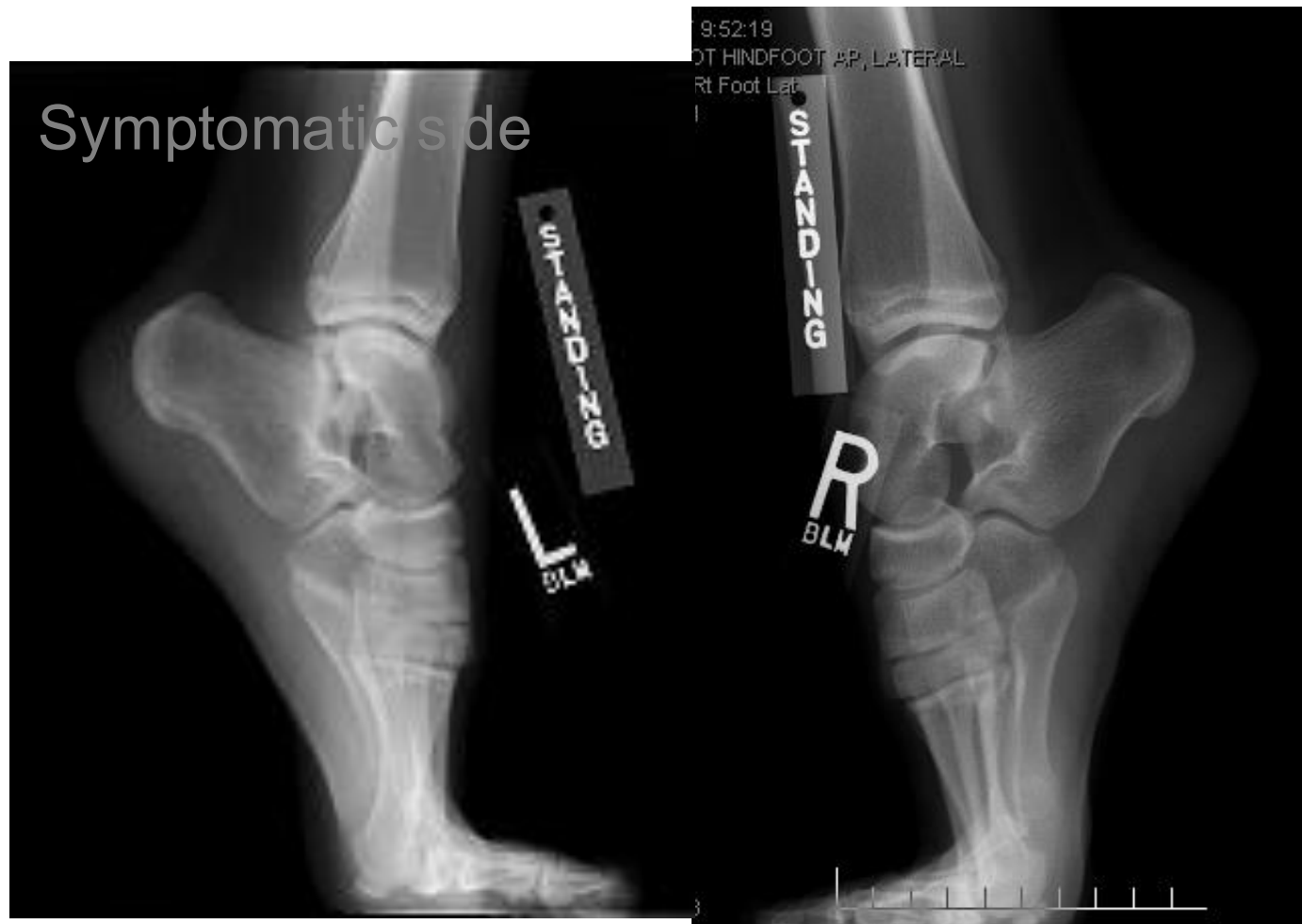
Posterior Arthroscopic Approach

Indications

- Os trigonum / FHL impingement
- Posterior ankle impingement
- Posterior OLT
- Posterior talar body fractures
- PASTA : ST Arthrodesis

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Posterior impingement in ballet dancer

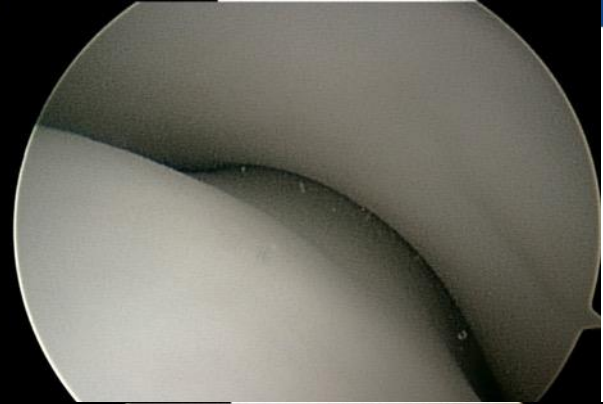
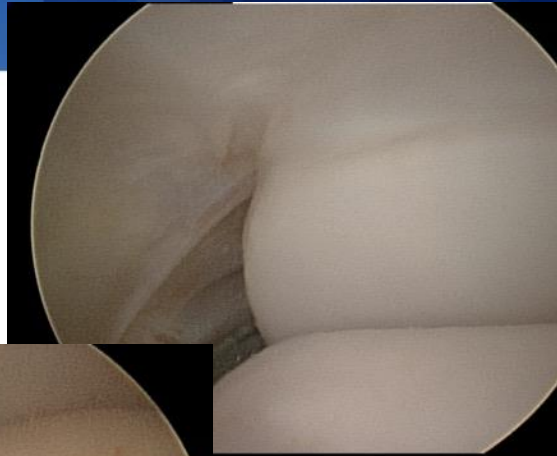


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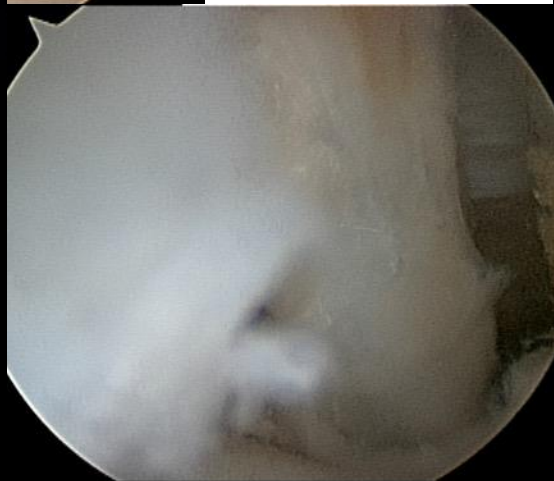
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Normal ST joint



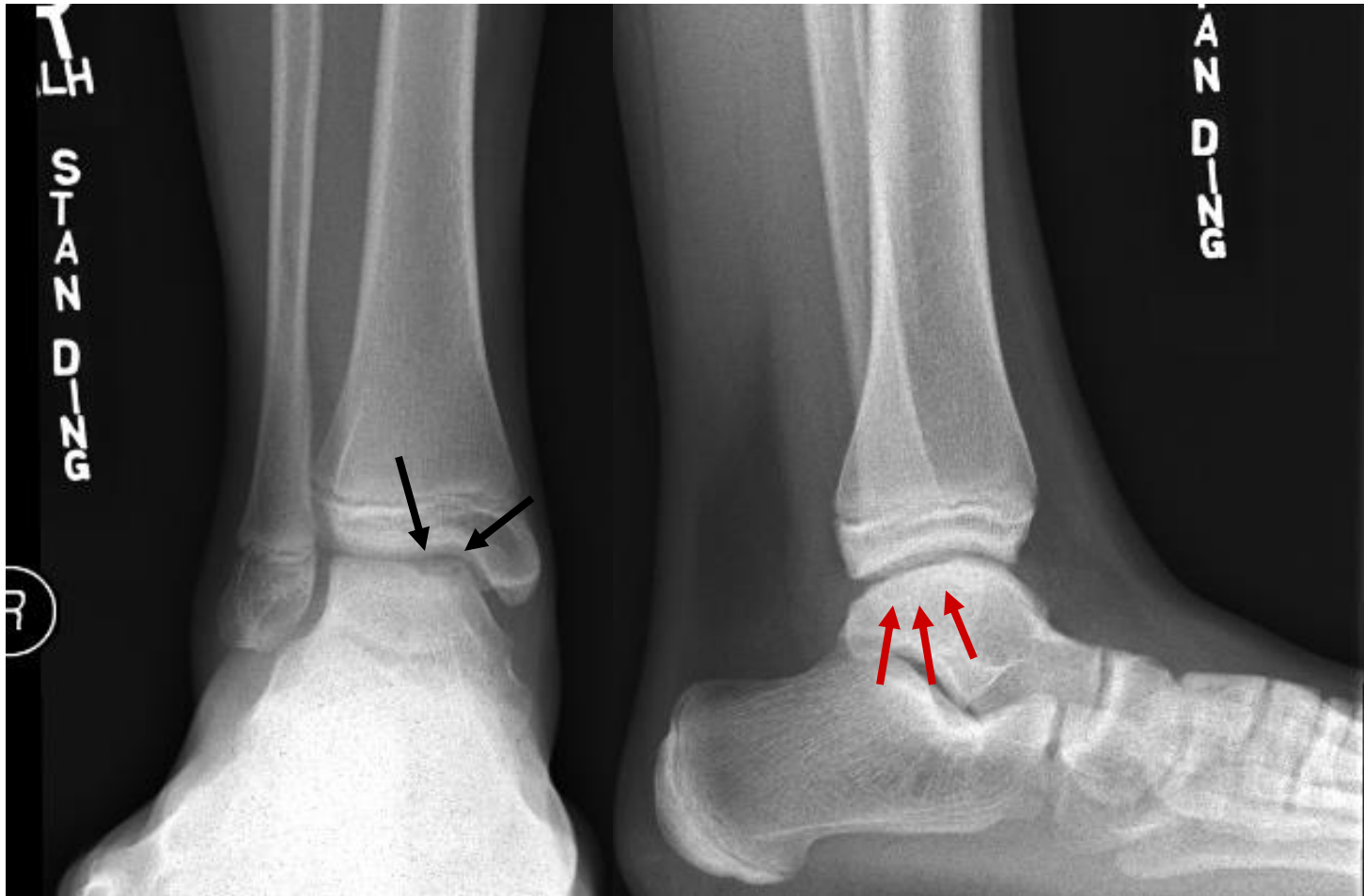
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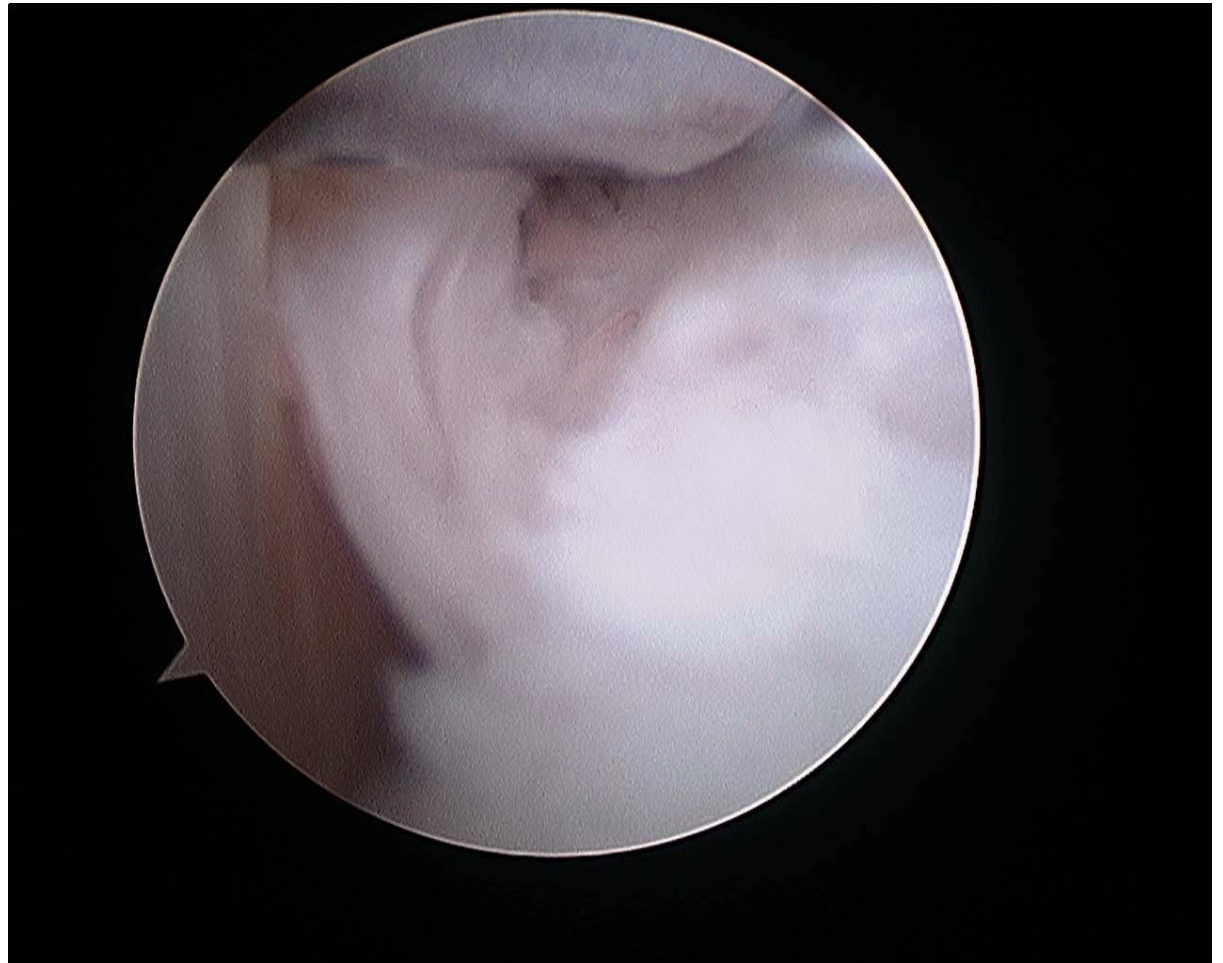


15 yo F Posteromedial OLT



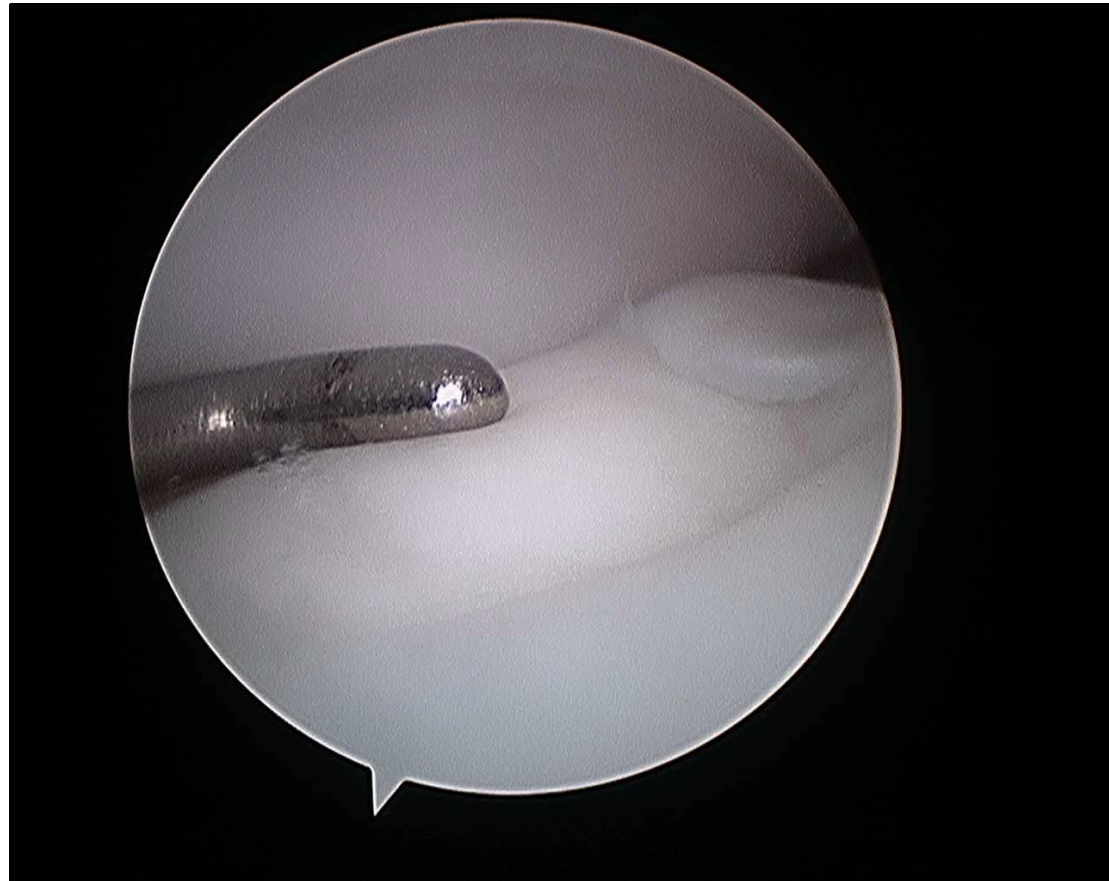
Posterior arthroscopy

- Ankle
 - OLT

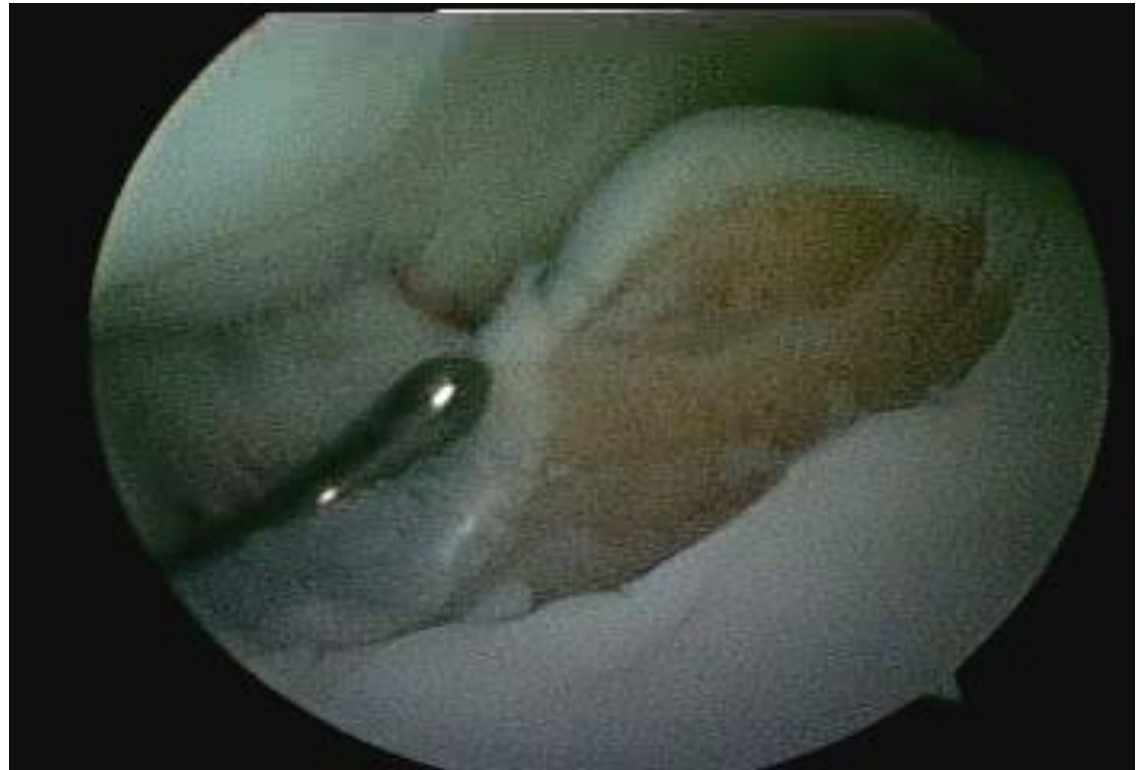


Posterior arthroscopy

- Ankle
 - OLT



Prone posterior arthroscopy





Posterior ankle arthroscopy

- tarsal (talocalcaneal) coalition
- *Technique for arthroscopic excision of tarsal coalition ; Journal of Arthroscopy and Related Surgery , 2010*

Posterior ST/ankle arthroscopy

- tarsal coalition



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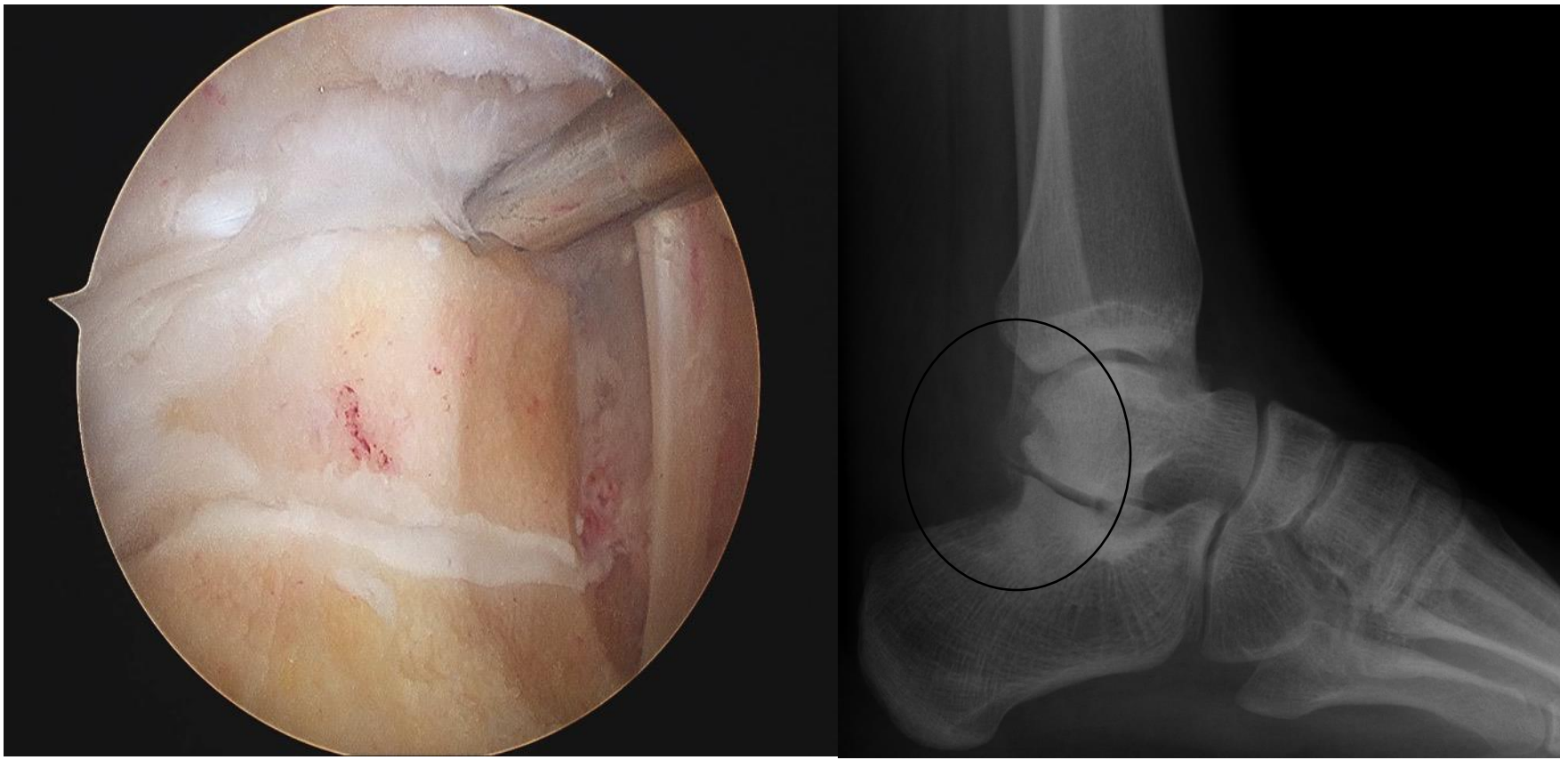
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- tarsal coalition



Posterior ST/ankle arthroscopy

- tarsal coalition post excision



Posterior ankle arthroscopy

- TAR posterior impingement



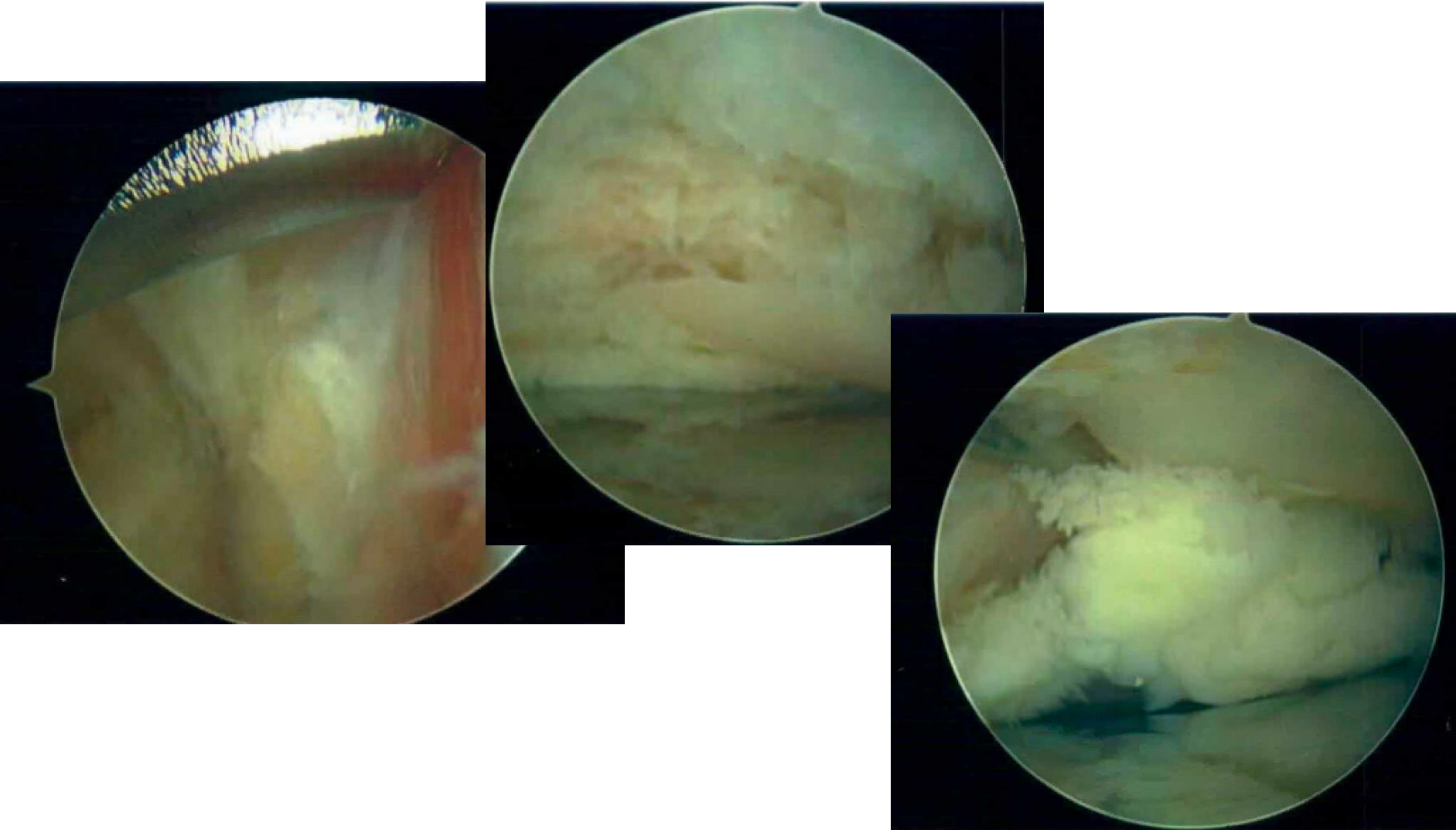
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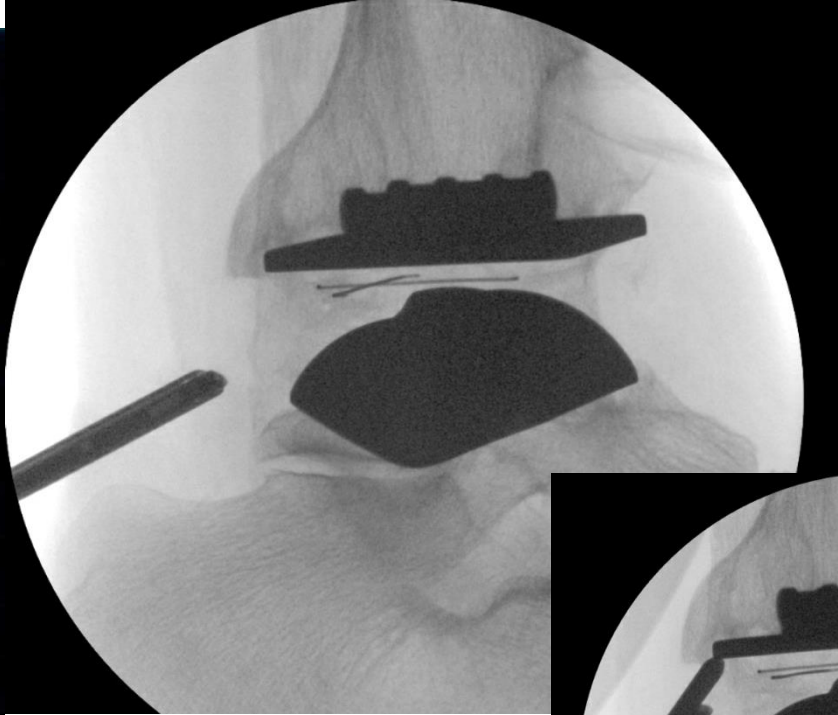
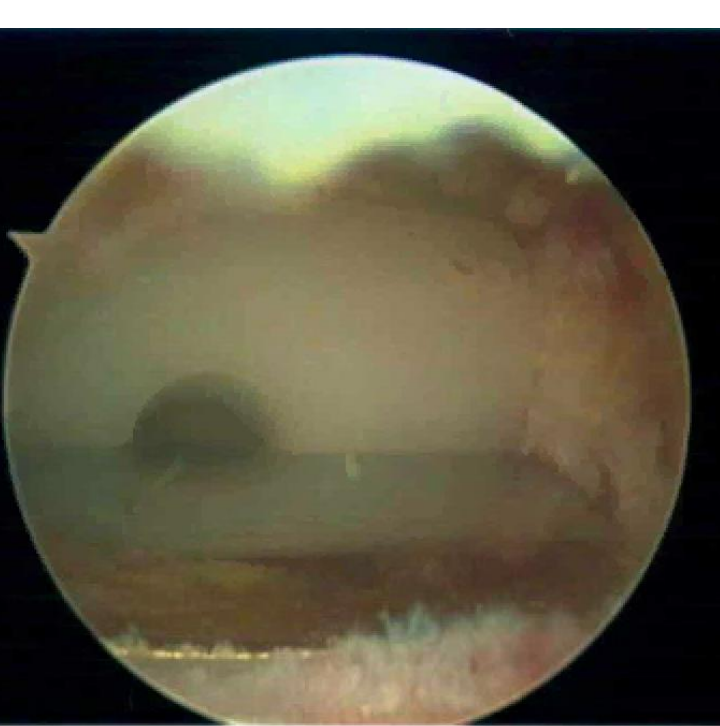
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Posterior Arthroscopic Approach

Indications

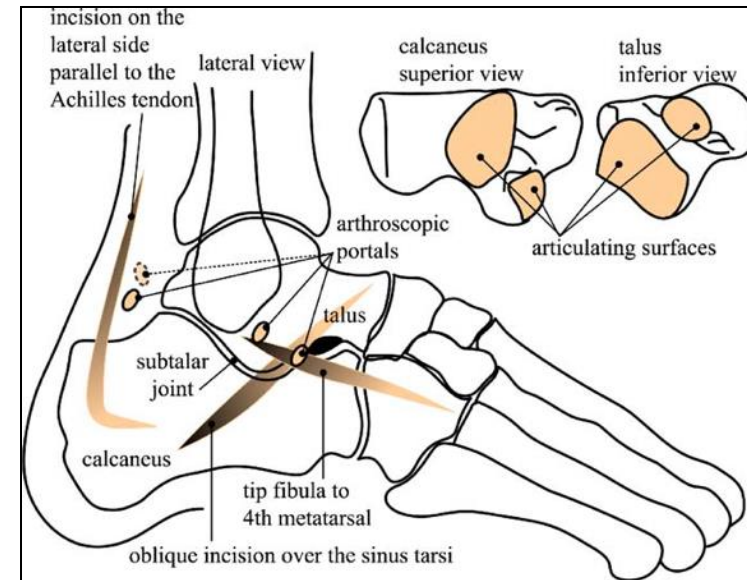
- Os trigonum / FHL impingement
- Posterior ankle impingement
- Posterior OLT
- Posterior talar body fractures
- **PASTA : ST Arthrodesis**

1. Kevin Willits, Heleen Sonneveld, Annunziato Amendola, J. Robert Giffin, M.D, Sharon Griffin, and Peter J. Fowler, Outcome of Posterior Ankle Arthroscopy for Hindfoot Impingement, Arthroscopy, 2007
2. Amendola A, Lee KB, Saltzman CL, Suh JS Technique and early experience with posterior arthroscopic subtalar arthrodesis. Foot Ankle Int. 2007 Mar;28(3):298-302

Introduction:

- Open subtalar arthrodesis
- Traditional treatment
 - Isolated joint involvement
 - Minimal deformity
- Effective in terms of
 - Relieving pain
 - Improve function

Van Dijk et al, 2010



ST arthrodesis (PASTA)



Plain



Beautiful

Introduction:



- Arthroscopic arthrodesis

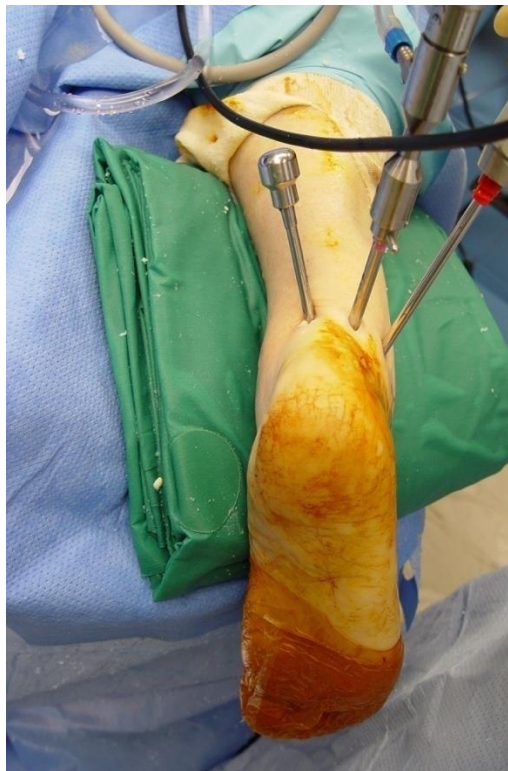
Table 1
Arthroscopic techniques

Author	N	Preoperative Diagnosis	Technique (portals)	Fusion Rate (%)	Average Time of Fusion (weeks)	AOFAS
Scranton ²² (1999)	5	Subtalar arthrosis	AL, PL, PLacc	100	n/r	n/r
Tasto ^{4,5} (2003)	25	Subtalar arthrosis	AL, PL	100	8,9	n/r
Glanzmann and Sanhueza-Hernandez ¹⁴ (2007)	41	Primary arthritis, posttraumatic osteoarthritis	AL, PL	100	11	53–84
Amendola et al ¹¹ (2007)	11	Primary arthritis, posttraumatic osteoarthritis, tarsal coalition	PL, PLacc, PM	91	10	36–86
Beimers et al ⁸ (2009)	3	Tarsal coalition	PL, PM, PLacc	100	6	n/r
El Shazly et al ¹⁵ (2009)	10	Posttraumatic arthritis (calcaneal fracture)	AL, ALacc, PL	100	11.4	38–74
Gómez et al ²¹ (2010)	12	Posttraumatic arthrosis	PL, PM, PLacc	84	15	n/r
Lee et al ⁷ (2010)	16	Posttraumatic arthritis (calcaneal fracture)	PL, PM	94	11	35–84

Abbreviations: AL, anterolateral; ALacc, accessory anterolateral; AOFAS, American Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society score; PL, posterolateral; PLacc, accessory posterolateral; PM, posteromedial.

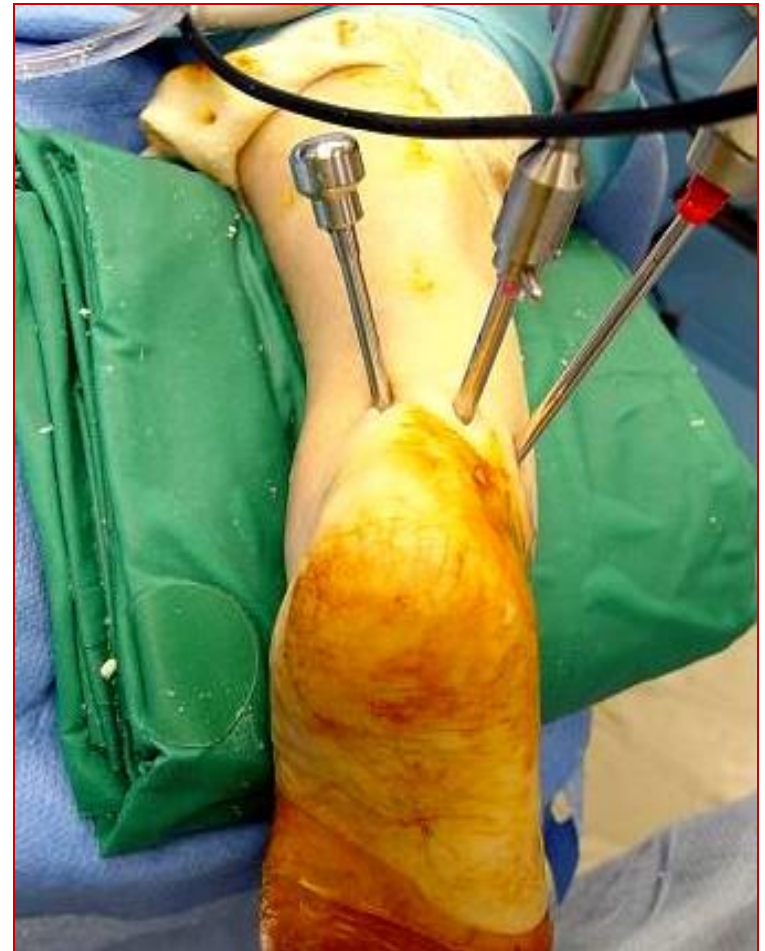
Muraro et al, review, F&A clinics 2011

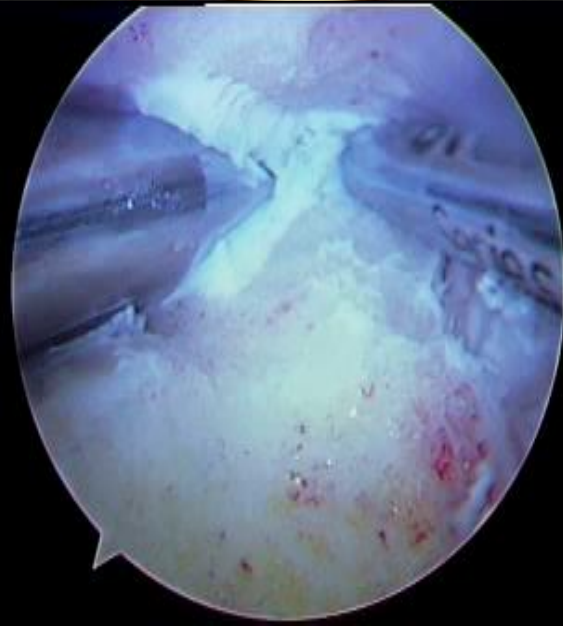
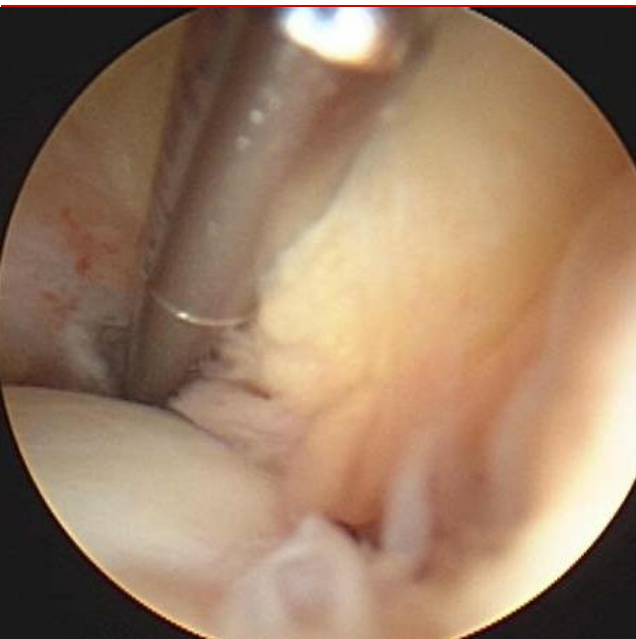
Posterior Arthroscopic SubTalar Arthrodesis (PASTA)

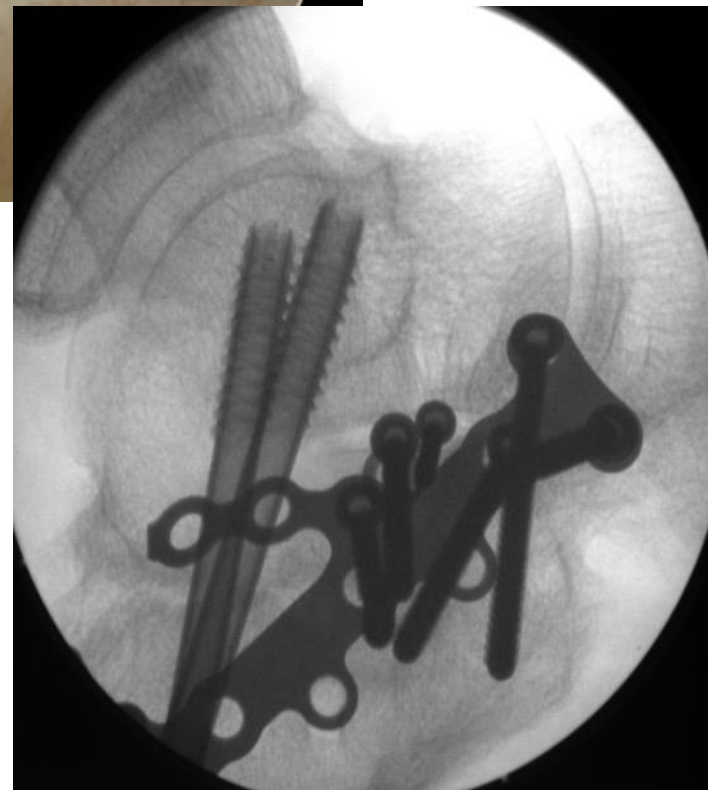
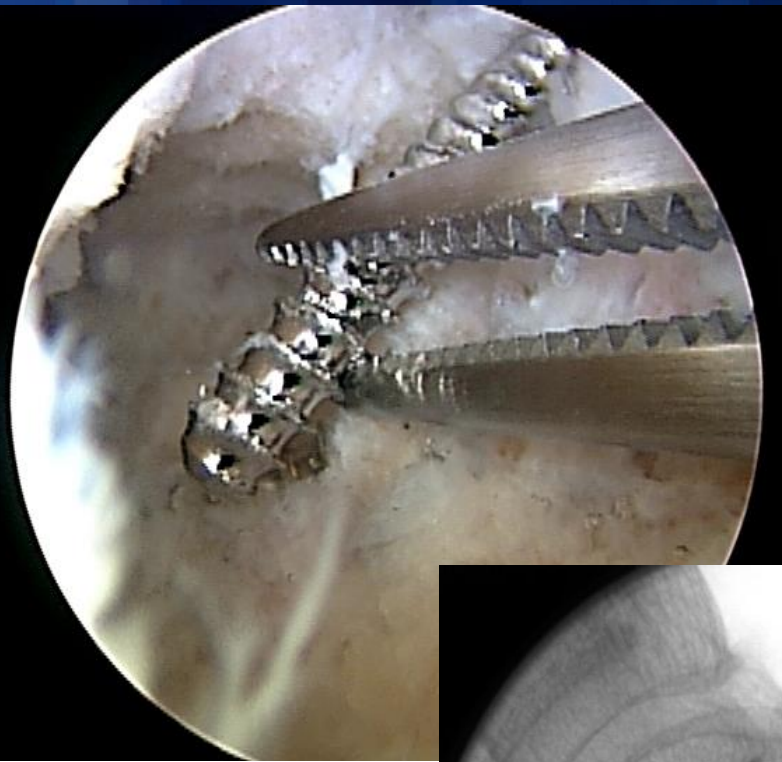


Amendola et al, Arthroscopic Subtalar Arthrodesis Foot and Ankle, 2007

PASTA Set Up











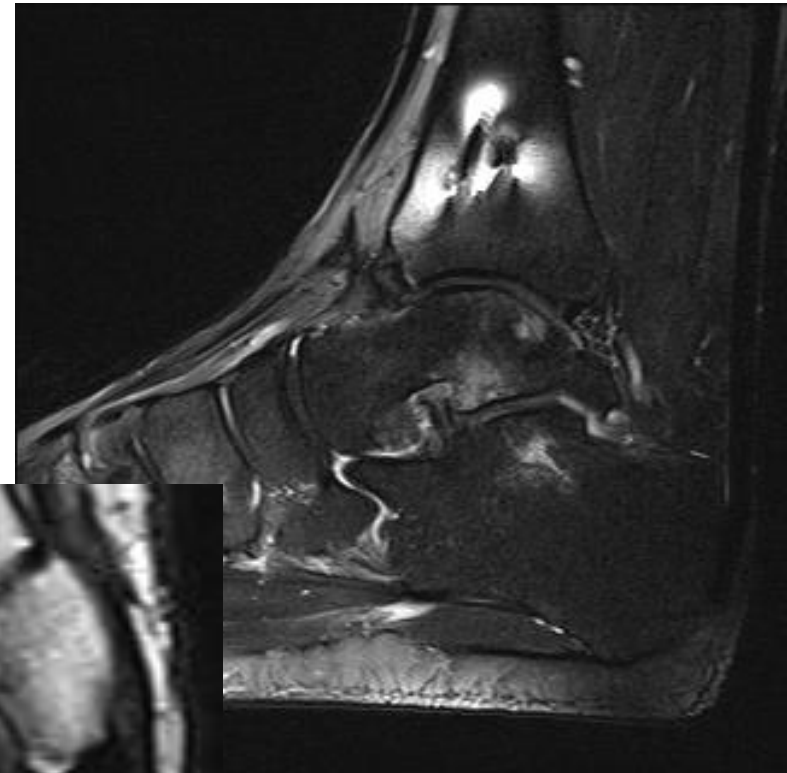
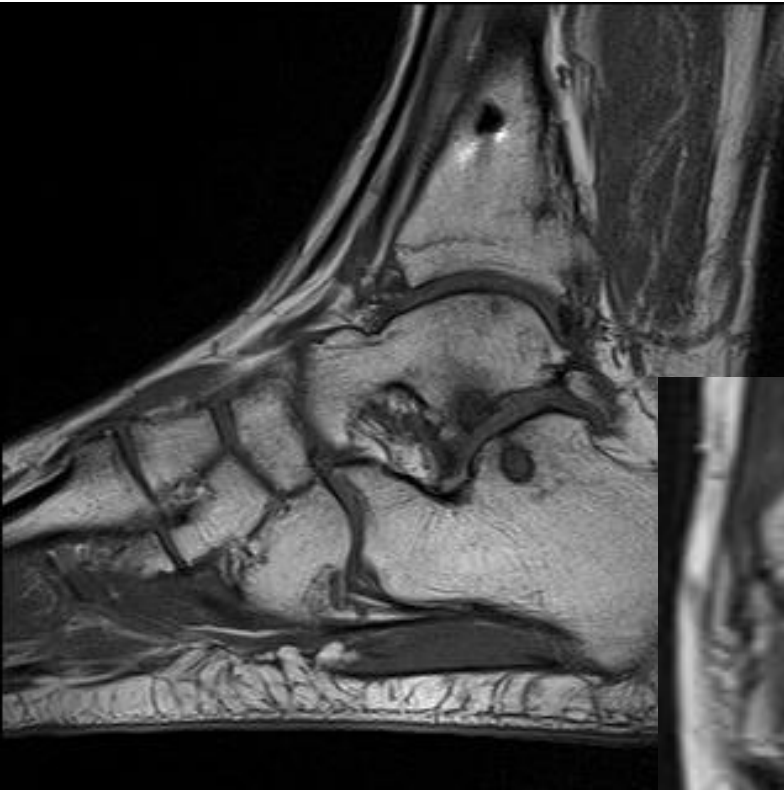
- Retrospective chart review
- between 2001 and 2012
- 52 consecutive patients (56 feet) open ST arthrodesis
- 56 consecutive patients(61 feet) PASTA

Outcomes and Complications After Open Versus Posterior Arthroscopic Subtalar Arthrodesis in 121 Patients

Rungprai, Chamnanni MD^{1,2,a}; Phisitkul, Phinit MD¹; Femino, John E. MD¹; Martin, Kevin D. DO³; Saltzman, Charles L. MD⁴; Amendola, Annunziato MD¹ [Author Information](#) ✓

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Case 3 30 yo M , ST pain and stiffness following ankle resurfacing



Case 3

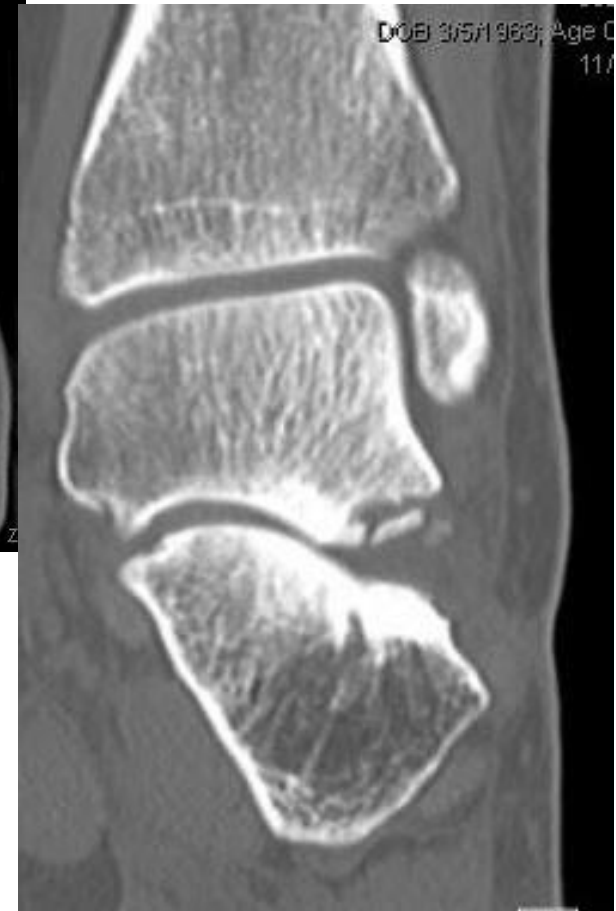
- 6 months doing well
- Pain at heel
- Hardware removal
- CT scan



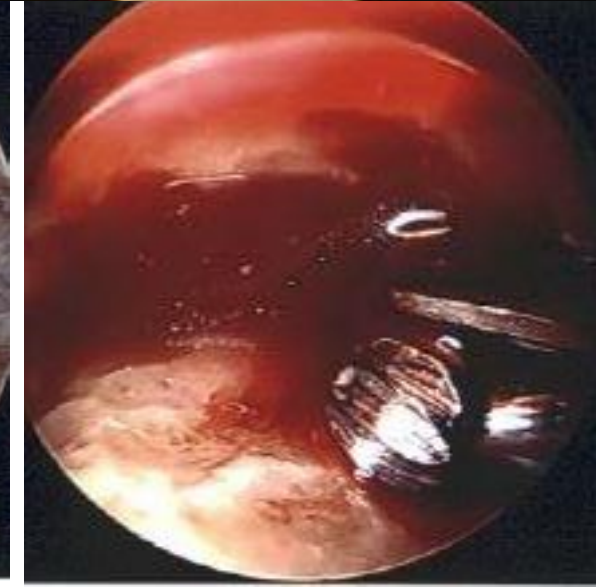
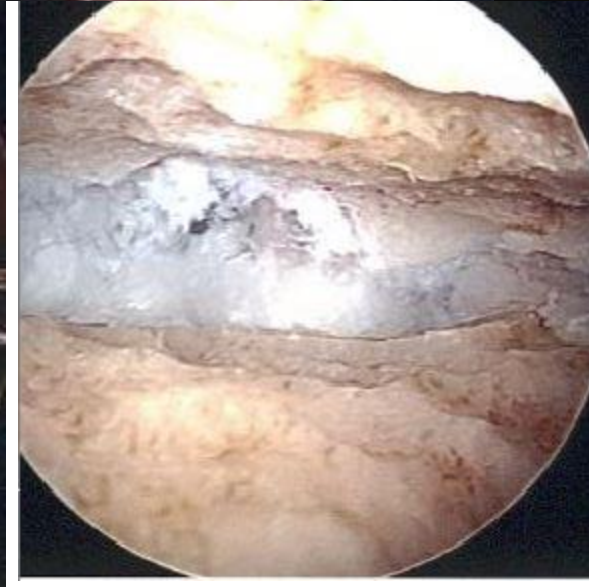
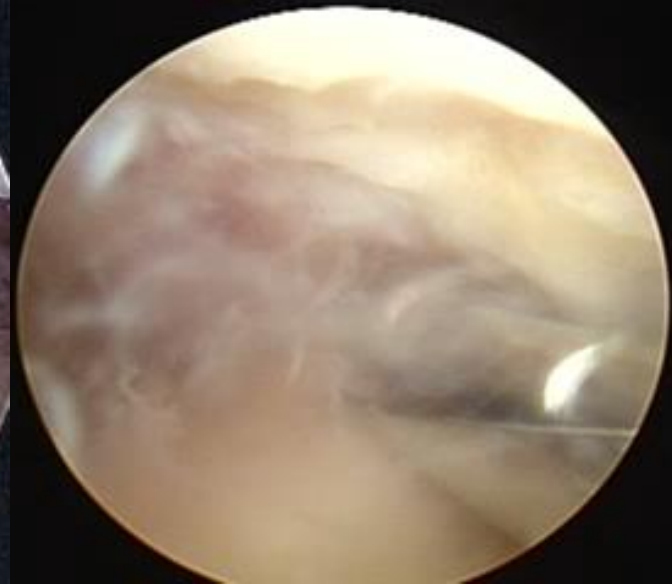
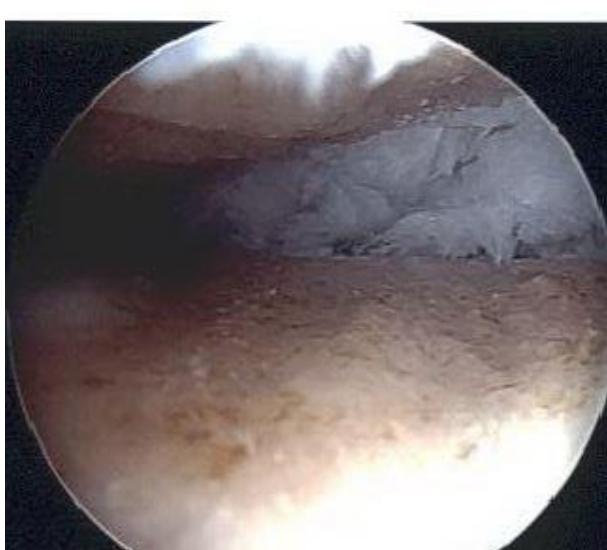
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Case 1 :45 yo triathlete



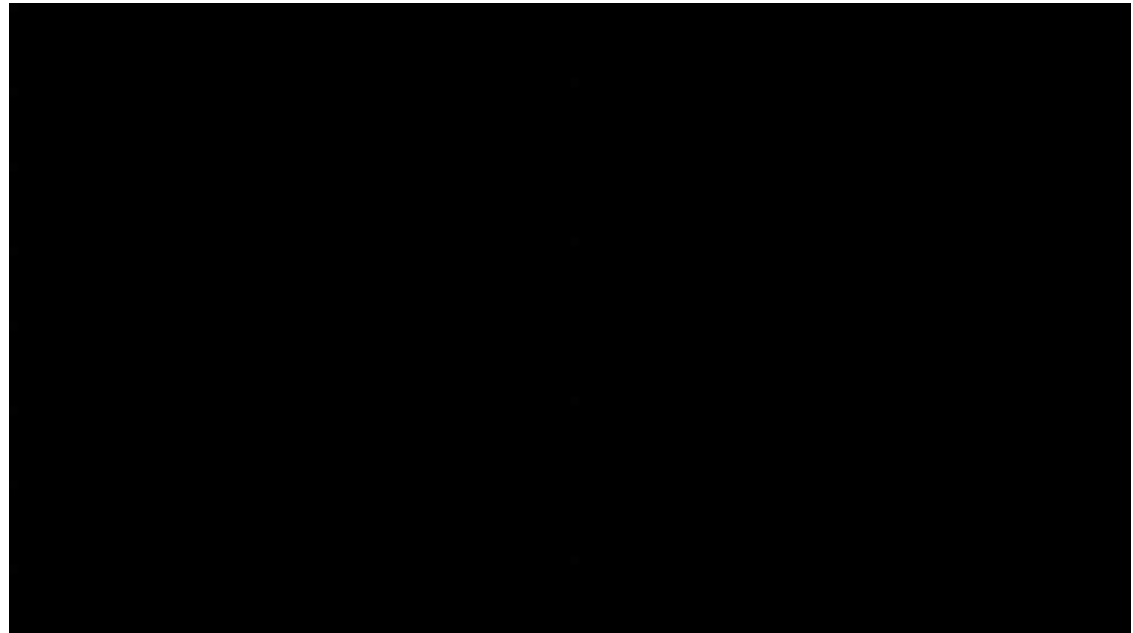
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- 6 weeks immobilization / TWB
- 4 weeks WBAT
- 3 months walking normal
- 6 months back to running activities



Case 1 cont





Summary

- ST arthrodesis allows patient to return to previous level of activity
- Keys to success:
 - Isolated OA
 - Neutral alignment
 - Minimal morbidity (arthroscopic)
 - Early rehabilitation

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Postoperative Complications of Posterior Ankle and Hindfoot Arthroscopy

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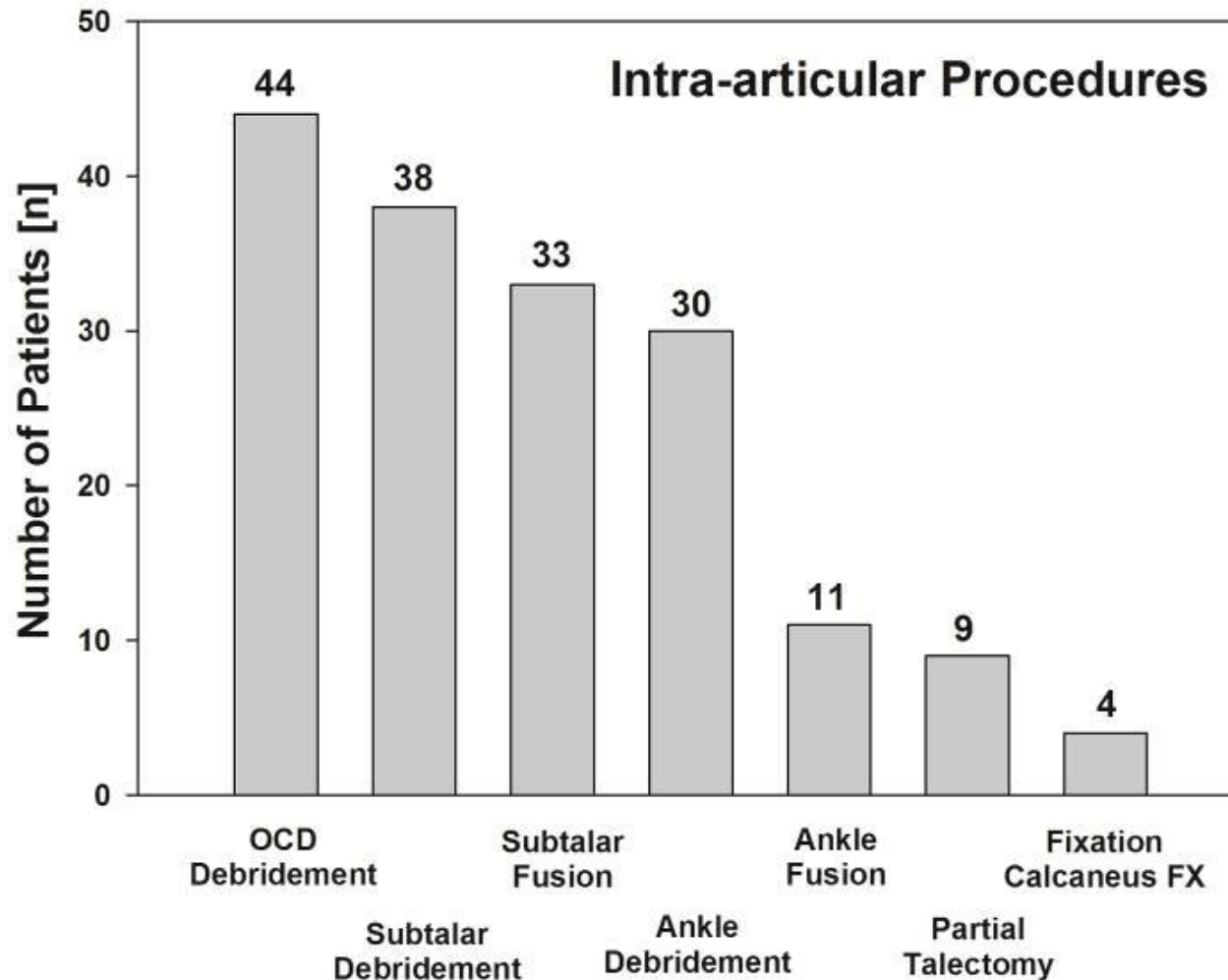
No distraction



Minimally invasive distraction

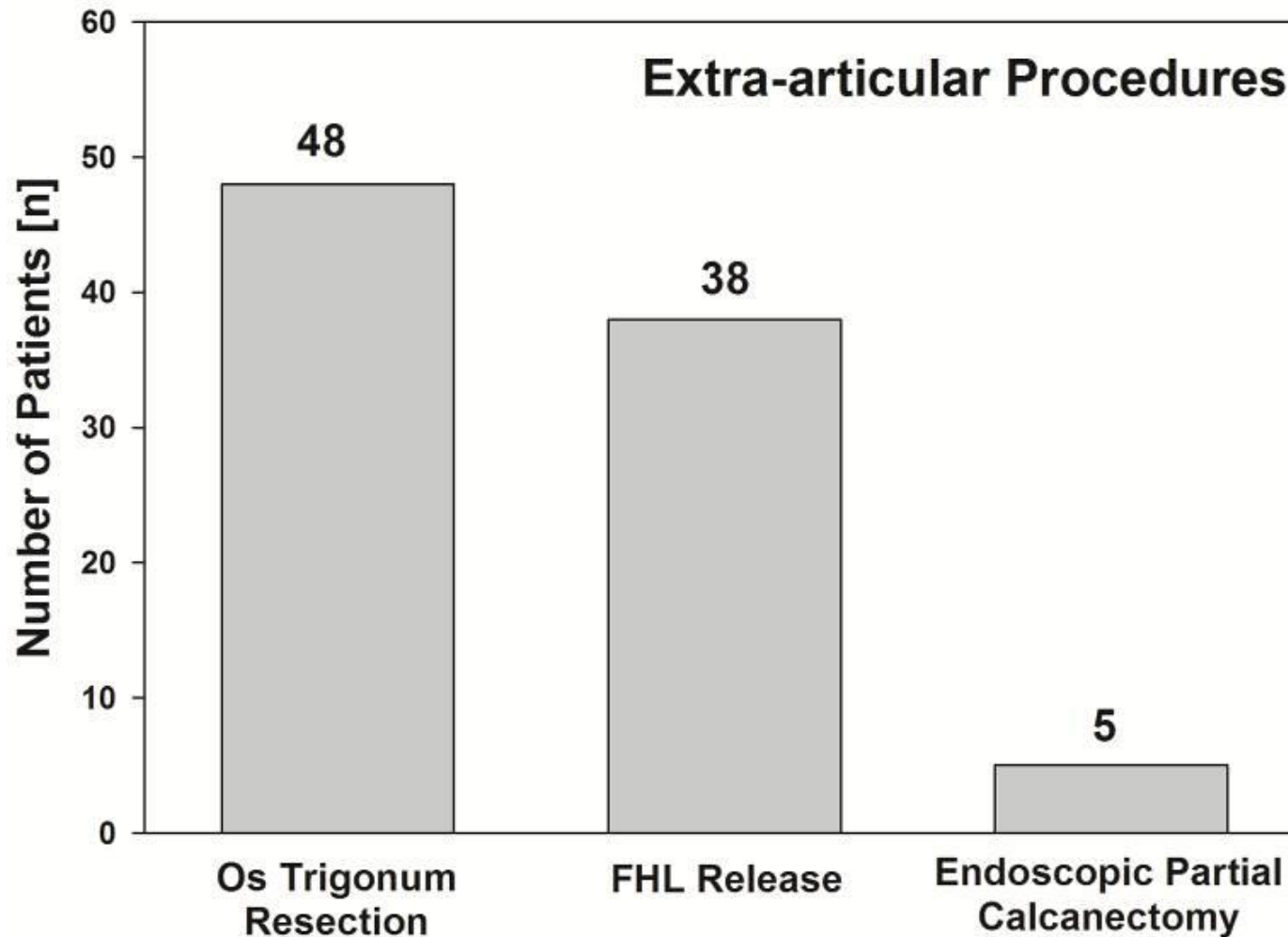


Primary Procedures



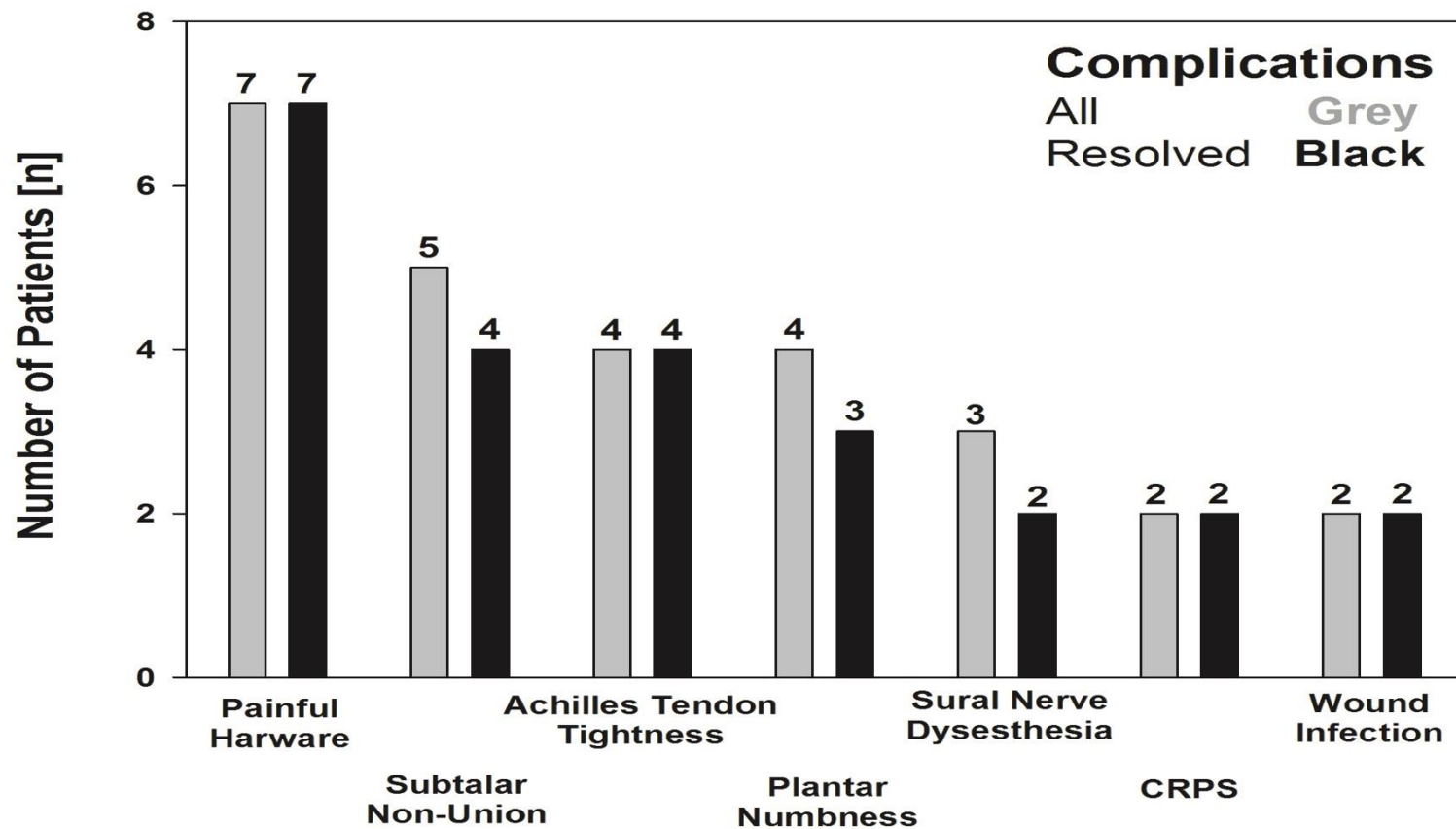


Primary Procedures





Complications





Summary

- Foot and ankle arthroscopy is evolving
- Very useful with proper indications
- Minimizes morbidity and earlier return to activity
- As with all (new) procedures , follow the patients and outcomes



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