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Complications of Uncemented Metalback Glenoid Implants: Personal Experience & Literature Analysis

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Background

Total shoulder arthroplasty is an effective procedure for:

- *Degenerative arthropathy*
- *Some inflammatory arthropathies*
- *Certain proximal humeral fractures*





TSA Vs. Hemi

The results of total shoulder arthroplasty
are better than hemiarthroplasty

Shoulder Arthroplasty with or without Resurfacing of
the Glenoid in Patients Who Have Osteoarthritis¹

BY GARY M. GARTSMAN, M.D.; TONY S. HODDIN, M.D., FRCSC,
AND STEVEN M. HANMERMAN, M.D., HOUSTON, TEXAS

JBJS 2000

Total shoulder replacement compared with humeral head
replacement for the treatment of primary glenohumeral
osteoarthritis: A systematic review

JSES 2007

Craig S. Radwin, M.D., MPH; Kevin J. Settle, M.D.; Jacky Charnley,
William M. Jarvie, M.D.; Louis U. Bigliani, M.D.; and Christopher S. Ahmad, M.D., New York, NY

... **BUT**



Glenoid Failure

- 60% of failed TSA is the result of loosening
of the glenoid component

Characteristics of unsatisfactory shoulder arthroplasties

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Wash

JSES 2002



Evolution

- 1975 English & McNab
- 1981 Smith & Nephew Cofield
- 1988 Biomet Biomodular
- Kirschner II C
- 1990 Zimmer Mark 2 Copeland
- 1993 Biomet Mark 3 Copeland
- 1994-1998 Biomet Nottingham I - II Wallace
- 1994 Aequalis Tornier
- 1994-2002 Randelli - SMR Lima Randelli
- 1998 Arthrex Univers 3D Habermeyer
- 2000 Zimmer Sulmesh Gerber



English & McNab 1975

- 21 glenoid
- FU 3 years
- 1 loosening



CORR 1987



Smith&Nephew Cofield I 1981

- 180 tissue ingrowth glenoid components
- **16%** complication of the glenoid component
- Conforming radius of curvature
- One small central peg
- Main Fixation: screw



Uncemented Total Shoulder Arthroplasty A Review

Robert H. Cofield, MD

CORR 1994



Smith&Nephew Cofield II

- 83 ingrowth total shoulder
- Medium FU 9.5 years
- 33 (**39.7%**) glenoid loosening
- 26 (**31.3%**) glenoid revision

increased level of high-density polyethylene wear, subsequent metal wear, osteolysis, and component loosening. This failure mechanism does not stabilize but continues to accrue with time. These findings raise substantial concern for the use of this component, and perhaps other metal-backed bone-ingrowth glenoid components, other than for special situations. ■

Total Shoulder Arthroplasty with a Metal-Backed, Bone-Ingrowth Glenoid Component Medium to Long-Term Results

By Michael J. Tannir, MD, Amy L. McEntosh, MD, John W. Sperling, MD, and Robert H. Cofield, MD
Investigation performed at the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, Mayo Graduate School of Medicine,
Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota

JBJS 2008



Biomet Biomodular 1988

- 32 cemented and 26 MB glenoid
- FU 5 years
- High rate dissociation PE/MB
- Same clinical results
- Higher rate of radiolucent lines in cement group



Resurfacing of the Glenoid in Total Shoulder Arthroplasty

A COMPARISON, AT A MEAN OF FIVE YEARS, OF PROSTHESES INSERTED WITH AND WITHOUT CEMENT*

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JBJS 1999



Biomet Biomodular

- 36 TSA in Rheumatoid patients
- Mean FU 132 months (96-168)
- Survivorship: 89% at 10 years
- 1 (2.7%) glenoid loosening
- Cone peg
- Initial fixation: 2 screws



The metal-backed glenoid component in rheumatoid disease: Eight- to fourteen-year follow-up

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Allan N. Stirrat, FRCS Ed

JSES 2010

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Kirschner II C

140 uncemented glenoid; 7.5 years FU

- 16 (11%) Clinical failures
- 21 (15%) Radiological failures
- 16 (11%) Fractured screws

- 53 (38%) Radiolucent line < 1 mm
- 40 (29%) Radiolucent line 1 > < 2
- 2 (1.4%) Radiolucent line > 2 mm



UNCEMENTED GLENOID COMPONENT IN TOTAL SHOULDER ARTHROPLASTY

SURVIVORSHIP AND OUTCOMES

BY SCOTT DAVID MARTIN, MD, DAVID ZEIGERSON, MD, PhD, AND THOMAS S. THORNTON, MD
Investigation performed at the Department of Orthopaedics, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts

JBJS 2005



Zimmer Mark 2 1993

- 42 TSA
- FU 7.6 years
- 3 (7.1%) radiological loosening
- 3 glenoid revision
 - 1 PE/MB disassociation (Design change in Mark 3)
 - 1 traumatic loosening
 - 1 primary glenoid loosening



Cementless surface replacement arthroplasty (Copeland CSRA) for osteoarthritis of the shoulder

Oliver Jarry, MD, MCh (Orth), and Stephen A. Copeland, FRCS, FRCGS, United Kingdom

JSES 2004



Aequalis Tornier 1994

- 354 total shoulder arthroplasty with a cementless glenoid
- Primary fixation was granted by 2 expansion screw
- Flat glenoid
- Hydroxyapatite on the porous back
- Glenoid Complication **16.5%**
- Glenoid revision **6.4%**



PROTHÈSE TOTALE D'ÉPAULE AVEC UN IMPLANT GLENOÏDIEN MÉTALLIQUE NON SCELLÉ : ETUDE PROSPECTIVE DE 354 IMPLANTS SUIVIS À PLUS DE 2 ANS

P. BOULEAU, C. AVEROUX, G. WILCKY

2000





Aequalis Tornier

- 40 double blinded randomized TSA
- 20 PE cemented - 20 metal back
- FU minimum 3 years
- Radiolucent lines 85% PE - 25% MB
- Revision: 0 PE (0%) - 3 MB **15%**
- Failure between 1st-4th year



Cemented polyethylene versus uncemented metal-backed glenoid components in total shoulder arthroplasty: A prospective, double-blind, randomized study

Pascal Boureau, MD, Cyril Avidor, MD, Sumant G. Krishnan, MD, Gilles Walsh, MD, Jean-François Kempf, MD, and Daniel Molle, MD, Nice, France




JSES 2002

Arthrex Univers 3D
1998

- 24 patients with cementless glenoid since 1998
- 26% associated with glenoid bone graft
- 95% no radiolucency
- 4% radiolucent line < 1 mm
- Cage screw
- No locked connection between cage and MB
- **No loosening**

Cementless glenoid resurfacing in concentric versus eccentric glenoid deformity. A prospective study
Witte D, Magosch P, Lichtenberg S, Habermeyer P
Dept. of Shoulder- and Elbow-Surgery, ATOS Clinic Heidelberg, Germany

SECEC 2003






Zimmer Sulmesh

- 22 TSA
- Mean FU 50.0 months (24-89)
- Multiple layers of highly porous titanium
- 3 (**13.6%**) failure but with broken peg
- **No other loosening**

Total shoulder arthroplasty with an uncemented soft-metal-backed glenoid component
Sandro F. Facentese, MD, John G. Costouros, MD, Stefanie-Peggy Kühnel, MD, Christian Gerber, MD
Department of Orthopaedics, University of Zurich, Balgach University Hospital, Zurich, Switzerland

JSES 2010




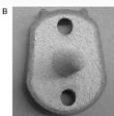


Biomet Nottingham
1994/1998

- 90 Biomodular:
 - 75.6% (8y) 71.7% (11y)
- 103 Nottingham I
 - 81.8% (8y)
- Loosening mainly occurred in the first 4 y
- 34 Nottingham II
 - 93.1% (4y)

Research article
Improvements in survival of the uncemented Nottingham Total Shoulder prosthesis: a prospective comparative study
Nahum Rosenberg, Lars Neumann*, Amit Modi, Istvan J Mersich and Angus W Wallace

Open Access
BMC Musculoskeletal Disorders 2007



Our Experience

- We reviewed from 1996 to 2005, 35 consecutive TSA with SMR MB glenoid:
 - 27 (77.1%) primary arthritis
 - 5 (14.2%) post traumatic arthritis
 - 3 (8.5%) rheumatoid arthritis
- Mean age : 62.7 years (53.9-70.8)



Mid-term results of a metal-backed glenoid component in total shoulder replacement

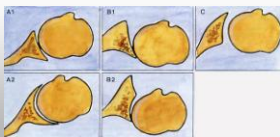
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Our Experience

Pre Op: X ray and CT scan

- 77,1% A1-A2 (slightly or severe concave glenoid)
- 17,1% B1 (slightly biconcave glenoid)
- 5,7% B2 (severely biconcave glenoid)





Our Experience

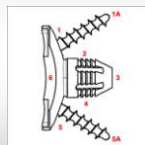
Mean follow-up of 6.2 years (48-154 months)

Clinical data:

- Constant Score
- Vas
- SST

Radiological data:

- Implant position
- Radiolucent lines (Molè classification)





Our Experience

SCORE	PREOP	POSTOP
CS	35.2	70.8
VAS	7.8	3.1
SST	8.4	4.4

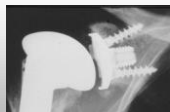


Our Experience

27 cases (77.1%)
no radiolucent lines



8 cases (22.8%)
radiolucent lines <2mm





Our Experience

- No PE disassembly
- No glenoid revision or loosening





Why such different results?

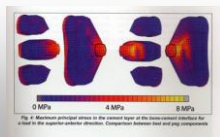
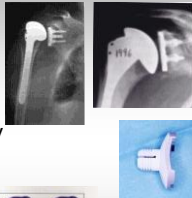
- **Shape:** convex, not flat
- **Polyethylene:** material and sterilization
- **Stabilizing system:** central hollow peg, not only screws
- **HA** also on the peg (not only on the MB)
- ???





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Glenoid Stabilization Elements

- 2 screws (first phase)
- Central hollow peg



3 poor positioning of the screws with no negative effect

Discussion



Open Issues

- *Component*
 - *Stability*
 - *Disassembly*
 - *Breakage*
- *Overstuffing*
 - *Soft tissue tension*
- **Poliethylene wear**

Poliethylene wear



Metal wear



Osteolysis



Loosening





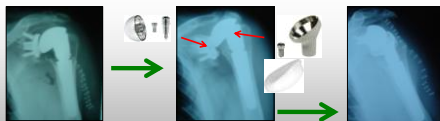
Take Home Message

Glenoid is still the weak point in TSA!

- Needs more investigation, new ideas
- Do not compare pears with apples

... On the other hand ..

- Revision surgery is every day more frequent
- Metal Back glenoid may help to face the revision problems





Grazie!

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VuMedi Webinar
Avoiding Complications with
Shoulder Arthroplasty
9-23-2013
Periprosthetic Humeral Fractures



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Risk Factors for PPF

- Osteopenia-older age, RA
- Soft tissue contractures
- Polyethylene osteolysis
- Cemented, on-growth, in-growth implant stems
- Stress riser with ipsilateral total elbow
- Technical factors
 - Reaming, oversize implant, forceful rotation



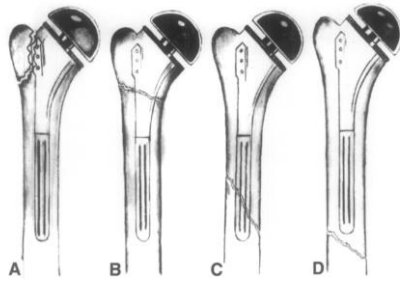
Campbell 1998, Wright, Cofield 1995, Bonutti, Hawkins 1992

Incidence: Humeral fractures in shoulder arthroplasty

- Intraoperative fractures occurs in 0.6-3%- Primary
- **Intraoperative fractures 24.1% - Revision humeral stems**
 - All intraoperative complications were fractures in RSA series
 - Occurred during prosthesis and/or cement removal in revisions.
 - Overall, this resulted in decreased patient function and satisfaction.
- Postoperative fractures occurred in 1.4% – Primary
 - All postoperative fractures, as found in most studies, were secondary to trauma

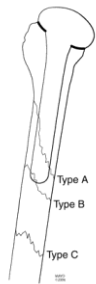
Zumstein, Pinedo, Old, Bolleau. Problems, complications, reoperations, and revisions in 782 reverse total shoulder arthroplasty. JSES. 2011.
Wright, Cofield: Humeral fractures after shoulder arthroplasty. JBJS Am 1995.
Iannotti, Williams J Arthroplasty 2002
Campbell, Iannotti et al. JSES 1998

Multiple classification systems



Campbell et al 1998

Classification



Angulation

- 0-15°
- 16-30 °
- > 30 °

Displacement

- Mild < 1/3 shaft diameter
- Mod 1/3 to 2/3 shaft diameter
- Severe > 2/3 shaft diameter

Wright TW, Cofield RH: Humeral fractures after shoulder arthroplasty. *JBJS Am* 1995; 77:1340-1346.

Classifications of Humeral PPF Wright and Cofield-1995

Type	Description	Treatment
A	Above tip of stem	Conservative; functional splint
B	At tip of stem	Poor healing potential with conservative treatment. In low demand patients, if closed reduction can be obtained, trial of conservative management for max 90 days; if no evidence of union, surgical intervention. For healthy, active patients, immediate surgical intervention.
C	Distal to tip of stem	If closed reduction can be obtained, trial of conservative treatment for up to 90 days. If no evidence of healing, surgical intervention.

New category: Planned osteotomies in stem removal or exchange

Proximal humeral periprosthetic fracture classifications derive and expanded from the Johansson 1981 classifications of PPF in the femur

TABLE I Vancouver Classification System for Periprosthetic Fractures Around the Hip

Type	Fracture Location	Implant Status	Bone Quality
AG	Proximal greater trochanter	Stable	
AL	Proximal lesser trochanter	Stable	
B1	Around stem	Stable	
B2	Around stem	Loose	Good
B3	Around stem	Loose	Poor
C	Distal to stem	Stable	

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REVISION FOR PERIPROSTHETIC FRACTURES
OF THE HIP AND KNEE

Treatment options

- Non-operative B and C level fractures
 - prolonged healing and delay rehab up to 7 months
- Implant sparing
 - ORIF with plate/cables/screws
 - Strut allografts cable constructs
- Conversion to long stem
 - Biomechanically stronger
 - Removal well fixed implant problematic
- Alloprosthetic replacement



Kligman, Roffman 1999, Campbell et al 1998, Wirth, Rockwood 1996
Kelly, Purchase, Kam, Norris 2009, Norris, McElheney 1990

Avoiding Periprosthetic Fx in TSA

- Adequate capsular release
- Avoid forceful ER of the arm
- Proper patient positioning to allow exposure
- Avoid endosteal notching during canal preparation
- Avoid aggressive reaming—cortical breach
- Avoid underreaming followed by oversized prosthesis
- Preoperative templating to avoid overreaming
- Beware of patient factors
 - RA, osteoporosis/osteopenia, cortical thinning, previous fracture malunion with deformity
- [Creation of humeral windows or humeral unicortical osteotomy parallel to long axis to facilitate controlled removal of well-fixed humeral stem during revisions](#)

Considerations

- Will the fracture heal with non-operative treatment?
 - Fracture location, displacement, component fixation
- Does the humeral component need to be exchange for a different type?
- Is there bone support for the prosthesis, or is auto or allograft support/replacement necessary?

Stress Shielding + Osteolysis in implant for revision



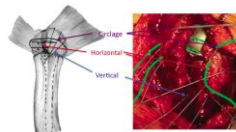
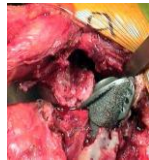
High implant, RCT, stress shielding, and osteolysis



Meticulous use of flexible osteotomies around the posterior fin at the GT results successful stem removal without fracture and preservation of bone stock

Words of caution

- When working proximally, beware the tuberosities
- It can be easy with the sclerotic, thinned bone to cause fractures of GT and LT
- Cut notches for the fins
 - If tri-flange more likely to need osteotomy 83% vs. 8%
 - Phipatanakul J Shoulder Elbow Surg. 2009 Sep-Oct;18(5):724-7
- If they fracture/When they fracture
 - Tag the cuff
 - Prepare to fix it at stem implantation
 - Use same techniques as hemi for fx

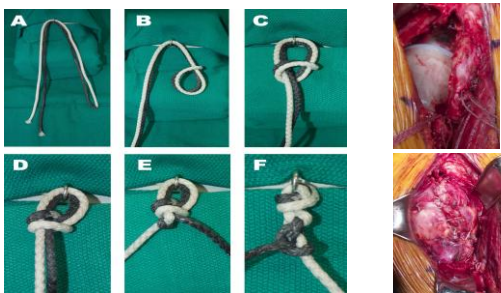


Tuberosity fixation

- Racking hitch heavy nonabsorbable suture
- Place at cuff insertion to tuberosity
- Cerclage around humeral stem
- Tuberosity overlap shaft
- Then held with SS-rotator interval closure



Techniques for tuberosity reconstruction: Racking Hitch Knot



Racking hitch suture for tuberosity and cerclage shaft fracture fixation



Revision Surgery

10 x risk of fracture than primary!

- Much of revision is implant extraction!
- Inadvertent as well as planned controlled fractures run risks of unanticipated nerve injuries

Bone Preservation in Revision

- GOAL: preserve the humeral shaft circumferential integrity and muscle attachments during stem removal.
- TECHNIQUES:
 - Use flexible osteotomes around GT to loosen the implant sufficiently for an in-line extraction
 - Obtain implant specific extraction device to insert on the top of the humeral stem with an attachable slap hammer -
 - OR-
 - stem extractor
 - gouges for in-line disimpaction
 - longitudinal controlled osteotomy or window



Revision Instruments be prepared!

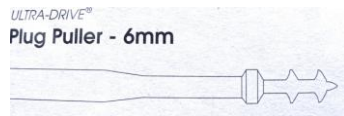


- Wheel burr
- Sagittal saw
- Flexible osteotomes
- Rigid osteotomes
- Ultra Drive
- Drills (6-9mm)
- cement extraction sets
- System specific extraction devices
- Reverse cutting curettes
- Universal extraction gouges
- Fluoroscopy
- Cerclage cable system (metallic or polymer)



Cement Removal

distal to implant if long IM fixation needed



- 6mm Ultra-Drive plug puller is used to make a central perforation in the humeral cement mantle.
- ALT: use increasing size drills (6-9mm)
- Subsequent use of reverse cutting curettes
- Caution: cortical perforation can occur and cause injury to the radial nerve.
- Use table so fluoroscopy can be used
- Cement can deflect ultra drive and drills out thru weaker cortex!

Shoulder Extraction INSTRUMENTS



Component Removal/Utility Instruments

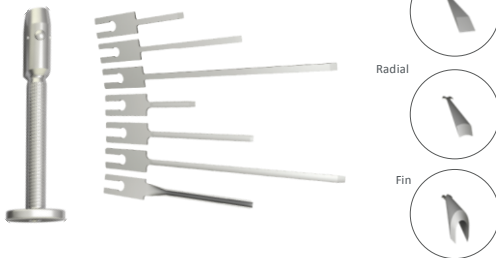


Cement Removal Instruments



Shoulder Extraction INSTRUMENTS

Flexible Osteotomes & Handle



Revision strategies for implant removal In-Line extraction to preserve shaft



Implant specific extraction device



gouge for in line disimpaction

Humeral Osteotomy or Window



-For stem removal, a high speed circular saw is used to make a controlled longitudinal humeral osteotomy.

-Make the early decision to osteotomize to preserve bone and avoid additional fractures and comminution

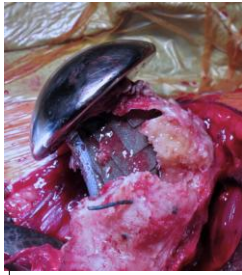
Preserve muscle attachments, especially the deltoid



Sperling JW, Cofield RH: Humeral windows in revision shoulder arthroplasty. JSES 2005; 14:258-263.

Increasingly popular: **Gohlke**, Nicholson, Romeo, Kelly G9MD, Tech Shoulder Elbow

Intra-Operative GT Fx



Posterior fin rests with greater tuberosity

Inadvertent greater tuberosity fracture during disimpaction of a straight humeral stem with posterior fin. This can be avoided by either using flexible osteotomies to better expose the fin or with a controlled osteotomy in cases with poor bone stock.

Preserve GT



PF HHA for PHF → malunited greater tuberosity over HH and glenoid arthrosis



There is a malunion of the greater tuberosity; Despite the malunion, the patient has active FF to 115 degrees, and maintenance of ER.

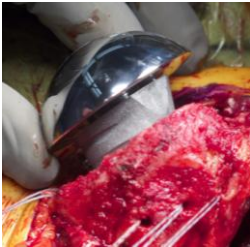
Intraoperative GT Fx, Humeral Osteotomy in revision



Removal of anatomic TSA with RCT, intraoperative greater tuberosity fracture, and humeral shaft controlled osteotomy, PMMA removal, placement of polymer cerclage cables and conversion to RSA with racking hitch GT fixation.

Avoid cx in prosthesis selection

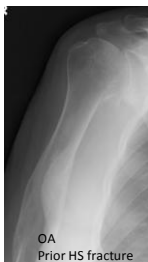
No posterior fin-easier insertion and removal



Short stem as ABX spacer removable with humeral preservation



Complications-PPF with short stem



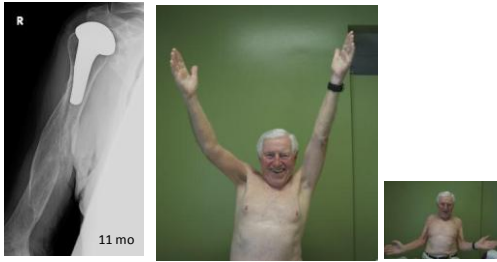
Pre-op healed old humeral shaft fracture



81 yo skier 8 months post-op
Periprosthetic fracture

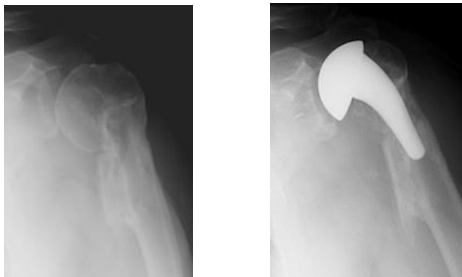


Healed 3 m post closed rx



Short Stem TSAs

Bypass deformity in proximal humeral MU
Avoids new fracture



Be Prepared

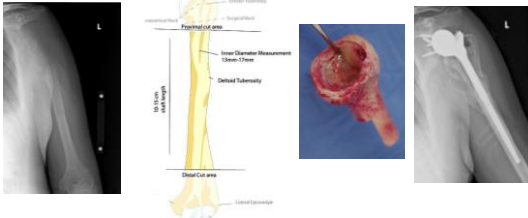
Revision-bone replacement

- Allograft humerus
 - R and L available
- Tubular or can create struts
- Save native deltoid muscle attachment with bone and wrap around allograft prn



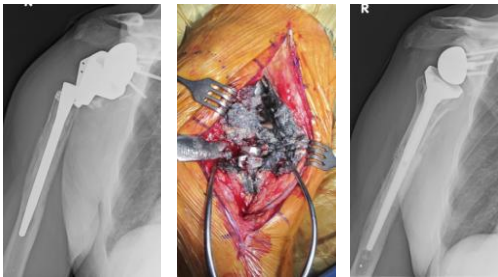
Management of Proximal bone loss

Tubular allograft for additional support and muscle attachments indicated for humeral deficiency

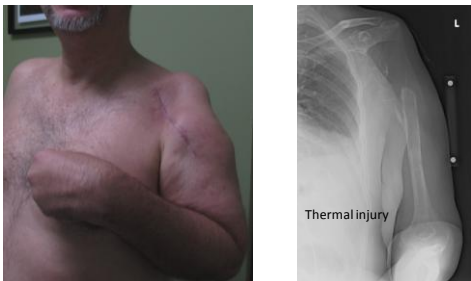


Humerus – less bow than femur to pass long straight stem
RSA preferred in revisions with cuff and bone loss

Risk of absent proximal bone support

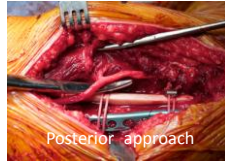


Prosthesis removal for sepsis radial nerve palsy



Etiology radial nerve palsy

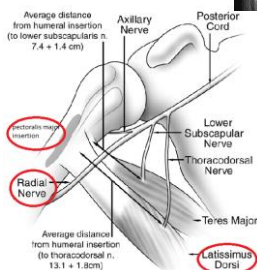
- Drill perforate humeral shaft
- Ultra drive- heat + shaft perforation
- Cerclage cable for fracture fixation
- Trephine-heat with retained stem removal
- Cement extrusion mid shaft
- D-P approach-radial nerve posterior at deltoid insertion
- Safest to isolate nerve posteriorly



Radial Nerve!

at risk with the humeral shaft procedures

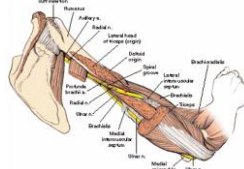
- In revisions, there is distorted, scarred anatomy; nerve can be difficult to identify in its normal location along the humerus.
- Release the pectoralis, the nerve can be traced from a normal area on the belly of the latissimus dorsi and follow it as it courses posterior to the humeral spiral groove, then lateral and distal.



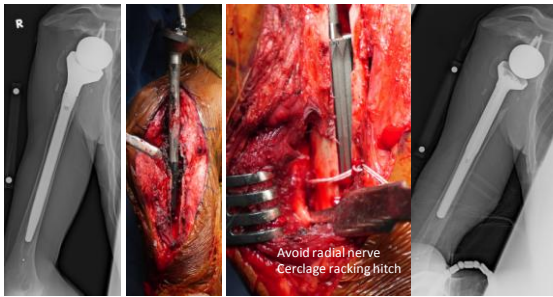
Radial nerve palsy after humeral revision in total elbow arthroplasty. Throckmorton TW, Zarkadas PC, Sanchez-Sotelo J, Morrey BF. JSES 2011. 20(2), 199-205.

Words of caution

- When making osteotomy be weary of the risks of
 - Uncontrolled extension of the fracture down the humerus
 - Nerve injury
 - Radial nerve is especially at risk when fixing the osteotomy/ placing cables
 - Radial nerve is straight posterior at the level of deltoid
 - Suggest getting full exposure before beginning osteotomy



Humeral component unscrewing due to lack of bone support



Post Operative PHF – Type B error to wait



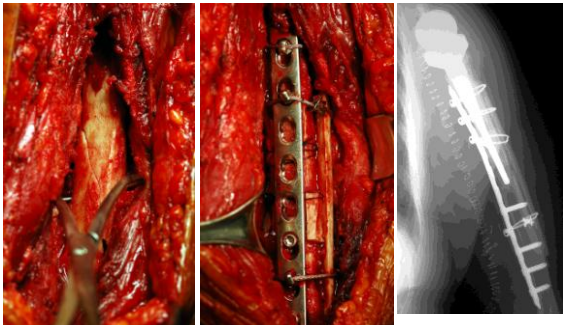
Type B fx, obese body habitus



14 weeks after a fall, abundant callus, 15 degrees varus angulation. The fracture site is not united. New lucency formation around the humeral stem.

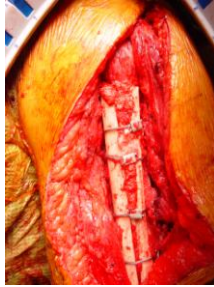
Early fixation of Type B fractures allow return to function sooner and lower chance of nonunion.
Also allow direct examination of stem stability.

ORIF-save the stable implant



ORIF cortical struts

- Allograft provides immediate bone support
- Ultimately increase bone stock
- Aids in load dispersal by increasing surface area



Chandler et. Al. Semin Arthroplasty 93: 17/19 fracture treated with allograft struts & cables healed
Haddad et. Al. JBJS 2002: 40 fractures treated with allograft struts secured with cables or plates. 98% union

Longer stem for IM fixation



Post-Operative PPF

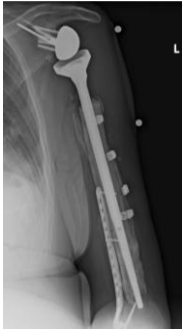


Type C displaced
muscle interposition



ORIF -preserve prosthesis

Many of the problems begin with mid humeral length stems



Bone loss from revision humeral cemented stem, sepsis
Then humeral allograft, Longer IM stem fixation, PMMA
distal plate for more distal fracture

Periprosthetic Fractures and how to Avoid or Minimize Complications

Short stems or no stems will reduce complications with PPF

- Easy to insert/remove
- Press fit
- Convertible or exchangeable
- More proximal PPF
- Less interference with TER



Summary

- Periprosthetic fractures 1-3 % primary
- Up to 24% in revision surgery
- **Frequently associated with treatment to preserve or exchange standard humeral stems**
- PMMA and in-growth fixation complicate revisions
- Radial nerve at risk in humeral shaft
- More instruments and techniques needed for revisions-be prepared!
- Short stems will likely decrease potential complications associated with longer stems

Thank you





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Complications in Reverse SA

	Complic. rate
Dewilde	60%
Rittmeister	75%
Jacobs	14.3%
Boulahia	25%
Dewilde	46.2%
Delloye	80%
Vanhove	8.3%
Sirveaux	15%
Werner	50%
Frankle	17%
Our series	15.7%

About 516 cases, the average complication rate is 22%

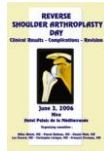
Total rate of complications (Intraop + postop)

Primary
arthroplasty

15.3%

Revision
Arthroplasty

64.7%



Intraoperative complications

Primary Arthroplasty:
2.7%

Intraoperative glenoid fracture



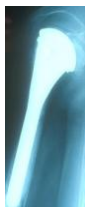
- no reaming
- cancellous graft



Intraoperative complications

Revision Arthroplasty
30.9%

Humerus fracture: 28%

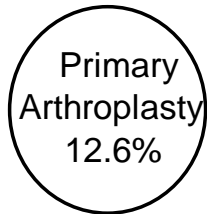


cement removal,
osteopenia,
old ladies...

a humeral window
is preferable



Postoperative complications



Revision Arthroplasty 33.8%

Postoperative complications

Primary Reverse Arthroplasty

Revision Arthroplasty

Instability 3.3%
Infection 3%
PO hum fc 2.6%
Glen loose 1.3%
Neuro 0.8%
Hum loose 0.6%

Instability 10.6%
Hum pb 10.6%
Infection 6.4%
Hematoma 2.1%
Glen pb 1%

How to avoid **infections** ?

Reoperations are at risk +++

- Cement with Antibiotics (R Gobezie)
- Two stages surgery in case of doubt (cultures & spacer for 6 weeks)



How to avoid **infections** ?

Systematic cultures for any reoperation

if more than one positive

=> oral ATB for 6 weeks

How to avoid **instability** with DP approach

- Use a 42 mm glenosphere
- Correct deltoid tension
- Subscapularis repair and protection



What is deltoid « tension » ?

An intraop subjective criteria (conjoint tendon's tension, difficult to reduce , no pistonning, complete adduction.....)

which depends on :

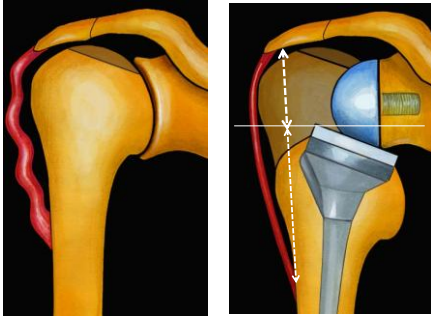
etiology (Post Trauma Arthr, Rev Arthrop.... are stiffer)
anesthesia (degree of sleep, interscalene block)



**Therefore assessment of deltoid length is a better
objective approach than deltoid tension**

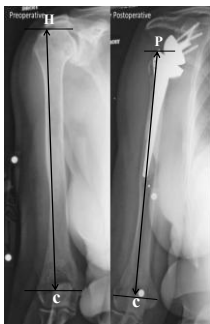
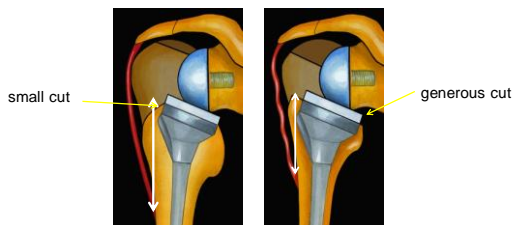
Deltoid length

- position of the glenosphere
- height of the stem



you really control only few factors !

- Position of the glenosphere in the vertical plan (you don't choose)
- Glenosphere size (35 or 42 mm) ($arm > 300\text{ mm} = 1\%$)
- Eccentric glenosphere (2 to 4 mm)
- Stem height (cut, spacer, poly) several cm: $>10\%$ → Key!



... if $CH = CP$, average arm lengthening is 2.4 cm
 => deltoid tension is OK

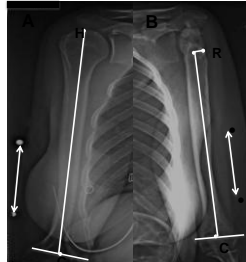
Laedermann - JSES 2008

Ideally the metallic top of the prosthesis should be just above the GT

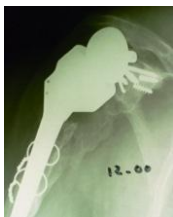
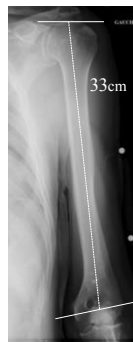
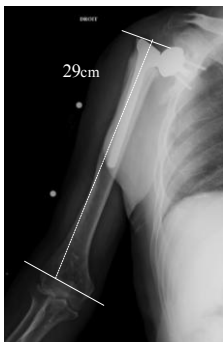
Rather than to check the « tension » of the deltoid,, better to respect the length of the Humerus.



Laedermann
JSES 2008



If deltoid length is insufficient => instability



How
to avoid
**glenoid
loosening**



Glenoid loosening

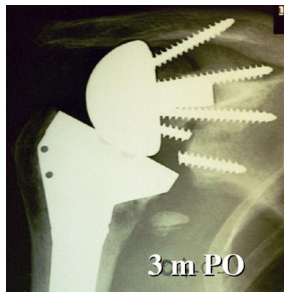
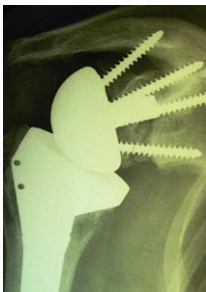
causes

- superior tilt, central post not in the native glenoid (technical error)
- insufficient glenoid bone stock (excessive indication)

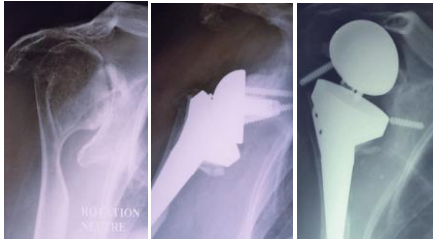
Superior tilt



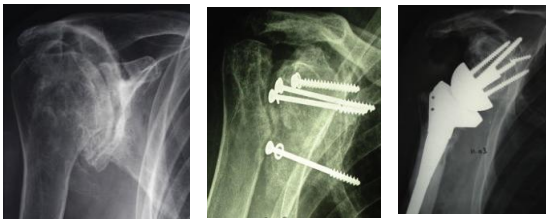
central Post not in the native glenoid



Insufficient glenoid bone stock



If insufficient glenoid bone stock better to do 2 stage surgery



Influence of learning curve

- 2 consecutive cohorts of 240 Reverse SA
implanted by the same two surgeons (LNJ & GW):

- Sept 1995 -> June 2003 (8y) (*J Bone Joint Surg Am.* 2007).
- July 2003 -> March 2007 (4y) (*J Shoulder Elbow Surg.* 2012)

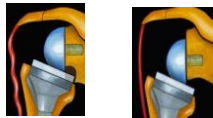
To evaluate if surgeon's experience
modifies complications ?

Avoiding complications: experience

	Cohort 1 1995-2003	Cohort 2 2003-2007	P= 0.07
Infection	8	1	
Dislocation	15	4	
Glenoid loosening	2	2	
Spine fracture	2	2	
Neuro complic	5	7	
Humeral loosening	0	1	
TOTAL complic	32 = 16%	17 = 9%	
Revisions	11 cases 4.5%	7 cases 2.9%	

Whatabout **Notching** ?

Position of the sphere influences notching

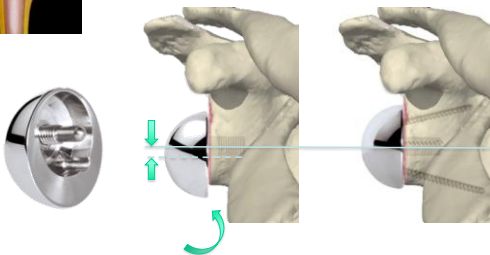


	cohort 1	cohort 2	P =
Notch Gr 0, 1	49.3%	82.3%	p= 0.012
Notch Gr 3,4	30%	8.7%	

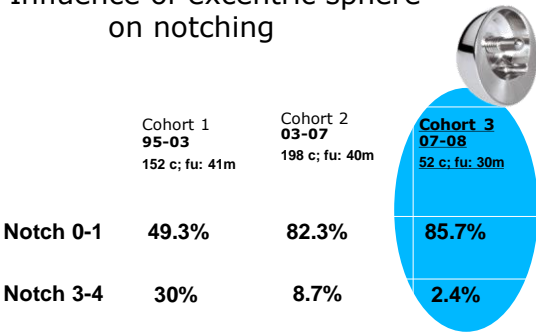
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lowering
the sphere



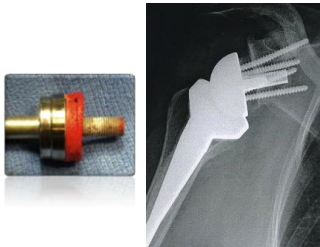
Excentric sphere gives
more inferior clearance



Influence of excentric sphere
on notching

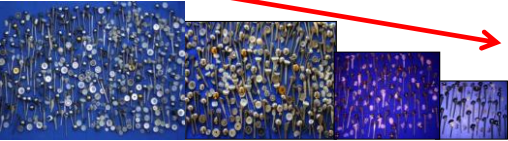


An other way to limit notching:
glenoid lateralization (Boileau)



Revision Arthroplasty decreased
(dramatically)

	First cohort	Second cohort
Revision Arthroplasty	22,5 % (54 cases)	7 % (17 cases)



Summary

The rate of complication depends on
definition, etiology, intra vs postop, surgeon experience

The main complications are: instability, infection
intraoperative fracture and glenoid loosening

Although notching is not a real complication, it is a concern
that can be addressed by improving surgical technique

Thank you