


Forearm fractures in children indications for surgical management

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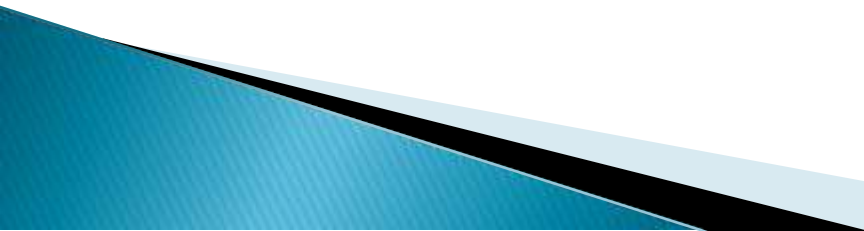
Forearm fractures in children

- ▶ **Wrist fractures (distal end)**
 - ▶ **Midshaft fractures**
 - ▶ **Proximal radius and ulna fractures**
 - ▶ **Fractures dislocations**
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Distal end fractures

- ▶ **Undisplaced (torus - green stick fractures)**
 - ▶ **Physeal fractures**
 - ▶ **Metaphyseal fractures**
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Distal end fractures

- ▶ **METAPHYSEAL FRACTURES**
 - ▶ **Reduction with NO PAIN**
 - ▶ **Sedation - C arm**
 - ▶ **Stable unstable (difficult reduction)**
 - ▶ **Both bones fractured**
 - ▶ **METHOD OF IMMOBILISATION**
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Distal radial fracture



Distal radial fracture initial reduction



Distal radius 2



Distal radius 3



FRACTURE QUADRATUS PRONATOR

- ▶ DIFFICULT REDUCTION ulna undisplaced
- ▶ Palmar approach
- ▶ stabilisation



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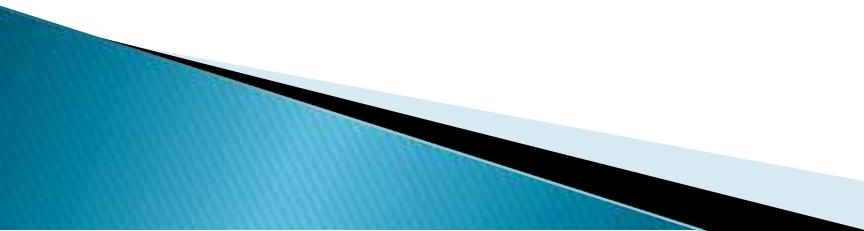
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Management of completely displaced metaphyseal fractures of the distal radius in children

A controlled randomised prospective study

McLauchlan J Bone Joint Surg Br 2002 Edimburgh

- ▶ 35 children MUA and POP
 - ▶ 7 had another procedure because of loss of position
 - ▶ 35 children MUA, K wire and POP
 - ▶ None required a second procedure
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Malunion of fractures, distal radius



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Fracture distal radius ulna

- ▶ Initial presentation sten st



Fracture distal radius ulna

- ▶ Reduction MUA sten st



Fracture distal radius ulna

- ▶ 15 days later sten st



Fracture distal radius ulna

- ▶ Treatment ORIF sten st



Displaced distal radius and ulna fractures

- ▶ Proper reduction
- ▶ Stabilization with K wire
- ▶ ABOVE the elbow cast
- ▶ Regular xray examination
- ▶ AGE of the patient
- ▶ QUADRATUS PRONATOR FRACTURE ORIF


Operative treatment of forearm fracture



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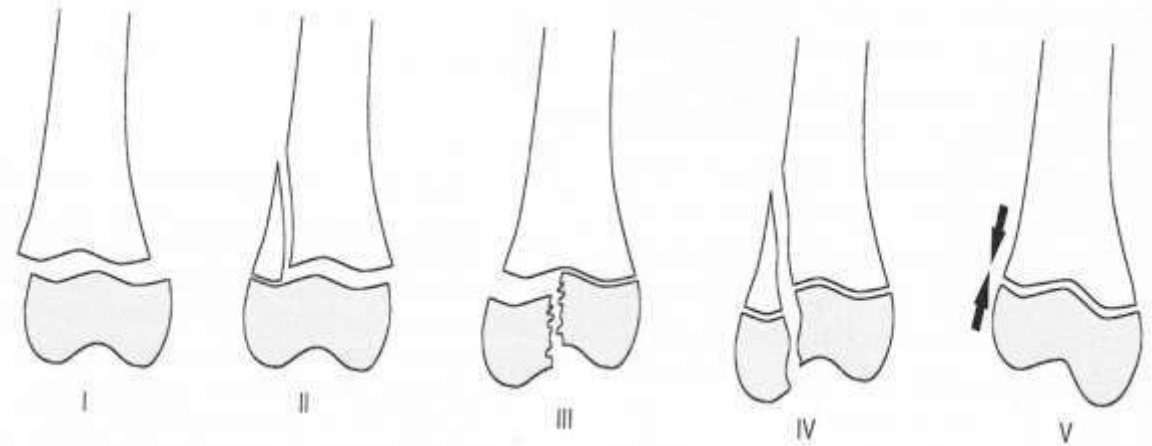


DISTAL END FRACTURES

- ▶ Physeal fractures Salter classification
 - ▶ Accurate reduction
 - ▶ **Displacement ?**
 - ▶ **How much is acceptable?**
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Physeal injuries classification


- ▶ Salter Harris



Salter-Harris Classification

FIGURE 39-9 Salter-Harris classification of physeal fractures.

Physeal fractures of distal radius

- ▶ Most common of pediatric fractures
 - ▶ Main growth of the radius (75% of radial length)
 - ▶ Common in preadolescent period
 - ▶ Common Salter Harris 2
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Physeal fractures of distal radius

- ▶ Closed reduction when displaced with an angle $> 10-15^\circ$
- ▶ Accurate reduction (ORIF) in SH 3, or 4
- ▶ They are healed quickly, they have great remodelling potential, mainly in younger children
- ▶ Repeat reduction or reduction after 10 days **MUST BE AVOIDED**

Physeal fractures of distal radius

REMODELLING POTENTIAL

- ▶ GOOD POTENTIAL FOR REMODELLING , MAINLY IN YOUNGER THAN 10 YRS
- ▶ We accept angulation up to 20d and axial deviation up to 40%
- ▶ No reduction in minimal displacement !
- ▶ growth arrest when attempted REPEATED manipulation

ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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Physeal fractures

- ▶ **IDEAL**
- ▶ **Ακρίβης ανάταξη**
- ▶ **MUA , C arm**



Physeal fractures



Physeal fractures

- ▶ **CAST Below elbow**



Physeal fractures

- ▶ Ακριβής ανάταξη
- ▶ Παρεκτόπιση
- ▶ Πόση αποδεχόμαστε?
- ▶ Νέα ανάταξη?



Physeal fractures

- ▶ Σπάνια η εμφάνιση growth arrest?



Distal end fractures

Remanipulation? ORIF?

- ▶ **When ?**
- ▶ **Unclear indications**



Delayed union ?



Fractures of the shaft of radius and ulna

Fractures of the shaft radius ulna

- ▶ Age
 - ▶ Proximal fracture
 - ▶ stability
 - ▶ Solitary fracture
 - ▶ Plastic deformation
 - ▶ Overriding of fractured segments
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Fractures of the shaft radius ulna

- ▶ Ideal conditions



Balance between conservative and operative treatment



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna

- ▶ What is the next step ?



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna

- ▶ Choosing appropriate management



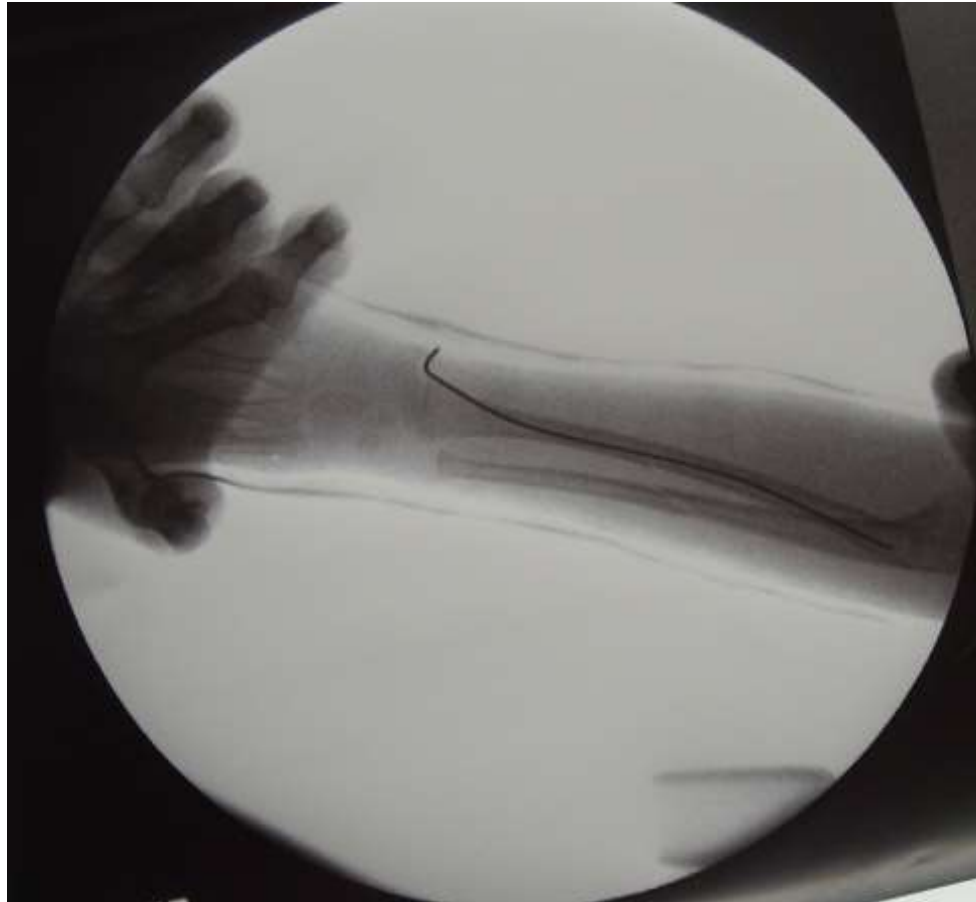
Fractures of the shaft radius ulna initial picture II Г



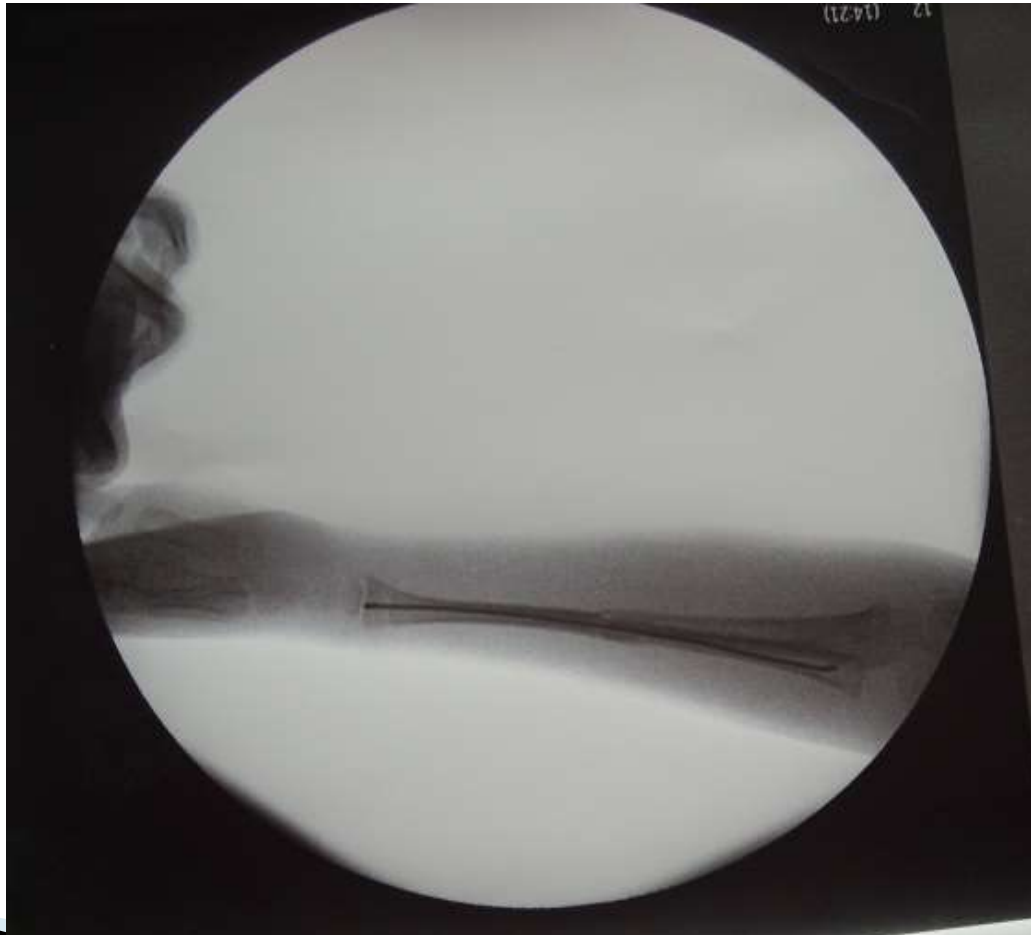
Fractures of the shaft radius ulna reduction Π Γ



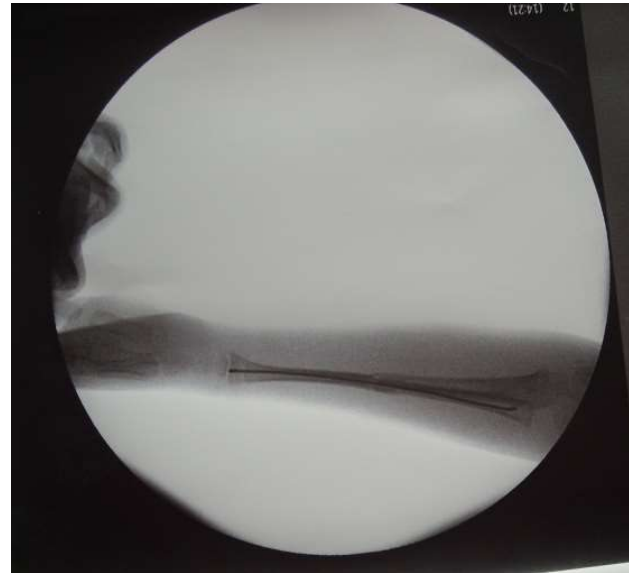
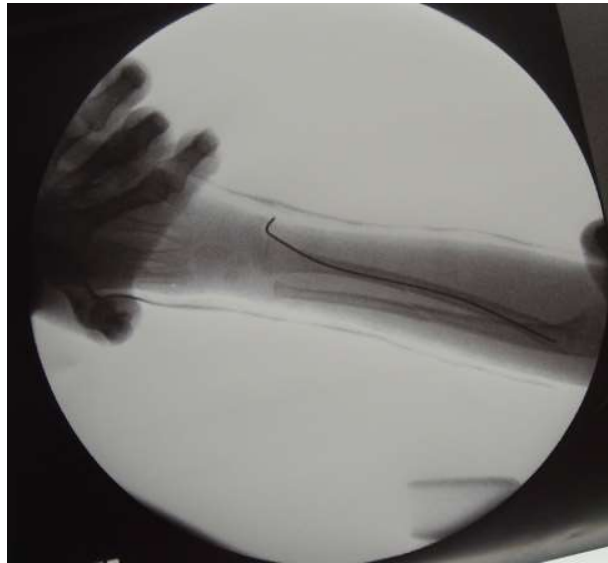
Fractures of the shaft radius ulna management II Γ 1



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna management II Γ 2



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna management II Γ 3



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna

final II Γ



Elbow ankylosis

Application of
Ilizarov device

Proximal ring
with half pins

Distal ring with
half pins

Medial ring with
wires



Celebration for the procedure RTA (motor bike)



Union of the fracture



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna acceptable ? 1a



Fractures of the shaft radius ulna final 1b



Choosing appropriate treatment

- ▶ Age
- ▶ Contact of bones
- ▶ Axis
- ▶ Interosseous distance



Axial deviation ?

- ▶ Age
- ▶ Contact of bones
- ▶ Axis
- ▶ Interosseous distance



Plastic deformation

- ▶ Main complaint is the ulnar prominence



Plating for fractures of radius and ulna 1



Plating for fractures of radius and ulna 2



Plating for fractures of radius and ulna 3



Plating for fractures of radius and ulna 4




Plating one bone



Plating one bone



Surgical treatment for fractures of the shaft radius ulna

- ▶ Plates
 - ▶ **ESIN**
 - ▶ One bone or bilateral fixation
 - ▶ K wires are the **EXCEPTION**
 - ▶ Remodelling is **LESS** compared with distal fractures
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- ▶ [Orthop Rev \(Pavia\)](#). 2014 Apr 22; 6(2): 5325.
- ▶ **Treatment of Diaphyseal Forearm Fractures in Children**
- ▶ [Matthew L. Vopat](#),¹ [Patrick M. Kane](#),² [Melissa A. Christino](#),² [Jeremy Truntzer](#),² [Philip McClure](#),² [Julia Katarincic](#),² and [Bryan G. Vopat](#)²
- ▶ Generally, these fractures can be successfully managed with closed reduction and casting, however operative fixation may also be required. The optimal method of fixation has not been clearly established. Currently, the most common operative interventions are open reduction with plate fixation *versus* closed or open reduction with intramedullary fixation.

- ▶ [Injury](#). 2014 Aug;45(8):1135–43. doi: 10.1016/j.injury.2014.04.020. Epub 2014 May 2.
- ▶ **Systematic review: functional outcomes and complications of intramedullary nailing versus plate fixation for both–bone diaphyseal forearm fractures in children.**
- ▶ [Patel A](#)¹, [Li L](#)², [Anand A](#)¹
- ▶ There were no statistically significant differences in functional outcome or time to fracture union between plating and IM nailing. No consistent difference was found in complication rate, fracture angulation, shortening or rotation. Better cosmesis and shorter duration of surgery was noted in the IM nailing group. Post–operative radial bow was significantly abnormal in the IM nailing groups, but did not affect forearm movement

ESIN

- ▶ [J Pediatr Orthop B.](#) 2009 Nov;18(6):289–95..
- ▶ **Nonunion of forearm shaft fractures in children after intramedullary nailing.**
- ▶ [Fernandez FF¹](#), [Eberhardt O](#), [Langendörfer M](#), [Wirth TZ](#)
- ▶ [Orthop Unfall.](#) 2013 Aug;151(4):364–70
- ▶ **[Pseudarthrosis following surgically treated forearm fractures in children and adolescents].**
- ▶ [Fernandez Fernandez F¹](#), [Langendörfer M](#), [Wirth T](#), [Eberhardt O](#).

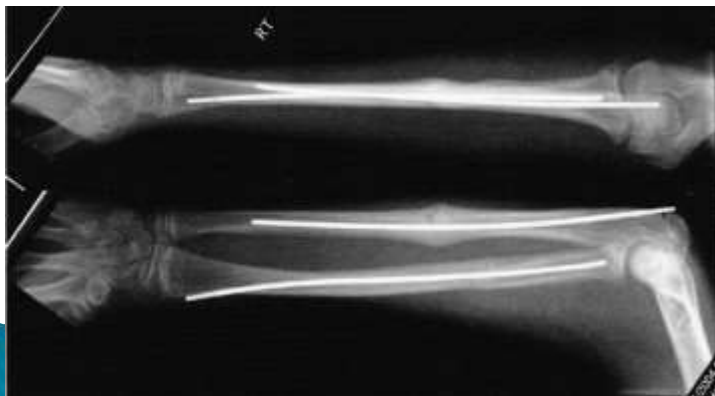
CASE REPORT

Use of ESIN in forearm fractures in children: Does keeping the nail in situ longer prevent refractures?

[Manish Changulani](#), [Neeraj Garg](#), [Colin E. Bruce](#)


[Injury Extra](#)

[Volume 37, Issue 4](#), April 2006, Pages 151-15




Fractures of shaft of radius and ulna

displacement angulation

- ▶ Up to 10d in the frontal and lateral
 - ▶ Overriding of fragments NOT accepted
 - ▶ Price and Scott JPO 1990
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Functional impairment following malunion

- ▶ Malunion does not correlate with functional deficit
 - ▶ Few children are treated for malunion
 - ▶ Price
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- ▶ [Acta Orthop](#). 2017 Feb; 88(1): 101–108.
- ▶ Published online 2016 Nov 14.
doi: [10.1080/17453674.2016.1255784](https://doi.org/10.1080/17453674.2016.1255784)
- ▶ PMID: PMC5251255
- ▶ Predictive factors for re-displacement in diaphyseal forearm fractures in children—role of radiographic indices
- ▶ [Shadi Asadollahi](#),¹ [Masoumeh Pourali](#),² and [Kamran Heidari](#)
- ▶ Our results suggested that fractures with a higher degree of initial angulation and non-anatomical reduction more often result in re-displacement. Moreover, the casting quality examined with the radiographic indices played an important role in the success of a non-operative management.

Fracture and displacement of the ulna



▶ Elbow examination



Radial head dislocation Monteggia



Εξάρθρωμα κεφαλής κερκίδος



Monteggia fracture



Monteggia fracture



Κάταγμα ωλένης ulnar fracture



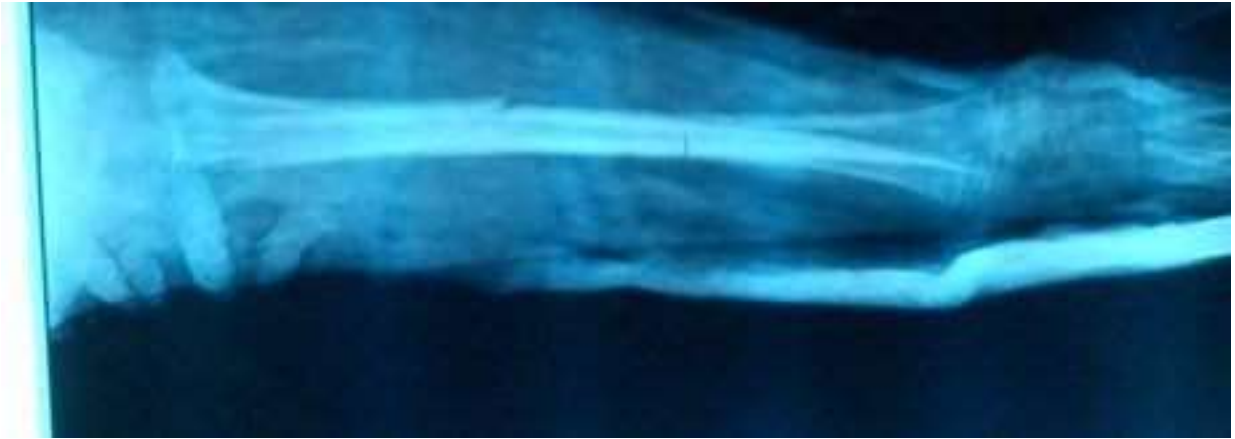
Κάταγμα ωλένης αντιμετώπιση ulnar fracture management?



Κάταγμα ωλένης αποτέλεσμα ? Ulnar fracture result



Ulnar fracture reconsider xrays



Fracture dislocation Monteggia management



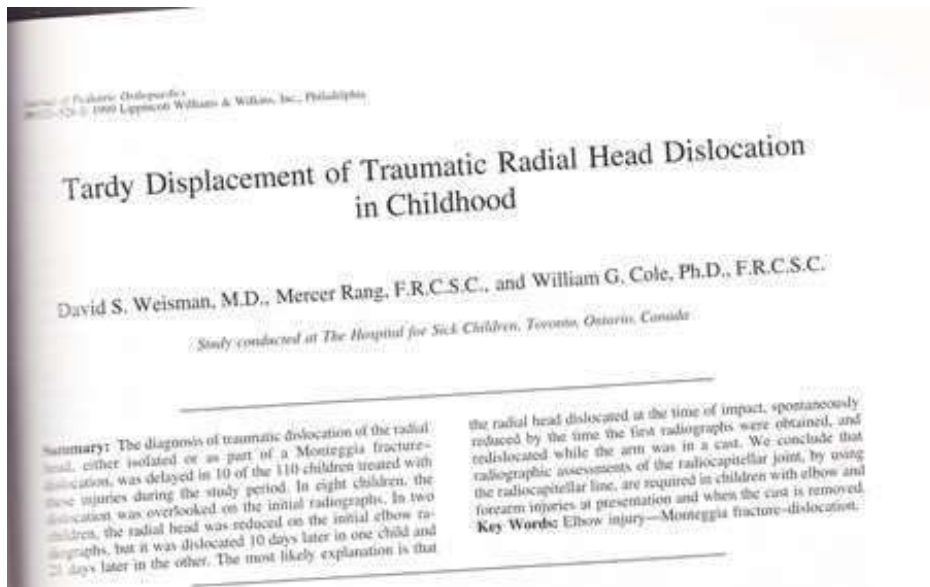
Fracture dislocation Monteggia final result



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Late onset dislocation of the radial head



Fracture dislocation MONTEGGIA classification

- ▶ Bado
- ▶ Letts

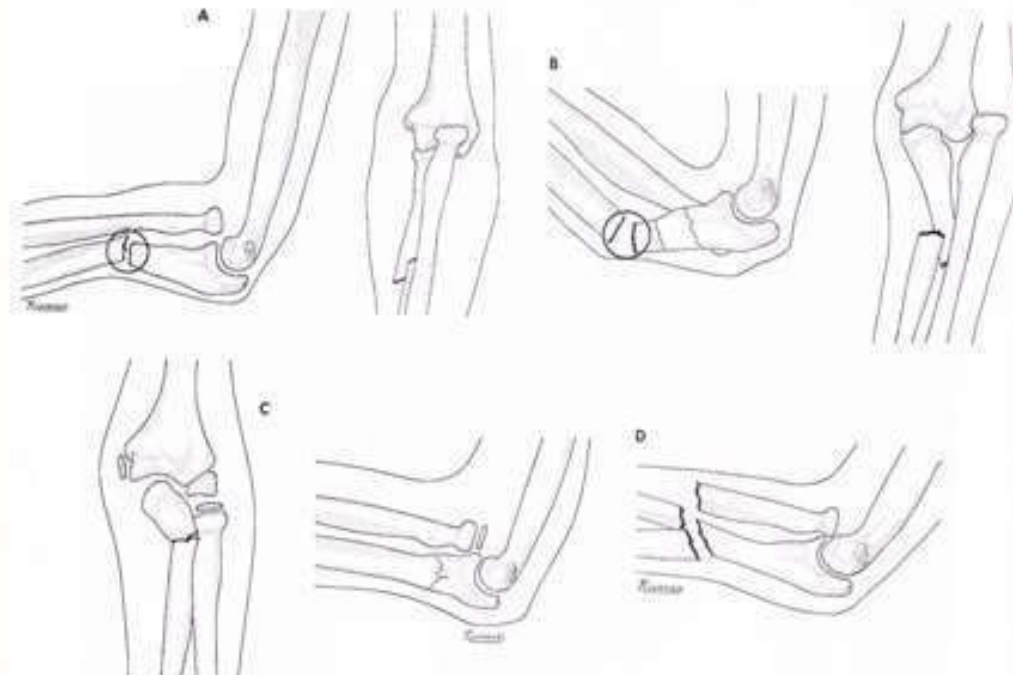


Fig. 47-23. Types of Monteggia fractures. **A**, Type I with anterior dislocation of radial head and anterior angulation of ulnar fracture. **B**, Type II with posterior dislocation of radial head and posterior angulation placement of ulnar fracture. **C**, Type III with lateral dislocation of radial head and lateral angulation of ulnar fracture. **D**, Rare type IV with fractures of radial and ulnar shafts and dislocation of radial head. (Redrawn from Bado, J.L. Clin. Orthop. 50:71, 1967.)

Fracture dislocation MONTEGGIA radiological assessment

- ▶ Η γραμμή του άξονα της κερκίδας διέρχεται σε όλες τις θέσεις από το κέντρο του έξω κονδύλου

1850 FRACTURES

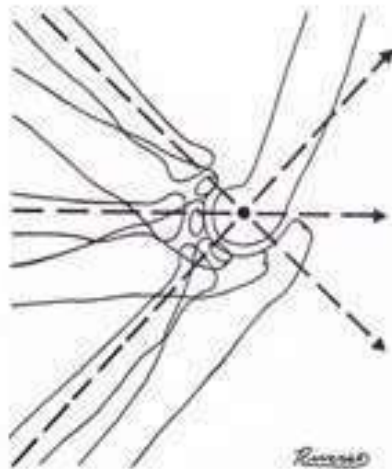


Fig. 47-22. Composite sketch to show radial head axis passing through center of capitulum in any position of flexion and extension. (Redrawn from Smith, F.M.: Clin. Orthop. 50:7, 1967.)

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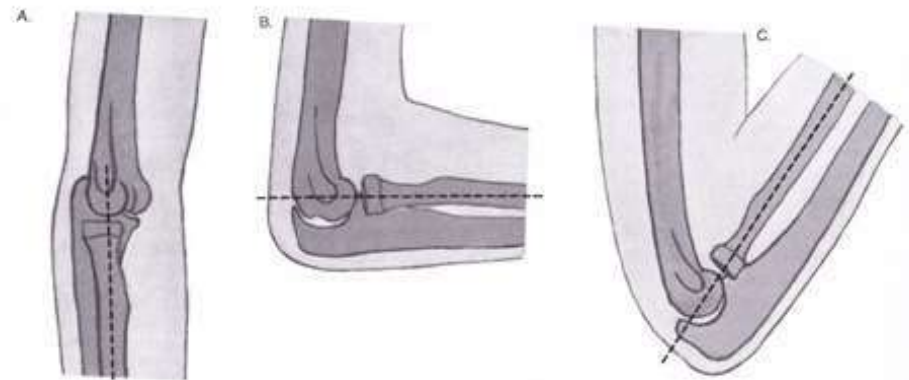


FIGURE 41-108: A to C, Anatomic relationship of the radial head and capitulum. A line through the longitudinal axis of the radius passes through the center of the capitulum, regardless of the degree of elbow flexion.

ΚΑΤΑΓΜΑ ΕΞΑΡΘΡΗΜΑ ΜΟΝΤΕΓΓΙΑ

ακτινολογική διάγνωση

- ▶ Διαφορική διάγνωση από συγγενές εξάρθημα της κεφαλής της κερκίδας
- ▶ Οπίσθιο εξάρθημα, συνήθως αμφοτερόπλευρο
- ▶ Ευμεγέθης , ανώμαλη σε σχήμα



THANK YOU

