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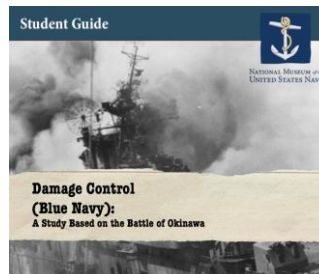




Damage control in pediatric polytrauma

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CHAPTER 12

DAMAGE CONTROL

...the events of 14-15 April 1988 have proven that solid damage control, good training, and sound leadership based on experience can save a ship that is on fire and sinking, to fight another day.

—Paul X. Rinn, CAPT
CO, USS *Samuel B. Roberts* (FFG-58)

US Navy _ The concept of “damage control” the management of damages on board:

- 1) to prevent damage from occurring,
- 2) **control damage while it is occurring**
- 3) restoration after the damage has occurred



DCS

DCO Vs ETC

DCO + ETC = EAC

DCO $\neq$ MuST

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DCOs $\neq$ DCO_L

> J Trauma. 1993 Sep;35(3):375-82; discussion 382-3.

'Damage control': an approach for improved survival in exsanguinating penetrating abdominal injury

M F Rotondo¹, C W Schwab, M D McGonigal, G R Phillips 3rd, T M Fruchterman, D R Kauder, B A Latenser, P A Angood

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Changes in the Management of Femoral Shaft Fractures in Polytrauma Patients: From Early Total Care to Damage Control Orthopedic Surgery

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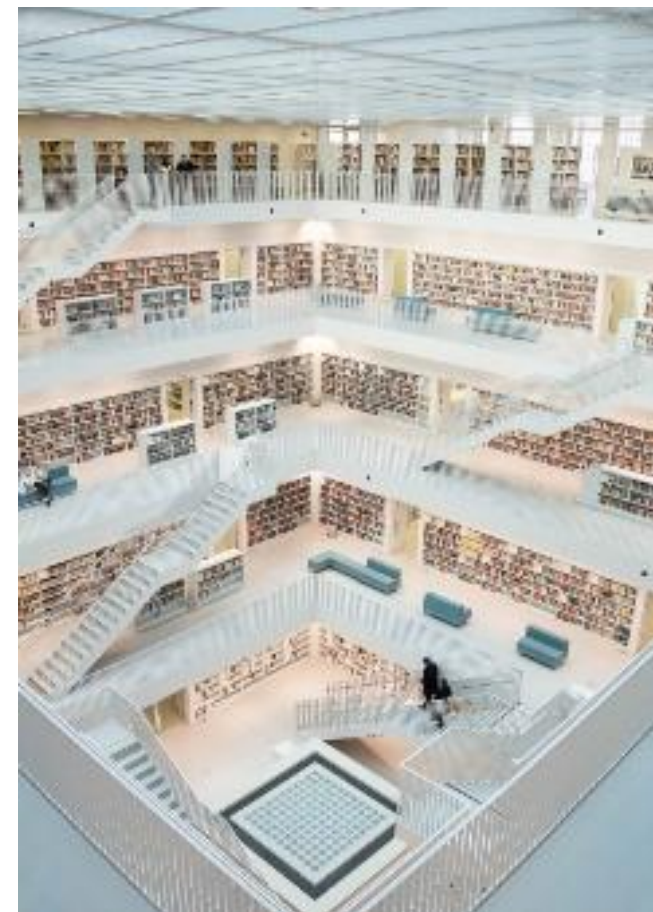


Indications and interventions of damage control orthopedic surgeries: an expert opinion survey

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DEFINITION(S)



polytrauma definition

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RESULTS BY YEAR



The definition of polytrauma: variable interrater versus intrarater agreement--a prospective international study among trauma surgeons.

Butcher NE, Enninghorst N, Sisak K, Balogh ZJ.

J Trauma Acute Care Surg. 2013 Mar;74(3):884-9. doi: 10.1097/TA.0b013e31827e1bad.

PMID: 23425752

[Review](#) [Injury](#). 2009 Nov;40 Suppl 4:S12-22. doi: 10.1016/j.injury.2009.10.032.

The definition of polytrauma: the need for international consensus

Nerida Butcher ¹, Zsolt J Balogh

Affiliations + expand

PMID: 19895948 DOI: 10.1016/j.injury.2009.10.032

Major _ Poly _ Pediatric _ Trauma

<https://surgeryreference.aofoundation.org/orthopedic-trauma/pediatric-trauma/further-reading/pediatric-polytrauma>



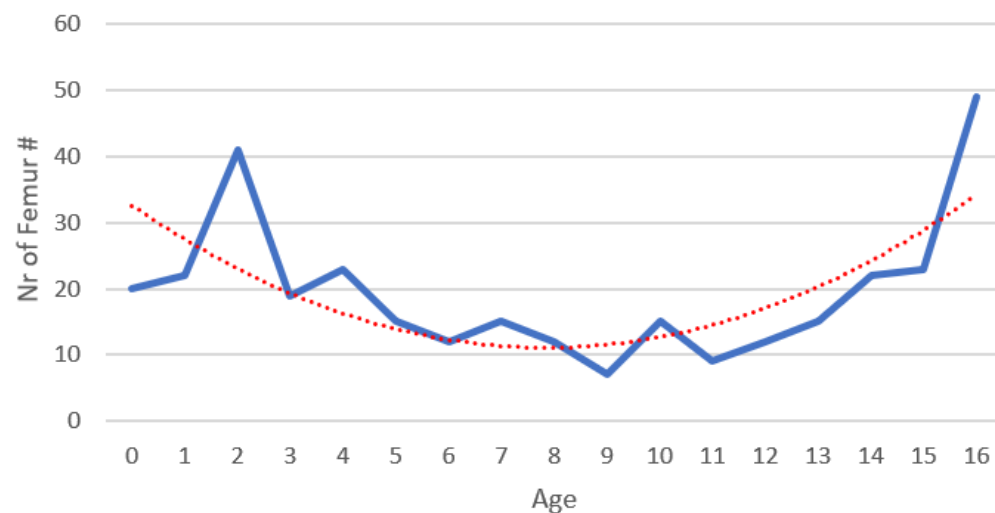
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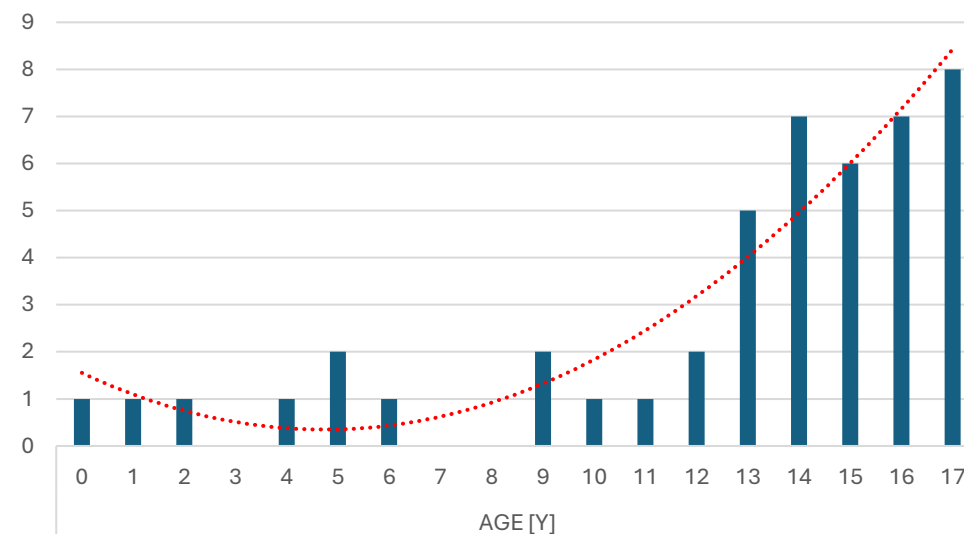
DCO -> $\emptyset$ definitive treatment (= early total care)

„Disclosure“

- Retrospective
- Analysis concerning the chosen strategies
- No „EBM“
- No „GUIDE LINE“

TOT: 298 FEMURSHAFT_#
46/298 FEMURSHAFT_# $\wedge$ PPT


Polytrauma AND femur fracture(s)


3. PED TRAUMA CENTER
10.000.000 INHABITANTS
STUDY TIME: 10 Y

	PMT	0-4	5->11	12->14	15->17	Check tot
DCO	ExF	0	1	9	23	33
	ESIN	2	4	5	0	11
	BBG	2	0	0	0	2
		4	5	14	23	46

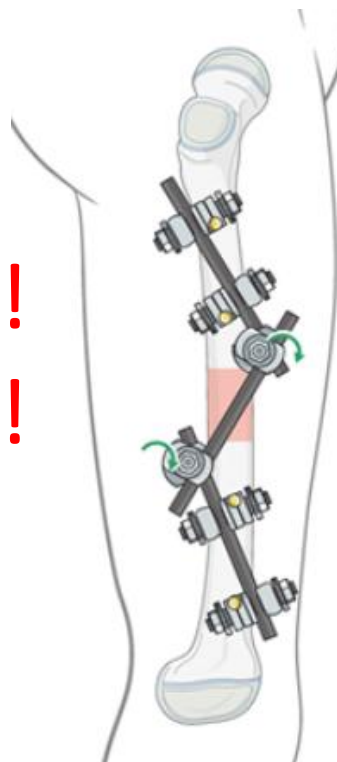
Age groups	< 3	3-4	5-11	12-14	15-17
total events	66	23	48	37	124
SC/Brace	63/66 _ 95%	8/23 _ 30%			
ESIN	3/66 _ 5%	14/23 _ 61%	39/48 _ 81%	18/37 _ 49%	
IMN			2/48 _ 4%	15/37 _ 41%	112/124 _ 90%
ExF*		1/23 _ 4%	0/48 _ 0%	1/37 _ 3%	0/124 _ 0%
MIPO			5/48 _ 9%	3/37 _ 5%	12/124 _ 10%
OTHERS**			2/48 _ 4%		
ExF_DCO			4/48 _ 8%	11/48 _ 23%	39/124 _ 31%

* as definitive treatment. DCO Excluded

** e.g. telescopic rods or Ilizarov.



Ø DCO < 5y ? **Maybe No!**
↓ DCO < 14y? **Maybe No!**



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In the paediatric patient an organ failure tends to resolve quickly
Unstable -> stable.



The difference between def treatment and DCO is vaguer in
children (e.g. ESIN Vs IMN). **Def treatment less invasive.**

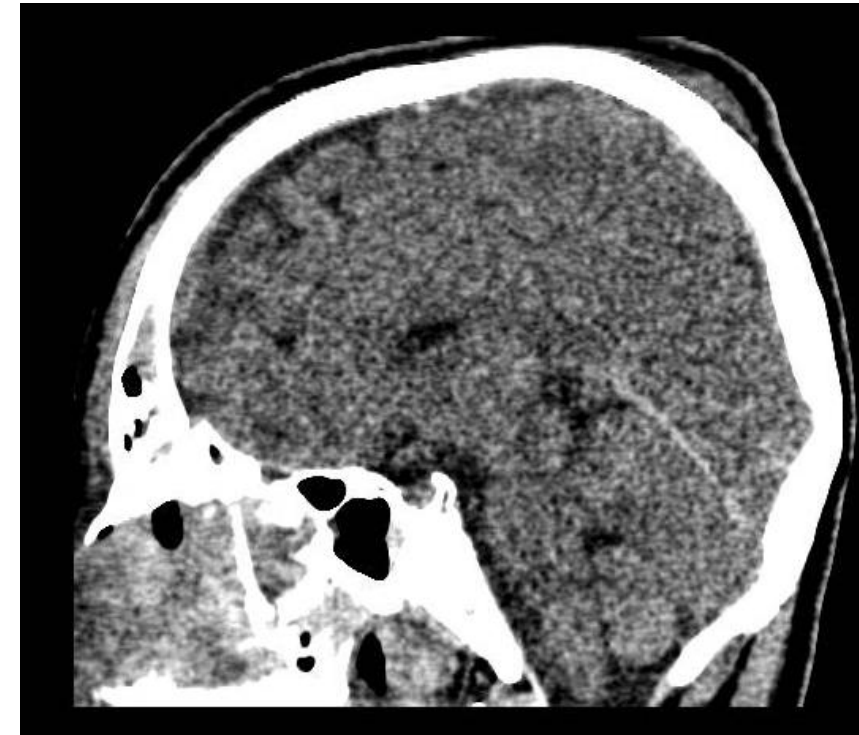
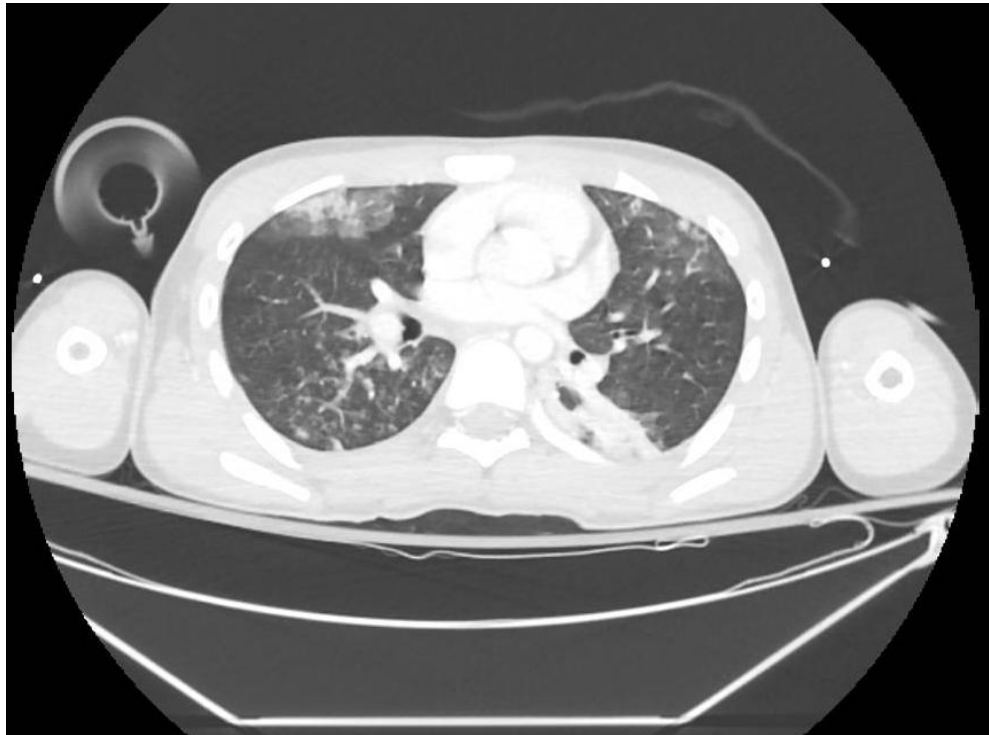
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ZA _ 16y _ M

T: 0

- MVA
- Lung cont
- Femur bilat
- ESA
- Multiple Facial #





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T: 0

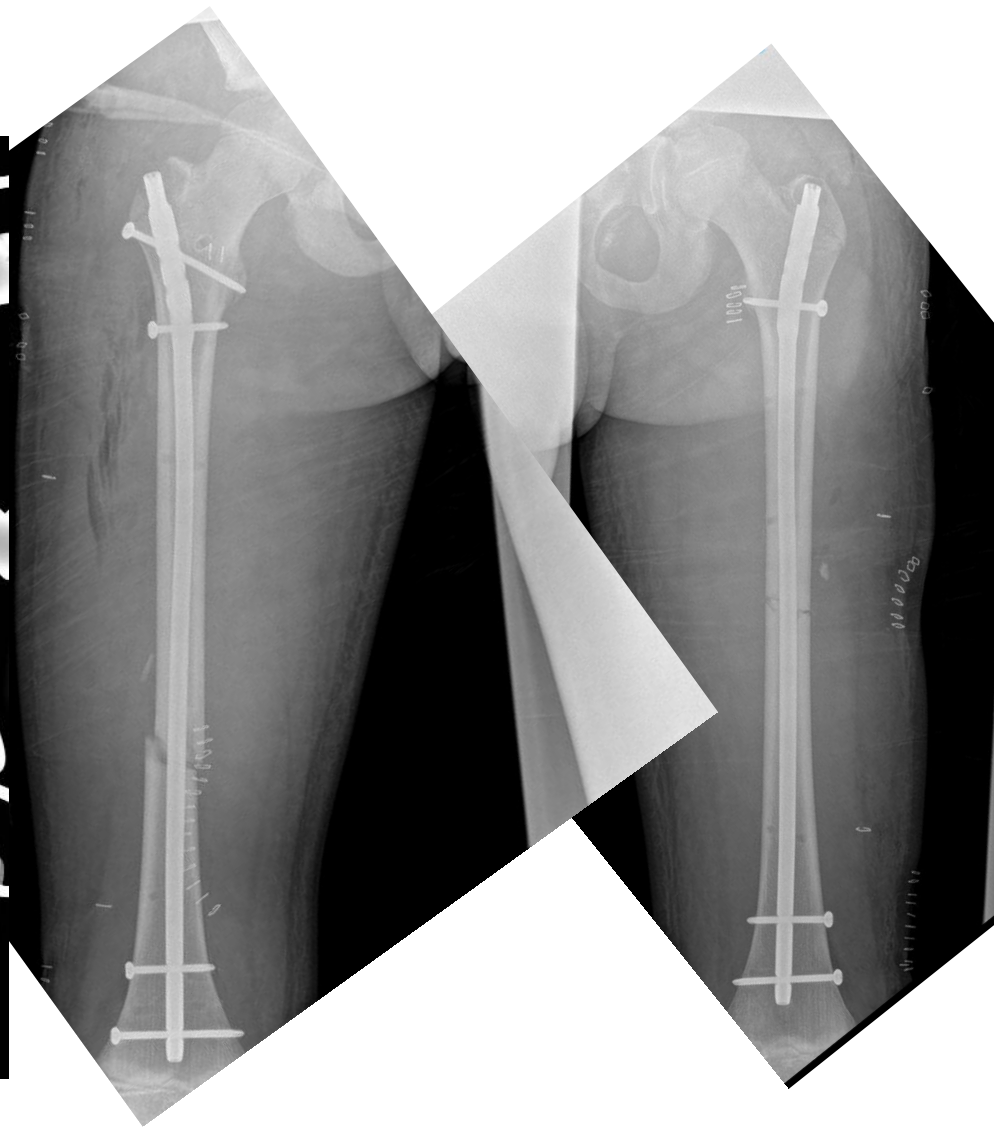
- Bds GA1-2 Femur #
- FA #
- Hand #



ZA_16y_M

T: 0

- Bds GA1-2 Femur #
- FA #
- Hand #





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ZA _ 5y _ M

Fall from 8m

T: 0

- Pneumo Med
- Pneumo Peritoneum
- Closed book #
- Floating knee

Hemodyn Hypo Schock class 1

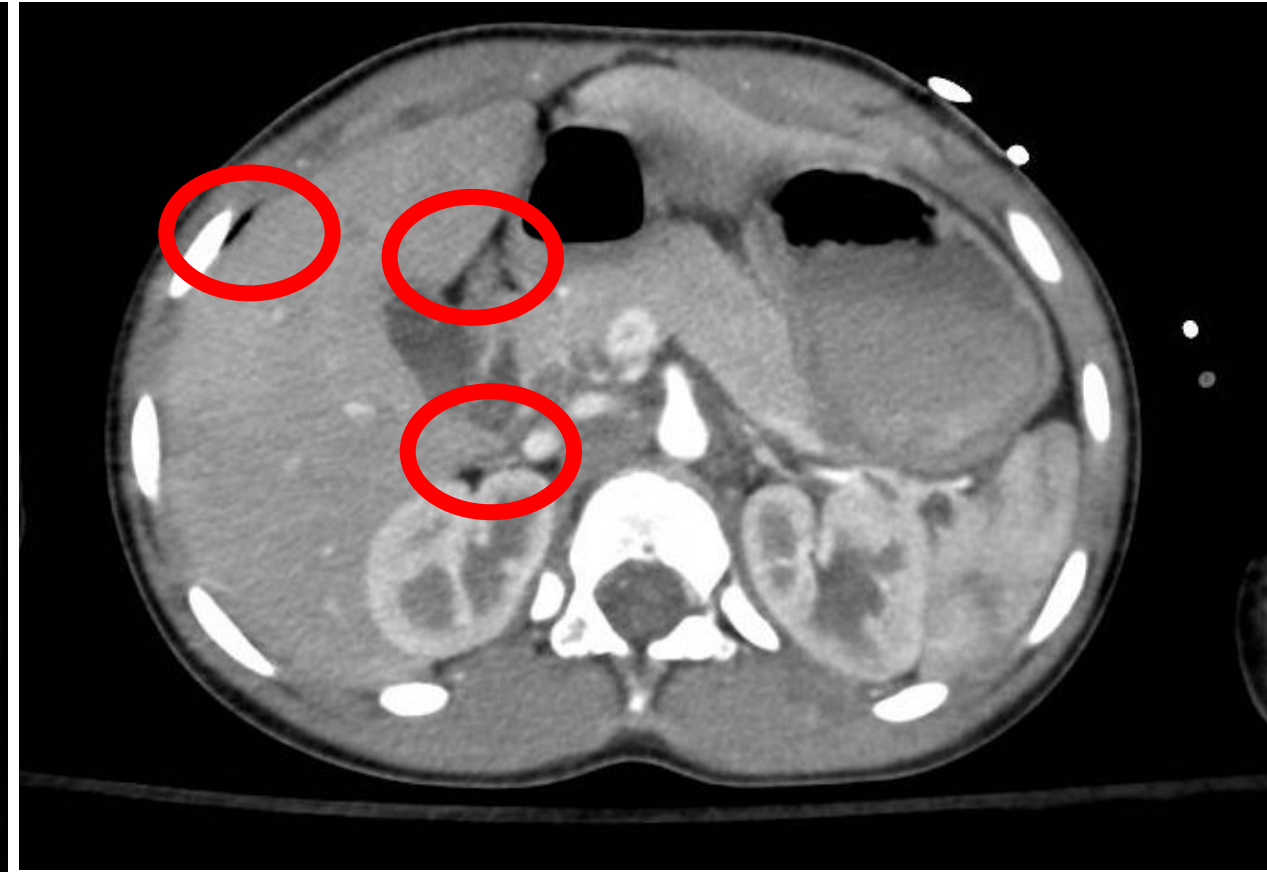
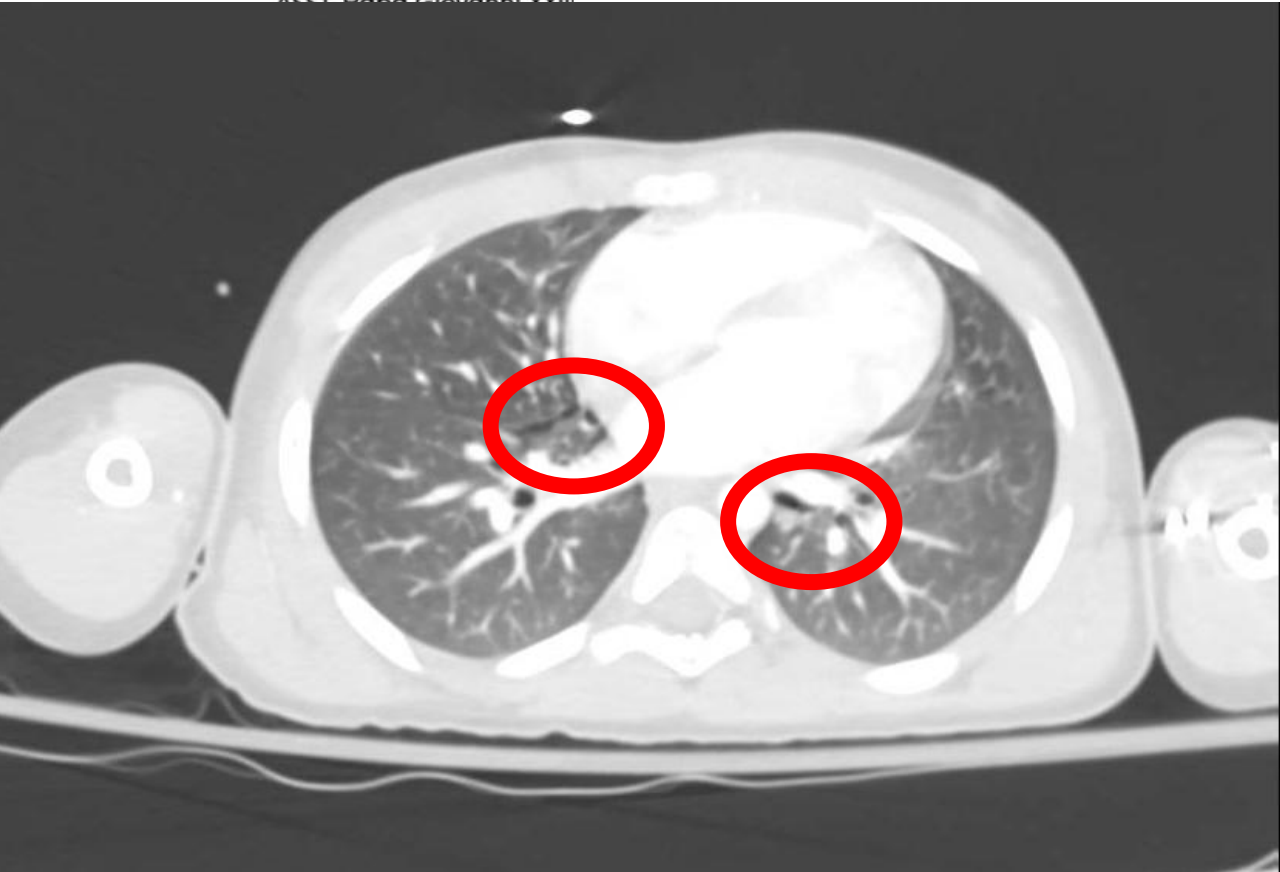
-> Responder (fluid load)

-> Stable and normal



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T: 0



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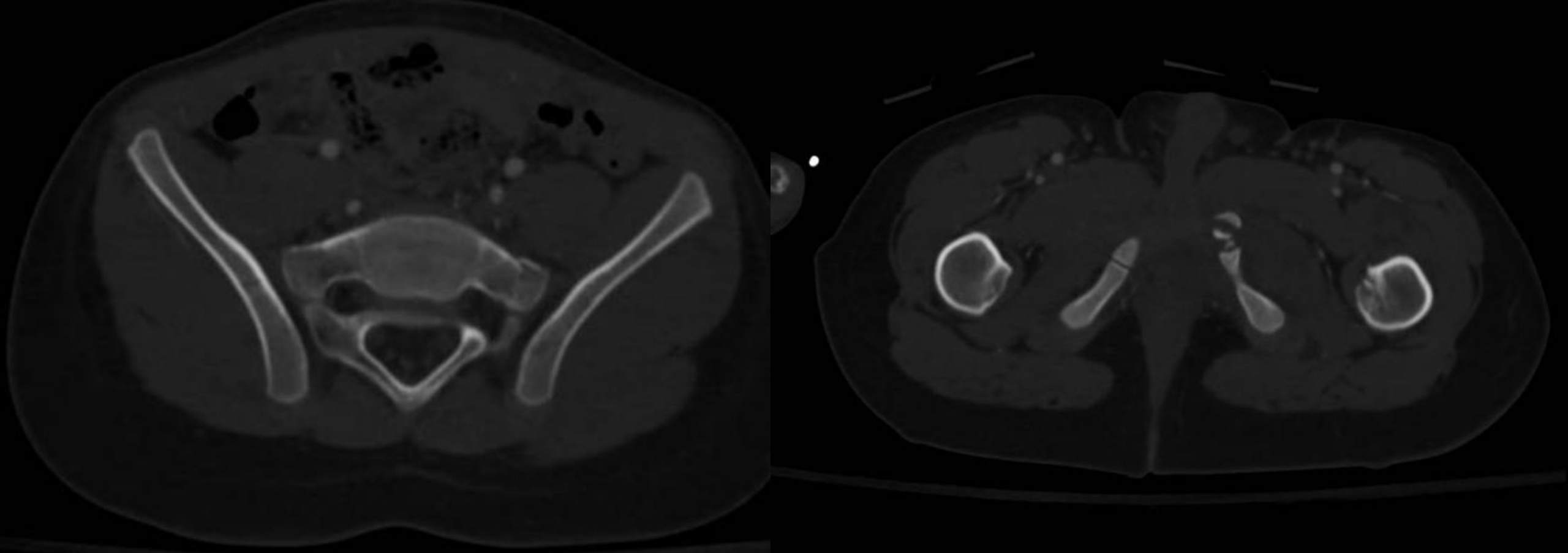


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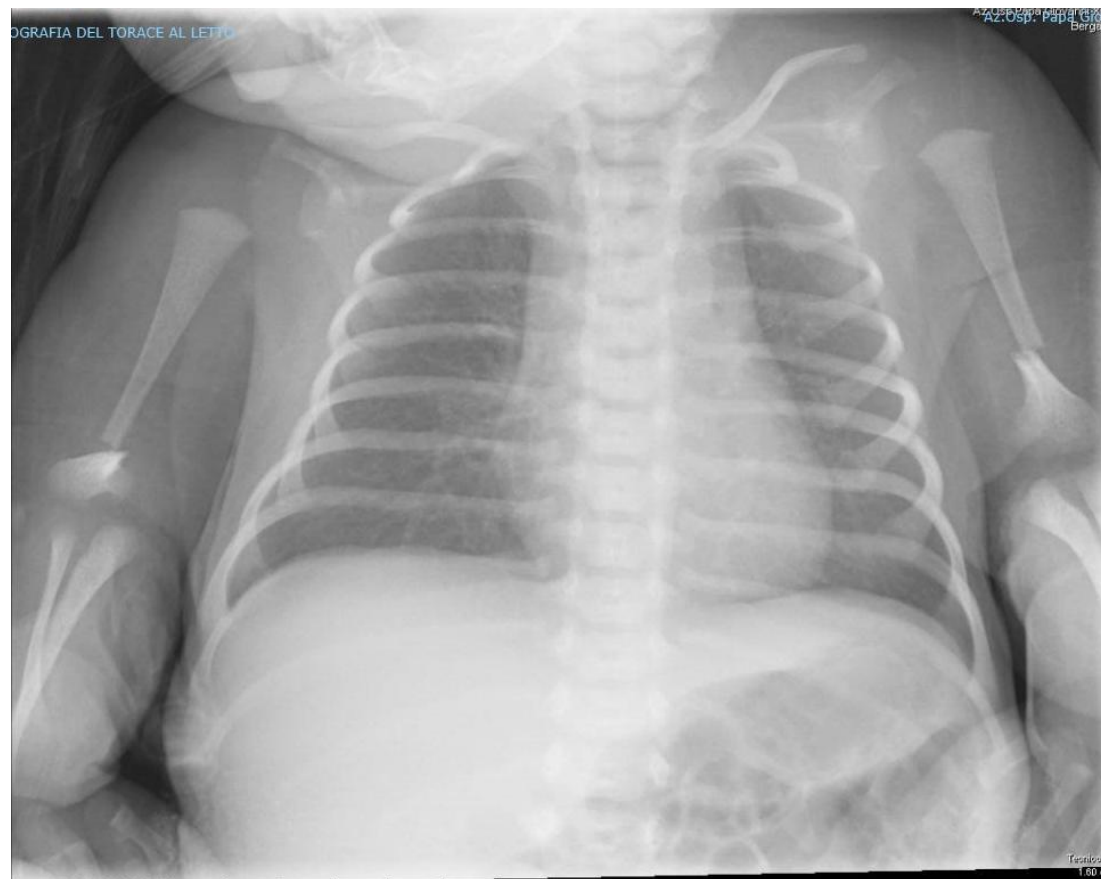
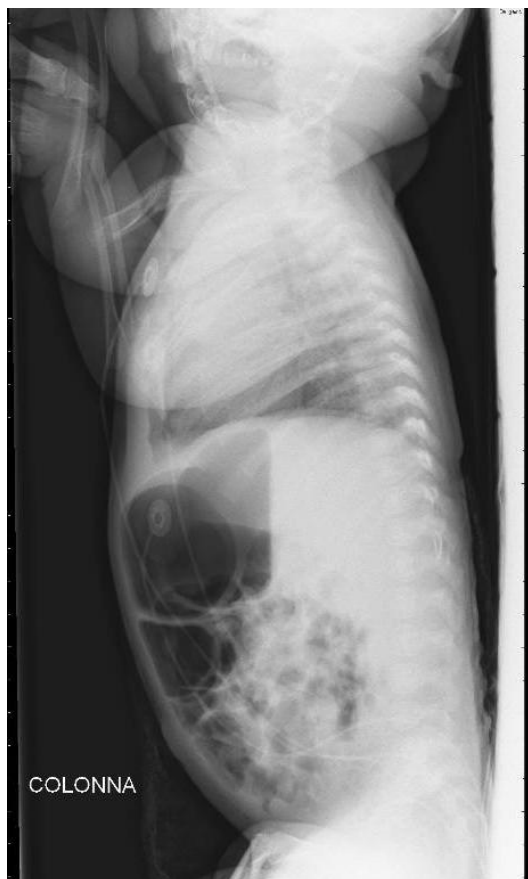
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Urg Caesarean Delivery _ Respiratory distress -> NICU



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JM _ 1D _ M



Caesarean Delivery _ Workup for OI / AMC [& Co]

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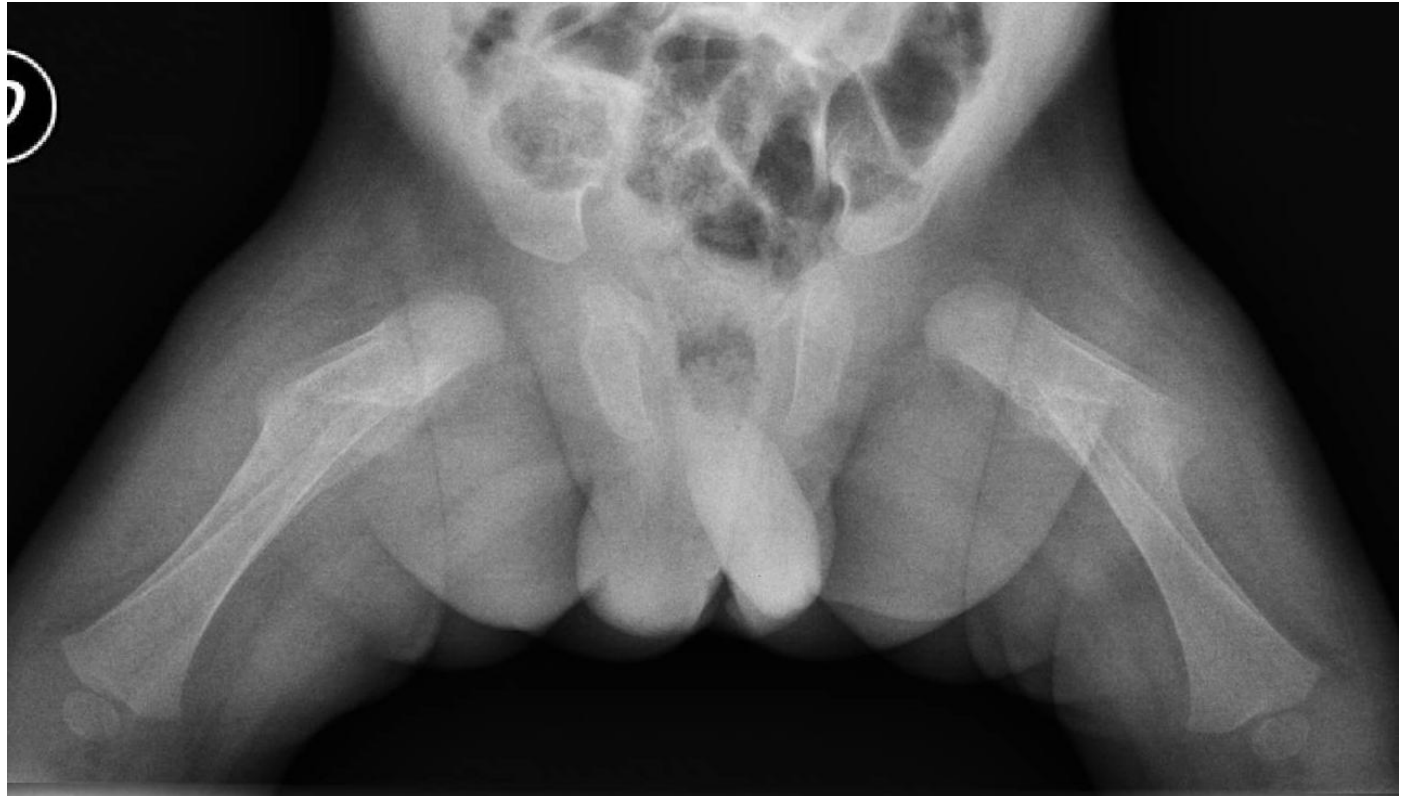
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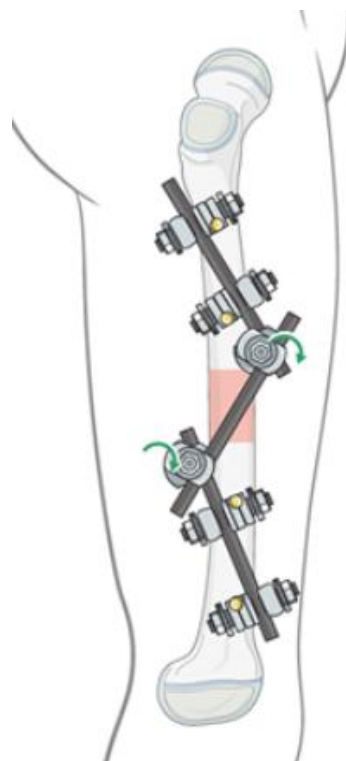
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DCO $\neq$ ExFix



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TECO

- DCO IS A METHOD, NOT AN IMPLANT! **DCO ≠ EXFX**
- ↓ AGE -> **DCO ≈ DEFINITIVE TREATMENT**
- ESIN / BRACES MIGHT BE CONSIDERED “DCO” **(EXPLICIT IN PROTOCOLS!)**

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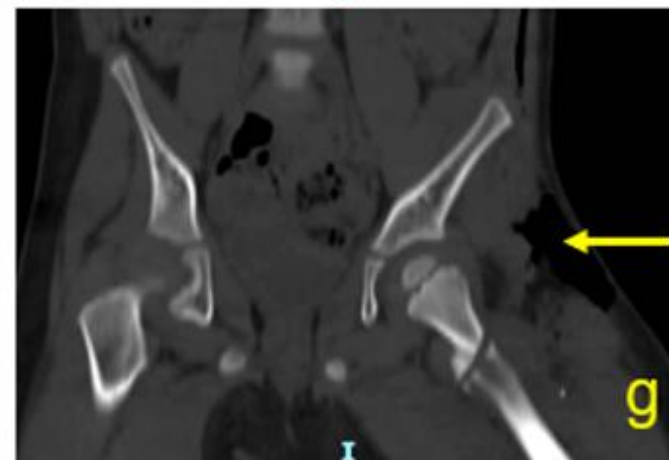
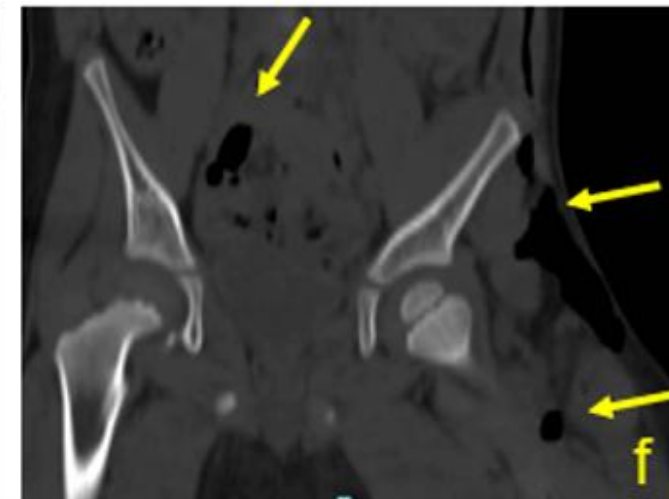


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APR: /

Hypo Shock classe II
Responder



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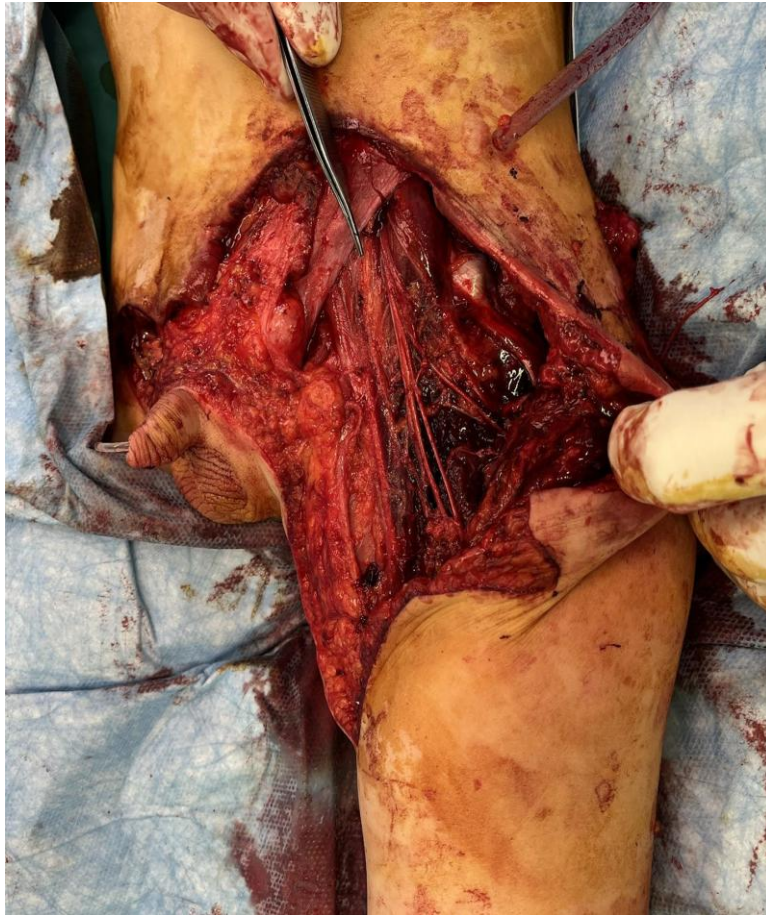
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