Influence of clavicle midshaft fracture pattern on the superior plate stabilization

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Draw back's in clavicular fractures





Clavicle fractures

- 4 % of all fractures
- 30% of all fractures of the shoulder



Clavicula

- S-shape
- Middle third with intramedular room
- Low soft tissue wrapping
- Important for over head positioning of the arm







Plate position superior vs anterior



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Reconstruction plate

trauma



post operative





Reconst. plate vs LCP

6 weeks post Op.

revision







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Pre Op

UKR







Post Op

LCP in MIPO Prae Op Post Op



Complications



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Raised questions

- Why does standard clavicular plate fixation fail?
- Do we need more specialized operative indications based on the fracture line in regard to:
 - implant choice
 - plate, nail
 - position
 - anterior, superior
 - screw choice
 - locking vs cortical screws
 - screw numbers





Objectives

- Analyse the forces acting in the fracture during activities of daily living
- Evaluate the influence of fracture type on the stabilisation potential







From CT to FEM





Compute forces for activities of daily living





Compute tissue/material stress



Generate CAD and FEA models

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- Generate model from CT data (ScanIP)
- Insert implant (ScanCAD)
- Generate FE-mesh (ScanFE)



From CT to FEM





What is AnyBody?

- The AnyBody Modeling
 System
 - Musculoskeletal simulation software
 - AnyScript



• The Model Repository

- Body models and applications
- Available at www.anyscript.org





Inverse Dynamic Analysis



Shoulder

118 muscle fascicles on each side
Wrapping of muscles by contact mechanics
Contact criterion in the GH joint
Veeger et al. 1991: J. Biomech. 24, 615-29
Van der Helm 1994: J. Biomech. 27, 551-69
Veeger et al. 1997: J. Biomech. 30, 647-52



AC Spherical jointGH Spherical jointSC Spherical joint

TS Scapula thoracic gliding plane, ellipsoid **AI** Scapula thoracic gliding plane, ellipsoid





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GH reaction validation

Bergmann*



Model





*In vivo glenohumeral contact forces—Measurements in the first patient 7 months postoperatively . Bergmann et al. 2007: J. Biomech. 40, 2139 - 49

Nolte et al. 2008: J. Biomech. 41, S492 Dubowsky et al. 2008: J.Biomech. 2008, 41, 2981-2988



Customize model

- Import .stl from Simpleware
- Scale model to fit bone
- Analyse activities of daily living





Analysed models

- Lifting 1 kg in Glenohumeral Flexion 0 75 degree
- Lifting 1 kg in Abduction 10 50 degree
- Forces in the fracture line
- All individual muscle and joint forces for FEA



Forces in fracture - Flexion





Forces in fracture - Abduction



Lifting a weight of 1kg



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Muscle forces

Example: Deltoideus (pars clavicularis)





Branches of the muscle



From CT to FEM



AnyBody and FEA - workflow



Finite Element Model

- Models generated in ScanFE
- Two different models:
 - Transverse fracture no force transmission in fracture
 - Oblique fracture limited force transmission
- All muscle and joint forces applied







Deformation mode during flexion







Clavicle deformation ANYBODY TECHNOLOGY

Stress in implant



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Discussion

- Main loading directions in the fracture line are i-s and a-p
- During flexion mainly downwards bending of implant
- Scew fractures are more likely to participate in load transfer
- Capability to transfer forces in the fracture line reduces loading on implant
- Even very limited load transfer will help (investigation of influence)
- An ideal implant position would be a combination of i-s and a-p placement



