# **CORTICES EPOSNA 2024**





### Agenda

- 3:00 3:30 PM: Welcome and Membership Discussion (Beebe and Laine)
- 3:30 3:50 PM: Tibia Nail- Retrospective: Mark Miller
- 3:50 4:10 PM: Necrotizing Fasciitis presentation: Wendy Ramalingam, Lawson Copley, Stephanie Moore & Jon

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- 4:10 4:25 PM: NAT presentation: Scott Rosenfeld
- 4:25 4:35 PM: Burst Fracture: Craig Birch
- 4:35 4:45 PM: Femoral Neck Fracture (Virtual): Jill Larson
- 4:45 4:55 PM: Lisfranc study: Megan Johnson & Tony Riccio
- 5:00 5:10 PM: Break Time
- 5:20 5:30 PM: CORTICES Study Development and Launch Overview: Meghana Venkatesh and Fernanda Canizares
- 5:30 –5:45 PM: MSKI- Prospective Study: Stephanie Moore-Lotridge & Jon Schoenecker

5:45 -6:00 PM: Closing



# Welcome and Membership

## Discussion

Allan Beebe & Jennifer Laine





# CORTICES Membership Update

Allan Beebe, MD and Jennifer Laine, MD CORTICES EPOSNA Meeting ~Washington, DC May 6, 2024

## **Membership Topics**

- Welcome New Members!
  Process History and Timeline
- What does it mean to be a member?

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- Review Points
- Bylaws

## Membership Application History

New Institutions:

- Spring 2020: Application for New Institutions
  - Ishaan (UCSF) and Ryan (Omaha)
  - 5 applied

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ADVANCING EVIDENCE-BASED ORTHOPEDIC CARE

#### **Membership Application**

Requirements for Application:

- 1) Application Form
- 2) Curriculum Vitae
- 3) Letter of Support from current CORTICES member (sponsor)
- 4) Letter of Institutional Support from Division or Department Chair, or CMO

Name:	
Title:	
Institution:	
Address:	
Email:	

Cell:

1) Do you take call at a Pediatric Level I Trauma Center?

2) Which cities/states are in your catchment area? Approximate population?

3) How many pediatric emergency visits does your emergency department see each year?

4) How many Orthopedic department clinic visits per year?

#### Membership Application History

Continue to Grow...

• Fall 2022: Admitted Dyad and Scientific Members from Existing Institutions Alex (CHOP) Sayan (Colorado) Allen (Nationwide) Jill (Lurie) Nate (Vanderbilt) Dell (CHOA) Jonas (CHLA) Zach (WashU) Stephanie (Vanderbilt) Ben (Campbell Clinic) Matt (Michigan)

### Membership Application History

Continue to Grow...

- Fall 2023: Admitted New Members (and one Transfer) from Existing Institutions through Application cycle
- When do we open again to new institutions?

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## New Member Roster

(from Fall 2023 meeting)

#### **Familiar CORTICES Face**

Jaclyn Hill, MD – transfer membership Recently located to UCSF • Joining Ishaan Previously at Texas Children's Long-standing CORTICES member Fellowship: Boston Children's

Kristin Livingston At UCSF for 8 years Joined Boston Children's recently • Joined Ben, et al. Trauma Director Fellowship: Boston Children's



#### Jessica McGraw-Heinrich

Joined Texas Children's in 2023

Joined Scott

Fellowship: Peds Ortho @ Texas Children's (with Scott)

Trauma Fellowship @ The CORE Institute Phoenix





#### Emmalynn Sigrist Joined Gillette Children's in 2021 • Joined Walter and Jennifer

Fellowship: Washington University (with Mark Miller)



#### **Chris Souder**

Baylor Scott & White Health, Texas (2013-8) Was Trauma Director at Dell Children's (Austin 2018-2023) Joined Rady Children's in 2003 – building trauma division

- Joined Salil
- Fellowship: Rady

#### CORTICES

# Welcome to CORTICES!

# What does it mean to be a member?

Active, Conditional, Scientist, Emeritus

#### **Membership Status**

Active:

**Conditional:** 

- Admitted at time of inception
- Or, met criteria for Active Membership
- May: serve on Board, all committees, has full voting

#### **Membership Status**

**Conditional:** 

**Active:** 

- Newly admitted members
- Previous active (did not maintain active)
- 2 year max

## Bylaws

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#### Working Copy Membership Section of CORTICES Bylaws

#### ARTICLE II. Membership

Section 1 Membership statement

Membership in CORTICES is a privilege and not a right and is contingent on maintaining active participation within the organization. CORTICES will strive to have regional representation of pediatric orthopaedic surgeons from pediatric centers across North America. At each site, there will be at least one lead physician and research representative identified. In addition, once Active Membership is attained, sites may elect to have additional participating members, who may participate when feasible at mid-year and annual meetings. Additional participating members will be approved by the Membership Committee and Board of Directors. Additional participating members from existing sites must apply for membership at regularly identified intervals.

#### Section 2 Classes of Membership

ACTIVE: An Active member is one who has been admitted at the time of inception of CORTICES or has been admitted through invitation/application process and has met the criteria below for ACTIVE membership. An ACTIVE member may serve on the Board of Directors, all committees, and has full voting privileges.

CONDITIONAL: Conditional membership shall include those individuals/Institutions that have applied for membership through either invitation or application and have not yet fulfilled the criteria for full Active membership. This category may also include those previously ACTIVE members who have failed to maintain their ACTIVE criteria requirements during the previous year. No individual or institution may remain in this category longer than 2 years as assessed annually at the Fall Annual Meeting without a

#### Criteria for Active Membership

**Two Categories:** 

- Institutional Requirements
- Individual Membership Points
   System

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Institutional Requirements



Individual Membership Points
 System

- Membership Dues Current
- DUA Active and Signed
  - At least 1 ongoing study
- Active IRB
  - At least 1 active study

#### Criteria for Active Membership

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   System

- 3 points over the last year
- Points assessed on annual basis
- Notified of points status prior to (next) annual meeting

#### **Points System**

- Attendance
- Data
- Participation
- Productivity/Visibility

				1		Marc	h 2022-March	2023								
Site	Role	Individual	>80% Data for Floating Elbow (up to 2.0*)	>80% Data for NAT Femur Fx (up to 2.0*)	Current Fall Meeting: Columbus 2022 (1.0)	Previous Fall Meeting: Dallas 2022 (0.5)	BOD participation (1.0)	Recent/Upcoming 2023 POSNA Meeting (1.0)	Previous 2022 POSNA Meeting (0.5)	Manuscript first draft (2.0)	Podium presentation (1.0)	Poster presentation (1.0)	Develop new study (2.0)	PI/co-PI for Grant submission (up to 2.0)	Total Points	Average Instituti
	PI	Benjamin Shore	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	Y	0.5	2.0	1.0		2.0		12.0	
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	Co-PI	Collin May	2.0	2.0		0.5			0.5						5.0	
Children's Healthcare of	PI	Josh Murphy		2.0	1.0										3.0	35
Atlanta	Co-PI	Dell McLaughlin		2.0	1.0	0.5		Y	0.5						4.0	5.5
Children's Hospital Los	PI	Rachel Goldstein	2.0				1.0		0.5		1.0				4.5	13
Angeles	Co-PI	Jonas Owen	2.0		1.0	0.5			0.5						4.0	
Children's Hospital of	PI	Keith Baldwin	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0		0.5				2.0		9.0	6.0
Philadelphia	Co-PI	Alexandre Arkader	2.0	2.0		0.5		Y (maybe)							4.5	0.0
Cincinnati Children's Hespital	PI	Jaime Rice Denning	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	Y	0.5						7.0	6.5
Cincinnati Children's Hospital	Co-PI	Wendy Ramalingam	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5		Y	0.5						6.0	0.5
Coloredo Childrenia Unersitat	PI	Julia Sanders	2.0		1.0	0.5		Y	0.5		1.0		2.0		7.0	5.0
Colorado Children's Hospital	Co-PI	Sayan De	2.0		1.0										3.0	5.0
	PI	Jennifer Laine		2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0		0.5						5.0	
Gillette Children's Hospital	PI	Walter Truong		2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0		0.5		1.0				6.0	5.5
Le Bonheur Children's	PI	David Spence	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	Y							6.5	
Hospital	PI	Benjamin Sheffer	2.0	2.0	1.0			Y							5.0	5.8
Levine Children's Hospital	PI	Brian Brighton						N			1.0				1.0	1.0
Lurie Children's Hospital	PI	Jill Larson	2.0	2.0											4.0	4.0
Nationwide Children's	PI	Allan Beebe	2.0	2.0	10		10	Y	0.5						6.5	-
Hospital	Co-Pl	Allen Kadado	2.0	2.0	10		2.0	Y	0.5						5.0	5.8
	PI	Salil Unasani	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.5	10		0.5	2.0	10				9.0	
Rady Children's Hospital	PI	Katie Rickert	2.0	2.0	10	0.5	1.0	Y	0.5	2.0	1.0				5.5	7.3
	PI	Antoinette Lindherg	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.5									2.5	
Seattle Children's Hospital	PI	Todd Blumberg	2.0			0.5									2.5	2.5
	DI	Scott Pacanfold	2.0	2.0		0.5		v	0.5				2.0		7.0	
Texas Children's Hospital	PI	Jackie Hill	2.0	2.0	10	0.5			0.5				2.0		7.0 E.0	6.0
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Texas Scottish Rite Hospital	PI	Megan Johnson	2.0	2.0	10	0.5	10	Y		1					6.5	1
for Children	PI	Brandon Rame	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	Y		1					4.5	5.5
CMC Dallas	PI	Tony Riccio	2.0	2.0	10	0.5	10	Y (nartial)	0.5	1					7.0	1
	PI	Ving Li	2.0	2.0	1.0	0.5	1.0	Y (partial)	0.5	2.0					9.0	+
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wasnington University in St.	PI Co. DI	Mark Miller		2.0	1.0	0.5		N N			1.0				4.5	4.0
Louis	CO-PI	Zachary Meyer		2.0	1.0	0.5		Ŷ							3.5	
UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital	PI	Ishaan Swarup	2.0	2.0		0.5		Y		2.0	2.0				8.5	8.5

On Hold Since 2020...

# Points



# Questions?

# **Tibia Nail Retrospective**

Mark Miller





Antegrade rigid intramedullary nailing (RIMN) of tibial diaphyseal fractures in adolescents with open proximal tibial physis

May 7, 2024 CORTICES Annual Meeting National Harbor, MD

Mark L Miller, MD, Julia Sanders MD, Zach I Meyer, MD, and Josh Marino BS





#### Outline:

1. Recap of retrospective adolescent tibia CORTICES study

2. Review data collection protocol and site participation updates

#### Primary Aim:

Quantify proximal tibial iatrogenic deformity at skeletal maturity in adolescents with diaphyseal tibial shaft fractures treated with antegrade rigid intramedullary nailing through an open proximal tibial physis

Hypothesis:

Antegrade rigid intramedullary nail fixation through open proximal tibia physis in adolescents nearing skeletal maturity will not cause clinically significant proximal tibial deformity (Mechanic axis deviation > 5mm, Leg length difference > 1 cm).

Primary Outcome: Deformity Parameters at Skeletal maturity: Mechanical Axis Deviation (MAD), mechanical Medial proximal tibia angle (mMPTA), mechanical posterior proximal tibial angle (mPPTA), Leg length discrepancy (LLD))

REDCAP is built with BCH as host data site

- Data guide and alpha testing at WashU has been completed. Beta testing is set for sites with all necessary DUA's/SSA's and IRB approvals.
- Current approved list:
- **BCH**, Lurie, Campbell, and Colorado
- Pending approvals:
- Vandy, Rady, and Nationwide
- We will reach out the sites participating in the beta test with instructions/data entry guide in the following weeks

Inclusion criteria: Age <18, tibial shaft fracture, open physes, treated with rigid tibial IMN, Treated at a CORTICES institution between January 2010 and June 2020

Exclusion criteria: skeletally mature, treatment with other than rigid tibial IMN

- Record ID
- Sex

- M
- 0
- Pre-menarchal
- Post-menarchal
- Not recorded
- DOB
- DOI
  - Calculate age at injury
- BMI
- Mechanism of injury (MOI)
  - MVA/MCA/ATV
  - Auto-ped
  - Sports
  - Fall from height
  - Other
- DOS
  - Calculate age at surgery
  - Calculate time from injury

- Bone age
  - Was there a Left hand xray obtained within 3 months of injury? If so then calculate hand bone age using Greulich/Pyle
  - Was there an ipsilateral or contralateral knee radiograph obtained within 3 months of injury? If so then calculate Modified Fels/Liu bone age using Rainbow bone age app



https://apps.apple.com/us/app/ whats-the-skeletalmaturity/id1564285837

https://www.jposna.org/index.php/jposna/article/dow nload/692/734/5275

- Due to the subjectivity of skeletal immaturity, we propose that initial patient eligibility should be determined by PI's/attendees once a potential patient list is pulled.
- We will provide an excel document that will make it easier for PI's to determine eligible patients and record the necessary radiographic measurements.

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#### Official launch

- After the final revisions have been made to the REDCap following the beta test, we plan to host a presentation meeting over Zoom with all participating coordinators.
- Will include an overview of the data entry guide, Bone Age application training, and all necessary materials to ensure successful data collection.



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#### What defines a closed tibial physis?

Need to come to a consensus on this definition to ensure all eligible patients have open physes.



#### Grade 2 (Complete Fusion):

Gap between epiphysis and metaphysis is completely gone


- Surgical technique
  - Reduction
    - Open reduction
    - Closed reduction
  - Nail technique
    - Suprapatellar
    - infrapatellar
    - Extraarticular lateral
- Nail location
  - Above physis
    - Do interlocking screws cross physis?
      - Yes
      - No
  - At physis
    - below physis
- Fracture location
  - Distal 1/3
  - o middle 1/3
  - proximal 1/3
- Fracture characteristics
  - Transverse
  - spiral
  - o oblique
  - comminuted
- Fracture open
  - Yes
  - o No
- Fibula fracture
  - Yes
    - same level
    - distal
    - proximal
  - o No
- OTA classification

- Associated injuries
  - Ligamentous knee
  - Fracture
  - Head injury
  - o Other
- Time to radiogrpahic healing (weeks)
- Post-op immobilization
  - Cast/splint (weeks)
  - Boot (weeks)
  - o Other
- Time to full weight bearing without assistance (weeks)
- Complications
  - Infection
  - o VTE
  - Compartment syndrome
  - NV injury
  - Physeal arrest
  - Delayed/nonunion
  - Unplanned return to OR (ie other than HWR)
  - Ipsilateral extremity injury
  - o Other
- Return to OR for HWR
  - o Yes
    - DOS
  - No
- Full return to activity/sport at same level?
  - o Yes
  - o No
- Length of follow-up after injury
- Did patient reach skeletal maturity by the last postoperative visit? defined by closure of proximal tibia physis. How many months between injury and skeletal maturity?

- Xray measurements:
- First AP and lateral of tibia obtained post-operatively (within 3 months of injury)
  - MPTA
  - LDTA
  - PPTA
  - ADTA
- AP and lateral of tibia obtained after skeletal maturity (closure of proximal tibial physis).
  - MPTA
  - LDTA
  - PPTA
  - ADTA
- If patient was skeletally immature at last postop visit (minimum of 3 months after injury): latest AP and lateral of tibia
  - MPTA
  - LDTA
  - PPTA
  - ADTA
  - Was a standing AP of both lower extremities obtained within three months of injury?
  - Was a standing AP of both lower extremities obtained after skeletal maturity?
- If so, calculate:
  - MTPA, LDTA of both sides
  - AP standing hips to ankles
    - Leg length discrepancy (mm)
    - MAD (mechanical axis deviation) (mm)



MPTA- Medial Proximal Tibial Angle. Normal 87 deg (85-90)

LDTA- Lateral Distal Tibial Angle. Normal 89 deg (86-92)



PPTA- Posterior Proximal Tibial Angle. Normal 81 deg (77-84)

ADTA- Anterior Distal Tibial Angle. Normal 80 deg (78-82)

#### Standing AP of both lower extremities and lateral of tibia of case #7 at 6







Standing AP of both lower extremities and lateral of tibia at skeletal maturity –Case 7 (18 months for this case- age 16





## **Necrotizing Fasciitis**

## presentation

Wendy Ramalingam, Lawson Copley, Stephanie

### Moore & Jon Schoenecker





## **Necrotizing Fasciitis in Children** Fact or Fiction

A CORTICES Study

Lawson A. Copley, MD, MBA, FAAOS Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery and Pediatrics



#### UT Southwestern Medical Center









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## Never Say "Never" or "Always"

1:500,000

### **Poster Child**



7 y.o. m with Pre-B ALL developed rash in peri-anal region





Admitted from Heme/Onc clinic to ICU in septic shock; 7-hour skin progression

Pseudomonas identified, antibiotics targeted, multiple (17) surgical debridements to healthy granulation

Perineal flap (4 wks)



OR 36 minutes later; dusky gray dishwater fluid; no bleeding; excision of all non-viable skin and subQ tissue



## **Adult Necrotizing Fasciitis**

The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE	
REVIEW ARTICLE	
Dan L. Longo, M.D., <i>Editor</i>	
Necrotizing Soft-Tissue Infections	
Dennis I Stevens Ph.D. M.D. and Amy F. Brvant Ph.D.	

- Mortality 29% (38% for GABHS Toxic Shock; 45% for Septic Shock; 70% for Cryptogenic Cases – delayed recognition)
- Laboratory Risk Indicator for Necrotizing Fasciitis (LRINEC) Scoring System
  - Positive predictive value for scores <a> 5.8 57-92%</a>
  - Negative predictive value (<5.8) 86-96%
  - In one study, adults admitted to ICU with NF and LRINEC > 6 = mortality 29.3%



# Summary of characteristics for assessment/diagnosis of necrotizing fasciitis in adults

POSITIVE CULTURE	TISSUE NECROSIS	SKIN , SQ AND FASCIAL FEATURES	SYSTEMIC INVOLVEMENT	INFLAMMATORY/ IMMUNE	LACK OF IMMUNE RESPONSE	EDEMA
				RESPONSE		
positive culture	Widespread tissue	Late cutaneous	organ failure or	over 24 to 72 h,	marked absence	edema of the
from blood,	destruction, which	findings including	dysfunction	inflammation	of acute	reticular dermis,
connective or	may extend from	ecchymoses, bullae,		becomes	inflammatory	subcutaneous fat,
fascial tissue	the epidermis to the	and/or <mark>skin</mark>		extensive	cells in the	and superficial
	deep musculature	<b>sloughing</b> , foretell a <b>fatal</b> outcome.			tissues	fascia
bacteria spreading	Extensive necrosis	skin becomes <b>dusky</b>	systemic toxicity	dishwater-gray	noteable absence	
along <mark>fascial</mark>		<b>then purplish</b> , bullae	(mediated by	exudate/inflamm	of pus	
planes		appear.	bacterial exotoxins)	atory fluid		
	lack of bleeding of	friability of the	shock, renal	polymorphonucle		1
	apparently <b>necrotic</b>	superficial fascia	impairment, or acute	ar infiltrate		
	tissue	(gloved finger)	respiratory distress	(immune cells)		
			syndrome			
	necrosis of		severe <b>multisystemic</b>			
	superficial fascia		disorder			
	L	1	hemodynamic	Dennis L. S	tevens, Ph.D., N	M.D. et al.
			collapse/ Perfusion	Necrotizing (2017) N En	Soft-Tissue al J Med 377:22.	Intections 53-65.
			deficits in necrotizing	Necrotizing	Soft Tissu	e Infections
			infections	(2021) Infe	ct Dis Clin N A	n 35, 135-155

## What about Children?



Although necrotizing fasciitis is often fatal in adults, its case fatality rate seems to be substantially lower in children.

- Systematic Review (393 cases)
  - 5 studies (68 cases) that reported population based on incidence and case-fatality rates
  - 2 case-control studies (27 cases)
  - 298 cases from 195 case series and case reports.
  - Incidence rates varied between 0.022 and 0.843 per 100,000 children per year
    - Case-fatality rate ranging from 0% to 14.3% (1/7 children); 3/68 (4.4%) of aggregated cases.
    - Case-fatality rate was only 2.85% in the only cohort with more than ten patients (1/35)



### Necrotizing Fasciitis – HCUPnet KID Data

#### Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project – Kids Inpatient Database

children'shealth

4100 hospitals with 1,393,186 hospital discharges per year

			2016					2019							
Region	Cases	LOS* (days)	Mortality	Hospital charges*	Region	Cases	LOS* (days)	Mortality	Hospital charges*	Region	Cases	LOS* (days)	Mortality	Hospital charges*	
Northeast	32	8	1	87,441	Northeast	23	28	0	502,087	Northeast	36	15	2	219,162	
Midwest	60	22	1	228,396	Midwest	52	22	2	200,491	Midwest	53	14	0	253,393	
South	90	21	4	253,623	South	101	22	4	280,250	South	101	22	4	362,441	
West	65	23	3	350,989	West	62	15	5	252,180	West	59	20	3	633,357	
Total	247				Total	238				Total	249				
C	Case Fa	tality Rat	te – 3.6%			Case Fatality Rate – 4.6%					Case Fatality Rate – 3.6%				
		Incidence a	pproximat	tely 0.	0176%	% (18 per	<sup>.</sup> 100,000	) discharges	;)	SCOT	TISH RITE UT	Southwestern Medical Center			

## What about Children?

Laboratory evaluation for pediatric patients with suspected necrotizing soft tissue infections: A case–control study

Luke R. Putnam <sup>a</sup>, Morgan K. Richards <sup>b</sup>, Brinkley K. Sandvall <sup>c</sup>, Richard A. Hopper <sup>c</sup>, John H.T. Waldhausen <sup>b</sup>, Matthew T. Harting <sup>a,\*</sup>

Journal of Pediatric Surgery 51 (2016) 1022–1025

From 2010 to 2014, 20 cases and 20 controls @ two children's hospitals

Median LRINEC score was 3.5 (1–8) for cases and 2 (1–7) for controls (p=0.03).

P-LRINEC was comprised of serum CRP >20 mg/L (sensitivity=95% (95%CI 79–100%)) and serum sodium <135 (specificity=95% (95%CI 82–100%)).

Area under ROC curves were 0.70 (95%CI 0.54–0.87) for the LRINEC score and 0.84 (95%CI 0.72–0.96) for the P-LRINEC score (p=0.06).

There were no deaths in either group.



## **Children's Medical Center of Dallas**

- Epic Slicer/Dicer Data Intelligence Query for ICD 9/10 NF 2009 to 2023 (14 years)
  - 80 cases identified
    - 40 duplicates
    - 16 irrelevant conditions
  - 26 children with clinical concern documented
    - 16 had necrotizing skin and subcutaneous infections with or without fascial involvement (NSSI-Wifi)
      - Predominantly managed by Pediatric Surgery and Plastic Surgery (minimal orthopaedic consultation)
      - In retrospect, I was involved in 2 cases but I did not consider them Necrotizing Fasciitis at the time.
    - 10 had serious skin and soft tissue infections but not NSSI-Wifi
  - CMC Inpatient Admissions > 24 hours (14 years) 130,366
    - Incidence: 0.002% (2 per 100,000 admissions or 1/9 the rate of HCUP-KID)
  - Zero deaths; One amputation















































Empiric antibiotics: 4.6 (range 2 to 10) vs 2.5 (range 1 to 5) for non-NF Surgeries: 103 (6.4 per child; range 1 to 24) vs 7 (0.7 per child; range 0 to 4) for non-NF ICU admission: 81.3% vs 30% for non-NF



## **Clinical Appearance**

• Ecchymosis, ulceration, necrosis, rapidly expanding erythema, swelling, fever

## Labs

• Elevation of sepsis labs; low sodium; high glucose; coagulopathy; LFTs; Creatinine

## Imaging (plain X-ray, CT, MRI, U/S)

Soft tissue swelling, occasionally gas/subcutaneous emphysema

## **Surgical Findings**

• Absence of bleeding; thrombosed vessels; dishwater gray fluid; <u>+</u> pus; fasciitis (minimal)

## Cultures

- Multiple organisms (aerobic and anaerobic; often preceded by penetrating trauma)
- Single organism (often GABHS)
  Pathology
- Necrosis of skin/subQ; Fascia mentioned rarely



### **Data Collection**

								Data Categories							
		Histor	ry						Evaluation					Treatments	Outcomes
Subtype	Demographics	Urgency of Evaluation	Co-morbidities	Penetrating Inoculation (exposure)	Physical Findings	Vital Signs Co	onsultants	Composite Assessments	Laboratory	Imaging	Image Findings	Surgical Findings	Pathology/Histology findings	Interventions	Outcomes
	Sex Race/Ethnicity	Delay from onset to triage	Obesity	Bull (barnyard soil)	Skin/soft tissue appearance	вмі		Cardiovascular system dysfunction	CRP	Plain X-ray	/ Soft tissue edema	Pus	Evidence of necrosis	ICU Admission	ICU LOS
	Insurance Class	Seen at OSH	Immunocomprom e	is Lake (aquamarine)		Pulse		Hepatic dysfunction	ESR	Ultrasound	d Foreign matter	Foul Odor		Pressors/Vasoactive medications	Hospital LOS
	Age at admission	Time from Transfer Request to CMC Triage	Diabetes	Football/soccer (athletic field)		SBP		Acute Kidney Injury	Procalcitonin	CT Scan	Air/Gas in tissues	Ncrotic skin/SQ without bleeding		Steroids	Amputation
		Delay from triage to surgery consult		Outdoor/bike (soil)		DBP		Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome (ARDS)	WBC	MRI		Dishwater fluid		Invasive Mechanical Ventilation (IMV)	Death
						Mean Arterial Presssure		Severe Inflammatory Response Syndrome (SIRS)	ANC			Necrotic fascia/muscle		Surgery	Total number of surgeries
						Respiratory Rate		Pediatric Sepsis Criteria	Neutrophil Percent			Fascia involved		Antibiotics (empiric)	Coverage Procedure Required
						Temp (initial)		Phoenix Score	ALC			Subsequent (2nd and/or 3rd) surge	ery needed for source control	Antibiotics (targeted)	
ers						Fever/Tmax first 24 hours		LRINEC/P-LRINEC initial and subsequent (adjusted)	Bands					Any Respiratory Support	
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									Aerobic culture						
									Anaerobic culture						
									Fungal culture						
									AFB culture						
									Monomicrobial (typ	e II)					
									Polymicrobial (type	I)					

242 columns of data; History/Evaluation/Defining Criteria/Treatment/Outcome (112 variables studied)



## **Pediatric Sepsis**

SIRS > Pediatric Sepsis Criteria > Phoenix Score

#### JAMA | Original Investigation

Development and Validation of the Phoenix Criteria for Pediatric Sepsis and Septic Shock

L. Nelson Sanchez-Pinto, MD, MBI; Tellen D. Bennett, MD, MS; Peter E. DeWitt, PhD; Seth Russell, MS; Margaret N. Rebull, MA; Blake Martin, MD; Samuel Akech, MBChB, MMED; David J. Albers, PhD; Elizabeth R. Alpern, MD, MSCE; Fran Balamuth, MD, PhD, MSCE; Melania Bembea, MD, MPH, PhD; Mohammod Jobayer Chisti, MBBS, MMed, PhD; Idris Evans, MD, MSc; Christopher M. Horvat, MD, MHA; Juan Camilo Jaramillo-Bustamante, MD; Niranjan Kissoon, MD; Kuslum Menon, MD, MSC; Halden F. Scott, MD, MSCS; Scott L. Weiss, MD; Matthew O. Wiens, PharmD, PhD; Jerry J. Zimmerman, MD, PhD; Andrew C. Argent, MD, MBBCh, MMed; Lauren R. Sorce, PhD, RN, CPNP-AC/PC; Luregn J. Schlapbach, MD, PhD; R. Scott Watson, MD, MPH; and the Society of Critical Care Medicine Pediatric Sepsis Definition Task Force

> JAMA. doi:10.1001/jama.2024.0196 Published online January 21, 2024.

In 2019, the Society of Critical Care Medicine Pediatric Sepsis Definition Task Force updated the pediatric sepsis definition and criteria.

Conceptual definition of pediatric sepsis as suspected infection with life-threatening organ dysfunction with higher risk of mortality.

172,984 children (ED, Inpatient, ICU) had suspected infection in the first 24 h. Of those, 2065 (1.2%) died.

The Phoenix Score supersedes SIRS (Fever, Tachycardia, Tachypnea, WBC>12K) and previous Pediatric Severe Sepsis Criteria (Two or more SIRS criteria plus ARDS, Cardiovascular system dysfunction, OR two or more organ system dysfunctions)



### Phoenix Sepsis Score



		Points							
System		0	1	2	3				
Respiratory		Normal	Any Resp Support	IMV	IMV + P/F <100				
Cardiovacular									
	Vasoactive Drugs	None	1 Pressor	2 Pressors					
	Hypotension	None	Borderline MAP	Low MAP					
Coagulation			(max 2 points)						
	Platelets	Normal	< 100 K/mL						
	INR	Normal	> 1.3						
	D-Dimer	Normal	> 2 mg/L FEU						
	Fibrinogen	Normal	< 100 mg/dL						
Neurologic	Normal	GCS <u>&lt;</u> 10	<b>Fixed Pupils</b>						
Endocrine	Glucose	50-150 mg/dL	<50 or >150 mg/dL						
Immunologic	ANC	<u>&gt;</u> 500	<500						
	ALC	<u>&gt;</u> 1000	< 1000						
Renal	Creatinine	Normal	Above age-based						
Hepatic			(max 1 point)						
	Total Bilirubin	< 4 mg/dL	<u>&gt;</u> 4 mg/dL						
	ALT	<u>&lt;</u> 102 IU/L	> 102 IU/L						

Defining Criteria for Necrotizing Skin/SQ Infections With (or w/o) Fascial Involvement (NSSI-WIFI)



**BASE DEFINITION OF NSSI-WIFI** Π

# Why NSSI-Wifi?

It's Abbreviated and Memorable

### Parameter Group 3 Skin, SQ, and/or Fascial Defining Criteria



### **Parameter Group 4** Systemic Involvement Defining Criteria

Hepatic								
Cardiovascular								
Renal								
Respiratory								
Endocrine								
Immunologic								
Coagulation								
Neurologic								
Septic Shock*								

\*Resulting in organ or system dysfunction or failure

#### Application of Defining Criteria to Determine Advanced NSSI-WIFI



#### Breakdown of parameters preliminarily assessed as candidate predictors of NSSI-WIFI

MAJOR CATEGORIES		CATEGORY SUBTYPES	
HISTORY	20		
		Demographics	4
		Urgency of Evaluation	10
		Environmental Exposure	3
		Co-morbidities	3
EVALUATION	65		
		vital signs	16
		laboratory	34
		composite assessment	8
		imaging	4
		imaging findings	2
		surgical findings	1
Treatments/ Interventions	10		10
Outcomes/Late Parameters	2		2
TOTAL:			97

A total of 119 parameter combinations assessed

## Value of Collecting Multiple Data Samples

- LRINEC variables were reassessed for 15/16 children w/ NSSI Wifi
  - Only missing 3/90 (3.3%)
- Initial LRINEC average 4.38 (n=16)
- Adjusted LRINEC average 6.75 (n=16)
- Adjustments made for 8/15 (53.3%)
  - Initial LRINEC of 8 children with adjusted scores average 3.83
  - Adjusted LRINEC for 10 children average 8.0

### Significant Differences NSSI Wifi vs non-NSSI Wifi

- ICU Admission (p=0.015)
- < Average delay from Triage to ICU + > Average LOS (p=0.023)
- ICU Admit + > Average LOS (p=0.014)
- Adjusted LRINEC > 7 (p=0.037)
- Phoenix Sepsis Criteria > 1 (p=0.046)
- Anaerobic Culture Sent (p=0.005)
- AFB Culture Sent (p=0.01)
- Coverage Procedure Required (p=0.004)

- LOS Med 26.3 vs 4.1 (p=0.0007)
- Febrile Days Med 1.5 vs 0 (p=0.19)
- Sodium Med 135 vs 139.5 (p=0.009)
- Phoenix Score Med 3 vs 1 (p=0.018)
- Empiric abx Med 4 vs 2 (p=0.002)
- Surgeries Med 5 vs 0.5 (p=0.0006)



## Significant Differences Adv NW vs NISSI Wifi

- Short time to ICU (p=0.011)
- Short time to ICU + Long Recovery (p=0.009)
- Phoenix Sepsis > 2 (p=0.003)

- Initial Temp Med 37.9 vs 37.1 (p=0.015)
- Adjusted LRINEC Med 8 vs 4 (p=0.044)
- Phoenix Score Med 4 vs 2 (p=0.018)
- Surgeries Med 8 vs 4 (p=0.022)



## **Principles Derived**

- Necrotizing Fasciitis (as it is commonly understood) does NOT exist in Children but...
  - NSSI-Wifi DOES (we should propose a new ICD-10 diagnosis...not Copley's Disease or Ramalingam Fever)
- Incidence is likely over-reported in National Databases (HCUP KID incidence 9 times CMC rate)
- Be consistent and comprehensive in the assessment
  - Labs initial and trends over 5-6 days (CBC diff, CRP, PCT, ESR, Blood culture; Chemistry (Na, Creatinine, Lactate); Coagulation (Fibrinogen; D-Dimer); Endocrine (glucose); T. Bili and ALT
  - Imaging (Plain X-ray; Ultrasound; CT scan; +/- MRI) before surgery
  - Antibiotics (appropriate empiric coverage followed by targeted therapy: Type 1 vanc or linezolid plus zosyn or ceftriaxone plus flagyl; Type 2 clindamycin with penicillin)
  - Cultures (Aerobic, Anaerobic, Fungal, AFB)
- Calculate the Phoenix Score (> 2) and the Adjusted LRINEC (> 7)
- Establish the cast of characters, roles and responsibilities Gen Surg (debridement and culture acquisition) >>
   Plastic Surg (coverage) >> Ortho Surg (amputations, fasciotomies or reconstruction)
- Urgent surgical intervention (acquire cultures; excise all visible necrosis to bleeding margins); Thoughtfully staged debridement (acquire cultures each time; stop frequent returns when they are negative; convert to wound vac management)
- Delayed coverage procedure as indicated
- Calm down nobody's dying here.
  - On average these children are far less ill than our children with severe and hyper-severe AHO based on rates of bacteremia, pressor use, disseminated disease, and ECMO)


# Session 3D: Tiny Humans vs. a Deadly Disease: An Epidemiological Review of Necrotizing Fasciitis in Pediatric Patients

2:00-3:38 PM Presentation: 2:32-2:36 PM

Stephanie N. Moore-Lotridge, PhD; Samuel Johnson; Wendy Ramalingam, BS, MD; Jonathan G. Schoenecker, MD, PhD

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# **NAT Presentation**

Scott Rosenfeld





# EP SNA 2024

# Femur Fractures in Children Under 3 Years – Risk Factors for Non-Accidental Trauma: A CORTICES Multi-Center Study

Manya Bali BS; Patricia Miller MS, Benjamin Shore, MD MPH; Scott Rosenfeld MD, CORTICES Study Group





# Our disclosures are listed in the app Project supported by POSNA QSVI grant





# Non-Accidental Trauma (NAT) in Children

- Fractures are the 2nd most common presenting injury in NAT
- Diaphyseal femur fractures in children < 3yo









#### **Treatment of Pediatric Diaphyseal Femur Fractures**

#### **Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guideline**

Adopted by:

The American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Board of Directors December 5, 2020

#### **CHILD ABUSE**

Strong evidence supports that children younger than thirty-six months with a diaphyseal femur fracture be evaluated for child abuse.

Grade of Recommendation: Strong

Study	Age Group	Fractures	Fractures Caused by Child Abuse	% of Fractures Caused by Child Abuse
Miettinen	0-15 yrs.	114	2	2%
Rewers	0-3 yrs.	243	28	12%
Miettinen	0-1 ут.	15	Not Reported specific to this age group*	Up to 13%
Hinton	0-1 ут.	73	10	14%





## **Previous Studies**

#### **POSNA 2021**



Age-Based Screening for Non-Accidental Trauma in Children Less than 3 Years Old with Femur Fracture



Raheel Ali, MD; Varun Bora, BS, Lorenzo Deveza, MD; Angela Bachim, MD, Binita Patel, MD; Scott B Rosenfeld, MD

Texas Children's Hospital Baylor College of Medicine Houston, TX



#### Overall NAT Rate = 25%



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# **Previous Studies**







# **Previous Studies**

#### Independent Risk Factors

- Younger age
- Sex
- Race
- Delayed presentation
- Unknown mechanism
- Poor compliance with AAOS CPG for screening
  - Subjectivity

#### Problems

- Small numbers
- Single center
- No consideration of SES
- No consideration of screening bias





# Purpose

Utilize CORTICES multicenter database to report:

- 1. Compliance with screening
- 2. Factors that influence who gets screened (biases?)
- 3. Overall rate of NAT
- 4. Risk Factors for NAT (including socio-economic)
- 5. Compounding of risk when multiple factors are present





# **Methods**

**POSNA QSVI Grant** 

• Retrospective review

**15 CORTICES Institutions** 

Included:

< 36 months old with diaphyseal femur fracture 2017-2020

Excluded: MVC or birthing injuries, corner fx, pathologic fx, known OI





# **Methods**

<u>Defined</u> positive NAT as documentation of:

- 1. Removal from caregiver by CPS
- 2. Diagnosis code of NAT (T74.12 XA)
- 3. Referral to a government agency for suspected NAT





# Methods

#### Data collected:

- Demographics
- Injury characteristics
- Socioeconomic data
  - Insurance
  - Area Deprivation Index









#### Analysis

• Not only who had NAT, but also who got screened for NAT (biases?)

- Multivariable Generalized Estimating Equations (GEE) clustered on site
- Compounding risks estimated using final GEE models





# Results

15 sites 1263 patients Median age = 23 months 71% male 65% white 44% private insurance Mean ADI = 46 (1-100)







# Results

# Screening Compliance: **56%**

• Range by institution: 16%-100%







# **Results – Factors for NAT** <u>Screening</u>

- Age (per 6 months) (OR=0.65; p<0.001)
- Unknown Mechanism of Injury (OR=1.84; p=0.009)
- Government Insurance (OR=1.38; p=0.002)

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ADI > 50 (OR=1.41; p=0.04)
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Black Race (OR=1.41; p=0.04)
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Model C statistic, 0.89 (95% CI = 0.86-0.92)





## Results – *Positive NAT*



# Rate of NAT in patients screened = **26%** (185/704; 95% CI=23.1-29.7)







# **Results – Factors for** *Positive NAT*

#### In patients screened for NAT

- Age (per 6 months) (OR=0.60; p<0.001)
- Unknown Mechanism of Injury (OR=3.86; p<0.001)
- Black Race (OR=2.27; p<0.001)
- ADI > 50 (OR=1.81; p=0.01)

Model C statistic, 0.86 (95% CI = 0.83-0.89)





## **Results – Race vs ADI**

Both variables significant

Black patients more likely to have NAT at all levels of ADI

Higher ADI more likely to have NAT regardless of race



NAT Negative

NAT Positive





# **Results – Compounding Risk**

Effect of Additional Risk Factors on Risk of NAT						
		+ Unknown				
Age	<b>Baseline Risk of NAT</b>	Mechanism of Injury	+ ADI > 50	+ Black Race		
0 months	26.2%	57.8%	75.6%	84.9%		
6 months	17.6%	45.3%	65.2%	77.2%		
12 months	11.4%	33.3%	53.1%	67.2%		
18 months	7.2%	23.1%	40.6%	55.2%		
24 months	4.5%	15.4%	29.2%	42.7%		
30 months	2.8%	9.9%	19.9%	31.0%		
36 months	1.7%	6.2%	13.0%	21.3%		





# Limitations

- 1. Large retrospective database
- 2. Unknown what influences providers to initiate screening (implicit biases)
- 3. Definitive diagnosis of NAT is difficult
  - No pathognomonic finding
  - Final determination often made outside of the hospital





# **Conclusions**

Largest study, first multicenter, multiregional study

• NAT = 26% of those screened

Nationwide compliance with AAOS CPG remains low (56%)

- What factors make kids more likely to be screened?
- Socioeconomic disadvantage is a factor for NAT
- ADI & Race are independent risk factors for NAT
- Risk factors do compound
  - Presence of multiple risk factors should prompt official NAT evaluation











# **Burst Fracture**

Craig Birch





### **Thoracolumbar Fracture Treatment**

#### Craig M Birch, MD





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#### **TL Trauma:**

- Pediatric spine trauma is rare
- Leads to variations in treatment based on either:
  - Adult literature
    - Example classic treatment of 2 up, 2 down
  - Anecdotal information





#### **TL Trauma:**

- Overarching goals:
  - 1. Assess current trends
    - Who takes call
    - Who performs surgery
    - What surgeries are performed
      - Demographic and surgery characteristics
  - 2. Assess outcomes with current practice
    - Future
    - Requires multiple centers with surgical and radiographic data
    - Outcomes?





#### **Step 1 – current practice:**

- Step 1
  - Survey of current practice
    - Still 2 primary goals:
    - First assess who takes call and who performs operative intervention
    - Second how are common TL trauma injuries treated
  - Discussion:
    - Draft survey
    - 1 project or 2 projects?







- 1. Who takes spine call for thoracic or lumbar injuries at your hospital?
  - 1. Orthopedics only
  - 2. Neurosurgery only
  - 3. Orthopedics and neurosurgery alternating (by week or day)
  - 4. Orthopedics and neurosurgery with both teams always available
  - 5. Other -







- 1. Who performs surgical intervention for operative thoracic or lumbar spine trauma?
  - 1. Orthopedics only
  - 2. Neurosurgery only
  - 3. Orthopedics or neurosurgery depending on who was on call
  - 4. Orthopedics or neurosurgery depending on the injury
  - 5. Orthopedics and neurosurgery combined
  - 6. Other -







16 year old male checked into the boards during a hockey game who presents with the injury shown below in addition to an incomplete spinal cord injury affecting bilateral lower extremities.











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How would the injury be treated at your institution?

- 1. Posterior spinal fusion
- 2. Posterior spinal decompression and fusion
- 3. Posterior spinal instrumentation without fusion
- 4. Posterior spinal decompression and instrumentation without fusion
- 5. Other







What service(s) would be involved in the care?

- 1. Only orthopedics
- 2. Only neurosurgery
- 3. Either only ortho or only neurosurgery depending on call schedule
- 4. Orthopedics and neurosurgery
- 5. Other







#### What would be the upper instrumented level (injury at L1)?

- 1. T12
- 2. T11
- 3. T10
- **4. T9**
- 5. Other







#### What would be the lower instrumented level (injury at L1)?

- 1. L2
- 2. L3
- 3. L4
- 4. Other




# **Survey**:

### Case 2:

15 year old male crashed attempting BMX jump with focal back pain, neurologically intact. L1 burst with injury to PLC.



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# **Discussion:**

- Survey
  - Any additional information to gather on the call situation?
  - Any additional information to gather on treatment algorithm?
    - Assess differences in neuro intact v neurologic injury
    - Similar fracture patterns
    - Any additional injuries to include?
    - More case examples?





- Step 2
  - Collaborative retrospective review of TL trauma from willing centers with data
- Objectives:
  - Type of injuries that occur
  - Type of treatment used
  - Does this vary compared to the adult literature





- Primary Aim
  - Describe the TL injury patterns seen at pediatric institutions that are treated with surgical intervention
  - Hypothesis most common injury pattern is thoracolumbar junction burst
  - Outcomes
    - AO classification
    - TLICS





- Primary Aim
  - Common surgical treatment of TL injuries at pediatric hospitals
  - Hypothesis treated in the adult manner with posterior spinal fusion from 2 levels above to 2 levels below
  - Outcomes
    - Surgical data
      - Fusion v instrumentation
      - With or without decompression
      - UIV
      - LIV





### Secondary Aims

- Surgical complications
  - Infection
  - Hardware failure
  - Return to OR
    - Planned (instrumentation without fusion) v unplanned
- Neurological status
  - If available





### Discussion

- What additional information would be helpful?
- Sites interested in participating?
  - Both survey and retrospective
- How many years to get information?
  - Do centers have individual registries or data collection for trauma cases?







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# Femoral Neck Fracture: Virtual

# Presentation

Jill Larson & Soroush Baghdadi







# **CORTICES** Project Update

# **Femoral Neck Fractures**

Soroush Baghdadi, MD

PIs: Jill Larson, MD Joseph Janicki, MD





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# Background

- Femoral neck fractures are not uncommon
- A large number will need surgery
- Adverse outcomes common



# Current evidence

- 70 patients
- 29% AVN
  - Delbet I & II
  - Displaced



### Osteonecrosis After Femoral Neck Fractures in Children and Adolescents: Analysis of Risk Factors

David Spence, MD, Jon-Paul DiMauro, MD, Patricia E. Miller, MS, Michael P. Glotzbecker, MD, Daniel J. Hedequist, MD, and Benjamin J. Shore, MD, MPH, FRCSC





# **Current evidence**

- Extremely limited
- Retrospective, small series
- 30 papers in the English literature 1962 2022
- Total of 1185 patients
- Majority of studies 25-50 patients
- Largest study: 239 patients, retro, 8 centers in China

**Open Access** 

#### **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

The incidence and risk factors for femoral head necrosis after femoral neck fracture in pediatric patients: a systematic review and meta-analysis

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# **Current evidence**

• AVN rate: 0-53%





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# **Primary Aim**

- To determine the **incidence** and **risk factors** of adverse outcomes (AVN, non-union, repeat surgery, etc.) after femoral neck fractures
- Primary Hypothesis
  - To determine the incidence and identify the risk factors associated with adverse outcomes following femoral neck fractures in children treated at CORTICES institutions
- Primary Outcome
  - Incidence of adverse outcomes (AVN, non-union, repeat surgery, etc.), risk factors for adverse outcomes (imaging and clinical measures)





# Secondary Aim

- To identify the demographic and clinical factors associated with a higher incidence of femoral neck fractures in children treated at CORTICES institutions
- To develop a multicenter retrospective database of femoral neck fractures
   treated by CORTICES members



# Design

- Retrospective, multicenter cohort
- Inclusion:
  - Ambulatory patients
  - Ages 2-25 years
  - January 2010 June 2023
  - Femoral neck fracture (distal to physis, proximal to LT)
- Exclusion:
  - SCFE, Salter-Harris
  - Incomplete records







# Design

### • ICD10:

- S72.0 (Fracture of head and neck of femur)
- S72.1 (Pertrochanteric fracture)
- S72.2 (Subtrochanteric fracture of femur)
- S72.8 (Other fracture of femur)
- S72.9 (Unspecified fracture of femur)
- ICD9:
  - 73314 (Pathologic fracture of neck of femur)
  - 73315 (Pathologic fracture of other specified part of femur)
  - 73396 (Stress fracture of femoral neck)
  - All 820xx subcodes (Fracture of neck of femur)







### Instrument name

# General

Imaging







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Date of Birth * must provide value	💬 🚺 Today M-D-Y	
Sex * must provide value	<ul> <li>Male</li> <li>Female</li> <li>Unknown</li> </ul>	
Height in centimeters		
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Mechanism of Injury * must provide value	<ul> <li>Low-energy: Including falls from &lt; 4 feet (ground level, chair, bed, etc.), sports injuries</li> <li>High-energy: Including motor vehicle accidents</li> </ul>
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#### **Patient Characteristics**

Treatment Characteristics	
Date of admission	Contraction of the second seco
Time of admission * must provide value	Now H:M
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OR out of room time * must provide value	Now H:M
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Treatment Characteristics	
Surgical table used	<ul> <li>Flat Jackson table</li> <li>Hana table</li> <li>Traditional fracture table</li> <li>Regular table</li> <li>other</li> </ul>
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Fracture reduction technique	<ul> <li>Closed</li> <li>Percutaneous assisted</li> <li>Open</li> </ul>
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#### **Injury Characteristics**

Treatment Characteristics		
Fracture reduction technique	P	<ul> <li>Closed</li> <li>Percutaneous assisted</li> <li>Open</li> </ul>
Surgical approach * must provide value	P	<ul> <li>Anterior (Smith-Peterson)</li> <li>Anterolateral (Watson-Jones)</li> <li>Direct lateral</li> <li>Surgical Dislocation approach</li> </ul>
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#### **Injury Characteristics**

Treatment Characteristics	
Fracture reduction technique	<ul> <li>Closed</li> <li>Percutaneous assisted</li> <li>Open</li> </ul>
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Instrumentation technique * must provide value	<ul> <li>Percutaneous instrumentation</li> <li>Instrumentation through the same surgical approach</li> <li>Separate approach for instrumentation</li> </ul>
Final hardware construct * must provide value	<ul> <li>K-wires</li> <li>Solid screws</li> <li>Cannulated screws</li> <li>Locking plate</li> <li>Fixed angle device (e.g., Angled blade plate, DHS, FNS)</li> <li>Intramedullary nail</li> </ul>





**Injury Characteristics** 

Treatment Characteristics		
Was capsulotomy done?	⊖ Yes	
* must provide value	○ No	rese





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# Patient Characteristic Post-operative course Injury Characteristics Post-operative immobilization Treatment Characteristics Post-operative immobilization \* must provide value Traction O ther Other







Patient Characteristic	Post-operative course	
Injury Characteristics Treatment Characteris	Post-operative immobiliztion * must provide value	<ul> <li>None</li> <li>Spica cast</li> <li>Brace</li> <li>Traction</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>
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#### Patient Characteristic Post-operative course

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	Date full weight-bearing was allowed	P	Today M-D-Y	
	Was the patient referred to bone health? * must provide value	P	○ Yes ○ No	reset
	Vitamin D level	P		
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# REDCap



	Post-operative course										
Patient Characteristics	Adverse outcomes? * must provide value	Ģ	● Yes ○ No								
Treatment Characteristics	What were the adverse outcomes? * must provide value	P	<ul> <li>superficial infection</li> <li>deep infection (requiring return to the OR)</li> <li>AVN</li> <li>Nonunion</li> <li>Malunion</li> <li>Hardware related complications</li> </ul>								
	Treatment of adverse outcome * must provide value	P	<ul> <li>I&amp;D</li> <li>Hardware removal</li> <li>Hardware revision</li> <li>Revascularization procedure (Drilling, BMAC, Core decompression, fibular grafting)</li> <li>Femoral Osteotomy</li> <li>Pelvic Osteotomy</li> <li>Arthroplasty</li> <li>other</li> </ul>								
	Was hardware removed? * must provide value	Ģ	<ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>								
	Reason for removal of hardware * must provide value	P	<ul> <li>elective (not related to any adverse outcomes)</li> <li>symptomatic hardware</li> <li>infection</li> <li>joint penetration</li> <li>other</li> </ul>	D	ORTH	ORTHOPEDI	ORTHOPEDIC	ORTHOPEDIC	ORTHOPEDIC C	ORTHOPEDIC C.	ORTHOPEDIC CA

Fracture location: A line is drawn from the proximal femoral physis to the lateral cortex, parallel to the neck, and divided in thirds. The most proximal site of fracture line exiting the cortex determines the type. Type I includes the proximal third (Transcervical), Type II middle third (basicervical), and Type III when there is involvement of the trochanters REDCap (intertrochanteric). Examples:

#### **Patient Characteristics**

**Injury Characteristics** 

**Treatment Characteristics** 

**Post-operative course** 

Type I:



Type III:



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O Type I (proximal third) O Type II (middle third) O Type III (distal third)









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**Injury Characteristics** 

**Treatment Characteristics** 

**Post-operative course** 





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	Injury CT Scan available?	○ Yes	
<mark>Patient</mark>	* must provide value	O No	
Injury (	Injury MRI available?	○ Yes	
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	First post-op imaging available?	○ Yes	
	* must provide value	O No	
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	Was bone scan done?	⊖ Yes	
	* must provide value	O No reset	
	Adverse event imaging available?	○ Yes	
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	Final imaging available?	○ Yes	
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**Patient Characteristics** 

**Injury Characteristics** 

**Treatment Characteristics** 

**Post-operative course** 







#### Next steps

- Study Protocol
- REDCap
- Data collection

# Lis Franc Study Proposal

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#### Background

- Lack of literature on pediatric Lisfranc injuries
- Little known about mechanism of injury, fracture patterns, threshold for operative vs. nonoperative management, fixation options, subsequent disability/pain
- Not known if the presence of open physes should direct operative vs. nonoperative management, fixation choice, return to activity





#### Previous Work

- Single institution 56 peds patients, no PROs (Boston)
- Single institution 30 peds patients, PROs
- Prelim work by Jaime Denning (unpublished)
- Systematic Review just published





- Primary Aim:
  - Retrospectively characterize pediatric lisfranc injuries with regard to age, mechanism of injury, radiographic injury patterns, treatment, outcomes and compare to historical cohorts of adult Lisfranc injuries
    - Hypothesis: mechanism of injury, fracture pattern, treatment modalities and outcomes will differ between peds and adult patients
    - Primary outcome: ability to and timing of return to sport, peri-operative complications, postoperative complications, need for supervised therapy services, radiographic outcome (residual displacement, arthritic changes and deformity)





- Secondary Aims:
  - 1. To compare outcomes between operatively and non-operatively managed patients and determine if a threshold of displacement exists beyond which worse outcomes can be expected with non-operative management.
    - Hypothesis: Surgical and non-surgically managed Lisfranc injuries will have similar outcomes at lower amounts of displacement. However, worse outcomes and less complications will be identified in the non-operative cohort beyond an as of yet undetermined amount of displacement or for certain fracture patterns





Secondary Aims:

2. To determine if the presence of open physes influences the outcome of pediatric Lisfranc injuries by comparing outcomes between pediatric patients with open physes to those less than 18 with closed physes.

 Hypothesis: Pediatric patients with Lisfranc injuries and open physes have worse outcomes than those with closed physes





• Secondary Aims:

3. Develop a classification system of pediatric Lisfranc injuries based on the patterns of injury observed in this population (ex. Patients with open physes have different injury patterns than those with closed physes).

 Hypothesis: Pediatric patients with Lisfranc injuries, in particular those with open physes, have different injury patterns than adult patients with Lisfranc injuries.





#### Design/Methods

- Retrospective
- 0-18, Lisfranc injury based on imaging (XR, CT, MRI), can include other foot fractures
- At least 6 month followup
- Exclusion:
  - Neuromuscular, syndromic, metabolic bone disease
  - Polytrauma
  - Open fractures





#### Design/Methods

- Nonoperative or operative treatment (any fixation method)
- Primary Outcome:
  - Return to sport (chart review)
  - Radiographic outcome (residual displacement, arthritic change, deformity)
  - Complications (chart review)





#### Participation

- Members that have already expressed interest:
  - Jaime Rice Denning
  - Collin May
  - Keith Baldwin





#### Update/To Do

- Protocol/Data Dictionary
- IRB
- REDCap almost done
- Pilot with 10-ish patients to look at inter/intra-rater reliability could be its own study – have the cases gathered and plan to send out after the meeting
- Survey on practice variation which would you fix? Could be same XR as above and its own study – same as above





# **Break Time**

## Shirts & Group Contacts





# **CORTICES Study Development**

# and Launch Overview

Meghana Venkatesh & Fernanda Canizares





#### Process Overview







## Study Development Steps

- Lead site (LS) will discuss study @ CORTICES meeting and get placed on Priority List for the year
- LS will develop protocol using CORTICES template and submit to BCH for review by the research team
- LS has the ability to conduct surveys and perform systematic reviews/meta-analyses without needing regulatory oversight from BCH







#### Study Development Steps

- BCH will coordinate with LS to ensure DUA/SSA are in place
- LS creates variable list/data dictionary and sends to BCH who will create/host REDCap to follow the CORTICES DUA







## Alpha Testing

- LS needs to conduct testing at their own site to ensure research is sound
- This can occur at any point after REDCap creation and once the site DUA/IRB is in place and verified by BCH
- Alpha testing is done to catch mistakes before the study is given to other sites







## Beta Testing

- LS will need to create a **Data entry guide** which lays out step by step data entry will be done
- Alongside the data entry guide additional materials may need to be made
- Beta testing comprises of the first round of CORTICES sites that have setup DUA/IRBs and REDcaps







## Study Lunch & Study Go-Live

- Virtual Study Launch occurs with all Coordinators/PIs of the Beta Sites, the launch will be recorded and disseminated to other sites for the Study Go-Live
- The study launch allows Coordinators to ask questions
- A second study launch zoom session will occur for Study Go-Live if there are changes from Beta testing
- Study Materials will be kept on a DropBox for each study







## Study Go-Live (SGL)

- SGL is when the REDCap is final & study is launched to all interested sites
- Once DUA/IRB ready, BCH adds coordinators to REDCap & shares training video/DropBox
- Data collection expectation & timeline outlined by the LS with abstract deadlines in mind
- Not all CORTICES sites "have" to participate in each study, but intention is to be communicated to LS







## Data Cleaning-BCH

- Once data entry is done the BCH team will generate individual data cleaning sheets that will be shared to each institution to address missing data point or questionable entry
- Each site will have **2 weeks** to clean their data queries in order to be added to the final dataset for analysis







## Statistical Analysis

- For retrospective chart reviews per DUA only BCH & CHOP can analyze the data
- BCH generates dataset for the statistician/sending the data for analysis to CHOP.
- The turn around time for BCH statistical analysis is up to 6wks.
- For surveys, systematic reviews/meta-analyses each site can perform their own statistical analysis.




### Manuscript Creation

- Statistician will share results with LS
- LS is responsible for writing abstracts, manuscripts and publication
- CORTICES is to be included in the byline and members included in the footnote
- COI from each author, confirm they are linked via pubmed

Practice Variation in the Surgical Management of Children With Acute Hematogenous Osteomyelitis

Vidyadhar V Upasani<sup>1</sup>, Jessica D Burns<sup>2</sup>, Tracey P Bastrom<sup>1</sup>, Keith D Baldwin<sup>3</sup>, Jonathan G Schoenecker<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin J Shore<sup>5</sup> CORTICES Study Group

#### Pediatric Floating Elbows ... What Is All the Fuss About? A Multicenter Perspective

Jenny L Zheng <sup>1</sup> CORTICES

Collaborators, Affiliations + expand PMID: 38098296 DOI: 10.1097/BPO.000000000002593

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#### Descriptive Epidemiology of Upper Extremity Septic Arthritis in Children-Review of a Retrospective Multicenter Database

Ying Li <sup>1</sup>, Ryan M Sanborn <sup>2</sup>, Danielle Cook <sup>2</sup>, Keith D Baldwin <sup>3</sup>, Allan C Beebe <sup>4</sup>, Jaime R Denning <sup>5</sup>, Rachel Y Goldstein <sup>6</sup>, Joseph A Janicki <sup>7</sup>, Megan E Johnson <sup>8</sup>, Walter H Truong <sup>9</sup>, Benjamin J Shore <sup>2</sup>;

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## **Questions?**





## **MSKI Prospective Study**

Stephanie Moore-Lotridge & Jon Schoenecker









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### **CORTICES at EPOSNA 2024**

Diaphyseal Femur Fractures in Children Under the Age of 3 – Risk Factors for Non-Accidental Trauma: A CORTICES Multi-Center Study

Manya Bali; Patricia E. Miller, MS; Benjamin J. Shore, MD, MPH, FRCSC; Scott B. Rosenfeld, MD; CORTICES

Wednesday, May 8 @ 8:11-8:15 AM – Session 1 – TRAUMA

#### **E-Poster: Knee Septic Arthritis or Lyme Disease- Can it be Predicted?**

Ying Li, MD; Ryan Sanborn; Danielle Cook; Keith D. Baldwin, MD; Benjamin J. Shore, MD, MPH, FRCSC; Children's Orthopaedic Trauma and Infection Consortium for Evidence-Based Studies (CORTICES)



# **Closing & Final Remarks**

**Benjamin Shore** 





## **Final Remarks**

Thank you for attending the 2024 CORTICES Meeting at EPOSNA!

Reminder for Annual Meeting September 27 2024 to September 28 2024 Friday and Saturday in Seattle

> Join us at Succotash if you RSVP'd 186 Waterfront St, National Harbor, MD 20745

> > Venmo Shore \$100 for Dinner!

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