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= Abstract =

Treatment of Unstable Intertrochanteric Fractures of the Femur

- Comparative analysis of the postero-medial fixation with or without
additional screw -

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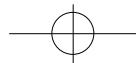
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An unstable intertrochanteric fracture lacks continuity of the bone cortex on the opposing surfaces of the proximal and distal fragments. This cortical deficit is due to either comminution on the medial aspect of the neck(calcar- region) or a large and separate posterior trochanteric fragment. Treatment of unstable intertrochanteric fracture have taken method to restore bony contact medially and posteriorly by anatomical reduction or displacement osteotomy.

The authors analyzed the 60 unstable intertrochanteric fractures treated by anatomic reduction and internal fixation with a compression hip screw from January 1990 to December 1995. We made a comparative analysis of the postero-medial fixation with additional screw(Group)

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and no fixation group(Group).

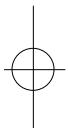
We tried to find the difference of operation time, blood loss, union time, weight bearing time, neck-shaft angle, sliding length of lag screw and complication rate in two groups.

The results were obtained as follows:

1. The mean union time was 11.5 weeks in the Group and 12.7 weeks in the Group ($p > 0.05$).
2. The mean weight bearing time was 6.1 weeks in the Group and 8.3 weeks in the Group ($p < 0.05$).
3. The decrease of neck-shaft angle was 2.3 degree in the Group and 5.2 degree in the Group ($p < 0.05$).
4. The sliding length of lag screw was 5.8mm in the group and 11.2mm in the group ($p < 0.05$).
5. The lower complication rate was obtained in the group than in the Group , but two groups showed no significance by statistical analysis.

In conclusion, the postero-medial fixation with additional screw in the treatment of unstable intertrochanteric fracture of the femur are suggested that medial cortical stability can be gained and early weight-bearing can be allowed.

Key Words : Femur, unstable intertrochanteric fracture, compression hip screw, transfixation screw.



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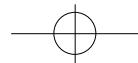


Table 1. Details of 60 patients treated for unstable intertrochanteric fracture of the femur

	Group (N = 26)	Group (N = 34)	P-value
Sex (M:F)	14 : 12	19 : 15	P > 0.05
Mean age (year)	65.7	69.8	P > 0.05
Cause of injury			
Slip down	16(61.6%)	22(64.7%)	P > 0.05
Fall down	4(15.4%)	8(23.5%)	
Traffic accident	6 (23%)	4(11.8%)	
Fracture pattern(Kyle)			P > 0.05
	22(84.6%)	30(88.2%)	
	4(15.4%)	4(11.8%)	
Degree of osteoporosis (Singh's index)			P > 0.05
	2 (7.8%)	4(11.7%)	
	8(30.6%)	10(29.4%)	
	10(38.4%)	16(61.5%)	
	2 (7.8%)	2 (7.7%)	
	4(15.5%)	2 (7.7%)	

* Group : screw fixation group

Group : no screw fixation group

* Chi-square test, t-test and Wilcoxon rank-sum test

Table 2. Operative details of 60 patients for unstable intertrochanteric fracture of the femur

	Group (n=26)	Group (n=34)	P-value
Mean timing of operation days after fracture	6.9	5.4	p > 0.05
Mean duration of operation (minute)	147	105	0.0482
Mean blood loss (Ml)	1020	915	p > 0.05
Mean TAD in mm	24.5	23.7	p > 0.05
Reduction of fracture			p > 0.05
anatomic reduction	24(92.3%)	29(85.2%)	
displaced reduction	2(7.7%)	5(14.8%)	

* Group : screw fixation group

Group : no screw fixation group

* T-test and Wilcoxon rank-sum test

(TAD : Tip-apex distance)

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(p > 0.05) (Table 2).

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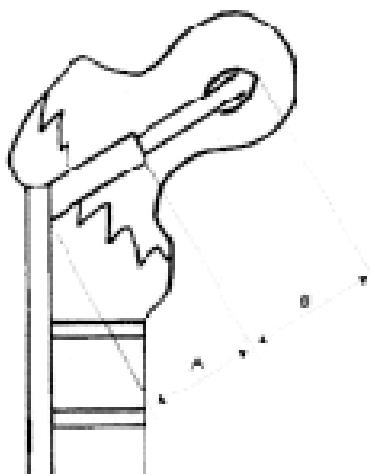
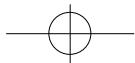


Fig 1. Measurement of lag screw by Doppelt,

A. Barrel length of post-op

B. Screw length post-op

C. Barrel length of follow-up

D. Screw length of follow-up

Screw impaction length = barrel length

$$*(B'/A' - B/A)$$

Table 3. Post operative details of 60 patients treated for unstable inter trochanteric fracture of the femur

	Group (n=26)	Group (n=34)	P-value
Mean time to weight bearing (week)	6.1	8.3	0.0453
Mean union time (week)	11.5	12.7	p > 0.05
Decrease of mean neck-shaft angle (degree)	4.3	7.5	0.037
Mean sliding length of lag screw (mm)	5.8	11.2	0.019

* Group : screw fixation group

Group : no screw fixation group

* T-test and Wilcoxon rank-sum test

Doppelt^{12)†}

lag screw

15mm

135 °

compression hip screw

(Fig 1).

4mm

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compression hip screw

Doppelt¹²⁾

lag screw

4.

(Neckshaftangle)

26 24 (92.3%)

2 (7.7%)

34 29 (85.2%)

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(P>0.05)(Table 2).

2. - (Tip-apex-distance:TAD)

TAD⁸⁾

lag screw

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(P>0.05)(Table 2).

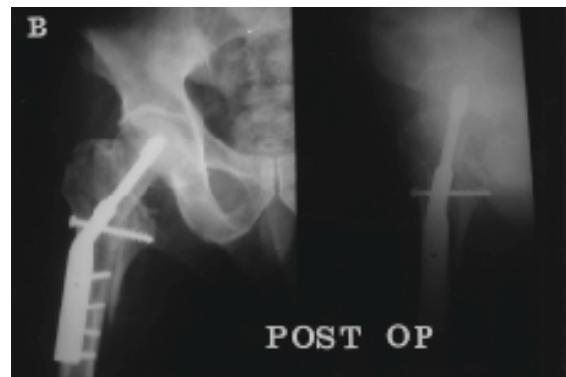
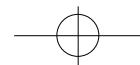


Fig 2-A. 60 year-old male. The x-ray showing Kyle type III intertrochanteric fracture.
B. Immediate postoperative X-ray showing anatomic and stable fixation with transfixation screw.
C. Post-op 3months. The X-ray showing 1.5mm sliding of lag screw and fracture union.

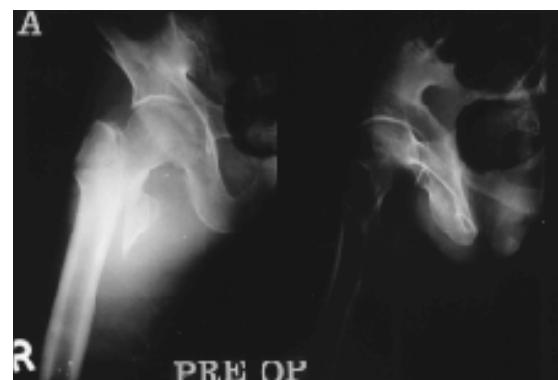
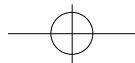


Fig 3-A. 67 year-old male. The X-ray showing kyle type III intertrochanteric fracture.
B. Immediate post operative X-ray showing anatomic and stable fixation.
C. Post-op 13months. The X-ray showing 11.6mm sliding of lag screw and fracture union.



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(P<0.05)(Table 3).

2.			lag screw
6.1 ,	8.3 (p<0.05) (Table 2).	138	(Fig 2-A,B). 3 †
11.5 ,	12.7 (P>0.05) (Table 3).		Dopplet method , (Fig 2-C).
4.		134.5	(Fig 3-A,B). 13 †4
135.8 °	131.5 °	11.6mm	Dopplet method (Fig 3-C).
135.6 °	128.1 °		
5. (Lagscrew)	(Sliding)	6. 9	2 , 1 , 3 1 ,
5.8mm,	11.2mm	2 †	
			(Table 4).

Table 4. Complications of unstable intertrochanteric fracture

	Group (n = 26)	Group (n = 34)	(reverse obliquity)	13)
Varus deformity(>10 °)	1	2		
Superior penetration of lag screw		2		9).
Infection	2	1	compression hip screw	fixed
Shortening(>20mm)		1	nail plate	,
Total	3(11.5%)	6(17.6%)		Ender nail

* Group : screw fixation group

Group : no screw fixation group

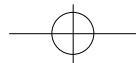
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57%



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lag screw effect 21%
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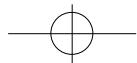
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