

DIFFICULTIES OF TREATMENT OF PROSTHETIC FRACTURES. CASE STUDIES.

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The number of total hip replacements (THR) is significantly increasing from year to year. The chance that these patients will suffer a hip injury during the remainder of their lives is also higher.

A fracture that occurs around the hip implants complicates an already serious emergency situation. An aged multi morbid patient has difficulty tolerating a long preparatory waiting period or a procedure that is possibly a large physical burden.

The restoration of hip stability is also made difficult by the patients' overall osteoporosis as well as the osteoporosis present around the implants. Biomechanical and biological considerations are often contradictory and the patients must be treated on an individual basis. 165

In the lecture, case studies will be used to demonstrate what diagnostic procedures, treatment complications as well as what treatment results were achieved in both a less invasive and more radical operative setting. O