It's all in the Hips: An Educational, but Hip Presentation

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Learning Objectives:



Intra-Articular vs Extra-Articular

In order to treat hip pain, you need to know what it is.

Check Function

- Look for reproduceable pain
- Verify that the pain that brings the patient in to your office is being reproduced.



Differential

Intra-Articular

- Acetabular labral tears
- Osteonecrosis of the femoral head
- Ochondrolysis
- Femoroacetabular impingement
- Femoral neck stress fracture

Instability

- 1. DYSPLASIA
- 2. FEMORAL ANTETORSION
- 3. HYPERLAXITY
- Oncologic processes
- Osteoarthritis
- Osteochondritis dissecans
- Synovitis

• Extra-Articular

- Facet joint abnormalities
- Pelvic Floor Dysfunction
- Iliofemoral ligament sprain
- Lumbar radiculopathy
- stress fracture
- Muscle strain: adductors/sartorius, rectus
- femoris, iliopsoas, or rectus abdominis
- Nerve entrapment: genitofemoral, iliohypogastric, ilioinguinal,

lateral femoral cutaneous (meralgia paresthetica, ventral rami

[L2–L4]), obturator, or pudendal

- Osteitis pubis
- Sacroiliac joint disorders
- Snapping hip syndrome (external, internal)
- Sports hernia/pubalgia (eg, hockey player syndrome)
- Gluteus Medius pathology and Greater Trochanteric Bursitis

Synovium

What's in a Hip?

Intra-Articular (Inside the hip joint and capsule)

-Femoral head

- -Acetabulum
- -Labrum
- -Ligamentum Teres
- -synovium



Femoral Head

Cartilage (torn)

LABRUM

Ligamentum Teres

What's Outside of a Hip?

- ABDUCTORS: Gluteus Medius, Minimus, Maximus, Tensor Fascia lata
- Hamstring
- Piriformis
- Adductors
- Spine
- Pelvic Floor
- SI Joint



Gluteus Medius Pathology Greater Trochanteric Bursitis Pain Syndrome

- -Normal XR findings
- -lateral sided hip pain
- -MRI is almost ALWAYS abnormal (Gluteus medius partial tear or evidence of GT bursa signal)
- -93% female: Avg age 53



Gluteus Medius Pathology Greater Trochanteric Bursitis Pain Syndrome

- 1 time steroid injection for GT bursitis may be appropriate
- PRP injections with good success in treatment with PT
- Single injection PRP with improved symptom relief and greater % symptom free interval at 2 years vs cortisone injection for chronic gluteus medius tears
- Surgical Gluteus Medius Repair/augmentation/reconstruction for refractory cases or significant tears.



Hamstring Tendinopathy



HAMSTRING PATHOLOGY

- Buttock pain worsened with resisted hamstring contraction
- XRs can be normal often
- PRP injections with improved symptoms and decreased recovery time for partial tears (Hamid et al)
- High Concomitant Hip Pathology
- Up to 75% FAI diagnosis
- 40% conservatively managed tears go on to have surgical repair.



42 year old male runner

- Surgical repair for chronic complete tear
- High functioning adults/professional athletes can return to sport faster with acute repair
- Partial tears repaired surgically with improved outcomes compared to complete tears





Piriformis Syndrome

- Buttock Pain
- With or Without "Sciatica" Symptoms
- FAIR
- To engage the piriformis, have the patient lie in lateral decubitus, stack ankles and clamshell knees open (Externally rotate)
- Can benefit from focal steroid injections
- Refractory cases: surgical decompression of the sciatic nerve with partial piriformis release





High concomitant incidence of pelvic floor pain/symptoms

Screening tools: Ask Questions about -dyspareunia -dysuria -pain with defecation Cozean Pelvic Screening Survey

Intra-Articular HIP Pain

History and Physical:

Groin, side and buttock Pain with impact activities, prolonged sitting, positions of high flexion.

"C" sign

Posterior joint aka Buttock pain (PITA 😳)

Feeling of instability

Global **weakness** in hip flexion, abduction, adduction

Pelvic floor dysfunction

Dyspareunia



"I have a torn labrum."

This can mean a lot of things.

-instability

-impingement

-everted labrum

But Labral tear ≠ Problem (not always)

-up to 93% NHL players

-high percentage of **ASYMPTOMATIC** patients with labral tears (up to 69%)









Provocative maneuvers





Passive Range of motion predicts bony anatomy Chadayammuri, ET AL.

DIAGNOSTIC HIP INJECTIONS: Increasingly required by Insurance for Approval for Surgery

Diagnositic injections should be done with lidocaine ONLY (we inject 7cc of 2% lidocaine without Epi).

When performing injections: Can be done without imaging guidance with a trained expert.

IF NOT: Should be done using ultrasound or fluoroscopy to confirm intra-articular placement of anesthetic

Be judicious when injecting steroids into the hip joint

- While the risk of RDHDfollowing a single low-dose (≤40 mg) triamcinolone injection is low, the risk is higher following high-dose (≥80 mg) injection and multiple injections.
- 5.4% RDHD incidence following single high dose steroid injection

Cases diagnosed on avg 5 months s/p injection.

OK, it's coming from the HIP JOINT, but why?

- Need to understand anatomical predisposition for hip joint failure/overload
- Suboptimal Anatomy in the absence of MAJOR Trauma is the most likely cause.
- Is it Impingement, Instability, or BOTH?
- Order Good Quality (centered and aligned), AP, WEIGHT BEARING X-RAYS.
- Order specifics views: (Dunn Lateral, False Profile)
- ADVANCED IMAGING: 3T MRI (does not need an arthrogram)
- ADVANCED IMAGING: CT scan from pelvis to include the entire femur (down to knees)

CURRENT CONCEPTS REVIEW The Anteroposterior Pelvic Radiograph

Acetabular and Femoral Measurements and Relation to Hip Pathologies

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Impingement

ANTERIOR PATHOLOGY

- Femoroacetabular Impingement
 - -Cam
 - -Pincer
 - -Mixed
- Subspine Impingement
- Excessive Femoral Retrotorsion
- Often "groin pain" with activity

POSTERIOR PATHOLOGY

• Ischiofemoral Impingement



Femoroacetabular Impingement (FAI)

Motion limiting disorder
Supraphysiological/repetitive contact between the lateral femoral head/neck junction, anterolateral rim of the acetabulum (arises during adolescence)
dynamic impingement
resulting compensatory motion or stress at adjacent joints
"outside in" damage to the acetabular cartilage.

•Types:

1. CAM: osteochondral asphericity leads to a loss of femoral offset

2. Pincer: over-coverage

3. Mixed: BOTH cam and pincer pathologies



Radiographic Evaluation : CAM LESION – DUNN VIEW

- Views: APP, Cross table lateral, 45 and 90 degree Dunn, false profile
- alpha angle on a frog leg lateral
- >45 degrees suggest a head/neck offset deformity
- In a study evaluating 125 NFL prospects, 90% of the players (BL films) had at least 1 radiographic sign of FAI with increased **alpha angle** being the only predictor of groin pain (Larsen et al)



PINCER

- "TOO MUCH COVERAGE"
- ACETABULAR sided pathology creates dynamic impingement
- "CROSSOVER SIGN"
 - -overlap of anterior and posterior acetabular wall
- Similar pathologies: calcified labrum
- OS acetabulum





















Femoral Malrotation (Retrotorsion)

- "The head looks back to the joint"
- Patients present with excessive passive EXTERNAL ROTATION in neutral and prone positions
- Exacerbates impingement











Antetorsing Derotational Femoral Osteotomy

Instability

Bony

- Acetabular Dysplasia
- Excessive Femoral Antetorsion
- Excessive Femoral Valgus

Soft Tissue:

- Hyperlaxity
- Everted Labrum
- Ehlers Danlos Syndrome
- Marfan's Syndrome
- Capsular Insufficiency (post surgical/iatrogenic)

Beighton's Score > 5 = hypermobility

- Elbow hyperextends > 10 degrees (1 point ea)
- Knee hyperextends > 10 degrees (1 point ea)
- Small finger mcp extension > 90 degrees
- Thumb to forearm (1 point ea)
- Palms to floor



Bony Instability: Acetabular Dysplasia

Pediatric Hip Dysplasia -Newborns screened clinically -bracing/surgery sometimes indicated

-these patients are typically followed into adulthood, but they can come back if their hip problems persist

-subtle pediatric dysplasia can grow into adult hip dysplasia -clinically undetected during childhood and adolescence



Bony Instability: Hip Dysplasia

- Inadequate bony contact between the femoral head and the acetabular socket
- Pain with prolonged sitting, buttock pain
- Acetabular malposition
- Increased acetabular version
- Inadequate lateral coverage
- Inadequate joint congruency
- Dynamic instability: causes levering of the femoral head posteriorly with a resulting posterior hip subluxation and corresponding labral and cartilaginous damage
- Creates an "inside out" cartilage flap
- Surgical Treatment: Periacetabular Osteotomy, PAO










ISCHIAL SPINE SIGN AND POSTERIOR WALL SIGN





"CROSSOVER SIGN" from posterior wall deficiency vs PINCER morphology

Disrupted Shenton's Line





Bony Instability: Femoral Malrotation Excessive Antetorsion: The head looks away from the socket

- Head points "OUT OF" or "Away from" the socket
- Increased INTERNAL ROTATION in neutral and prone passive motion







So, what can be done?

1. Fix the intra-articular pathology with a hip arthroscopy

-Labral repair

-assess/address cartilage damage

-cauterize inflamed synovium and ligamentum teres

-"tighten" capsule with imbrication if necessary

-bone graft/decompress cysts if present

2. Fix the underlying cause

-PAO surgery

-DFO surgery as needed

3. PT, PT, PT

-surgeries rearrange a patient's anatomy that they have been accustomed to all of adult life, and so a lot of work on the back end to "learn" new anatomy





















Retrotorsing Derotational Femoral Osteotomy



Who can benefit from hip preservation?

- High Functional Demand
- Desire to continue impact loading activities
- Joint Space >3mm
- No AVN
- Symptomatic hip dysplasia only
- Physiologically "Young"

"Too Young for Hip Replacement"

- MISDIAGNOSIS leads to YEARS of symptoms and sometimes the WRONG treatment pathway
- All it takes is asking the right questions



Who needs a hip replacement?

- End Stage Arthritis
- Avascular Necrosis with Collapse
- Don't want to undergo hip preservation rehab
- Low Functional Demand
- (that's ok too!)





Subchondral cysts





Take Home Points

- For proper diagnosis, you MUST figure out where the pain is coming from.
- Intra-articular injections (lidocaine only: NEVER STEROID) are an important tool in diagnosing hip pain.
- PRP and PT are useful and effective starting points for treatment.
- The Goal of HIP PRESERVATION is to get high functioning patients to high function activities.
- Know your options: Hip Preservation Surgery WORKS: But PATIENT SELECTION IS KEY TO SUCCESS
- Know your patient: Is this a preservation patient or a recon patient?
- Ask the right questions. Sitting pain, pain following activity, pain with intercourse, pain with urination, pelvic floor pain, etc.





THANK YOU



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