# Femoroacetabular Impingement Aspects of current Management

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FAI is a distinct pathological entity and can be defined as the abutment between the proximal femur and the acetabular rim\*

\*Lavigne M, Parvizi J, Beck M, et al. Anterior femoroacetabular impingement. Part I: techniques of joint preserving surgery. Clin Orthop 2004;418:61–6.

# Mechanism of femoroacetabular impingement

A widening of the femoral neck or a decreased offset at the anterolateral headneck junction

#### results in decreased joint clearance\*

\*Tanzer M, Noiseux N. Osseus abnormalities and early osteoarthritis: the role of hip impingement. Clin Orthop 2004;429:170–7.

This results in repetitive contact between the femoral neck and the acetabular rim



anterior hip pain labral tears acetabular articular cartilage damage



Several studies have shown that FAI can cause a progressive degenerative process and lead to early osteoarthritis of the hip.\*

\*Ganz R, Parvizi J, Beck M, et al. Femoroacetabular impingement: a cause for osteoarthritis of the hip.Clin Orthop 2003;417:112–20.

\*Leunig M, Beck M, Woo A, et al. Acetabular rim degeneration: a constant finding in the aged hip. Clin Orthop 2004;413:201–7.

# Types of FAI.

- young, athletic men.
- nonspherical portion of the femoral head abutting against the acetabular rim especially in flexion and internal rotation
- outside-in abrasion of the acetabular cartilage
- avulsion from the labrum and subchondral bone
- Anterosuperior



#### **CAM Impingement**

- middle-aged athletic women
- contact between the femoral head-neck junction and the acetabular rim
- Degeneration of labrum

intrasubstance ganglion formation, ossification

of the acetabular rim

pincer impingement



### **Mixed** lesion

#### Beck et al\*

In their study of 149 hips isolated cam:- 26 hips isolated pincer:- 16 hips

Remaining were both hence named mixed cam- pincer Impingement.

\*Beck M, Kahlhor M, Leunig M, Ganz R.Hip morphology influences the pattern of acetabular cartilage damage. J Bone Joint Surg [Br] 2005;87–B:1012–18.

# Aetiology

- slipped capital femoral epiphysis with posterior tilt of the femoral head
- femoral head necrosis with subsequent flattening,
- previous fracture of the femoral neck with minor rotational malunion
- femoral head with a nonspherical extension anterosuperiorly

- Acetabular retroversion where the anterolateral acetabular edge obstructs flexion
- Coxa profunda which increases the relative depth of the acetabulum

#### Cam impingement

#### Pincer impingement

# Establishing a diagnosis

- Groin Pain with little or no H/O Trauma
- With activity or sitting for long time
- Some restriction of hip movements especially flexion, adduction with IR
- +ve Positive Impingement test
- Posteroinferior Impingement test









### MRI/ MRA



 MRI – triad (Kassarjian et al) Anterosuperior labral tear Anterosuperior cartilage lesion Abnormal alpha angle



ALPHA ANGLE MORE THAN 55 Degree indicates abnormal head neck Bone School @ Bangalore

### Management

Non Operative\* modification of activity, avoiding excessive hip movement and regular non-steroidal anti inflammatory medication

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### Operative

#### **Open Surgical Dislocation**



Mini Open

#### Arthroscopic

### OPEN



### Results of Open surgery

 Murphy S et al
23 Pts
12 yr FU
7- THR
1- further arthroscopy
15- no further intervention  Beck M et al 19 pt mean FU 4.7 yrs 14 good results no osteonecrosis

*Murphy S, Tannast M, Kim Y, Buly R, Millis MD.*Debridement of the adult hip forfemoroacetabular impingement: indications and preliminary clinical results.Clin Orthop 2004;429:178–81. Beck M, Leunig M, Parvizi J, et al. Anterior femoroacetabular impingement. Part II: midterm results of surgical treatment. *Clin Orthop* 2004;418:67-73.

### Mini Open



















### Arthroscopy

















Sampson et al 158 pt arthroscopic surgery 3 months:- 50% 5 months:- 75% 12 months:- 95%

Sampson TG. Arthroscopic treatment of femoroacetabular impingement. *Techniques in Orthopaedics* 2005;20:56–62.

## Conclusion

- FAI surgery does gives good outcome with symptomatic patients/ early degenerative changes hip.
- Not effective in advance degenerative changes
- Early correction does improve hip pain from FAI
- Insufficient evidence to recommend prophylactic surgery in asymptomatic patients with radiographic e/o FAI

# Thank you