



# Travel-Free CME

## CODE FOOT: Save a Foot, Save a Life

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## Building the OHSU Functional Limb Preservation Program

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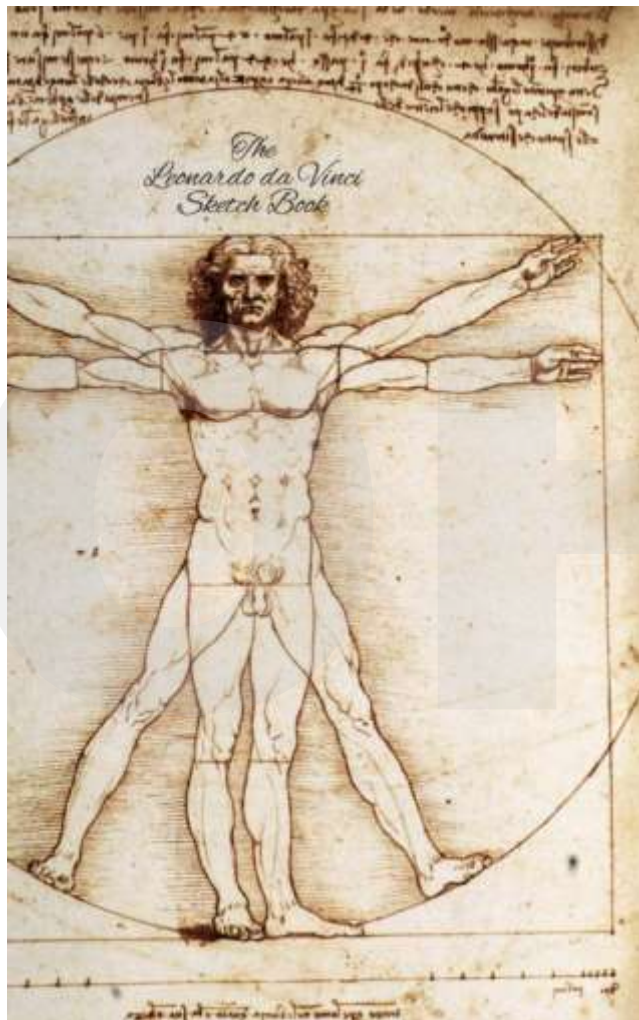
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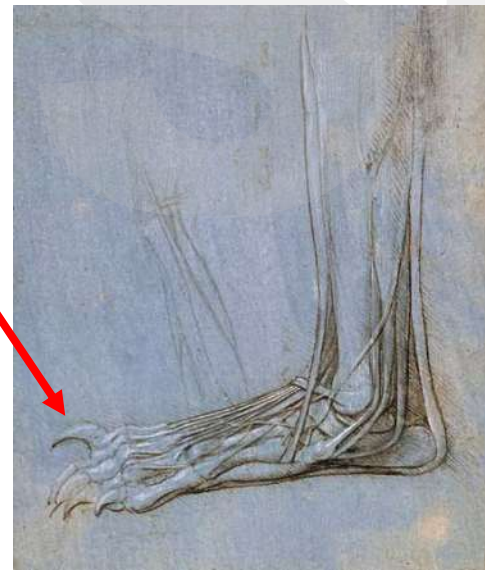
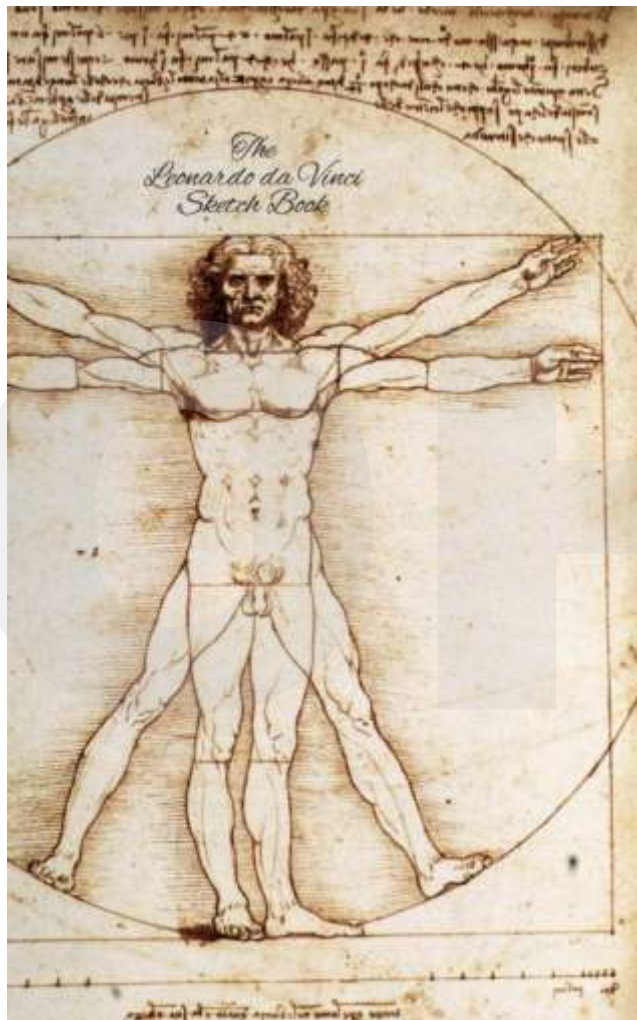




  
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# feet

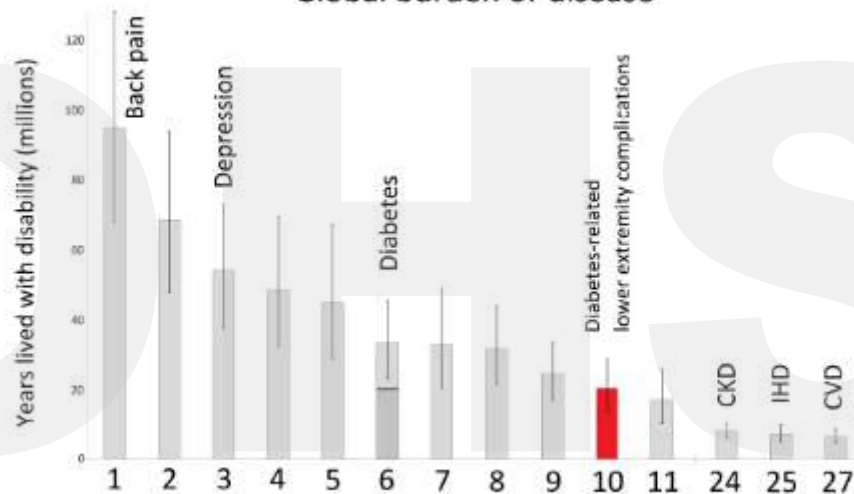
*(noun)*

a device used for  
finding Legos in the  
dark



# Diabetic foot complications are common

Global burden of disease



Lazzarini, Pacella, Armstrong, van Netten, Diabetic Med, 2018  
Zhang, et al (Armstrong), Diabetes Care, 2020



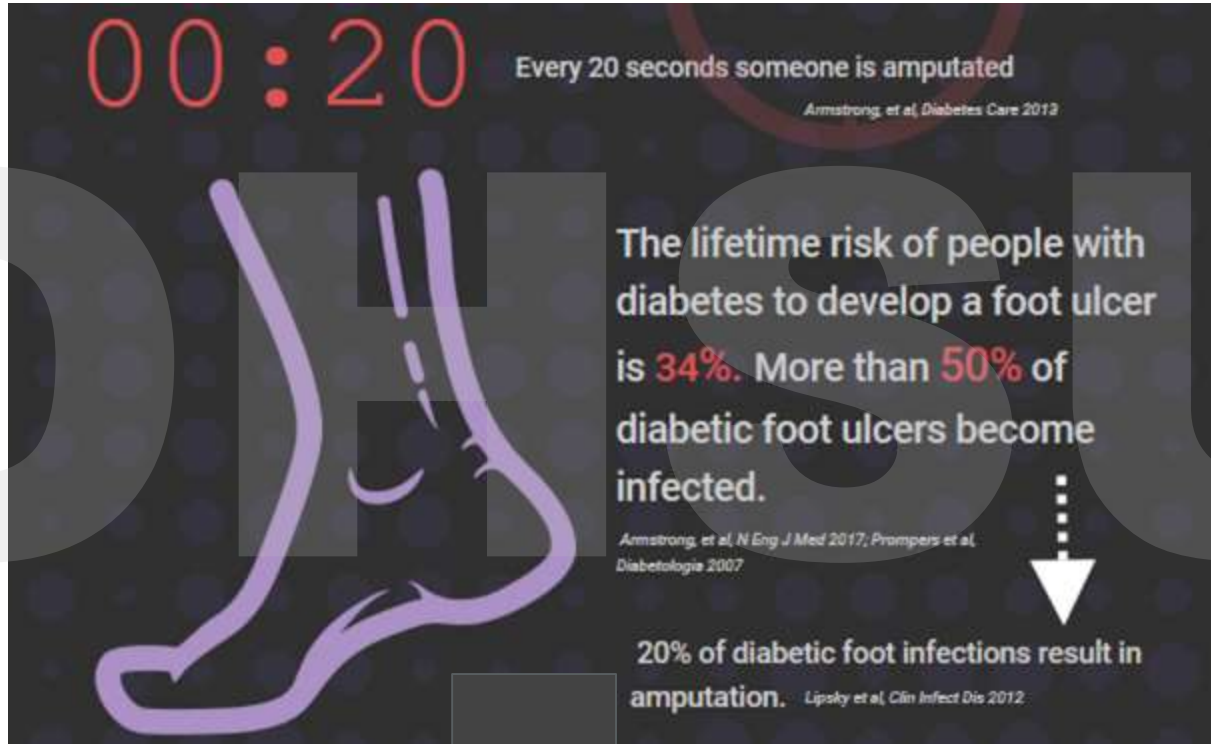
Why call a **CODEFOOT** on an  
infected DFU?



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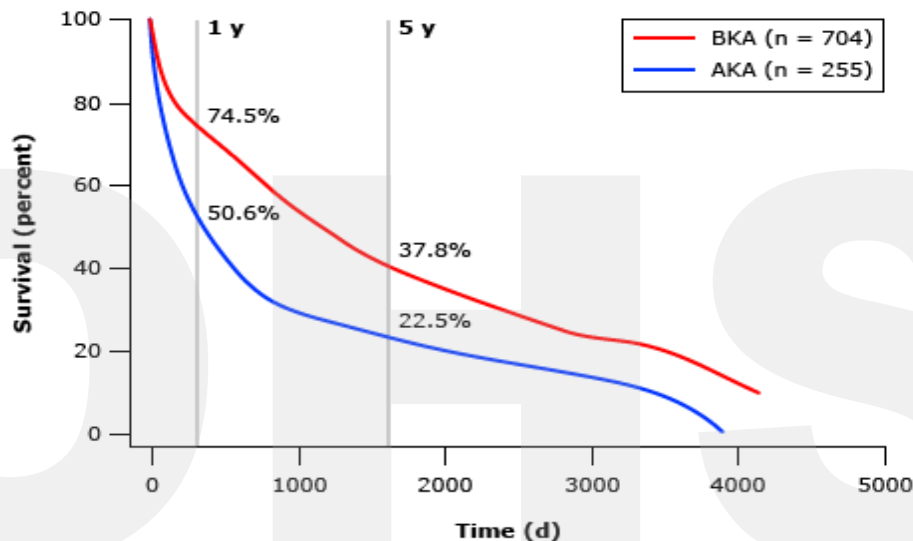
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## Long-term survival following below-knee and above-knee amputations

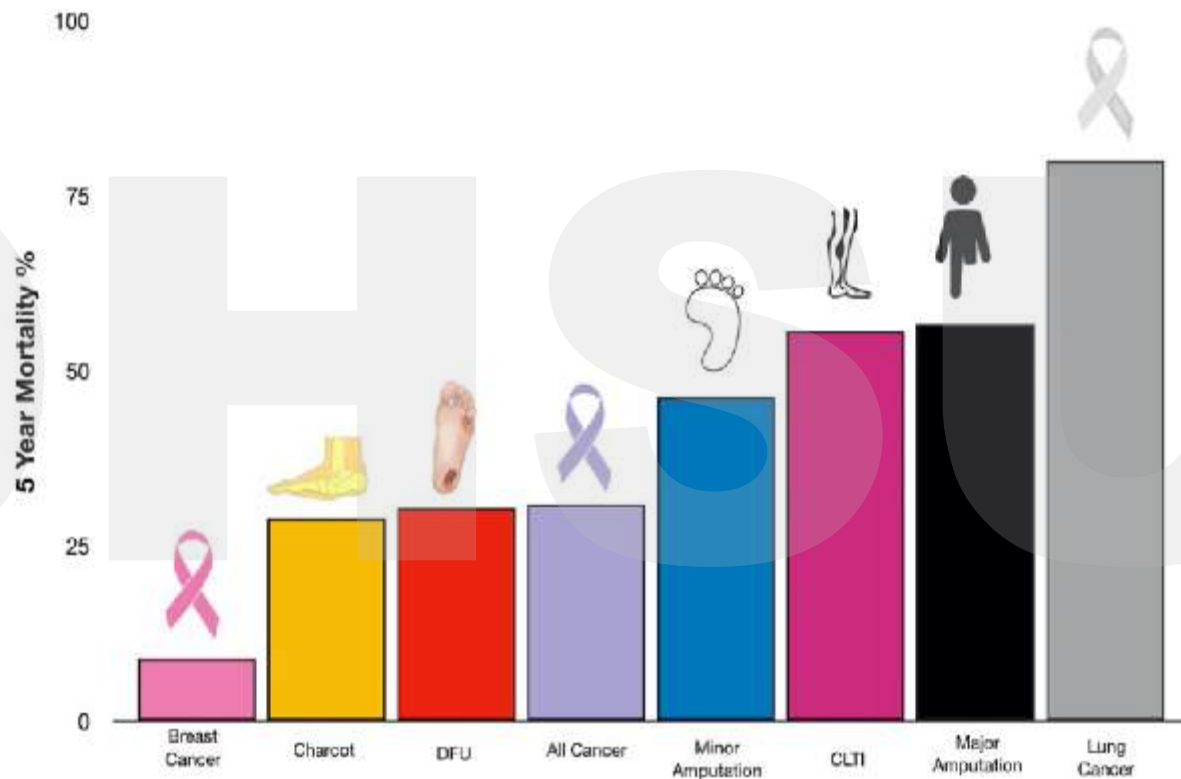


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<https://www.uptodate.com/contents/lower-extremity-amputation/print>







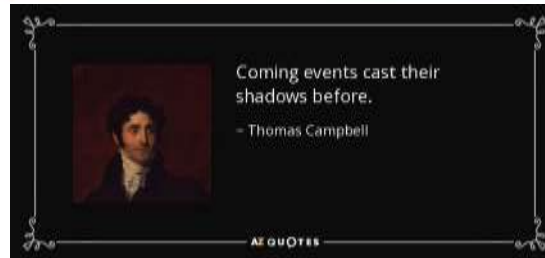
**Diabetic Foot = Cancer**



# Callus = Breast Lump



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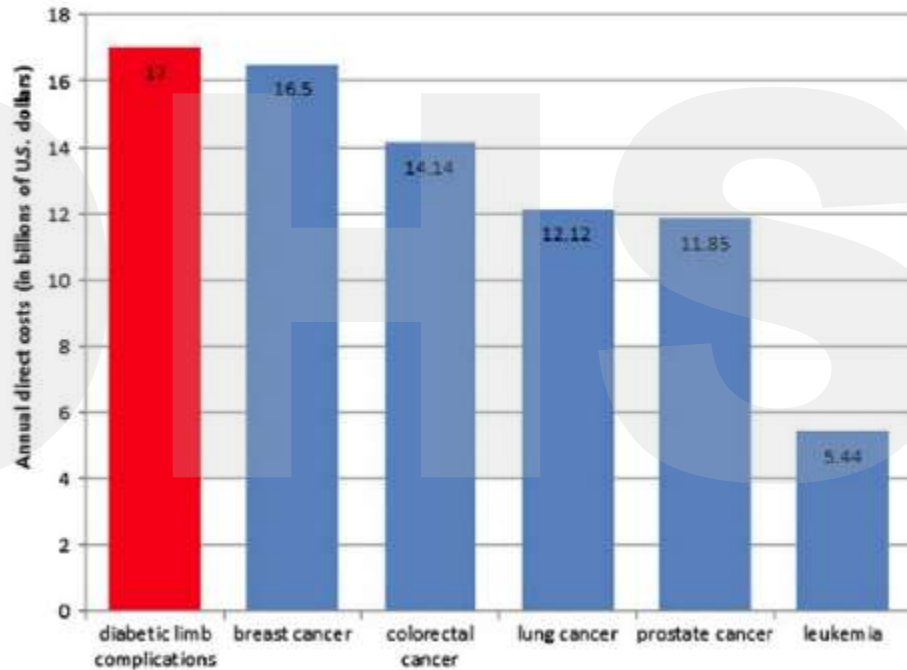




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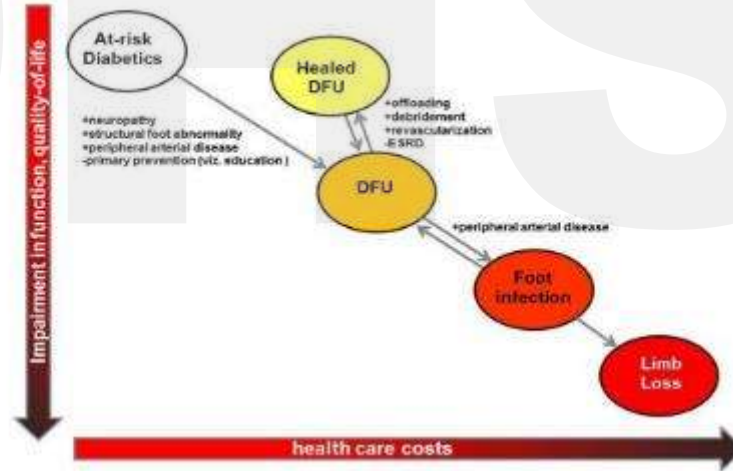


Barshes, et al, 2013

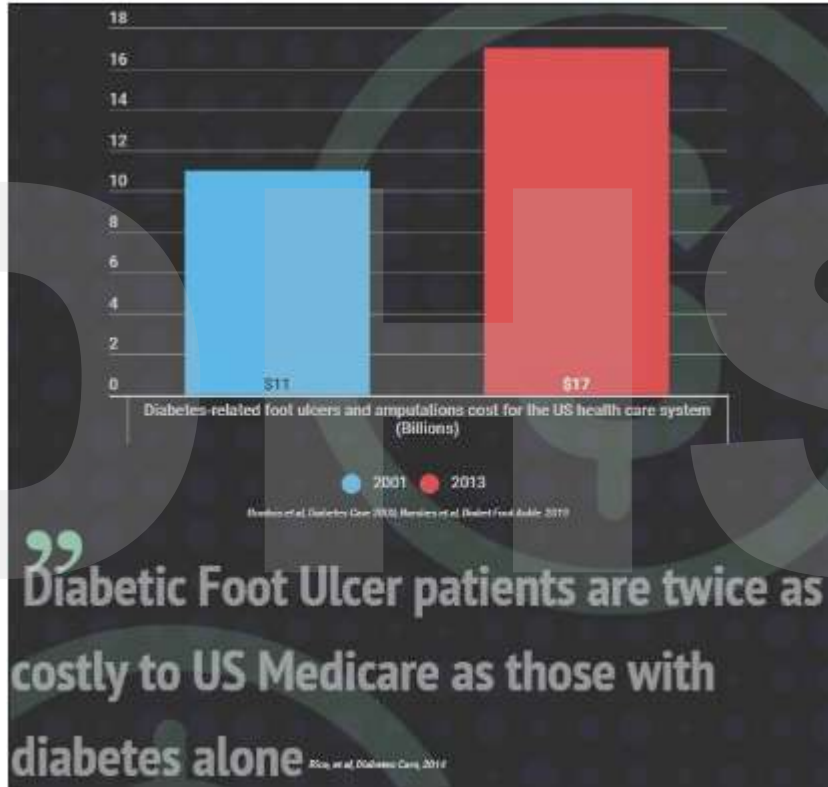


# The Big Cost-Foot Infection → Amputation

Neal R. Barshes et al.



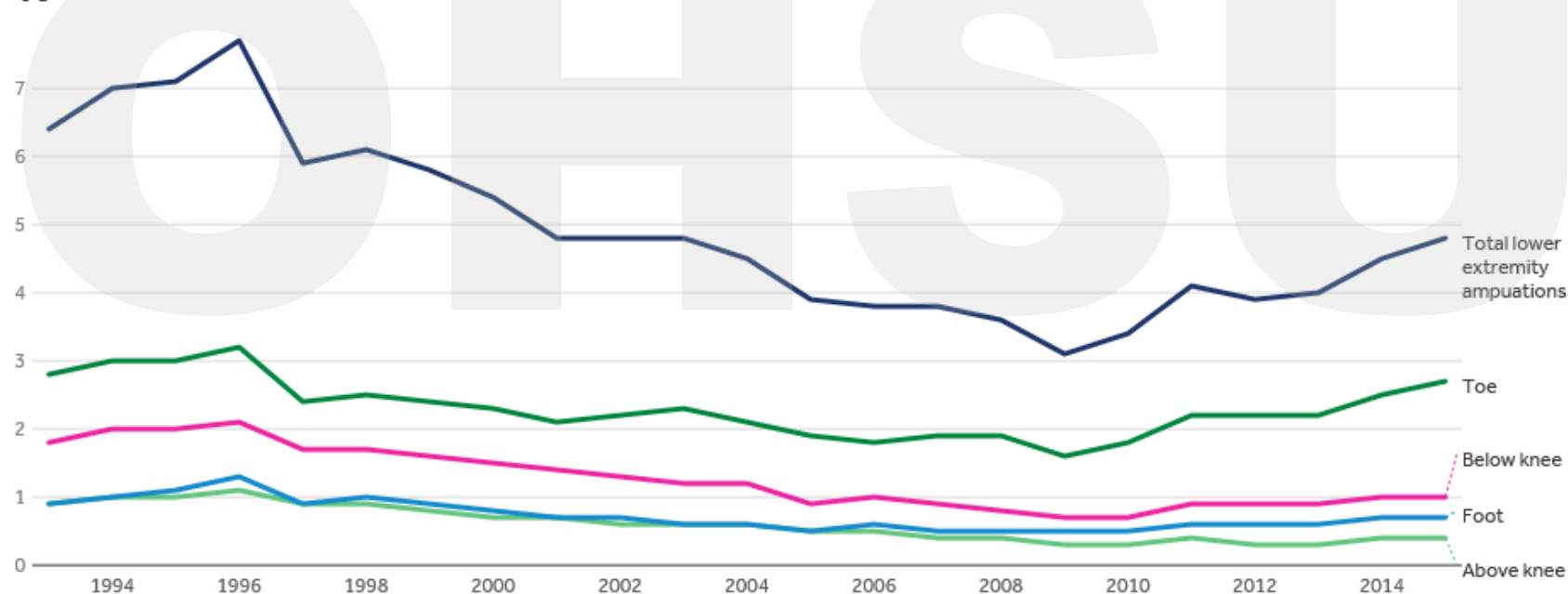






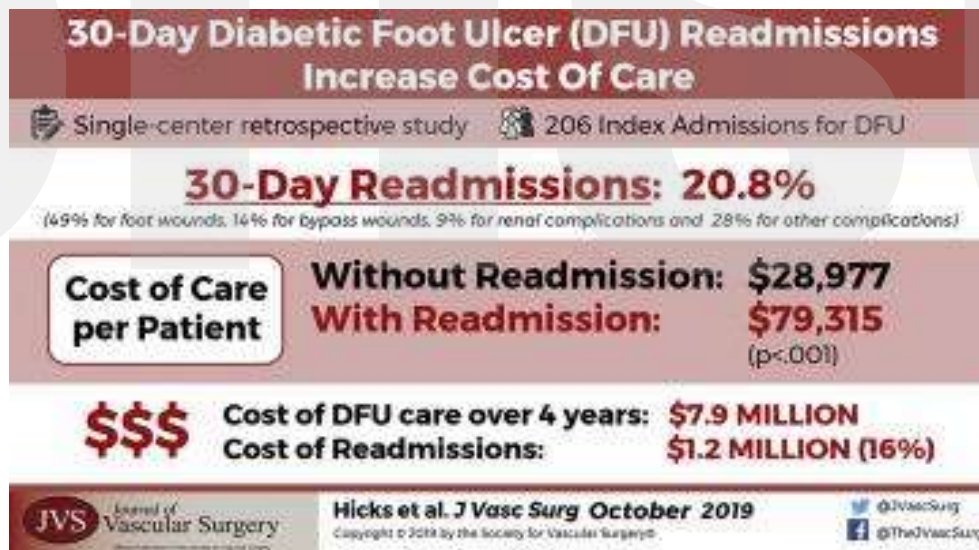
## Diabetes patients have been increasingly hospitalized for lower extremity amputations since 2009

Age-adjusted hospitalization rate for lower extremity amputations, per 1,000 adults with diabetes, by amputation type, 1993-2015





# Hospital Readmissions for DFU





## Key Take-Home Points

Low HRQOL is associated with higher rates of hospital admission and mortality in patients with diabetes compared to patients with high HRQOL

Patients with diabetic foot disease have low self-reported HRQOL, particularly with regard to physical quality of life

The impact of mental quality of life may be underestimated in patients with diabetic foot disease using the SF-36 as a measurement tool

At this time, there is no gold standard instrument to measure patient-reported outcomes in DFD

Patients with healed diabetic foot ulcers have improved quality of life compared to patients with active foot ulcers

In select patients with diabetic foot disease, minor and major amputations may be associated with improved HRQOL



# ESRD Amputation vs Palliative Care

## Engaging Hospice/Care goals Discussion Early

### Lower extremity amputation and health care utilization in the last year of life among Medicare beneficiaries with ESRD

#### METHODS

Mortality follow-back study

Medicare beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease (ESRD) who did and did not undergo amputation in their last year of life



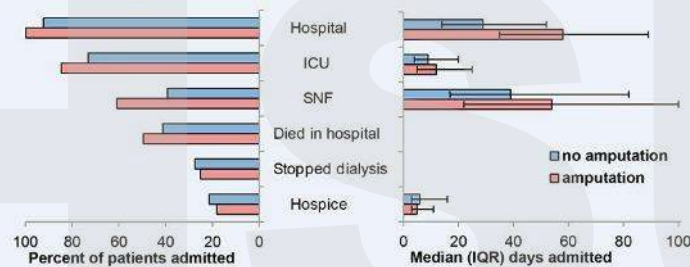
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USRDS and  
Medicare  
institutional  
claims

#### RESULTS

##### End-of-life care among patients with ESRD



#### CONCLUSION

Patients with ESRD who undergo lower extremity amputation in the last year of life spend prolonged periods of time in acute and subacute care settings, are more likely to stop dialysis before death, and appear to have less access to hospice services compared with other patients with ESRD. **These findings likely signal substantial unmet palliative care needs and opportunities to improve care for seriously ill patients with ESRD who undergo lower extremity amputation.**

doi: 10.1681/ASN.2018101002



# Importance of factors determining the low health-related quality of life in people presenting with a diabetic foot ulcer: the Eurodiale study

V. Siersma, H. Thorsen, P. E. Holstein, M. Kars, J. Apelqvist, E. B. Jude, A. Piaggese, K. Bakker, M. Edmonds, A. Jirkovska, D. Mauricio, G. Ragnarson Tennvall, H. Reike, M. Spraul ... [See all authors](#) ▾

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- EQ5D Survey
- #1 Inability to stand or walk
- #2 Pain/Discomfort

By placing a checkmark in one box in each group below, please indicate which statements best describe your own health state today.

## Mobility

- I have no problems in walking about ☐
- I have some problems in walking about ☐
- I am confined to bed ☐

## Self-Care

- I have no problems with self-care ☐
- I have some problems washing or dressing myself ☐
- I am unable to wash or dress myself ☐

## Usual Activities (e.g. work, study, housework, family or leisure activities)

- I have no problems with performing my usual activities ☐
- I have some problems with performing my usual activities ☐
- I am unable to perform my usual activities ☐

## Pain/Discomfort

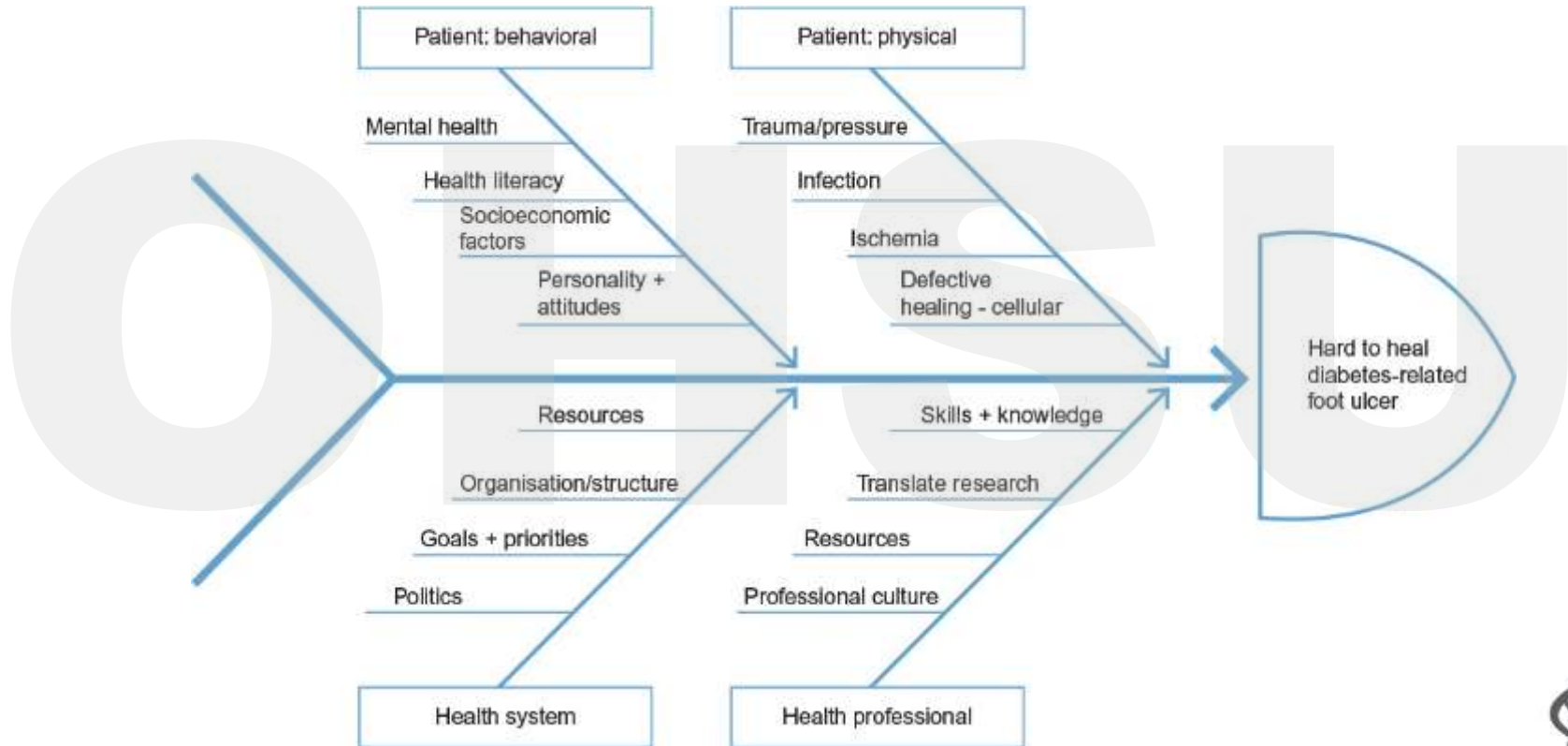
- I have no pain or discomfort ☐
- I have moderate pain or discomfort ☐
- I have extreme pain or discomfort ☐

## Anxiety/Depression

- I am not anxious or depressed ☐
- I am moderately anxious or depressed ☐
- I am extremely anxious or depressed ☐



# Diabetic Foot Ulcer Healing Common, Costly and Complicated





**DIABETES:  
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# How to run a CODEFOOT

Evaluating a DFI



# Introduction to Diabetic Foot Exam

1. General Inspection
2. Vascular
3. Dermatologic
4. Musculoskeletal
5. Neurological

## Ancillary testing:

- Imaging
- Labs

## Diagnosis not to miss

- PVD
- Necrotizing fasciitis
- Retained purulence
- Septic joint
- Charcot foot



3rd EDITION



# CLINICAL CARE of the Diabetic Foot



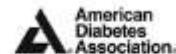
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# General Inspection

- Socks and shoes
  - Do these shoes fit these feet ?
- Look for foot deformities
- Could this be Charcot?

For one mistake made for  
not knowing, ten mistakes  
are made for not looking.

J A Lindsay



21-82 % of DFU Due To Improper Fitting Shoes



Diabet Med. 1997 Oct;14(10):867-70.  
Patients contributing to the presentation of diabetic foot ulcers.  
[Diabetic Foot Care](#)



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## Risk Factors for Foot Ulcers

Previous amputation

Past foot ulcer history

Peripheral neuropathy

Foot deformity

Peripheral vascular disease

Visual impairment

Diabetic nephropathy (especially patients on dialysis)

Poor glycemic control

Cigarette smoking



# Essential Features of History

## Past history

- Ulceration
- Amputation
- Charcot joint
- Vascular surgery
- Angioplasty
- Cigarette smoking

## Neuropathic symptoms

- Positive (e.g., burning or shooting pain, electrical or sharp sensations)
- Negative (e.g., numbness, feet feel dead)

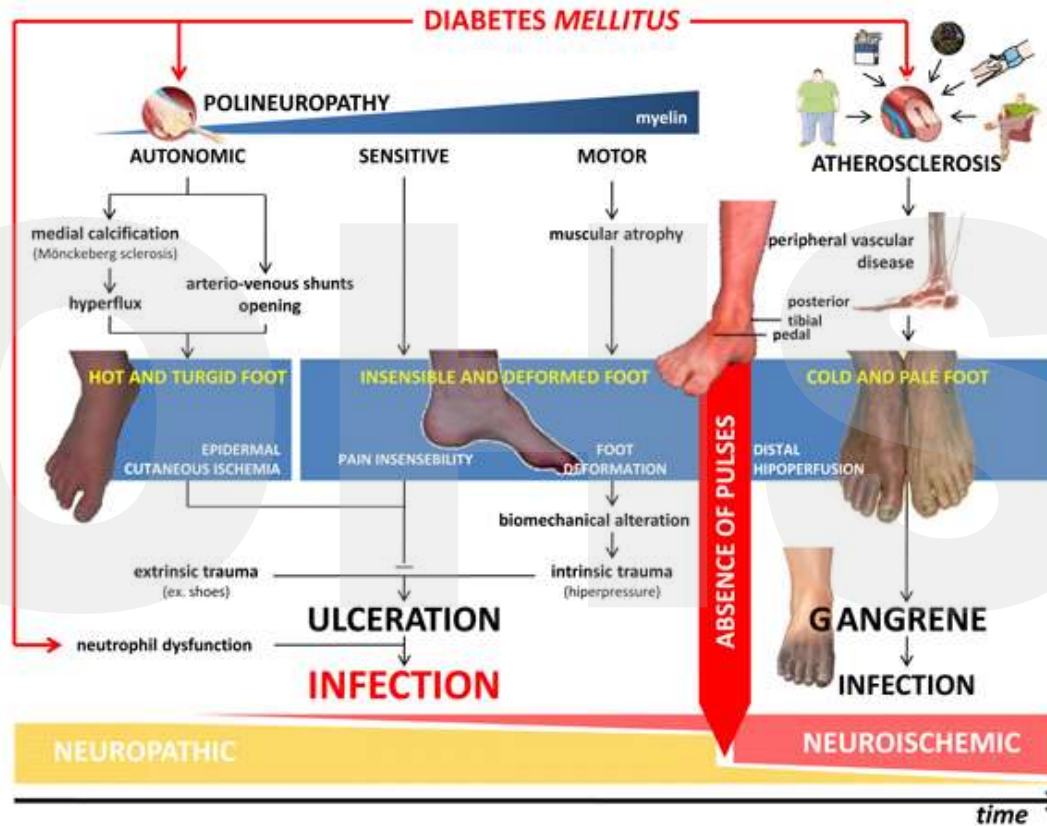
## Vascular symptoms

- Claudication
- Rest pain
- Nonhealing ulcer

## Other diabetes complications

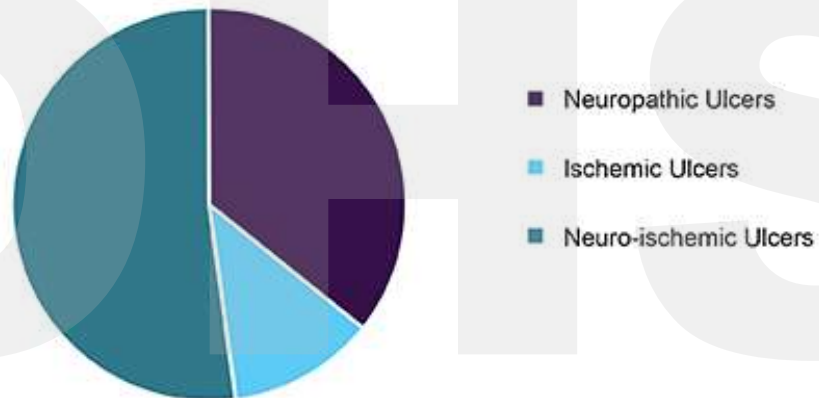
- Renal (dialysis, transplant)
- Retinal (visual impairment)







## North America diabetic foot ulcer treatment market share, by ulcer type, 2017 (%)



Source: [www.grandviewresearch.com](http://www.grandviewresearch.com)



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# VIP'S

V—vascular/ischaemia

Pulse palpation and if possible ankle-brachial pressure index (ABPI)

I—infection/biofilm/inflammation

Visual signs, redness, swelling, slough, smell, reported pain

P—pressure

Is it caused by mobility (likely diabetic foot ulcer) or immobility (likely pressure ulcer)?

S—sensation (neuropathy)

Touch the toes and, if possible, monofilament test

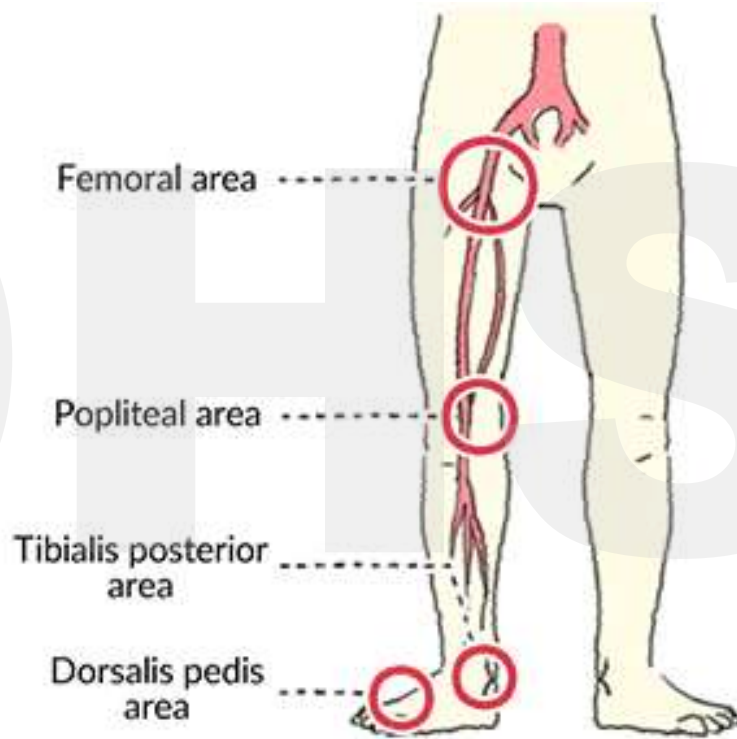


# V=Vascular

## Vascular

- Foot Pulses
- Doppler exam
- ABI if indicated







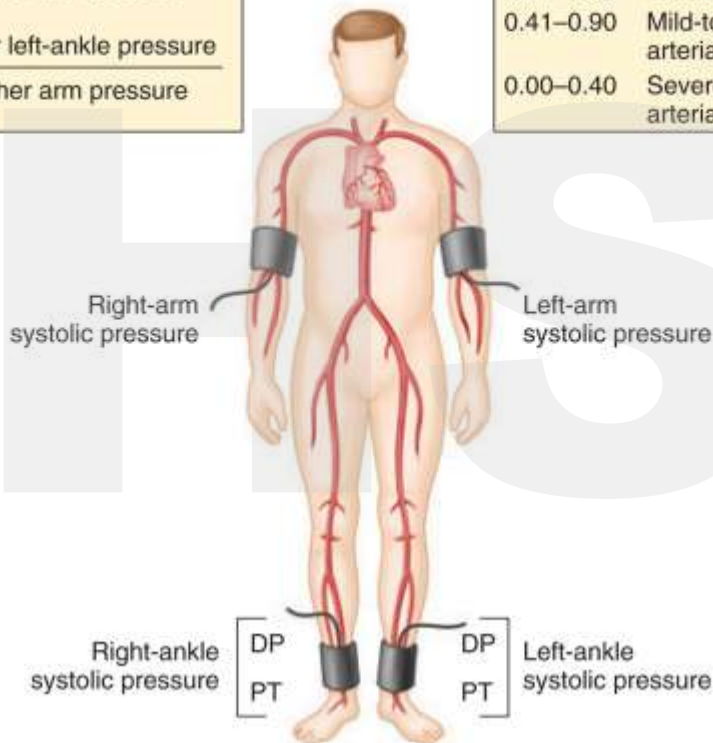


**Fig 1.** Ankle-brachial index – Doppler assessment of dorsalis pedis



Right ABI	Higher right-ankle pressure
	Higher arm pressure
Left ABI	Higher left-ankle pressure
	Higher arm pressure

Interpretation of ABI	
>1.30	Noncompressible
0.91–1.30	Normal
0.41–0.90	Mild-to-moderate peripheral arterial disease
0.00–0.40	Severe peripheral arterial disease



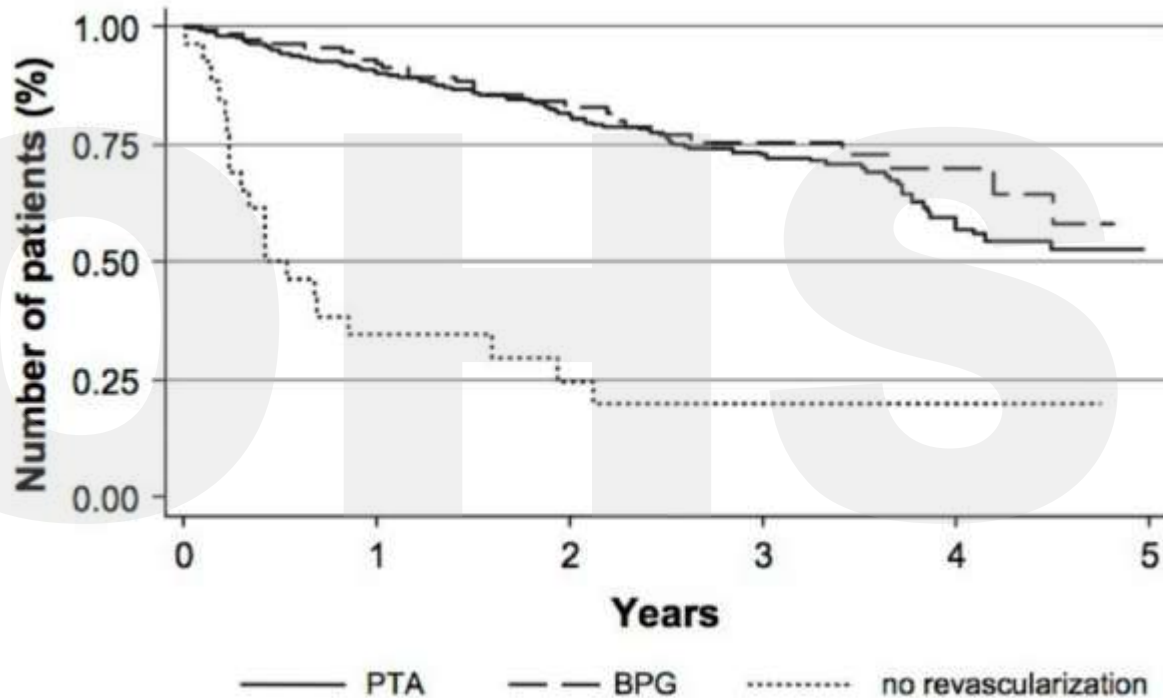


# PAD

In general, healing is usually severely impaired when

- The ABI is  $<0.6$  *or*
- The toe pressure is  $<30$  mmHg *or*
- The TcPo<sub>2</sub> is  $<30$  mmHg.





Faglia, et al, Eur J. Vasc Endovasc Surg, 2006

\*\*BEST-CLI Trial (2016-Current) more to come



# I=Infection

## Dermatological

- Skin status: color, thickness, dryness, cracking
- Sweating
- Infection: check between toes for fungal infection
- Ulceration
- Calluses/blistering: hemorrhage into callus?



## Ulcer Assessment

- Location
- Size
- Depth
- Debride
- \*Probe to bone





## Probing to bone in infected pedal ulcers. A clinical sign of underlying osteomyelitis in diabetic patients.

Grayson ML<sup>1</sup>, Gibbons GW, Balogh K, Levin E, Karchmer AW.

- 76 patients with **infected** diabetic foot ulcer
- 'probe-to-bone' test  
89% positive predictive value

Diabetes Care. 2007 Feb;30(2):270-4.

## Probe-to-bone test for diagnosing diabetic foot osteomyelitis: reliable or relic?

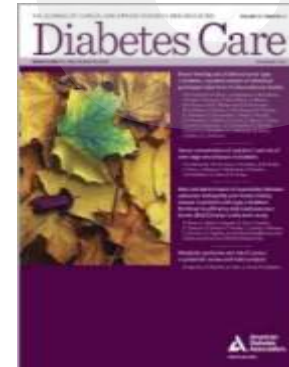
Lavery LA<sup>1</sup>, Armstrong DG, Peters EJ, Lipsky BA.

- 247 patients with diabetic foot ulcer
- 'probe-to-bone' test  
57-62% positive predictive value  
98% negative predictive value
- A negative test argues strongly against the diagnosis of osteomyelitis.

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**JAMA**<sup>®</sup>  
The Journal of the  
American Medical  
Association





**TIME IS TISSUE: TIME TO TREATMENT IS DIRECTLY  
ASSOCIATED WITH TIME TO HEALING**

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# Diabetic Foot Infection

Infection presence defined by at least 2 of the following:

- Local swelling or induration
- Erythema
- Local tenderness or pain
- Local warmth
- Purulent discharge

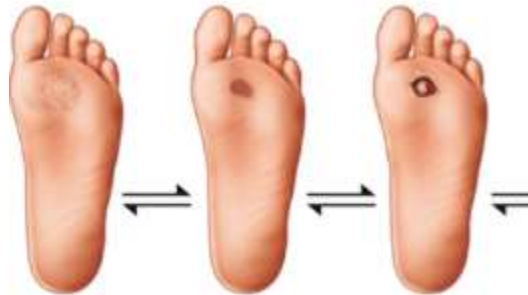




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- 0.5-2cm erythema surrounding ulcer





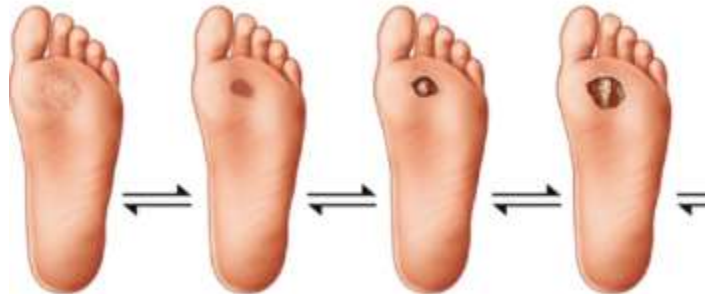
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## Moderate

- Erythema >2cm
- OR involving structures deeper than the skin
- No systemic inflammatory response

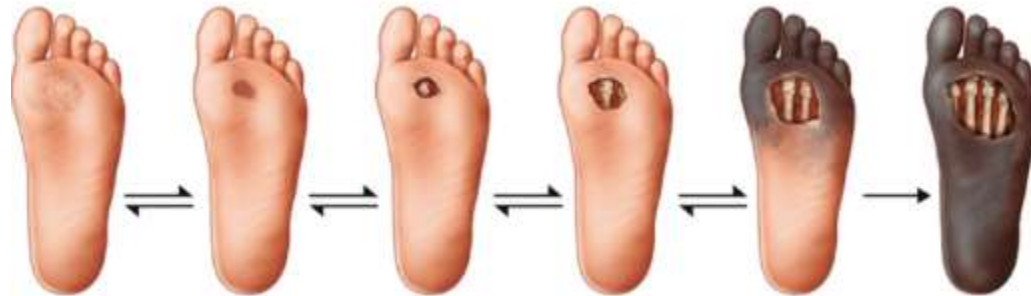




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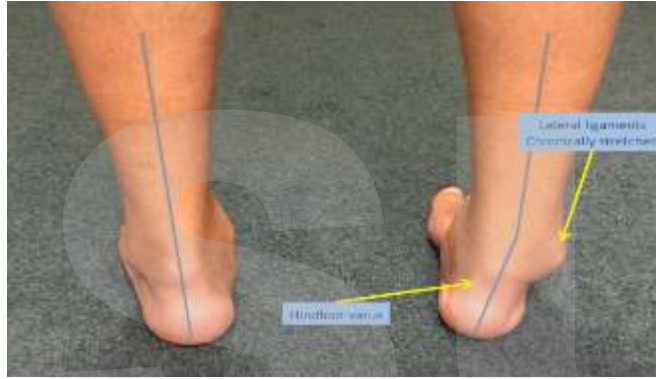
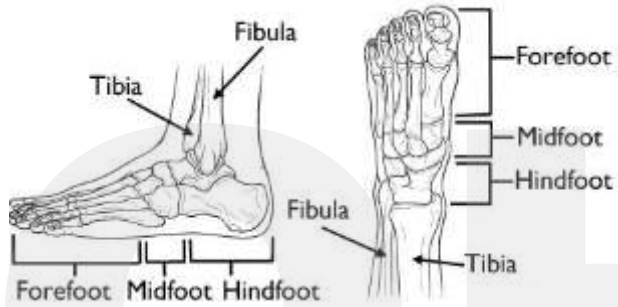
## Severe

- Local infection
- SIRS criteria  $\geq 2$ 
  - Temperature  $>38^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $<36^{\circ}\text{C}$
  - Heart rate  $>90\text{bpm}$
  - RR  $>20$  breaths/min or  $\text{PaCO}_2 < 32\text{mmHg}$
  - WBC  $>12,000$  or  $<4000$  or  $>10\%$  immature bands





# P=Pressure/Deformity

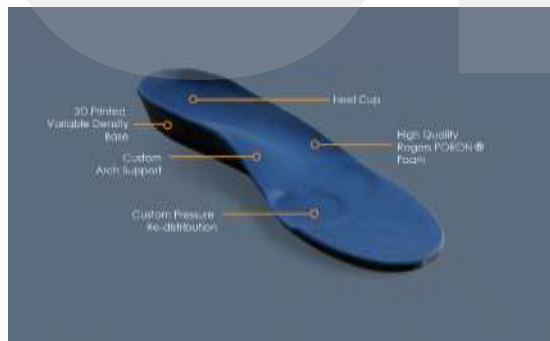




Reduce pressure: Offloading—Shift weight and decrease shear forces







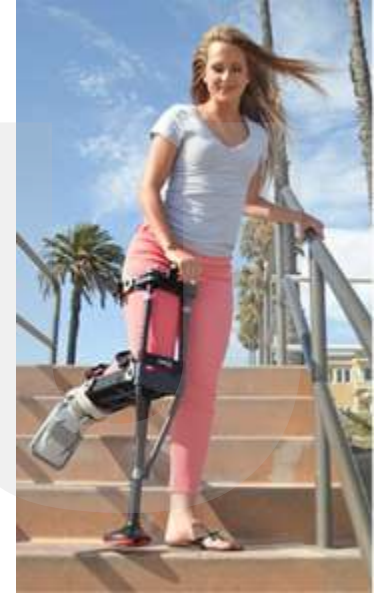






# Assistive Devices for Off-Loading

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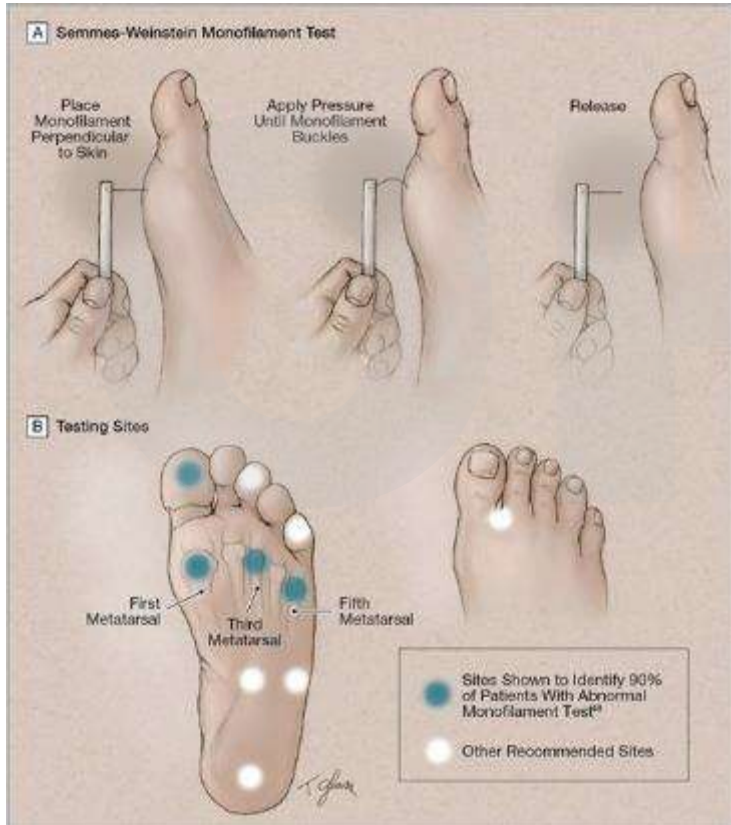


# Real World Challenges

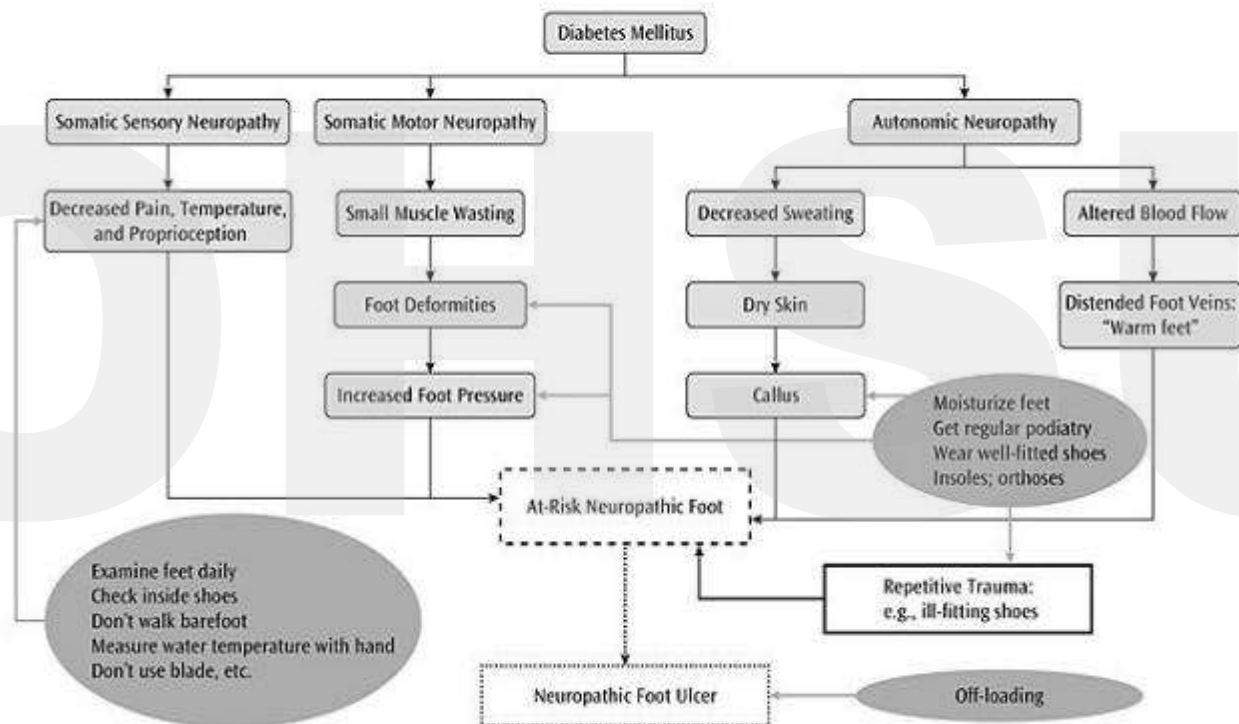




# S=Sensation

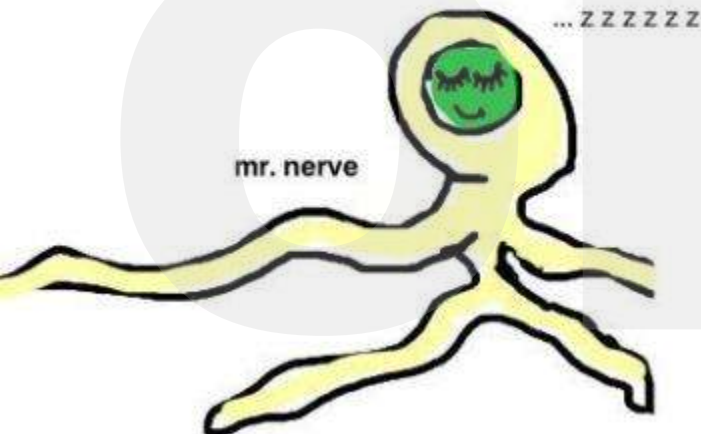








in diabetes... the nerves at stop work over time



When nerves don't work  
...we cannot feel sharp or harmful things  
we cannot protect our feet from  
getting injured

so ulcers will form

the ulcers can get worse  
if not treated

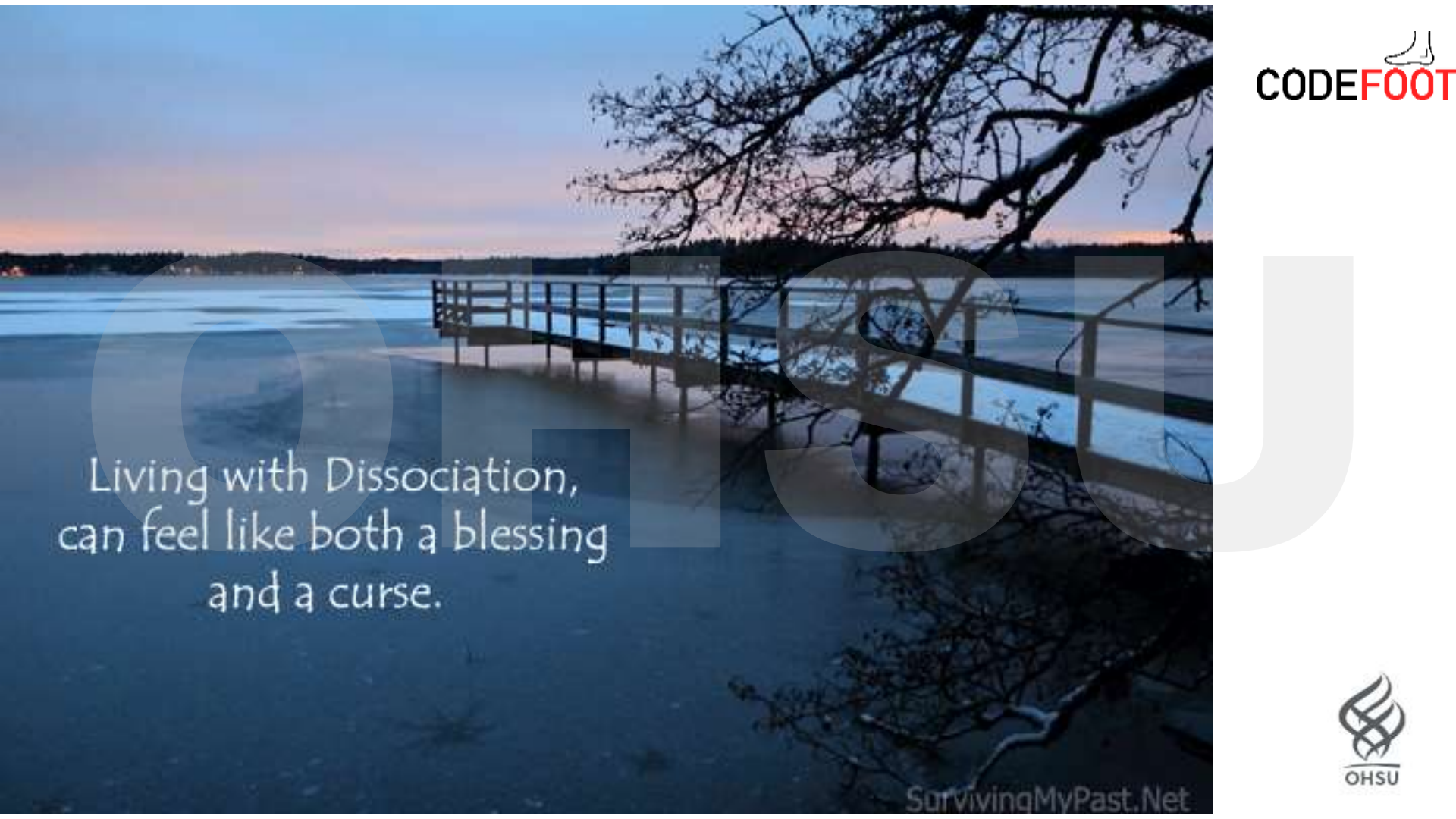
sometimes bone sticks out

bacteria love that!

they start to party  
in your foot

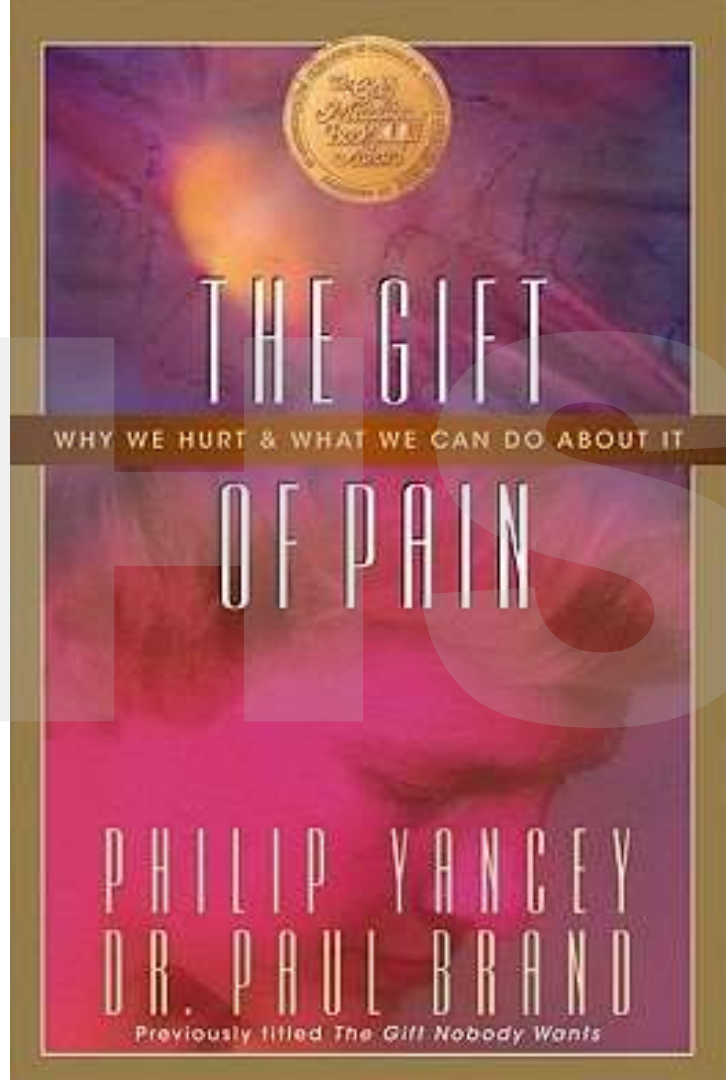






Living with Dissociation,  
can feel like both a blessing  
and a curse.











# Diabetic Peripheral Neuropathy

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Throbbing. Burning. Stabbing. Tingling.



# It is enough to drive you Crazy!





# Imaging

- X-Ray--3 views non wb
- MRI??



# Lab Testing

CBC w/ Diff

CRP

Sed Rate

BMP

Patient appropriate

Wound culture (Bedside vs OR)—timing and anatomy



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### Minute 1: What to Ask

Does the patient have a history of:

- Previous leg/foot ulcer or lower limb amputation/surgery?
- Prior angioplasty, stent, or leg bypass surgery?
- Foot wound?
- Smoking or nicotine use?
- Diabetes? (If yes, what are the patient's current control measures?)

Does the patient have:

- Burning or tingling in legs or feet?
- Leg or foot pain with activity
- Changes in skin color, or skin lesions?
- Loss of lower extremity sensation?

Has the patient established regular podiatric care?

### Minute 2: What to Look For

Dermatologic exam:

- Does the patient have discolored, ingrown, or elongated nails?
- Are there signs of fungal infection?
- Does the patient have discolored and/or hypertrophic skin lesions, calluses, or corns?
- Does the patient have open wounds or fissures?
- Does the patient have interdigital maceration?

Neurologic Exam:

- Is the patient responsive to light touch (protective sensation) on the feet?

Musculoskeletal Exam:

- Does the patient have full range of motion of the joints?
- Does the patient have obvious deformities? If so, for how long?
- Is the midfoot hot, red, or inflamed?

Vascular Exam:

- Is the hair growth on the foot dorsum or lower limb decreased?
- Are the dorsalis pedis AND posterior tibial pulses palpable?
- Is there a temperature difference between the calves and feet or between the left and right foot?

### Minute 3: What to Teach

Recommendations for daily foot care:

- Visually examine both feet, including the sole and between the toes. If the patient can't do this, have a family member do it.
- Keep feet dry by regularly changing shoes and socks; dry feet after baths or exercise.
- Report any new lesions, discolorations, or swelling to a health care professional.

Education regarding shoes:

- Educate the patient on the risks of walking barefoot, even when indoors.
- Recommend appropriate footwear, and advise against shoes that are too small, tight, or rub against a particular area of the foot.
- Suggest yearly replacement of shoes—more frequently if they exhibit high wear.

Overall health risk management:

- Recommend smoking cessation (if applicable).
- Recommend appropriate glycemic control.

Priority	Indications	Timeline	Suggested follow-up
<b>URGENT</b> (active pathology)	Open wound or ulcerative area, with or without signs of infection New neuropathic pain or pain at rest Signs of active Charcot deformity (red, hot, swollen midfoot or ankle) Vascular compromise (sudden absence of D/PT pulses or gangrene)	Immediate referral/consult	As determined by specialist
<b>HIGH</b> (ADA risk category 3)	Presence of diabetes with a previous history of Ulcer or lower extremity amputation Chronic venous insufficiency (skin color change, or temperature difference)	Immediate or "next available" outpatient referral	Every 1-2 months
<b>MODERATE</b> (ADA risk category 2)	Peripheral artery disease +/- LOPS D/PT pulse diminished or absent Presence of swelling or edema	Referral within 1-3 weeks (if not already receiving regular care)	Every 2-3 months
<b>LOW</b> (ADA risk category 1)	LOPS +/- longstanding, nonchanging deformity Patient requires prescriptive or accommodative footwear.	Referral within 1 month	Every 4-6 months
<b>VERY LOW</b> (ADA risk category 0)	No LOPS or peripheral artery disease Patient seeks education regarding foot care, athletic training, appropriate footwear, preventing injury, etc.	Referral within 1-3 months	Annually at minimum





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- Does the patient have discolored and/or hypertrophic skin lesions, calluses, or corns?
- Does the patient have open wounds or fissures?
- Does the patient have interdigital maceration?

### Neurologic Exam:

- Is the patient responsive to light touch (protective sensation) on the feet?

### Musculoskeletal Exam:

- Does the patient have full range of motion of the joints?
- Does the patient have obvious deformities? If so, for how long?
- Is the midfoot hot, red, or inflamed?

### Vascular Exam:

- Is the hair growth on the foot dorsum or lower limb decreased?
- Are the dorsalis pedis AND posterior tibial pulses palpable?
- Is there a temperature difference between the calves and feet or between the left and right foot?



### Minute 3: What to Teach

#### Recommendations for daily foot care:

- Visually examine both feet, including the sole and between the toes. If the patient can't do this, have a family member do it.
- Keep feet dry by regularly changing shoes and socks; dry feet after baths or exercise.
- Report any new lesions, discolorations, or swelling to a health care professional.

#### Education regarding shoes:

- Educate the patient on the risks of walking barefoot, even when indoors.
- Recommend appropriate footwear, and advise against shoes that are too small, tight, or rub against a particular area of the foot.
- Suggest yearly replacement of shoes— more frequently if they exhibit high wear.

#### Overall health risk management:

- Recommend smoking cessation (if applicable).
- Recommend appropriate glycemic control.



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## 2012 Infectious Diseases Society of America Clinical Practice Guideline for the Diagnosis and Treatment of Diabetic Foot Infections<sup>a</sup>

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**Table 5. Recommendations for Collection of Specimens for Culture From Diabetic Foot Wounds**

**Do**

- Obtain an appropriate specimen for culture from almost all infected wounds
- Cleanse and debride the wound before obtaining specimen(s) for culture
- Obtain a tissue specimen for culture by scraping with a sterile scalpel or dermal curette (curettage) or biopsy from the base of a debrided ulcer
- Aspirate any purulent secretions using a sterile needle and syringe
- Promptly send specimens, in a sterile container or appropriate transport media, for aerobic and anaerobic culture (and Gram stain, if possible)

**Do not**

- Culture a clinically uninfected lesion, unless for specific epidemiological purposes
- Obtain a specimen for culture without first cleansing or debriding the wound
- Obtain a specimen for culture by swabbing the wound or wound drainage



**DRAFT ID/PODIATRY OHSU-VA GUIDELINES:**

**Ideally, hold antibiotics if:** clinically stable, no significant cellulitis, no abscesses, no fever, no septic arthritis, no hypotension

When admitted, If pre-operative antibiotics are indicated:

**Stable, mild-moderate infection: ampicillin-sulbactam**

Mild PCN allergy: ceftriaxone + metronidazole

Severe PCN allergy (anaphylaxis): levofloxacin + metronidazole .

Pharmacist to confirm allergy is real

**Stable, but with *Pseudomonas* risk factors: piperacillin-tazobactam**

Risk factors include: *Pseudomonas* in past year or patient h/o soaking the foot

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Severe PCN allergy [e.g. anaphylaxis]: aztreonam + metronidazole

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**Any severity with MRSA risk factors: add Vancomycin**

**Add MRSA coverage if:**

MRSA colonization or infection in past year (MRSA flag on chart)

Severe infection (e.g. possible sepsis)

Daptomycin preferred for vancomycin-allergy OR creatinine >2

Alternative antibiotic choice needed due to allergy, known drug-resistant or otherwise unique microbiology, or renal insufficiency: OHSU: ID “curbside” consult via operator; VA: Skype or call VA ID group- Forrest, Pfeiffer, Maier, or Murphy (who are typically on-site) before calling on-call ID (who are often at OHSU).



# Broad Spectrum Coverage

Clin Infect Dis. 2017 Jan 15;64(2):116-123. doi: 10.1093/cid/ciw709. Epub 2016 Oct 20.

## **Risk of Acute Kidney Injury in Patients on Concomitant Vancomycin and Piperacillin-Tazobactam Compared to Those on Vancomycin and Cefepime.**

Navalkele B<sup>1,2</sup>, Pogue JM<sup>3,4</sup>, Karino S<sup>1,2</sup>, Nishan B<sup>2</sup>, Salim M<sup>2</sup>, Solanki S<sup>2</sup>, Pervaiz A<sup>2</sup>, Tashtoush N<sup>2</sup>, Shaikh H<sup>2</sup>, Koppula S<sup>2</sup>, Koons J<sup>2</sup>, Hussain T<sup>2</sup>, Perry W<sup>2</sup>, Evans R<sup>5</sup>, Martin ET<sup>5</sup>, Mynatt RP<sup>6</sup>, Murray KP<sup>7</sup>, Rybak MJ<sup>2,6,8</sup>, Kaye KS<sup>1,2</sup>.

Ann Pharmacother. 2018 Jul;52(7):639-644. doi: 10.1177/1060028018757497. Epub 2018 Feb 14.

## **Comparison of the Nephrotoxicity of Vancomycin in Combination With Cefepime, Meropenem, or Piperacillin/Tazobactam: A Prospective, Multicenter Study.**

Mullins BP<sup>1</sup>, Kramer CJ<sup>2</sup>, Bartel BJ<sup>3</sup>, Catlin JS<sup>4</sup>, Gilder RE<sup>2</sup>.

- Higher rates of acute kidney injury with use of vancomycin/zosyn compared to vancomycin/cefepime



# Osteomyelitis

- Confirmed via baseline x-rays, clinical findings, labs, culture/bone biopsy
- Can manage operatively or non-operatively
- Treatment course with appropriate abx – approximately 6 weeks





**Table 3.** Features characteristic of diabetic foot osteomyelitis on plain X-rays

New or evolving radiographic features\* on serial radiographs\*\*, including:

- Loss of bone cortex, with bony erosion or demineralization
- Focal loss of trabecular pattern or marrow radiolucency (demineralization)
- Periosteal reaction or elevation
- Bone sclerosis, with or without erosion

Abnormal soft tissue density in the subcutaneous fat, or gas density, extending from skin towards underlying bone, suggesting a deep ulcer or sinus tract.

Presence of sequestrum: devitalized bone with radiodense appearance separated from normal bone

Presence of involucrum\*: layer of new bone growth outside previously existing bone resulting and originating from stripping off the periosteum.

Presence of cloacae\*: opening in the involucrum or cortex through which sequestrum or granulation tissue may discharge.

Note: \*Some features (e.g. sequestrum, involucrum and cloacae) are seen less frequently in diabetic foot osteomyelitis than in younger patients with osteomyelitis of larger bones. \*\*Usually spaced several weeks apart.



# Imaging

- X-Ray--3 views non wb
- MRI??



**Recommendation 5:** In a person with diabetes and suspected osteomyelitis of the foot, we recommend using a combination of the probe-to-bone test, the erythrocyte sedimentation rate (or C-reactive protein and/or procalcitonin), and plain X-rays as the initial studies to diagnose osteomyelitis. (Strong; Moderate)

**Recommendation 6:**

- a) In a person with diabetes and suspected osteomyelitis of the foot, if a plain X-ray and clinical and laboratory findings are most compatible with osteomyelitis, we recommend no further imaging of the foot to establish the diagnosis. (Strong; Low).
- b) If the diagnosis of osteomyelitis remains in doubt, consider ordering an advanced imaging study, such as magnetic resonance imaging scan, 18F-FDG- positron emission tomography/computed tomography (CT) or leukocyte scintigraphy (with or without CT). (Strong; Moderate)





## OHSU Numbers

Xrays 3 views NWB vs MRI wwo contrast

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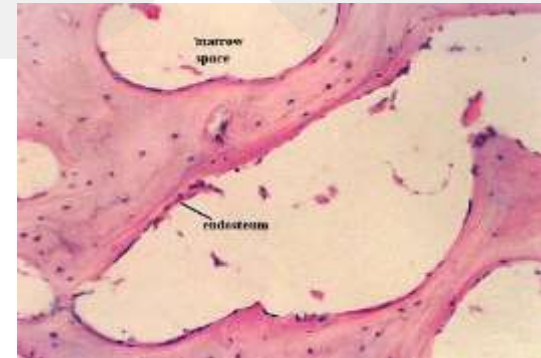
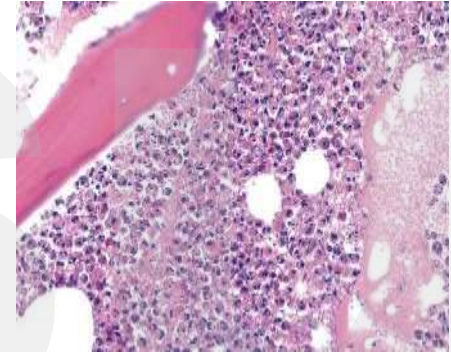
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# Histopathology

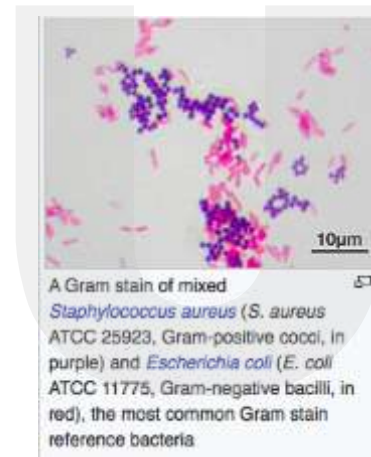
- Osseous fragments
- Osseous necrosis
- Inflammatory Cells/Leukocytes
- **Acute Osteomyelitis**
  - Polymorphonucleocytes (PMNs)
  - Thrombosed blood vessels
  - Vascular congestion
- **Chronic Osteomyelitis**
  - Osteonecrosis
  - Absence of living myocytes
  - Granulation and fibrous tissue





# Microbiology

- Wound Culture and Sensitivity
  - False positive if harvested through infected/contaminated wound
  - Ideally prior to the initiation of antibiotics
- Bone/Soft tissue Gram stain + Culture
- Gram stain, aerobic and anaerobic
  - Ancillary organisms:
    - Acid-fast stain
      - Tuberculosis osteomyelitis ? generally hematogenous spread from pulmonary TB
      - OM present in 1-3% of pulmonary TB patients
    - Fungal culture
      - Uncommon...





# Why is this important?

## IDSA clinical practice guidelines

Most definitive diagnosis of DFO: 2 tissue based methods

Bone culture

Histopathology

Contamination?

Reference  
standard?

How to maintain sterility when  
obtaining samples?

What constitutes a positive bone  
biopsy? **Is there a consensus?**

**Misdiagnosis?**

***Unnecessary antibiotics, surgery, amputation***



	Culture (+)	Culture (-)
Pathology (+)	Osteomyelitis is present with coordinating positive culture results to identify causative organism.	This scenario may indicate chronic osteomyelitis without heavy bacterial load or may occur when antibiotics are not held prior to biopsy.
Pathology (-)	Contamination may have occurred from an adjacent open wound or when handling the specimen. If strong suspicions of osteomyelitis based on clinical and radiographic picture, consider repeat biopsy of adjacent bone or discuss diagnostic criteria with pathologist	Reconsider clinical picture as non-infectious conditions mimics osteomyelitis including charcot arthropathy, gout, fracture, etc.



# Duration of Therapy

## Bone or joint

- No residual infection **post amputation**:  
2-5 days PO or IV
- Residual infected **soft tissue**:  
1-3 weeks PO or IV
- Residual **infected (but viable) bone**:  
4-6 weeks IV
- No surgery, or **residual dead bone** postoperatively:  
>3 months IV







# Oral versus Intravenous Antibiotics for Bone and Joint Infection



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- 527 IV, 527 oral
- Duration of therapy beyond 6 weeks in 76.7% of population
  - 78 days IV
  - 71 days oral



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Organisms identified — no./total no. (%)§			
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	196/500 (39.2)	182/503 (36.2)	378/1003 (37.7)
Coagulase-negative staphylococcus	137/500 (27.4)	135/503 (26.8)	272/1003 (27.1)
<i>Streptococcus</i> species	72/500 (14.4)	73/503 (14.5)	145/1003 (14.5)
<i>Pseudomonas</i> species	28/500 (5.6)	23/503 (4.6)	51/1003 (5.1)
Other gram-negative organisms	84/500 (16.8)	84/503 (16.7)	168/1003 (16.7)
Culture negative	77/500 (15.4)	78/503 (15.5)	155/1003 (15.5)

- IV: Glycopeptides 41.4%, cephalosporins 37.6%
- Oral: quinolones 43.8%, combination therapy

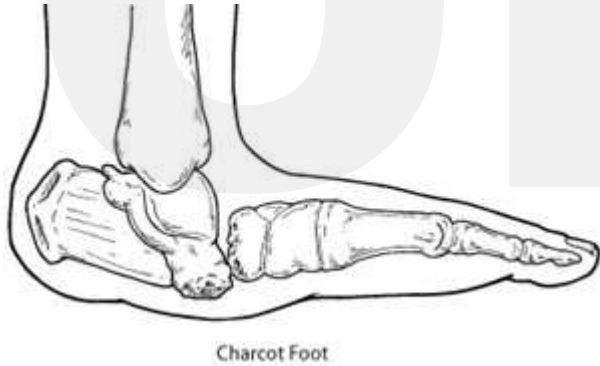


# Diagnosis not to miss!

- Retained purulence
- Necrotizing fasciitis
- Septic joint
- PVD
- Charcot



# Charcot



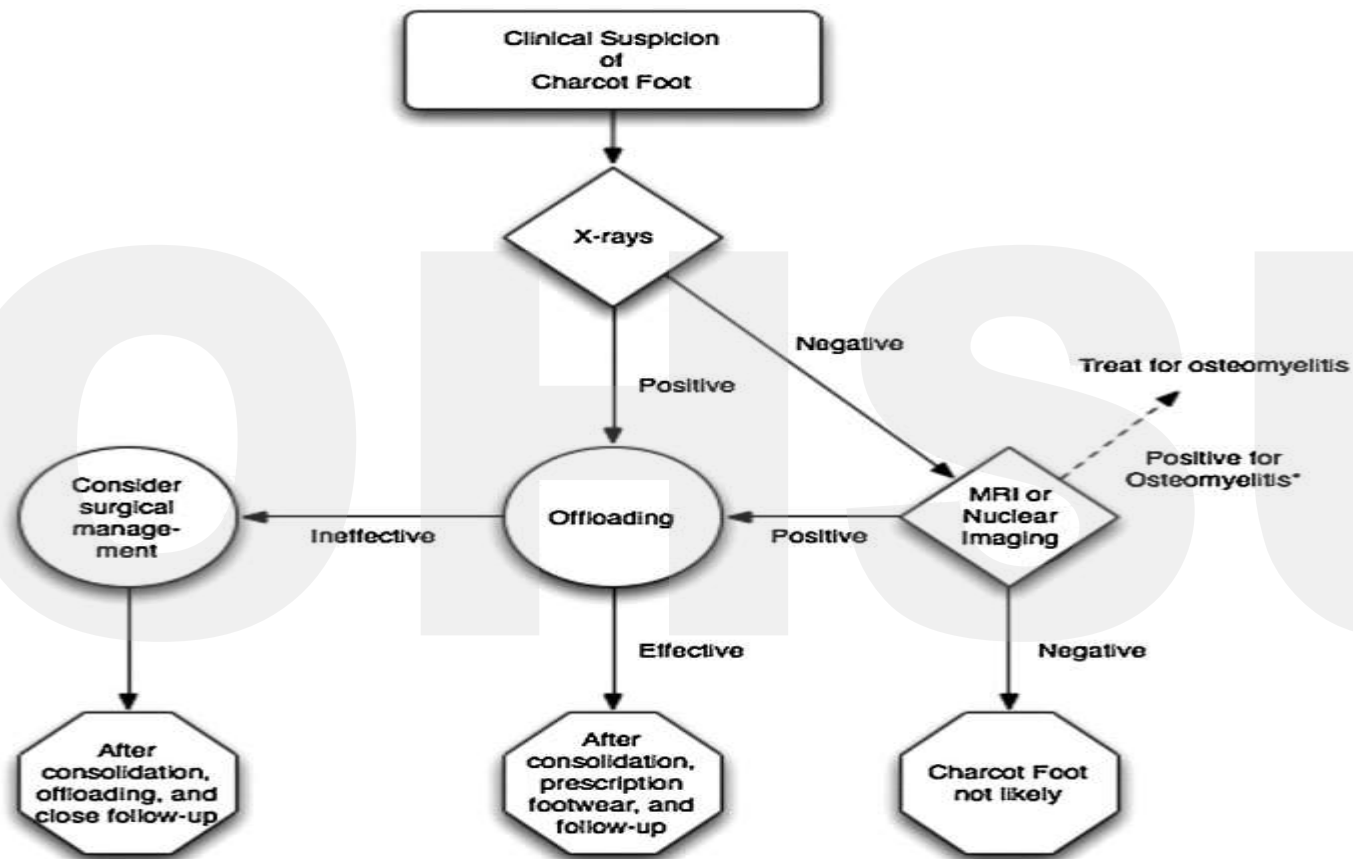














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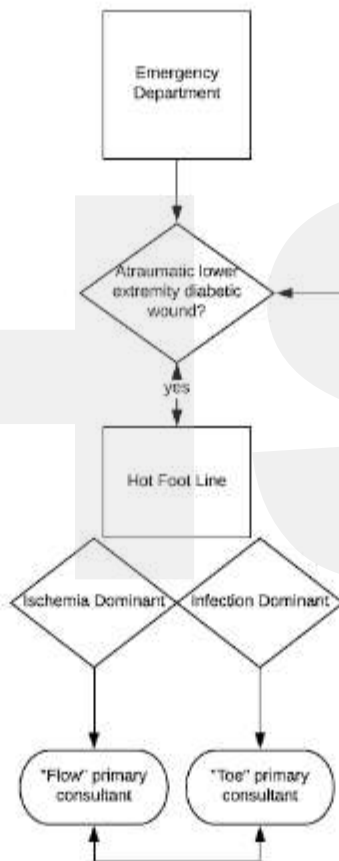


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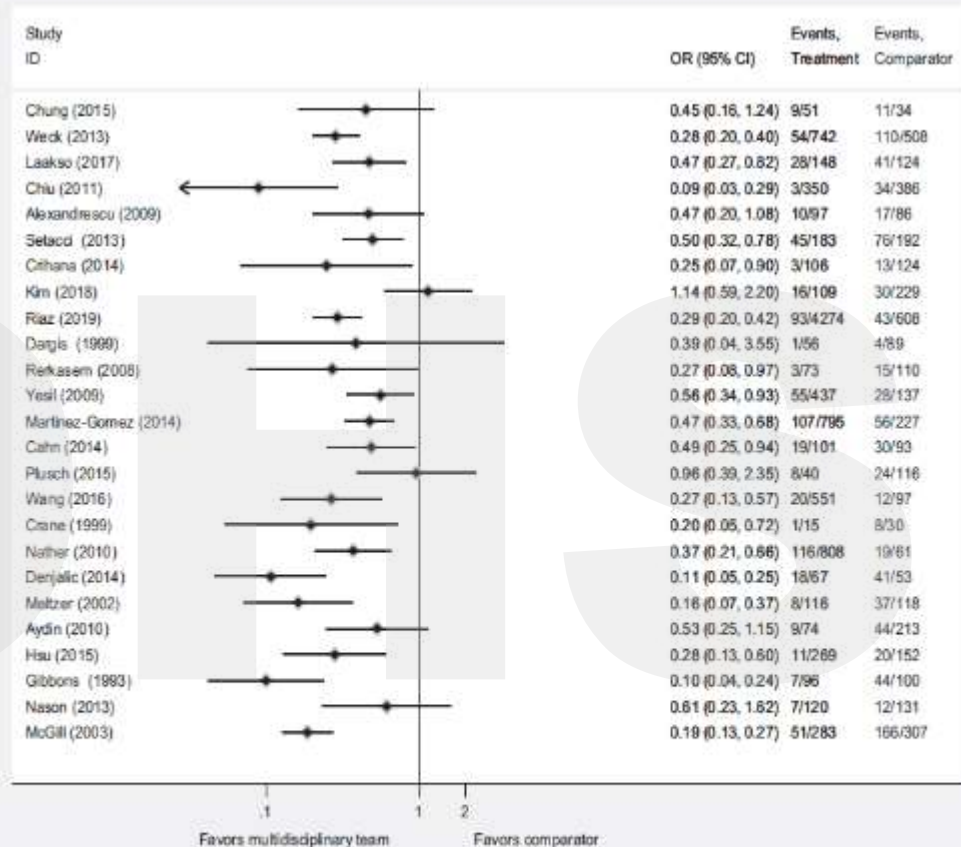






# Teams Reduce Amputations





**Fig 3.** Forest plot of the estimated odds ratios (ORs) for the change in major amputation rates after initiation of multidisciplinary care compared with standard care for 25 of the 33 included studies for which odds ratios could be calculated. *CI*, Confidence interval; *ID*, identifier.



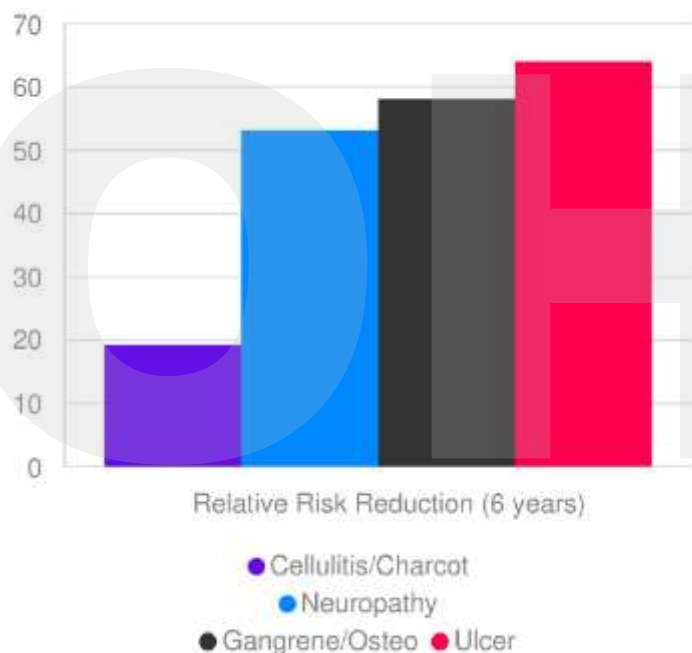
So how do we build a team?



Footcare prolongs the life of legs



# Podiatry's Pivotal Place in Prevention



- Patients visiting a podiatrist and another specialist the year before had a sustained reduction in amputation
- Initial sample:  $n = 1,054,283$



Revascularization prolongs life



# The Toe and Flow Model



# Toe and Flow: Two Surgical Specialties, One Service









Infectious  
Disease

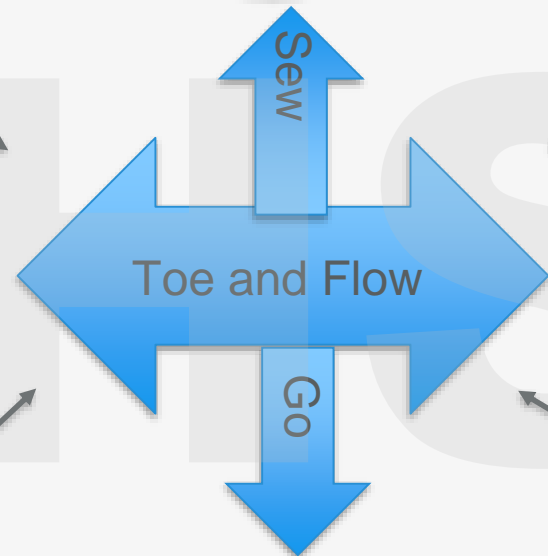
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Prosthetics

  
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Podiatrist



Vascular  
Surgeon



Interventional  
Radiologist

Physical  
Therapist

Wound  
Clinic





# Flowmigos



# Toemigo



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Pathology  
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Foot Remission Pod's  
(State Resources)

In-Patient Wound Care  
Sarah, Meredith, et al

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Case Managers  
& Social Workers

**NP's and PA**  
**Callie, Roy and Heidi**

**Admin Coordinator**  
**Nora Cozaad**

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**Residents, Interns and**  
**Med Students**



# Measure What You Manage



## Measurable Goals:

- Ulcer-free days
- Hospital-free days
- Activity-rich days
- Hi-Low Amputation Ratio

Research Coordination--David Louie (Doctor to be)



24  
7  
365

People who live with type 1 diabetes get good at math.

For those who are unfamiliar with the disease, the simplest and most poignant numbers can be found to the left.

[www.type1moms.org](http://www.type1moms.org)

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**DIABETES IS A FULL-TIME JOB. A JOB THAT IS NEVER FULLY TAUGHT. IT'S ONE THAT YOU LEARN AS YOU GO AND EVERYDAY HAS NEW OBSTACLES AND VARIABLES. THERE'S NO 30 MINUTE BREAKS OR VACATIONS. IT'S CONSTANT, AROUND THE CLOCK. IT COMES WITH A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND YOU CAN'T QUIT BECAUSE IT'S LITERALLY LIFE OR DEATH.**

—The Diabetic Journey





Does the Host(ess) Want to Actively Engage with the Rest of the Team?

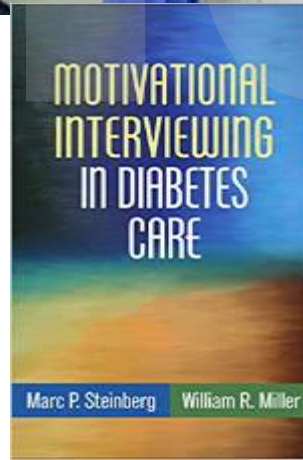


## Motivational Interviewing Empowers Patients

Care managers can use motivational interviewing to empower patients in their own care, rather than projecting outside goals to an individual's situation.

The motivational interviewing method of engaging patients was developed by clinical psychologist [William Miller](#) in 1983 to address substance abuse.

Over the years, however, research has shown that the technique is effective at reducing many potentially risky behaviors and promoting healthy behaviors.



## Stages of change





# Team Components of the Center for Functional Limb Preservation at OHSU

- Inpatient Management/ Code foot line
  - Inpatient Wards
  - ED



## Outpatient Management

### 1. Toe, Flow and Go (Vascular/Podiatry/PT) Clinic

- Eval & Treat active tissue loss for intervention needs
- Determine etiology/modalities to help closure
- Neuro/ischemic/Neuro-ischemic wounds
- Physical Therapy embedded in clinic
- Complex Non-surgical wounds—>OHSU Wound & Hyperbaric Medicine Clinic

### 2. Foot Remission Podiatry Directory

- Ulcer-free, hospital-free, activity rich days
- Flow to Regional Podiatrist once healed
- Return to OHSU as needed per Regional Podiatrist
- Qualified routine foot care
- Reinforce patient daily self foot exam/care, education, home based monitoring program
- Pedorthotist/prosthetics and PT prn

### 3. Screening Clinics—Primary Care

- 3 min foot exam
- Development and Dissemination





TEAMWORK

Because none of us are as bad ass as all of us.



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# The Art of Foot Preservation

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# Considerations

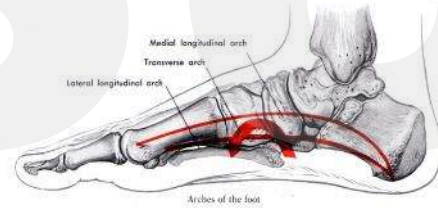
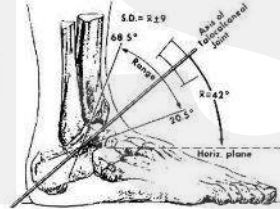
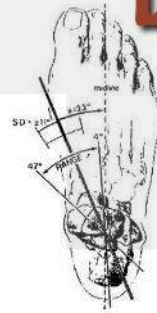
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# Tendon Balancing



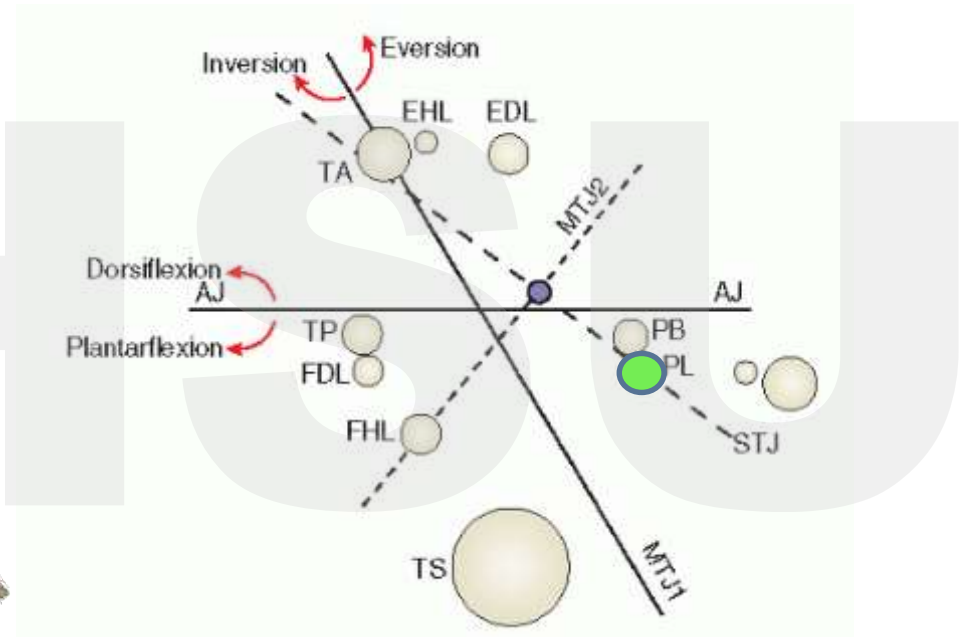
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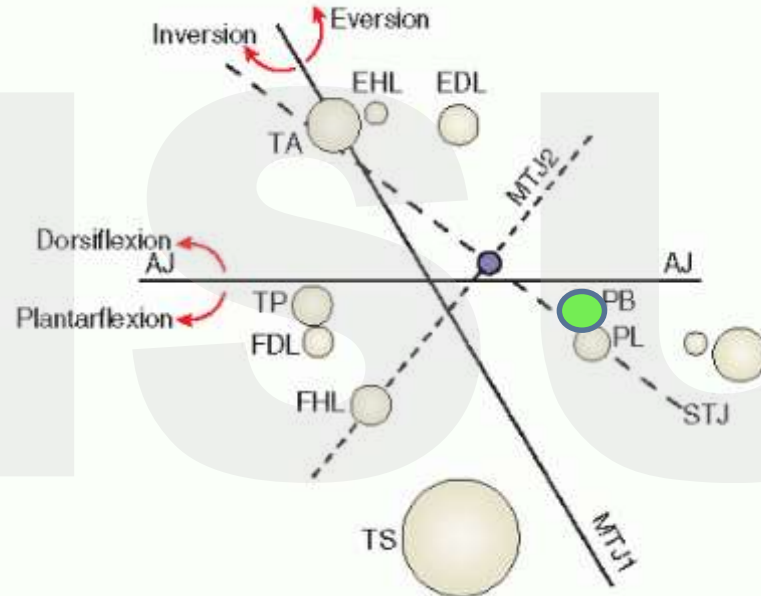
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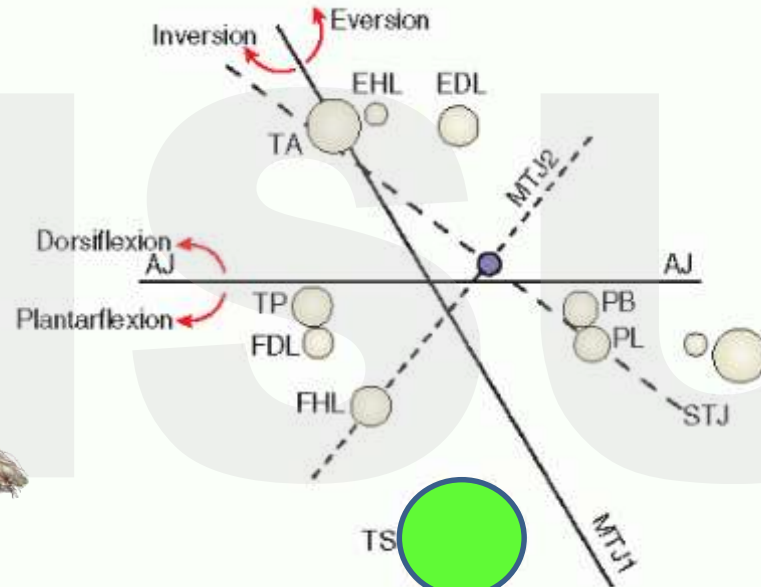
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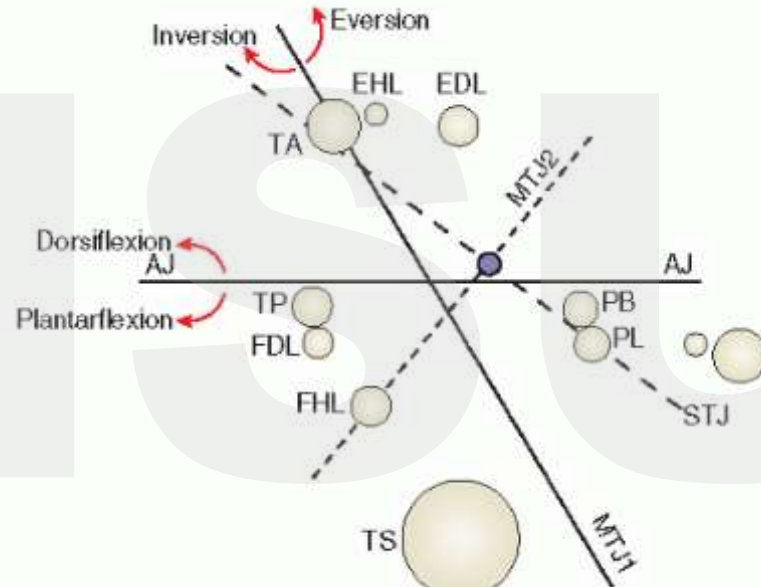
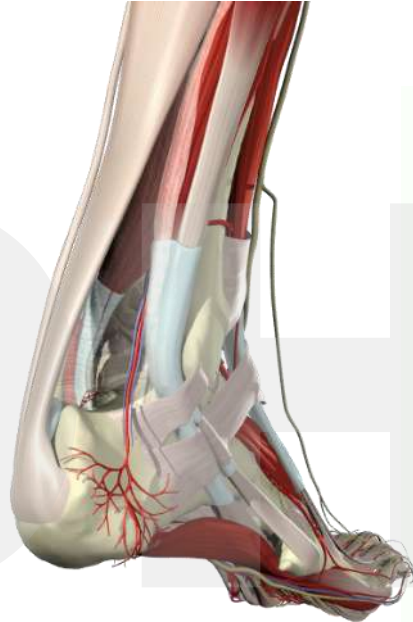






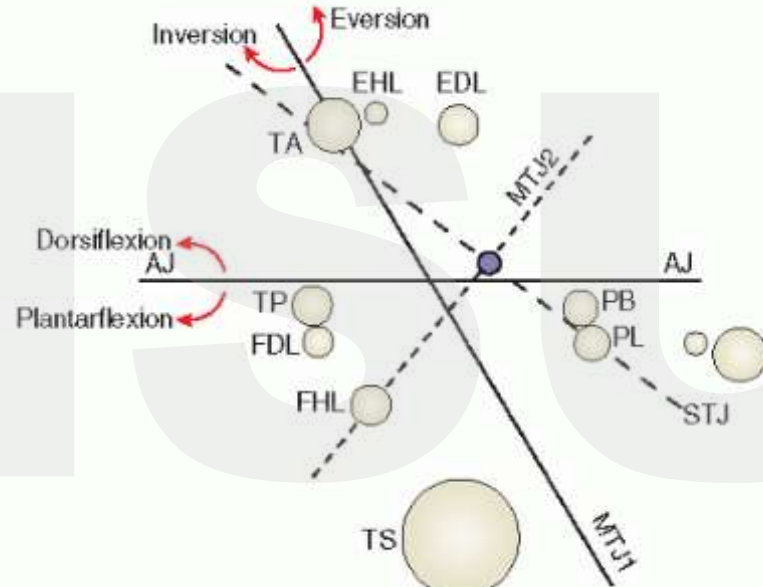
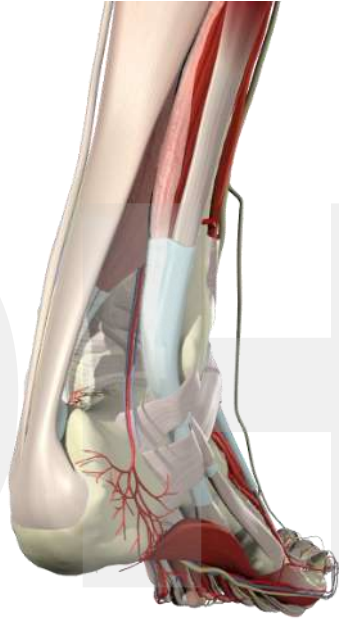
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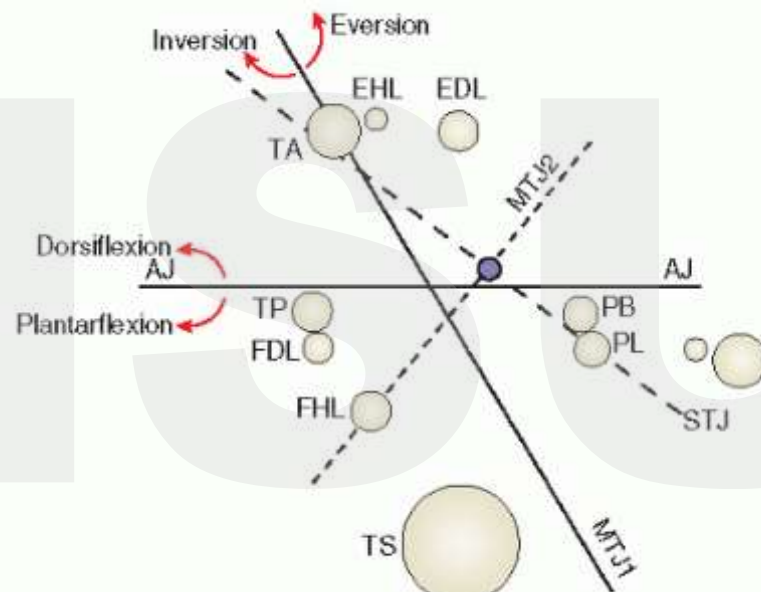
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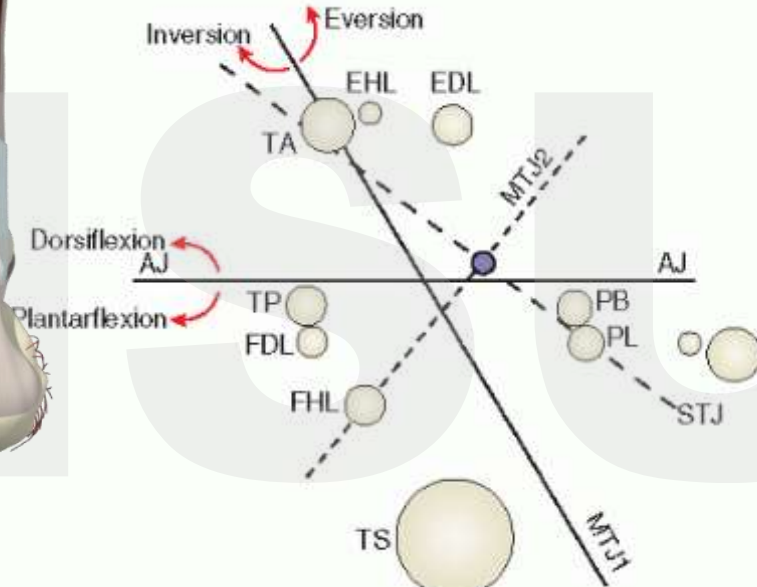
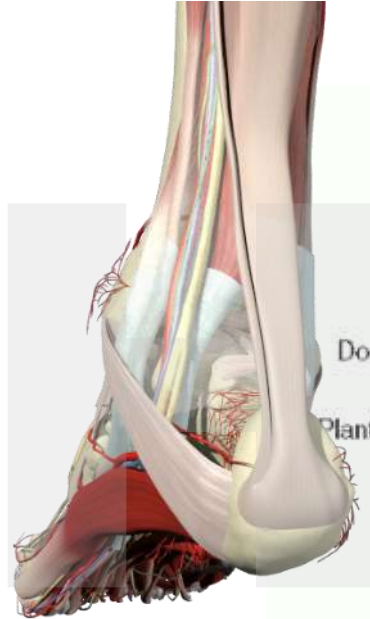
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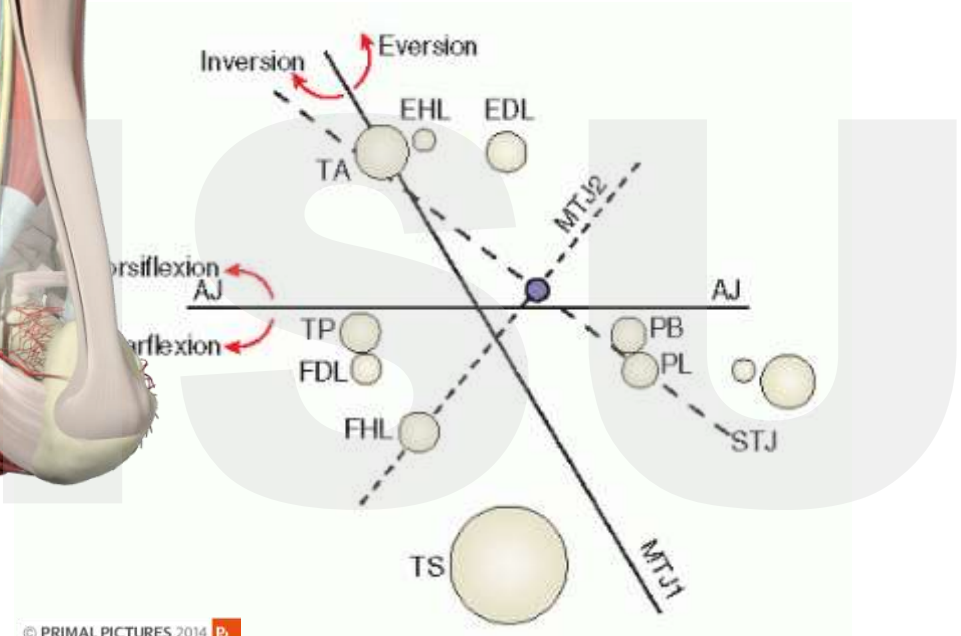
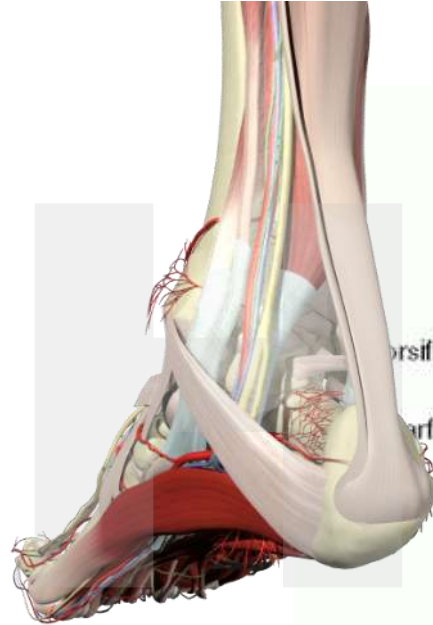
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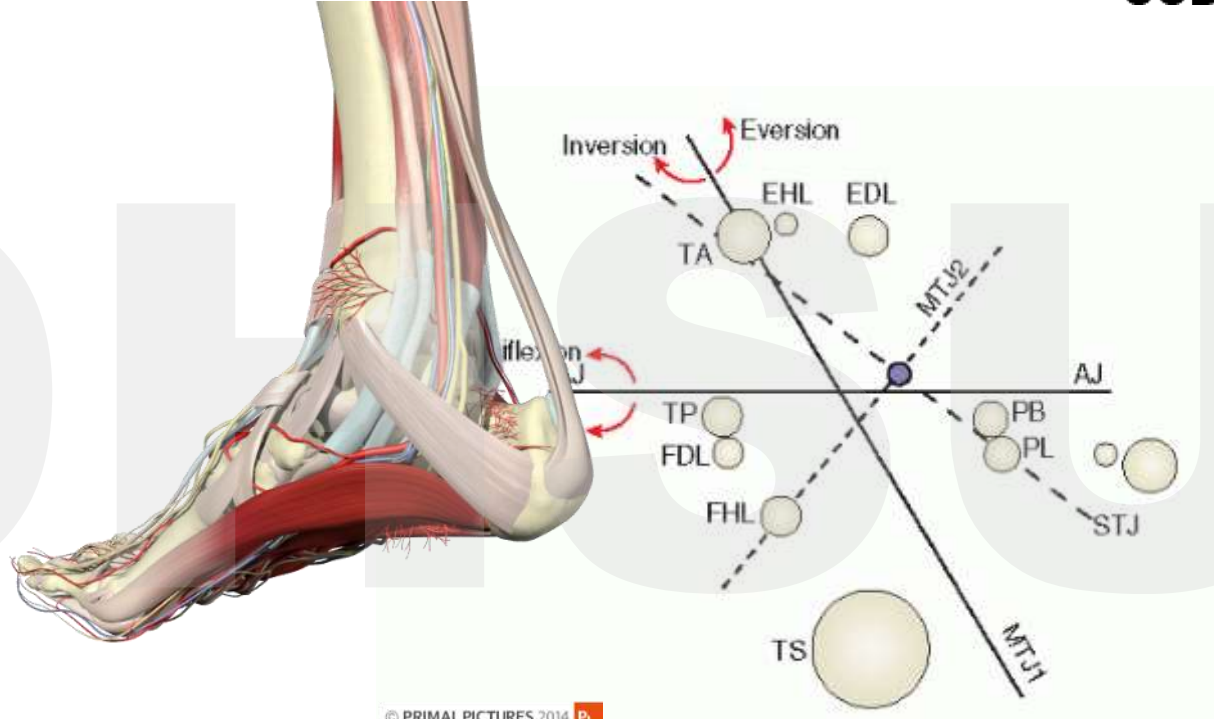
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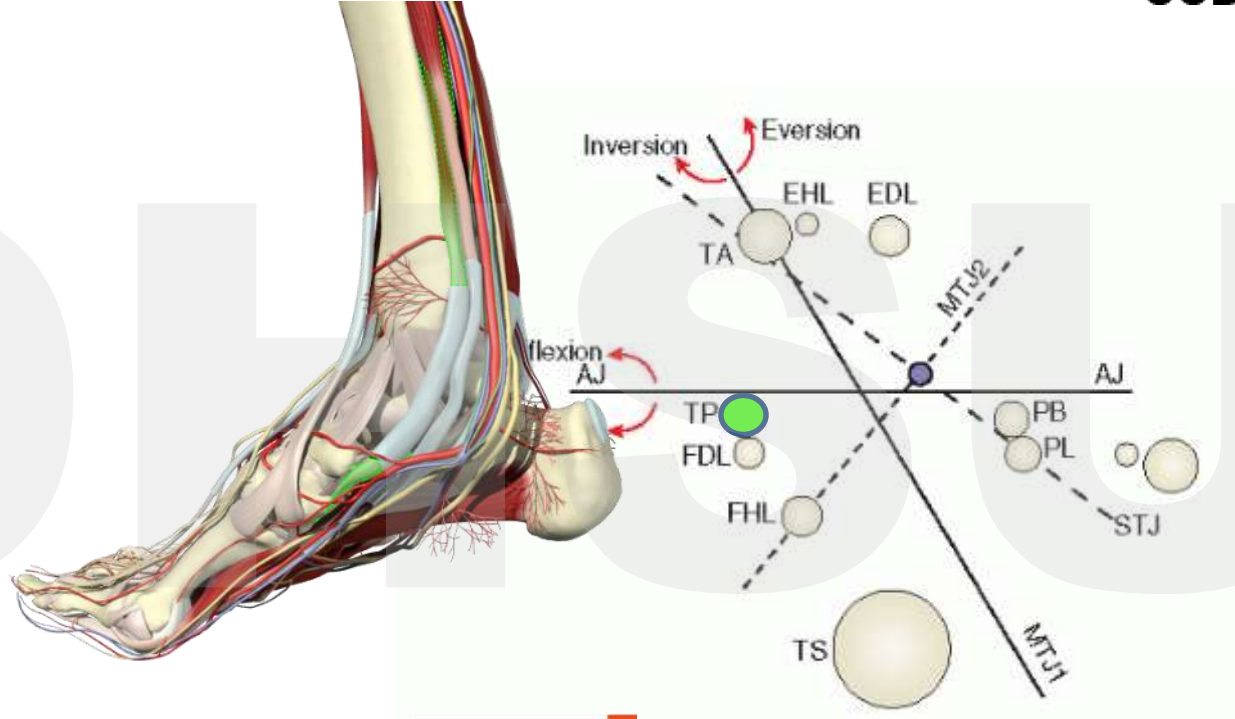
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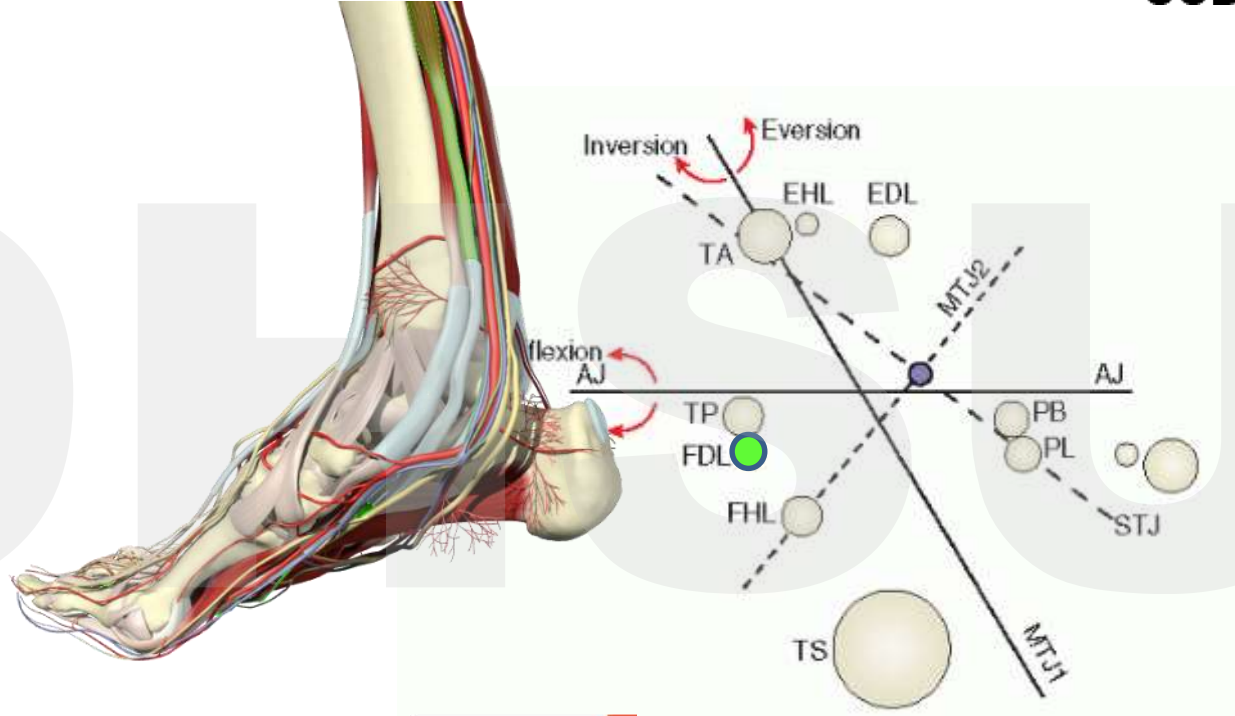
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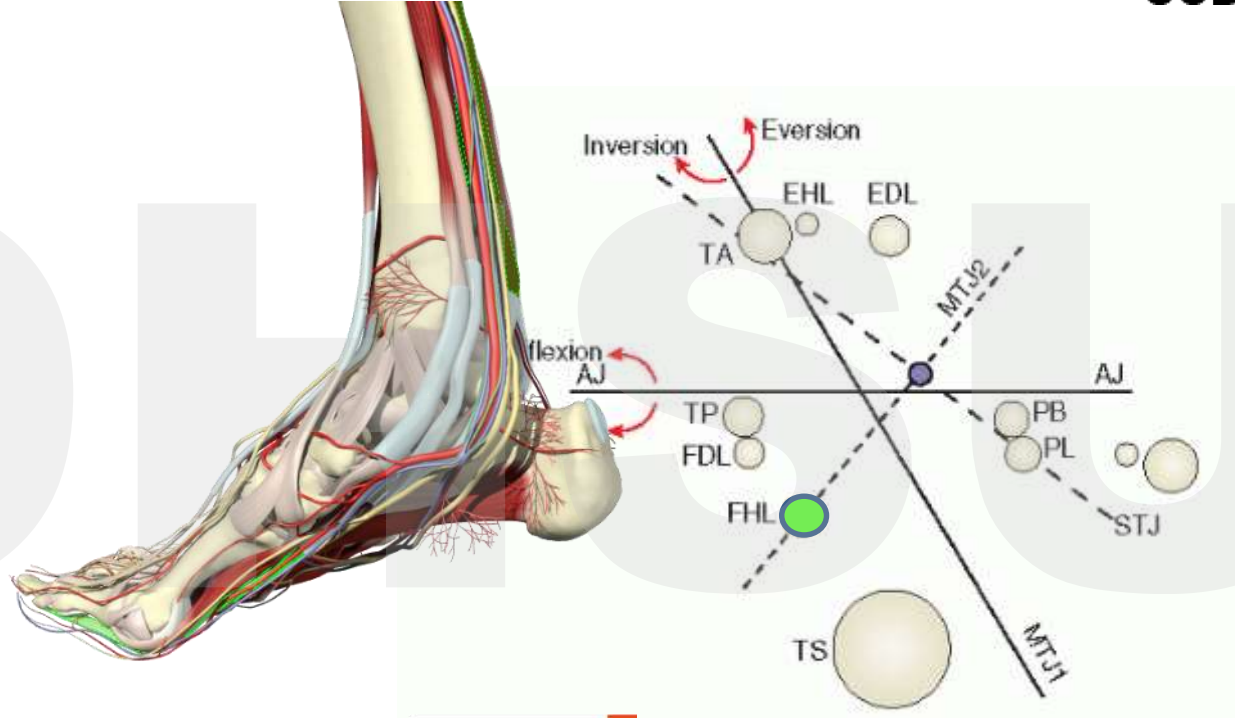


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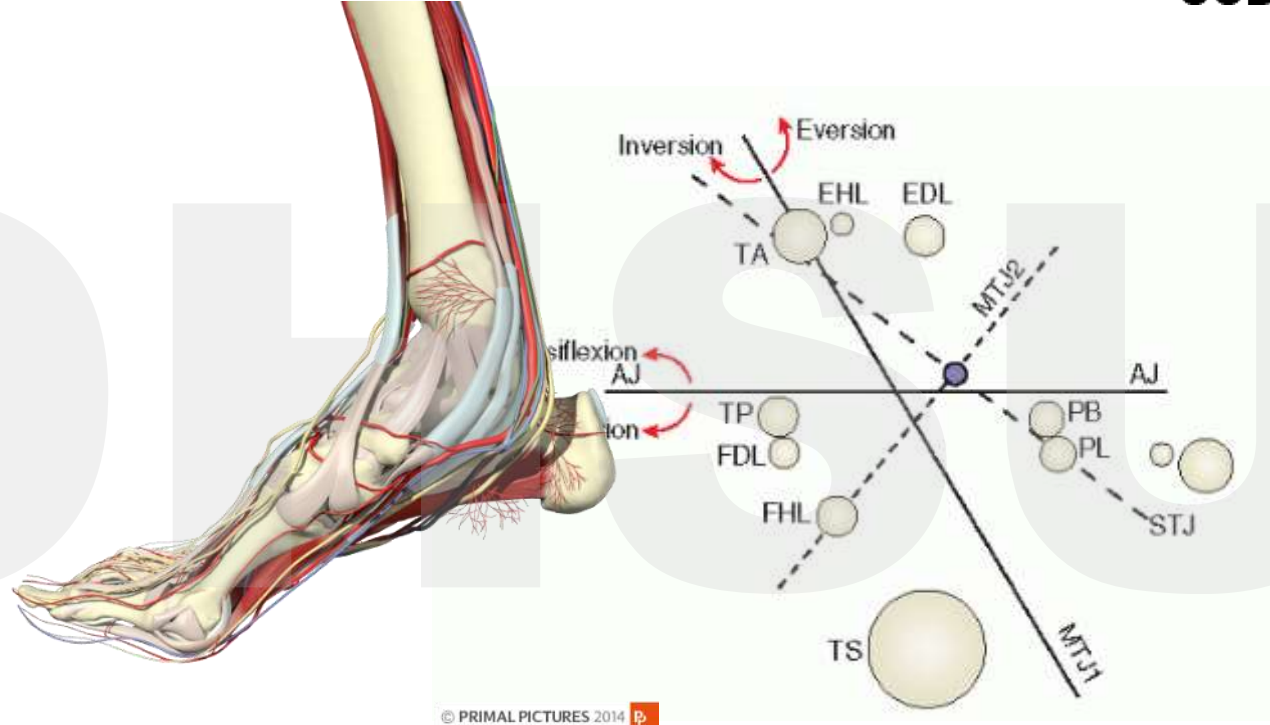






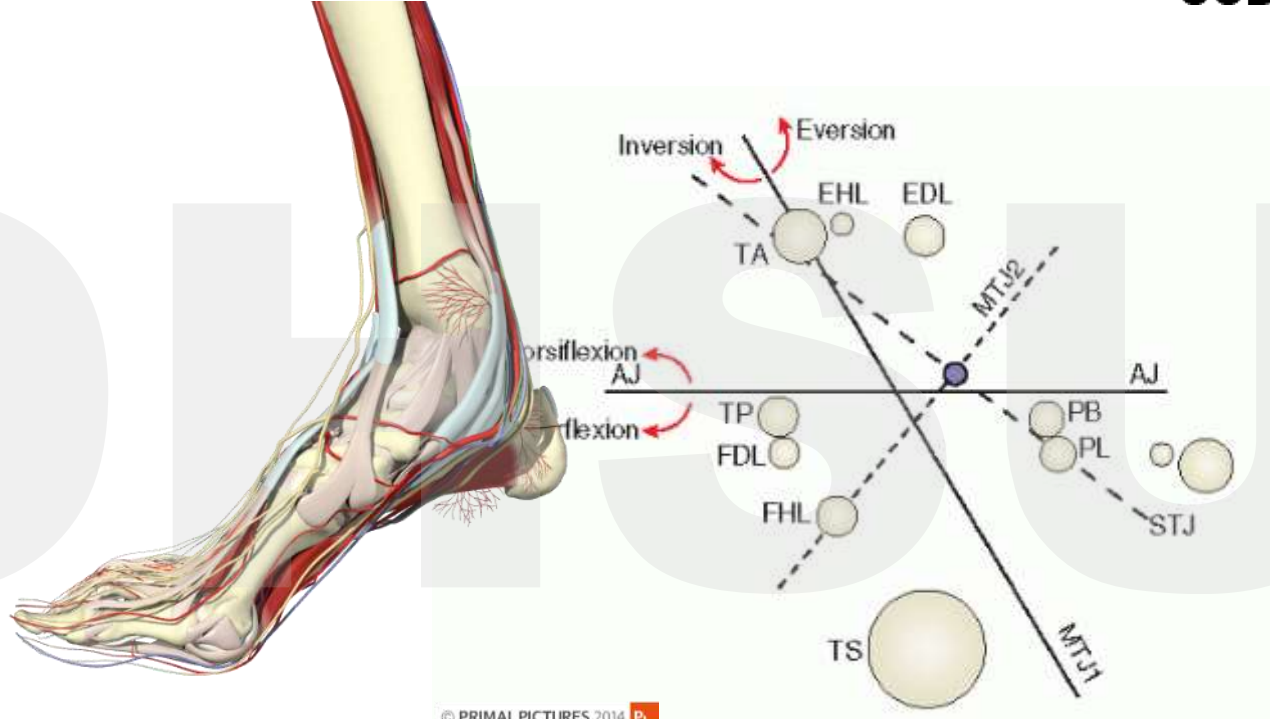






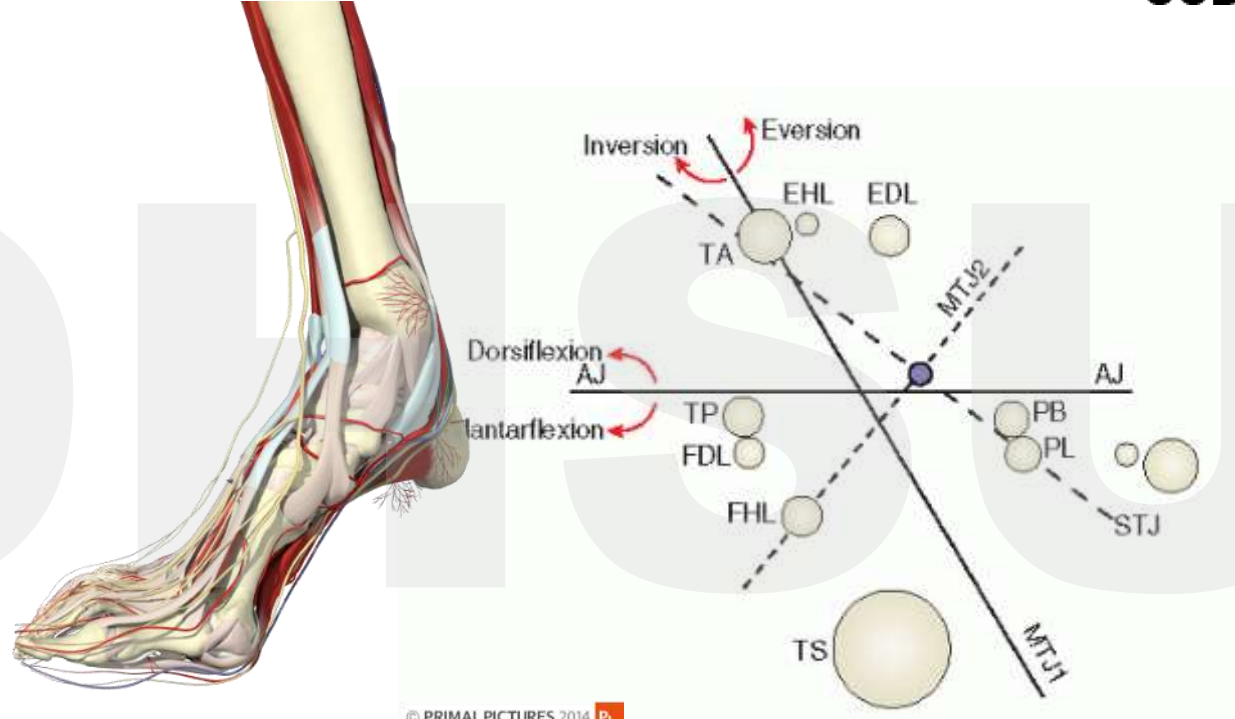
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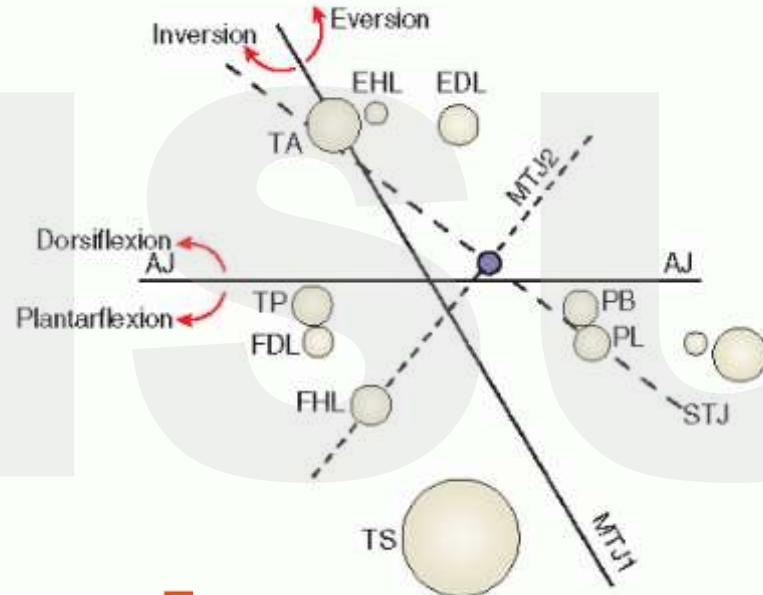
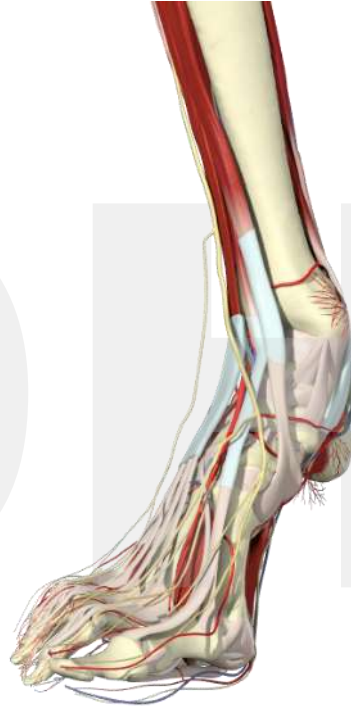


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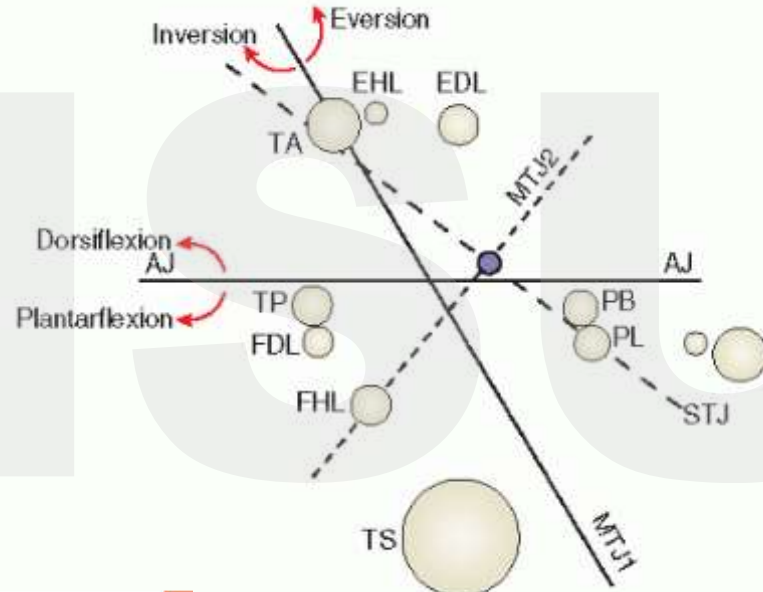
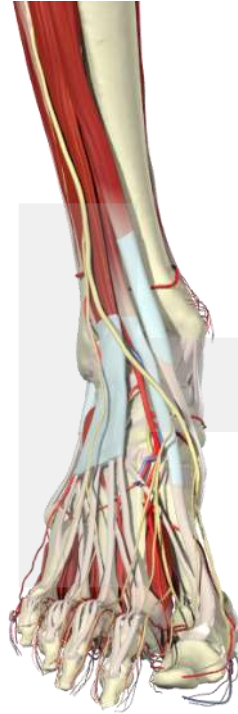






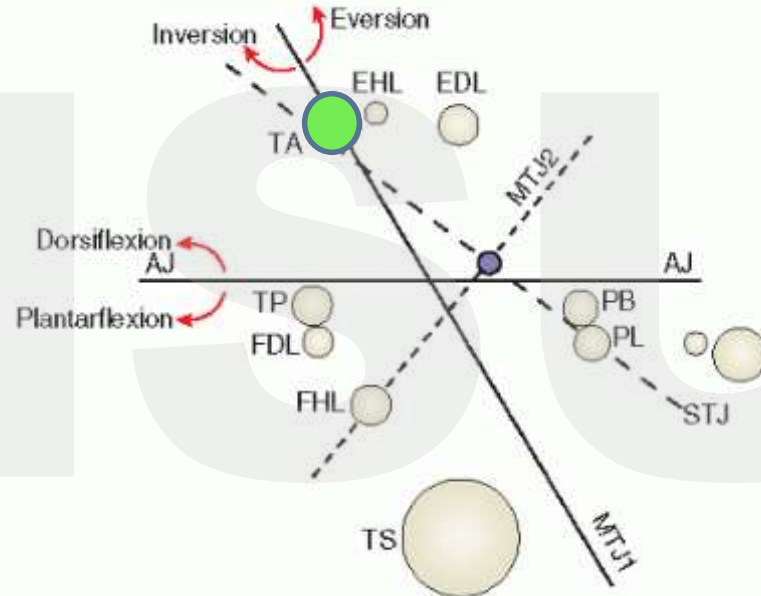
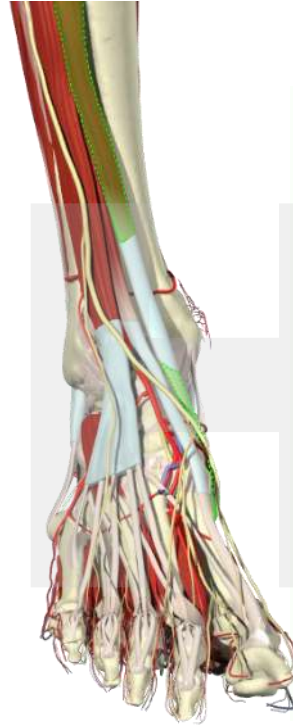
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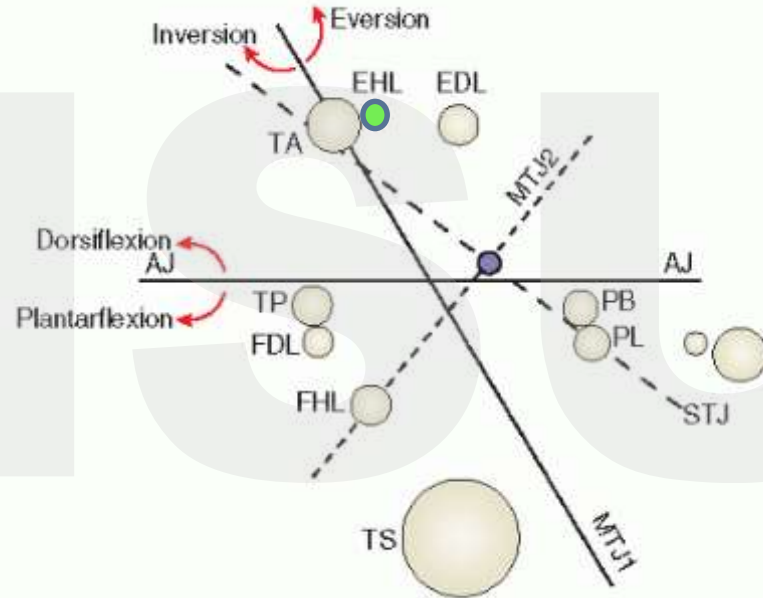
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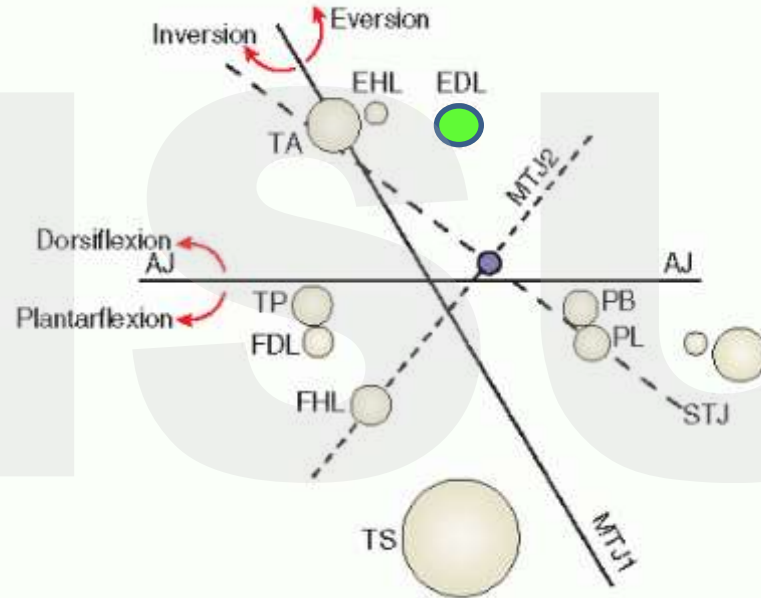
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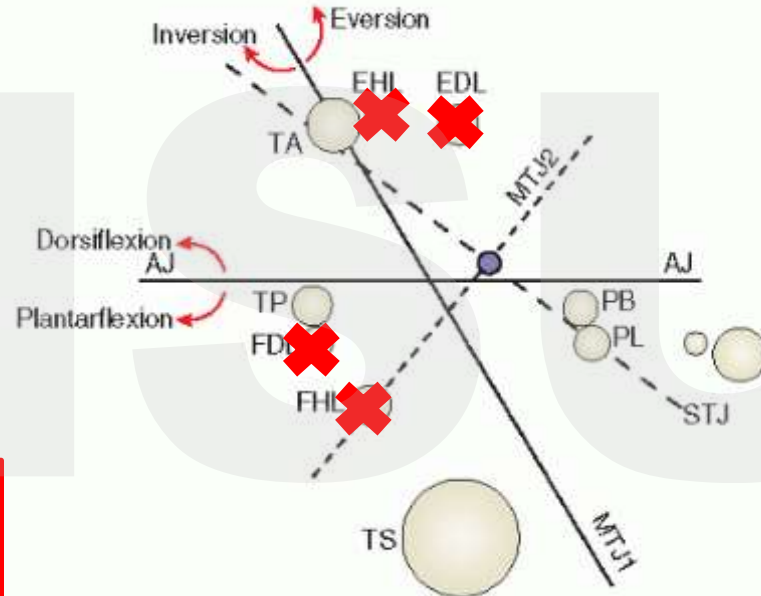


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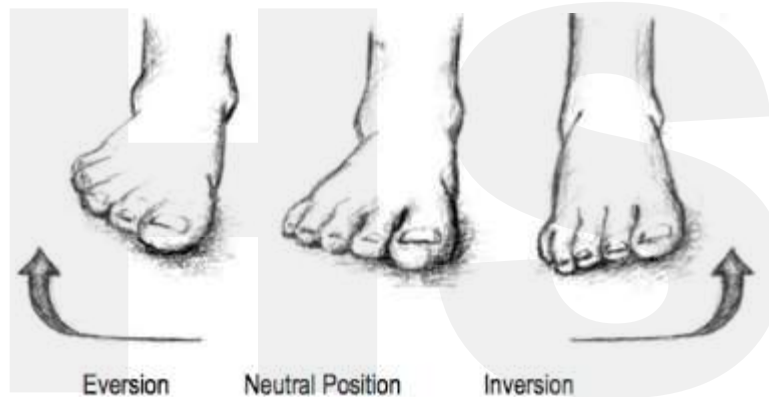


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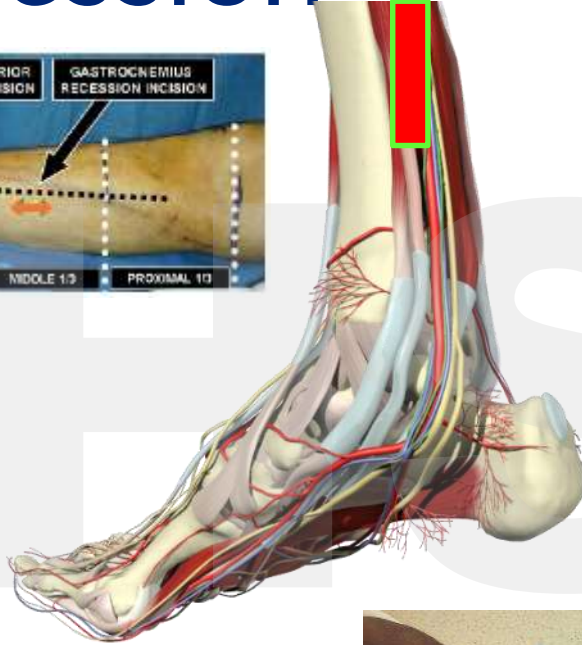
# Triple Hemi-Section



**Table 1**  
Comparison of gastrocnemius recession, tendo-Achilles lengthening, and tenectomy/tenotomy for lengthening of the gastrocnemius-soleus complex for equinus deformity associated with partial foot amputation.

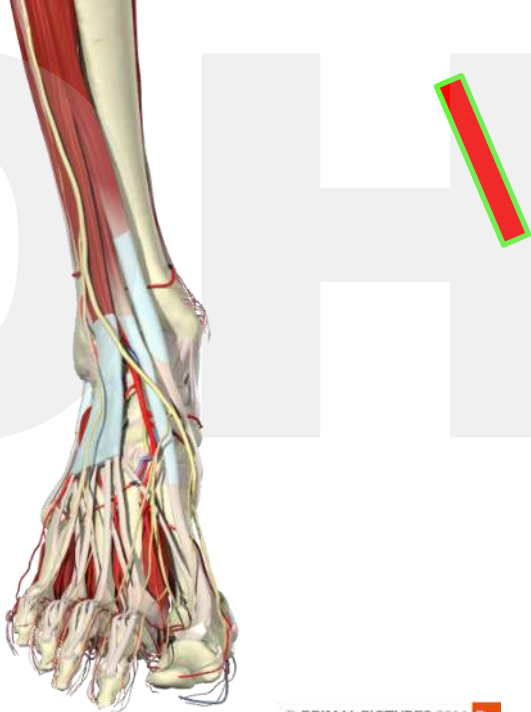
Procedure	Indications	Advantage	Disadvantage
Gastrocnemius recession	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mild or moderate equinus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decreased risk of over-lengthening or calcaneal gait</li> <li>Decreased risk of Achilles rupture</li> <li>Can weight bear</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inadequate lengthening</li> <li>Larger incision</li> </ul>
TAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moderate to severe equinus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Percutaneous</li> <li>Can be done in peripheral vascular disease patients</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Postoperative NWB</li> <li>Calcaneal gait</li> <li>Over-lengthening</li> <li>Achilles rupture</li> </ul>
Tenectomy or tenotomy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Severe equinus</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Large correction</li> <li>Low risk of recurrence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Postoperative NWB</li> <li>Calcaneal gait</li> <li>Over-lengthening</li> </ul>







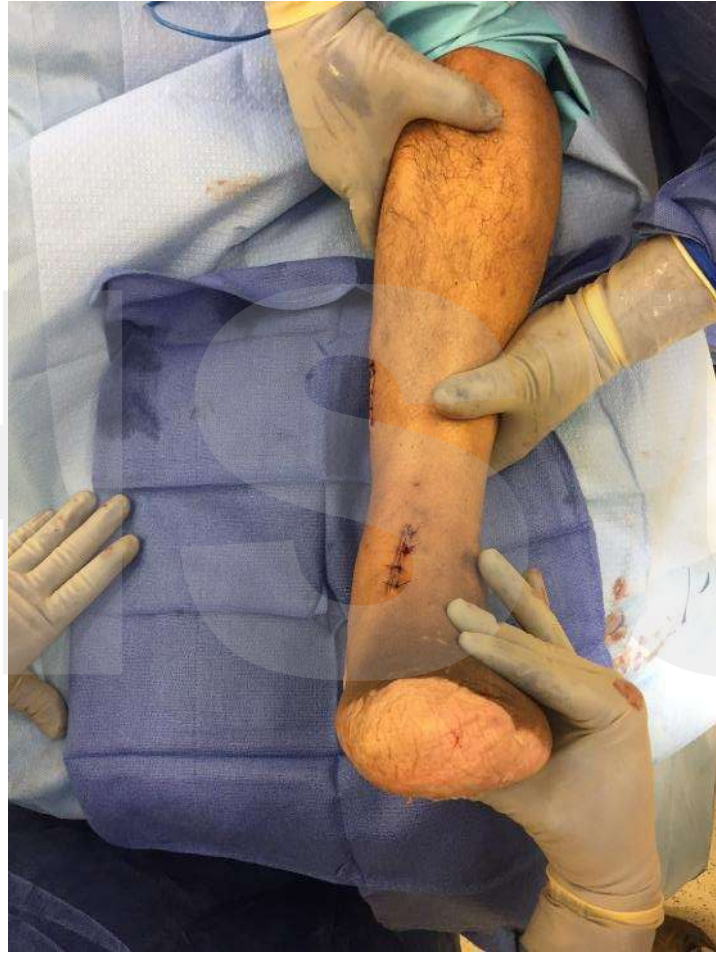
# AT Lengthening



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# Clinical Photos

Ulcer Size:  
R – 11 x 9 x 3 mm  
L – Healed!

PLAN:  
-referral for brace





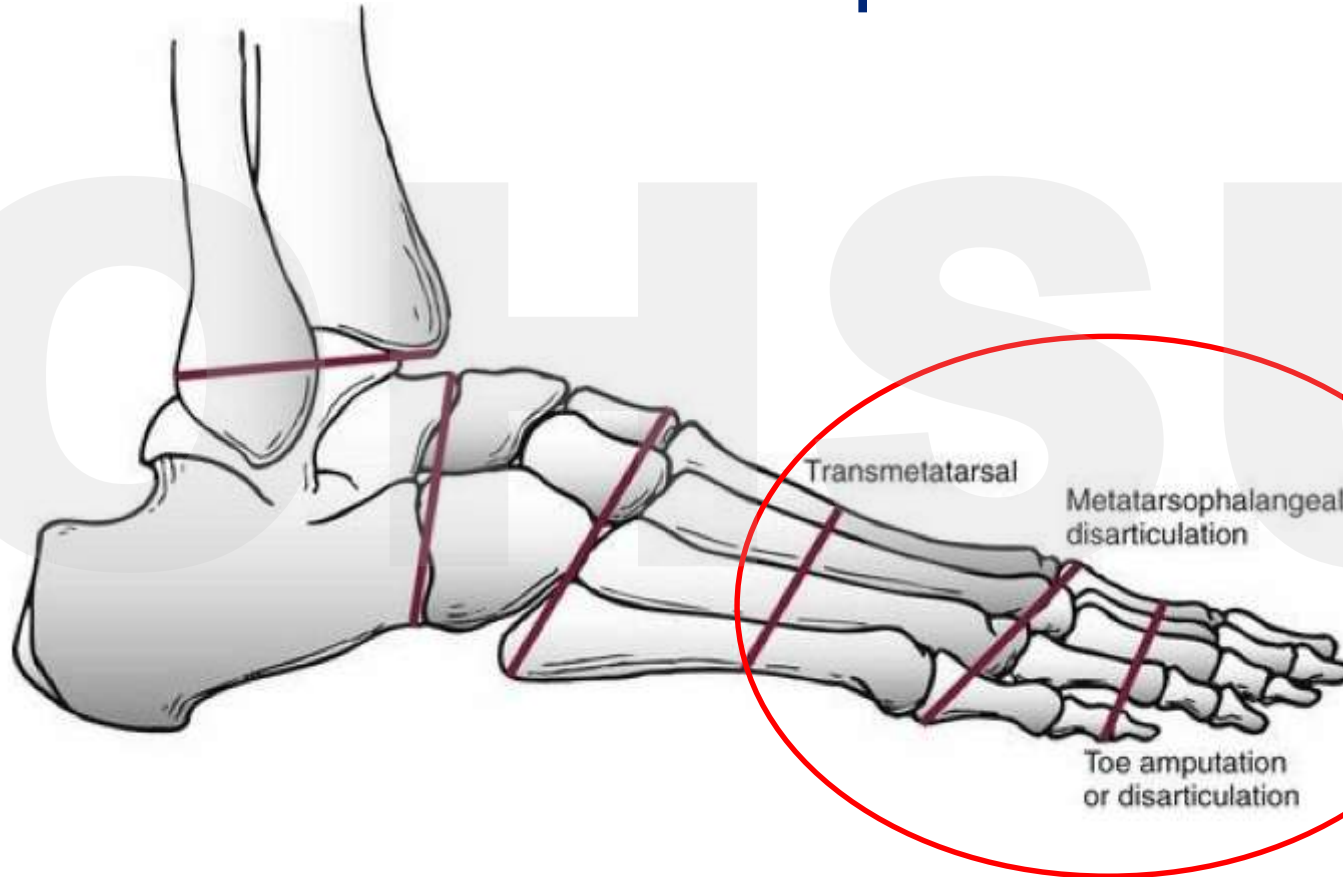
# Overall

- Goal is a balanced plantigrade foot able to fit into a shoe with least potential for further breakdown

OHSU



# Levels of amputation





# Indications

- **Infection**
- **Gangrene**
- Congenital abnormalities/deformity
- Trauma
- Tumor





# Goals of surgery

- Removal of infection/necrosis
- Salvage as much foot as possible while preserving function
  - More proximal amputation → higher O<sub>2</sub> demand
- Plantigrade foot
  - Less likelihood for ulceration





# Digital amputations

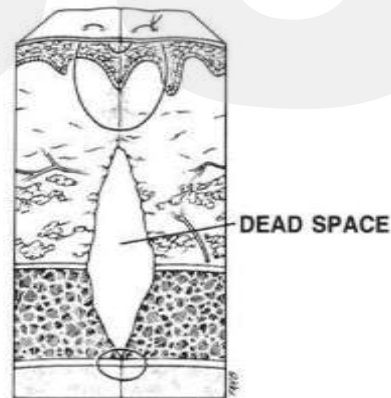
- Up to 55% patients who undergo toe amputation need another amputation<sup>1</sup>
- Common sequelae: loss of toe buttress with complete amps → drifting toes



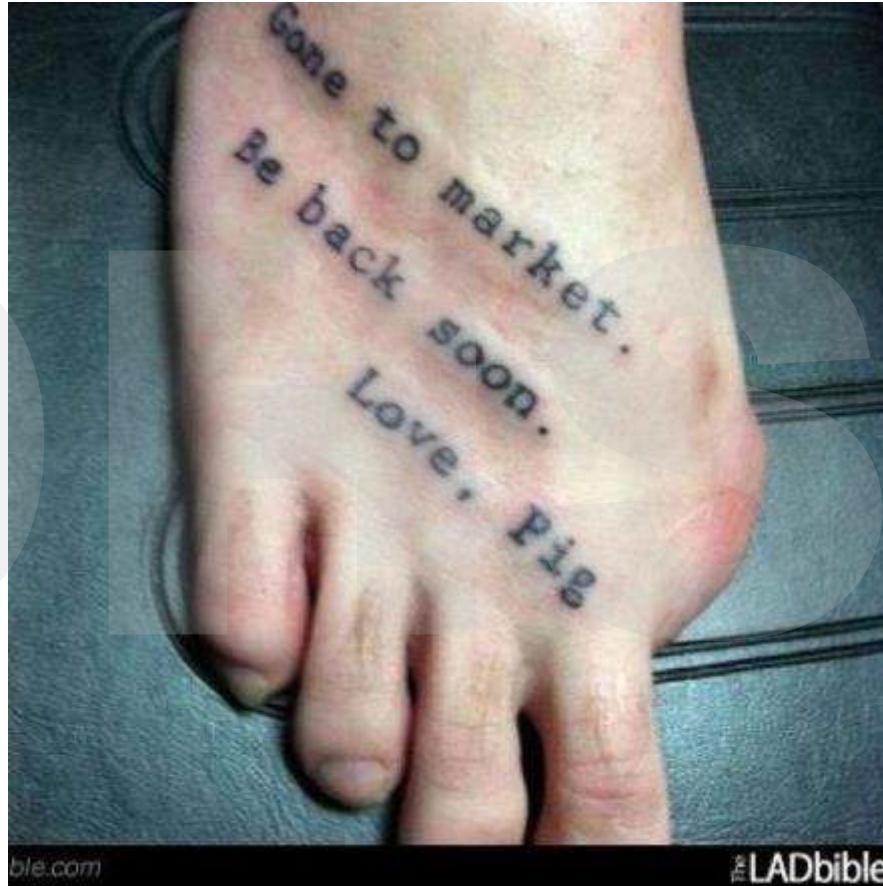


# Surgical considerations

- Soft tissue preservation
  - Aggressively debride infected/necrotic bone & soft tissue
  - Preserve as much viable skin and soft tissue
  - Delicate tissue handling
- Wound closure
  - Balance between length of bone vs soft tissue coverage
  - Hemostasis
  - Prevention of dead space







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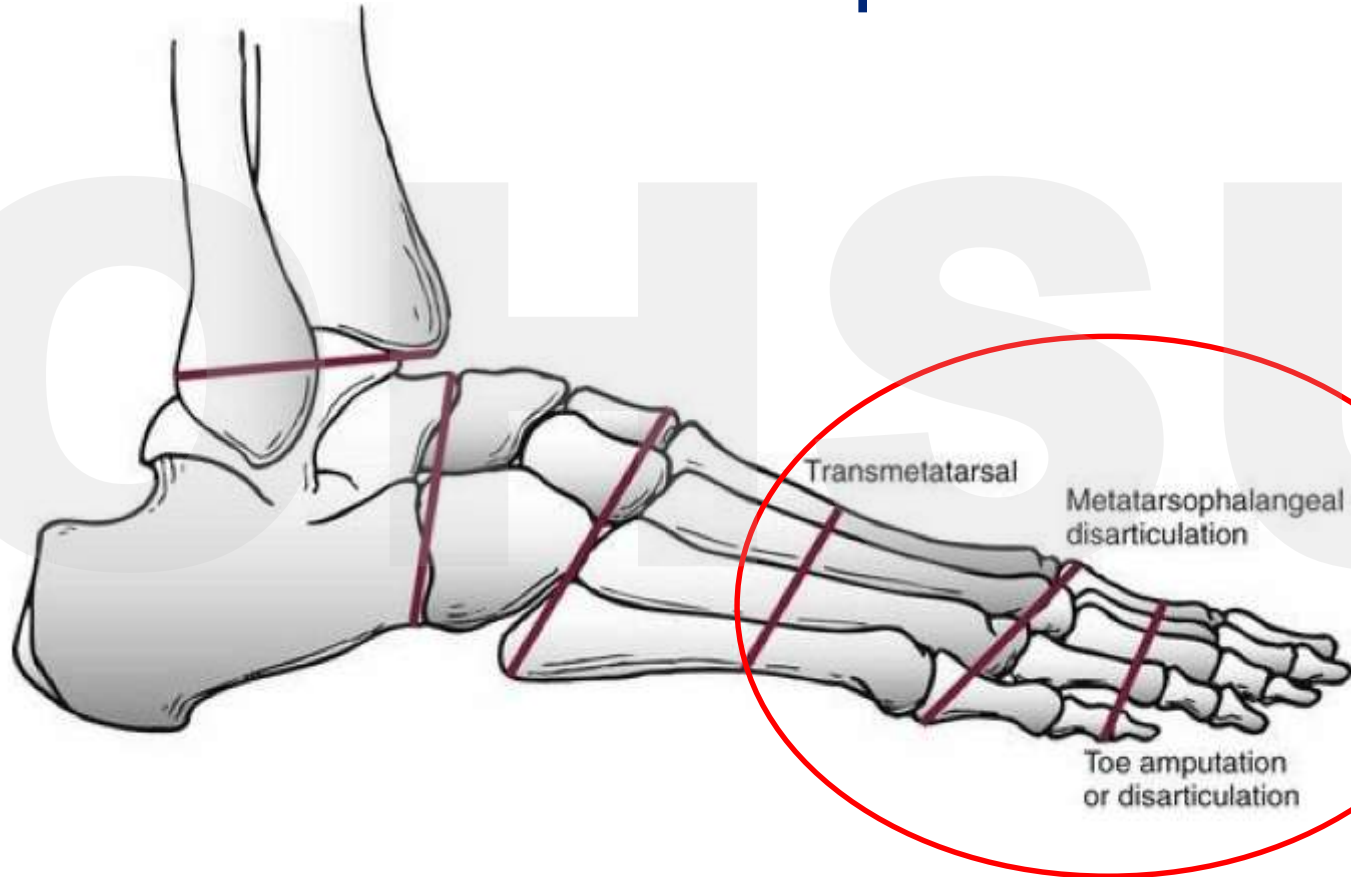




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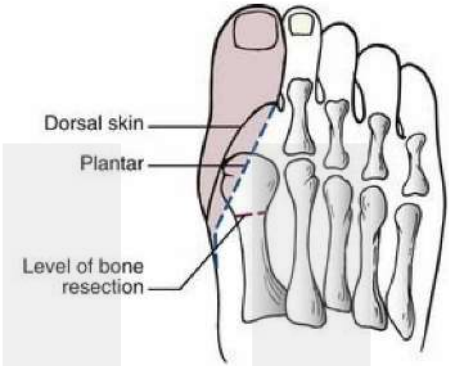
# Levels of amputation





# Ray amputations

- Indications
  - Septic MPJ
  - Metatarsal head osteomyelitis
  - Inadequate soft tissue coverage
- Partial vs. complete
  - Generally, complete ray amps should be avoided due to subsequent midfoot instability and/or loss of critical tendon insertions
- Transfer lesions are the most common complication
- Caution with removal of 3 or more





# Partial Ray Amputations





# Partial 1<sup>st</sup> ray amputation outcomes

- Borkosky & Roukis, 2011
  - Systematic review, n=435, 5 studies
  - all levels of 1<sup>st</sup> ray amputation, mean 26 month follow up
  - Incidence of re-amputation → 19.8%
- Borkosky & Roukis, 2013
  - Retrospective review, n=59
  - All patients initially healed
  - At mean 10.5 months, 69% developed a mean 3.1 re-ulcerations
  - 42% proximal re-amputation rate at 25 months

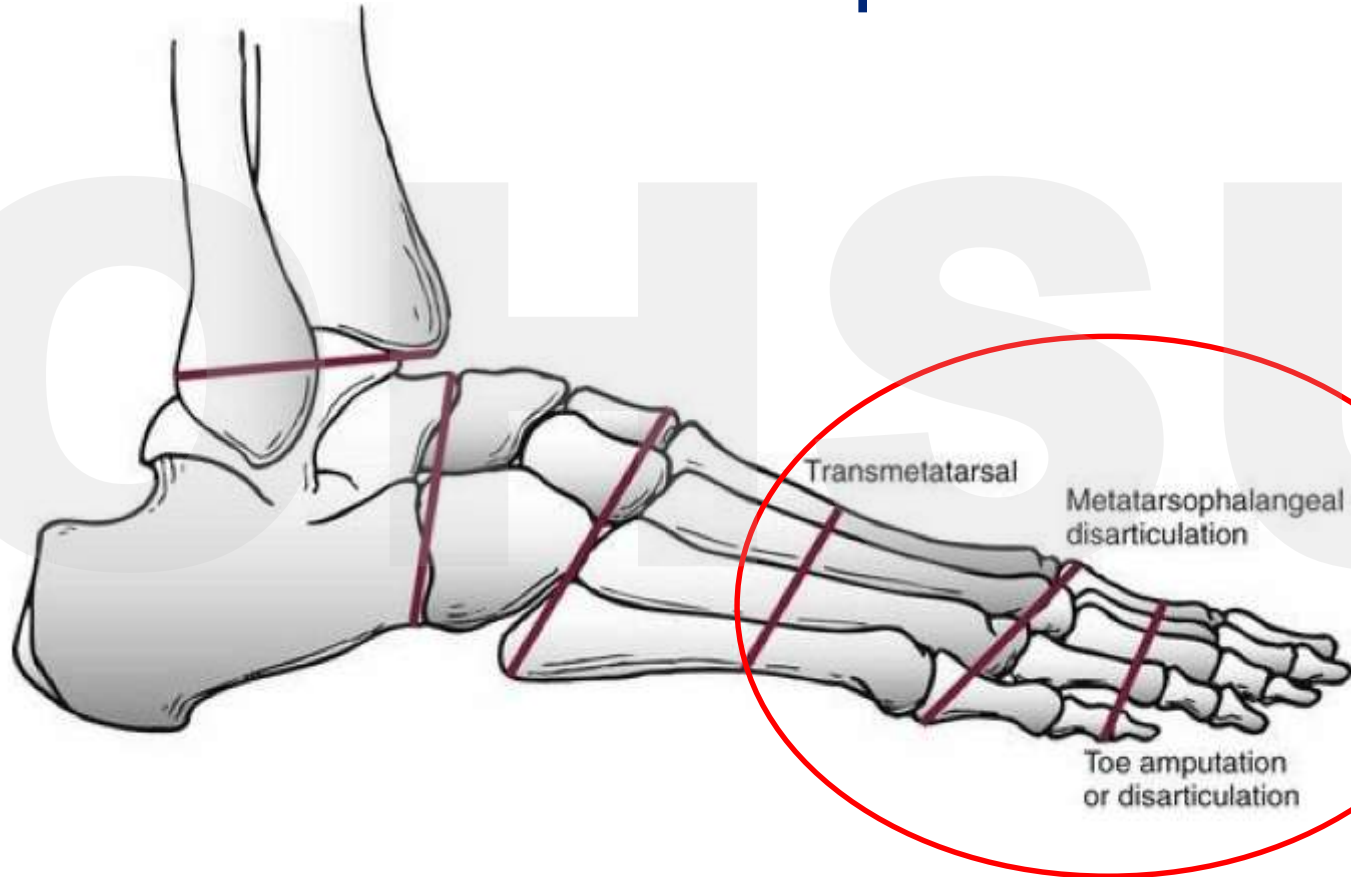


# Partial 1<sup>st</sup> ray amputation outcomes

- Dalla Paola *et al*, 2003
  - Prospective cohort study, n=89 partial 1<sup>st</sup> ray resections, mean follow up 16 months
  - Post-op intensive secondary prevention plan
    - Custom-molded insole
    - Rock-bottom soles and thermo-moldable leather uppers
    - House slipper with custom inserts
  - 17% ulcer recurrence, 9% reoperation
  - Better results attributed to their post-op care plan



# Levels of amputation





# Transmetatarsal Amputations





# Transmetatarsal amputation

- Preservation of metatarsal parabola
  - Preserves TA and PB insertions, more functional amputation compared to more proximal amputations
  - Well tolerated with custom shoes/filler
- 
- Common complications
    - Recurrent ulceration/infection
    - Equinovarus deformity





# Predictors of Healing and Functional Outcome Following Transmetatarsal Amputations

Gregory J. Landry, MD; Daniel A. Silverman, BS; Timothy K. Liem, MD;  
Erica L. Mitchell, MD; Gregory L. Moneta, MD

Arch Surg. 2011;146(9):1005-1009

- Landry *et al* 2011
  - Retrospective review, n=62 TMA's
  - **53% healed**, 35% BKA, 11% died
  - Healing associated with going on to independent ambulation
  - No significant difference in mortality in those who healed vs did not heal
  - Mortality associated with **ESRD**, non-independent living, need for pre-op revascularization



# Mortality/morbidity of TMA

- Pollard *et al* 2006
  - Retrospective review 101 cases TMA, 2 year follow up
  - Results
    - Stump healing rate of 57%, but 87% had post-op complications
      - Palpable pedal pulses predictive of healing and not requiring proximal amputation
      - ESRD predictive of non-healing



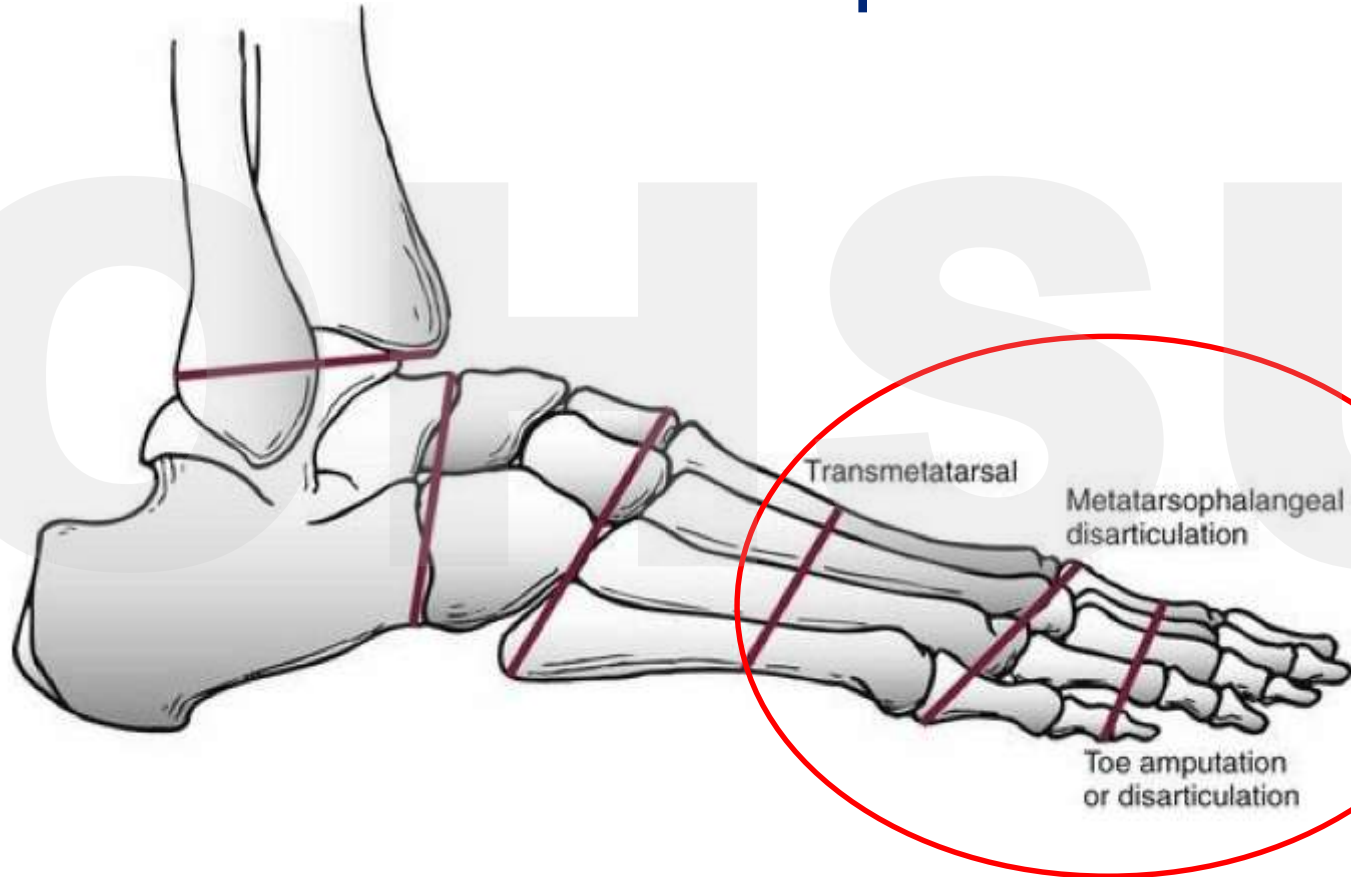
# Reoperation and Reamputation After Transmetatarsal Amputation: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

Jakob C. Thorud, DPM, MS, AACFAS<sup>1</sup>, Daniel C. Jupiter, PhD<sup>2</sup>, Jonathan Lorenzana, DPM<sup>3</sup>,  
Tea Tu Nguyen, DPM, AACFAS<sup>4</sup>, Naohiro Shibuya, DPM, MS, FACFAS<sup>5</sup>

- n=1453, 24 studies
- **Re-operation: 24%**
- **Re-amputation: 28%**
- **Major amputation: 30%**



# Levels of amputation





# LISFRANC AMPUTATION

- TARSOMETATARSAL DISARTICULATION.

- LEAD TO SEVERE EQUINOVARUS DEFORMITY. TO PREVENT EQUINOVARUS DEFORMITY-

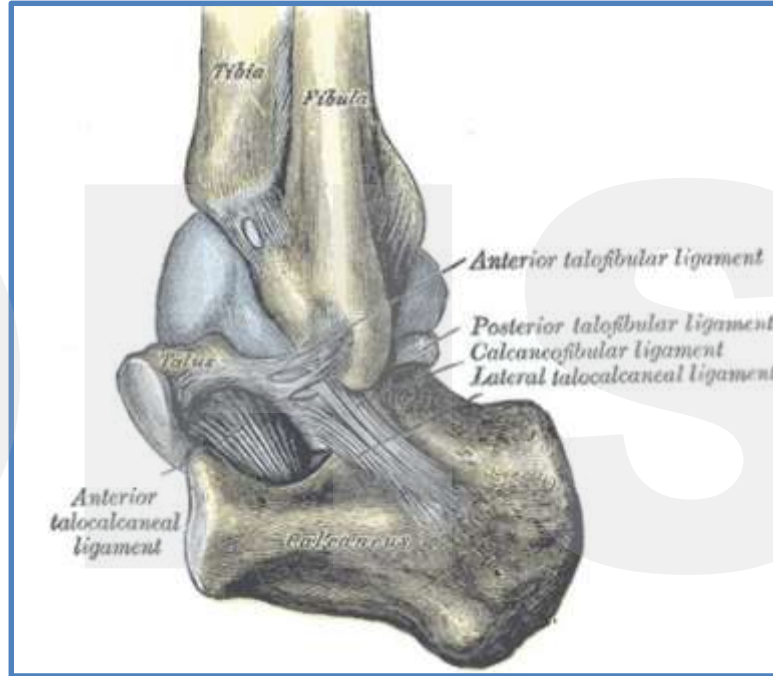
- PRESERVE INSERTION OF TIBIALIS ANTERIOR AND PERONEUS LONGUS AT MEDIAL CUNEIFORM AND PERONEUS BREVIS AT THE BASE OF 5<sup>TH</sup> METATARSAL.

- BASE OF 2<sup>ND</sup> METATARSAL SHOULD

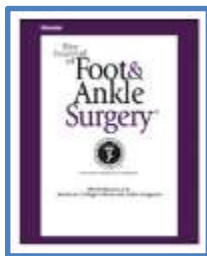




# Chopart Amputation







## Outcomes of Chopart Amputation in a Tertiary Referral Diabetic Foot Clinic: Data From a Consecutive Series of 83 Hospitalized Patients

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Vincenzo Prisco, MD<sup>6</sup>, Rosaria Greco, MD<sup>6</sup>, Marco Prisco, MD<sup>6</sup>,  
Alberto Morabito, PhD<sup>7</sup>

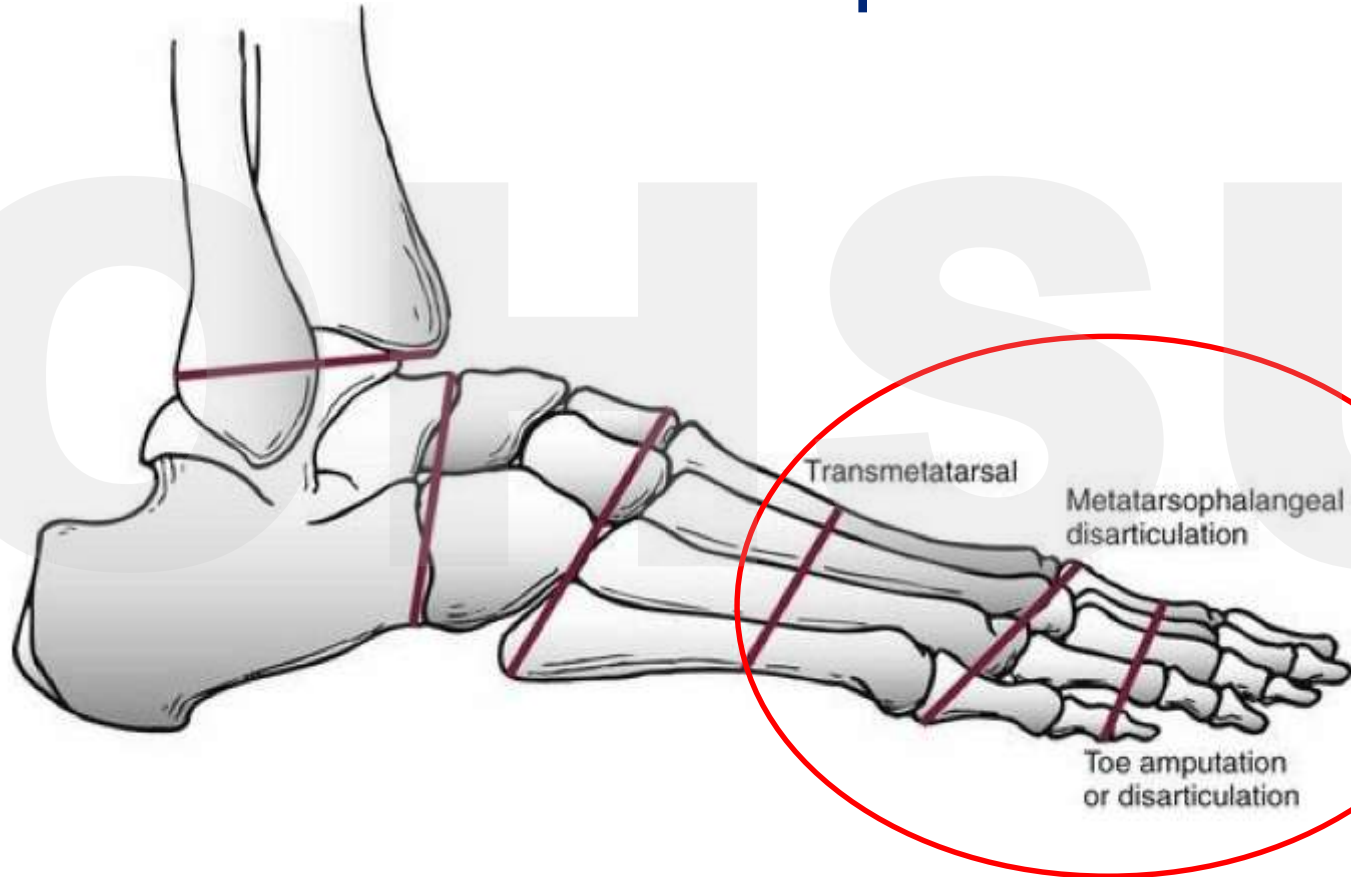


- Level of Evidence: 3
- Methods: Over 2 year span, 83 patients underwent chopart amputation.
  - Follow-up: Weekly until incision healed and monthly thereafter and in absence of recurrence.
- Results:
  - Mean follow-up of 2.8 years
  - 47 patients (56.6%) had completely healed after a mean interval of 164.7 days
  - 23 patients (27.7%) underwent major amputation
  - 38 patients (45.8%) died at a mean of 257.9 +/- 252.1 days
    - Incidence of 25.8% per year
- **Conclusion: Chopart amputation resulted in approximately 60% limb salvage rate which is an acceptable alternative in lesions so significant that often times only an above-the-ankle amputation is offered.**





# Levels of amputation



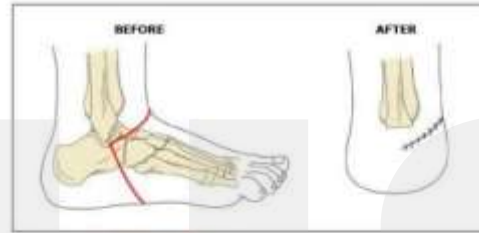


# Syme Amputation





# Syme Amputation





# Take home points

- Consider patient-specific factors when deciding on index amputation levels
- Patient education and setting long term expectations
- More investigation is needed on secondary prevention measures



# Learning Objectives

- Understand the mortality and morbidity for DFU/DFI
- Recognize cost (QOL and \$) associated with DFU and DFI
- Understand how to run a Code Foot—examining an infected foot
- Learn the VIP'S of a DFI
- Understand rationale of Osteomyelitis Abx use and timing
- Understand the team approach (Toe and Flow model)
- Review the surgical art of foot preservation--Toemigo style
- Discuss prevention tools for DFU in 2020



## REVIEW ARTICLE

Julie R. Ingelfinger, M.D., *Editor*

## Diabetic Foot Ulcers and Their Recurrence

David G. Armstrong, D.P.M., M.D., Ph.D., Andrew J.M. Boulton, M.D.,  
and Sicco A. Bus, Ph.D.

COMPLICATIONS OF DIABETES THAT AFFECT THE LOWER EXTREMITIES ARE common, complex, and costly. Foot ulceration is the most frequently recognized complication. In a community-based study in the northwestern United Kingdom, the prevalence of active foot ulcers identified at screening among persons with diabetes was 1.7%, and the annual incidence was 2.2%.<sup>1</sup> Higher annual incidence rates have been reported in specific populations: 6.0% among Medicare beneficiaries with diabetes, 5.0% among U.S. veterans with diabetes, and 6.3% in the global population of persons with diabetes.<sup>2-4</sup> On the basis of 2015

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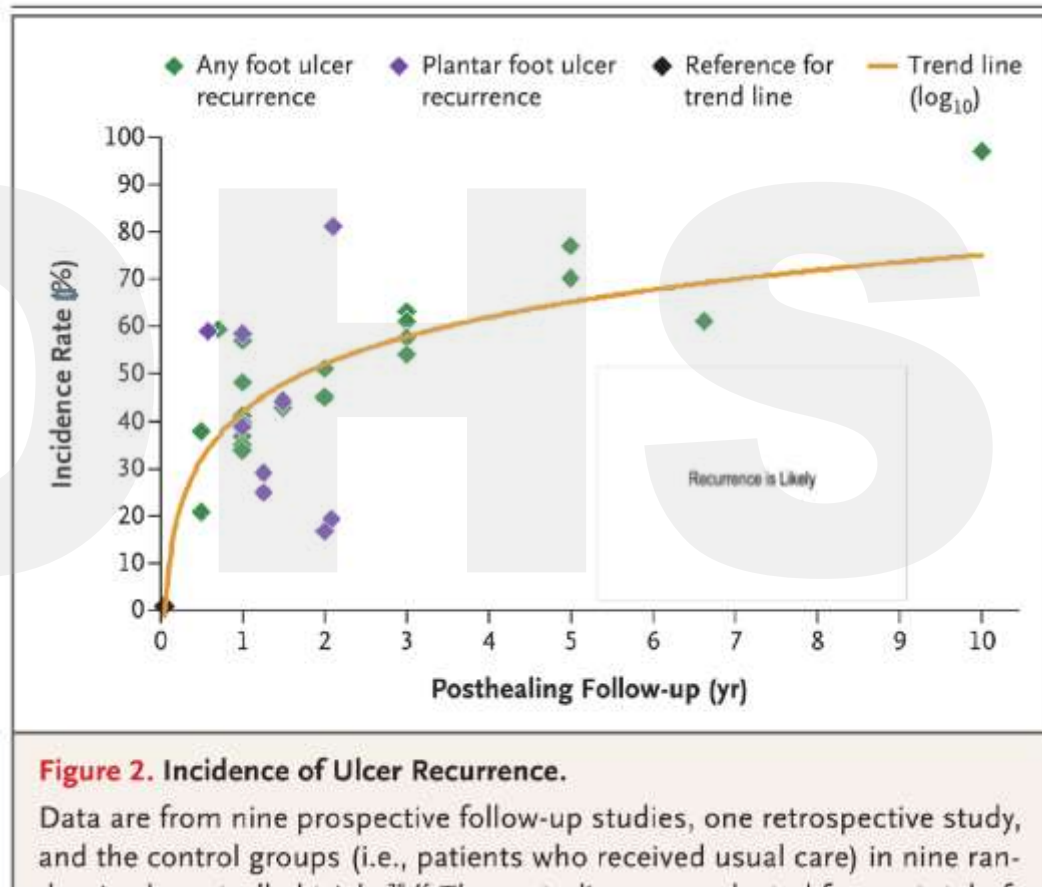
# Recurrence is Likely

1 year 34%

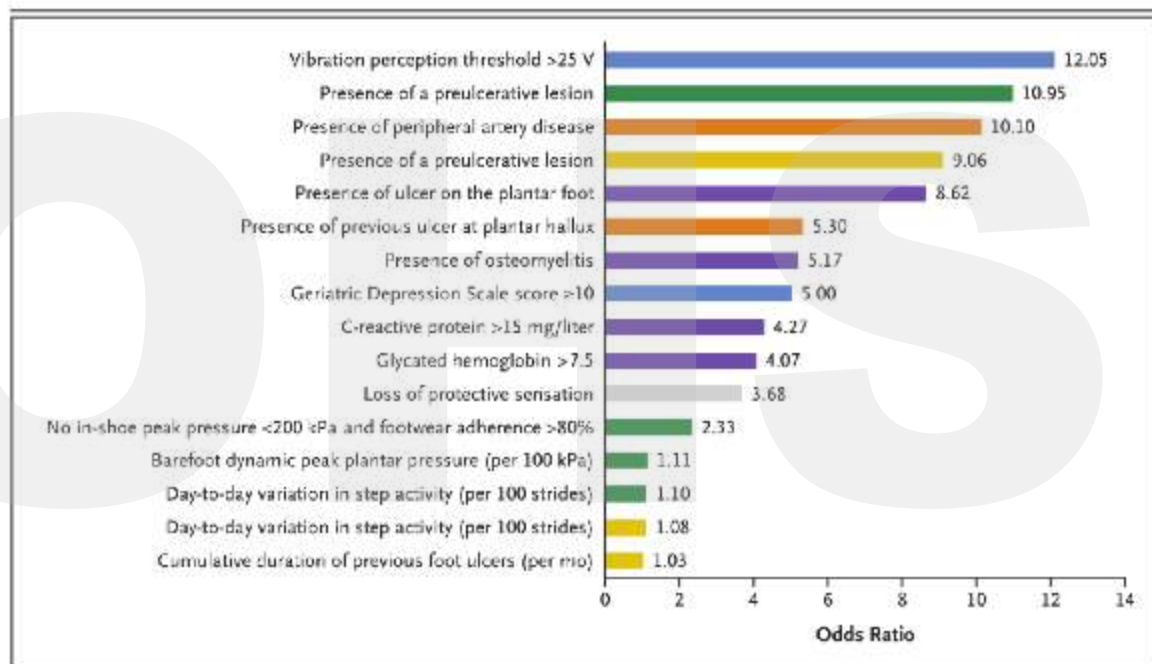
3 year 61%

5 year 70%









**Figure 3. Risk Factors Independently Associated with Ulcer Recurrence.**

Data are from five studies that reported an odds or risk ratio.<sup>16,33,42,52,56</sup> According to Monami et al.<sup>42</sup> (blue), risk factors for ulcer recurrence are a vibration-perception threshold greater than 25 V and a Geriatric Depression Scale score of



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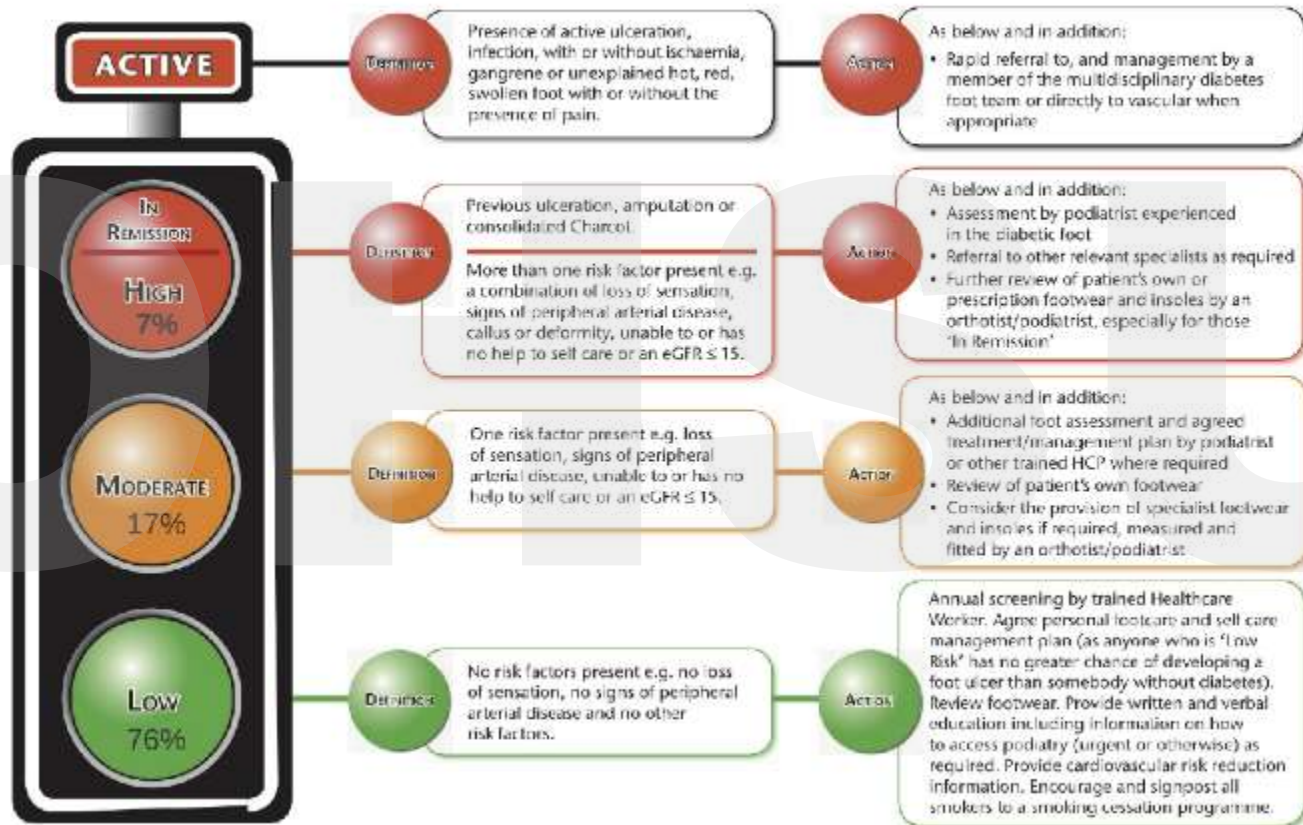


# Wound Healing = Remission

Armstrong and Mills, JAPMA 2013  
Armstrong, Boulton and Bus, NEJM, 2019



# DIABETIC FOOT RISK STRATIFICATION AND TRIAGE









# If wound recurs should leg be cut off (Major Amputation) ?

- A well performed amputation to get on with their life
- Die Sooner
- Use Less Resources
- Others cost a bit more if they lived longer with new prosthetics every couple of years
- Some (a small minority) would have a better quality of life if they were super motivated and had the reserve for rehab





# WiFi Classification

a. Estimate risk of amputation at 1 year for each combination

	Ischemia - 0				Ischemia - 1				Ischemia - 2				Ischemia - 3			
W-0	VL	VL	L	M	VL	L	M	H	L	L	M	H	L	M	M	H
W-1	VL	VL	L	M	VL	L	M	H	L	M	H	H	M	M	H	H
W-2	L	L	M	H	M	M	H	H	M	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
W-3	M	M	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
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b. Estimate likelihood of benefit off/requirement for revascularization (assuming infection can be controlled first)

	Ischemia - 0				Ischemia - 1				Ischemia - 2				Ischemia - 3			
W-0	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	L	L	M	L	L	M	M	M	H	H	H
W-1	VL	VL	VL	VL	L	M	M	M	M	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
W-2	VL	VL	VL	VL	M	M	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
W-3	VL	VL	VL	VL	M	M	M	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
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fl, foot Infection; L, Ischemia; W, Wound.

Premises:

1. Increase in wound class increases risk of amputation (based on PEDIS, UT, and other wound classification systems)
2. PAD and infection are synergistic (Eurodiale); infected wound + PAD increases likelihood revascularization will be needed to heal wound
3. Infection 3 category (systemic/metabolic instability); moderate to high-risk of amputation regardless of other factors (validated IDSA guidelines)

Four classes: for each box, group combination into one of these four classes

Very low = VL = clinical stage 1
Low = L = clinical stage 2
Moderate = M = clinical stage 3
High = H = clinical stage 4
Clinical stage 5 would signify an unsalvageable foot

Society For Vascular Surgery® document

The Society for Vascular Surgery Lower Extremity Threatened Limb Classification System: Risk stratification based on Wound, Ischemia, and foot Infection (WiFi)☆

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# New Technologies to Prevent Foot Ulcers



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## Internet of Medical Technology (IoMT) for DFU



- Wearable Technology to monitor wound healing process & Personalized Wound care—Smart Dressings, (bacteria. Temperature, moisture, wound pH)
- Wearable and smart platforms to monitor biomarkers for chronic health conditions –diagnostic biosensor watch (cortisol, glucose and Interleukin-6—perspired sweat)
- CV Health Monitoring—?Early ID of PAD (pulse wave velocity)
- Vital Sign monitoring with mobile health or wearables (HR variability reln to delayed wound healing, skin temp and RR for infxn)
- Skin Health monitoring
- Early signs of DFU
  - Smart Bathmat (Podimetrics)
  - Smart Socks (Siren)
  - Smart Insoles/Smartwatch (SurroSense Rx)





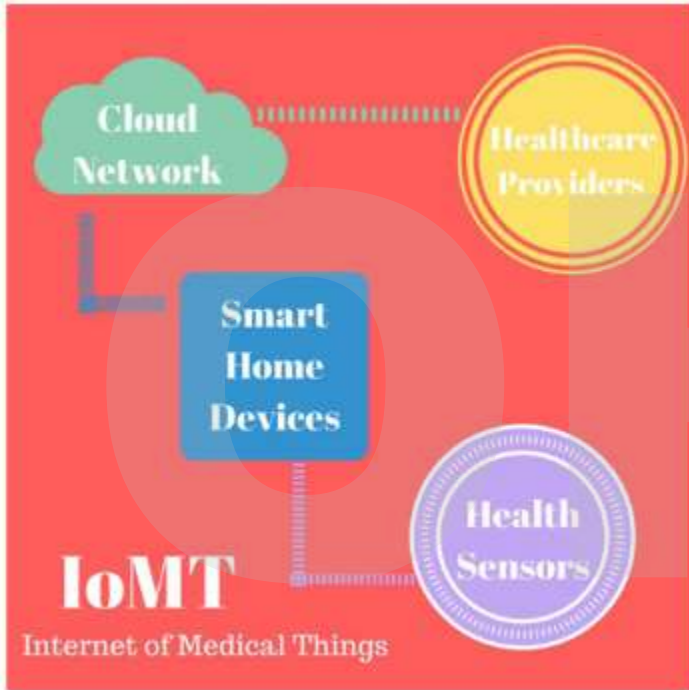


Figure 1. The Internet of medical things lies at the intersection of sensors, cloud computing, and medical monitoring. Figure 3. Future direction for IoMT in the care of the diabetic foot.

Health Sensors, Smart Home Devices, and the Internet of Medical Things: An Opportunity for Dramatic Improvement in Care for the Lower Extremity Complications of Diabetes

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## Accuracy of a foot temperature monitoring mat for predicting diabetic foot ulcers in patients with recent wounds or partial foot amputation

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## Podimetrics Smart Mat

- Easy-to-use, in-home floor mat for remote monitoring of plantar foot temperature for signs of inflammation
- Cellular modem + service included
- End-to-end data encryption protect patient data
- Manufactured in the United States



## Podimetrics Overview















## Tech Startup Brings Diabetic Ulcer Solution to Veterans Affairs Clinics

“But the spark that made the innovation possible was the first **Massachusetts Institute of Technology’s first Hacking Medicine Grand Hack**, which joined together academic, industry and federal innovators to accelerate medical innovation.”



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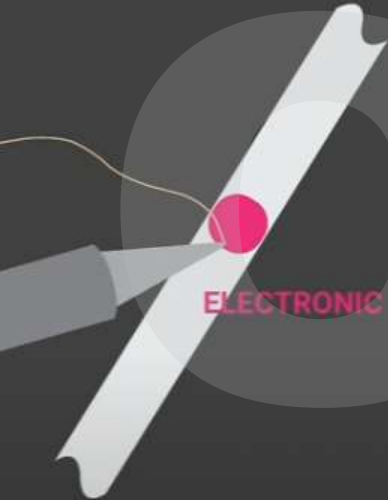


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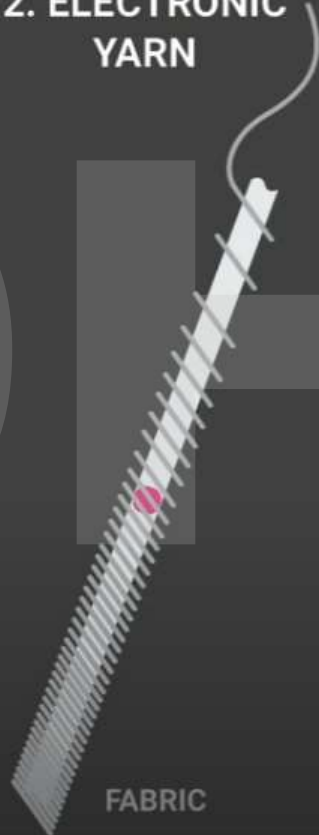


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## 4. SMART FABRIC PRODUCT



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# How Orpyx SI Works



Custom insoles with embedded sensors monitor plantar pressure, temperature and movement.



Provides the health care provider with real-world, plantar feedback while the user goes about their daily activities.



Real-time alerts allows the user to immediately relieve sustained, high-pressure areas.



The health care provider monitors the sensory data and adjusts the patient's foot care plan.

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# Bariatric Surgery and Type 2 Diabetes

**Surgery improves type 2 diabetes in nearly 90 percent of patients by:**

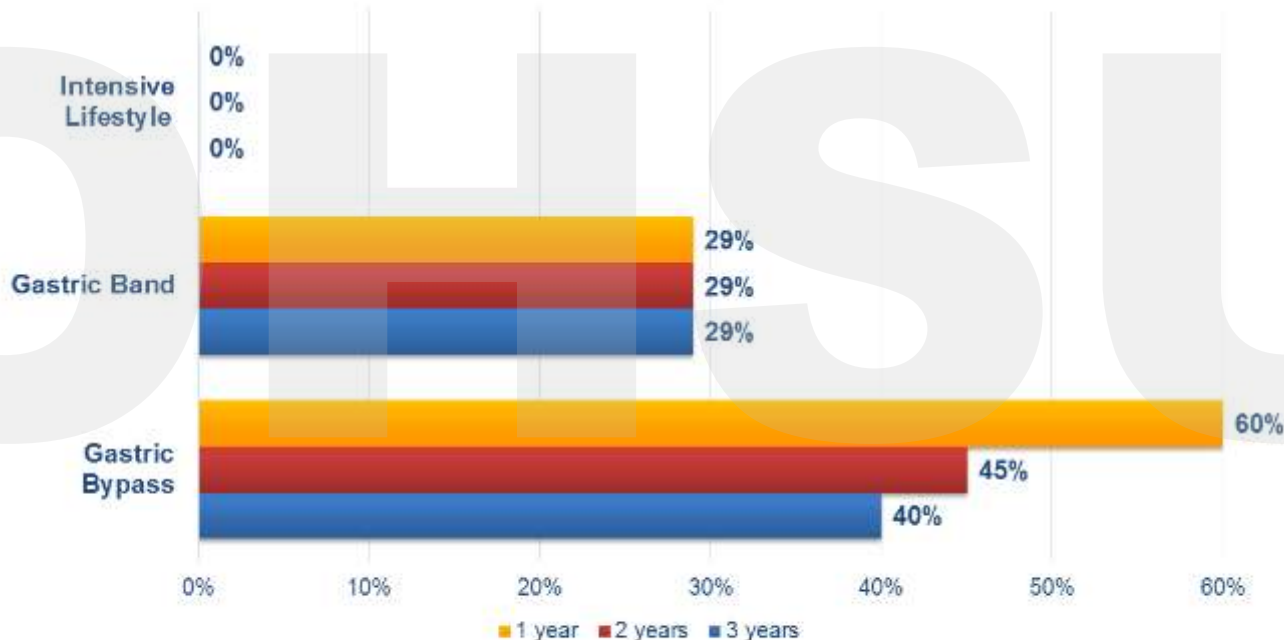
- lowering blood sugar
- reducing the dosage and type of medication required
- improving diabetes-related health problems

**Surgery causes type 2 diabetes to go into remission in 78 percent of individuals by:**

- reducing blood sugar levels to normal levels
- eliminating the need for diabetes medication



# Type 2 Diabetes Remission Rates



Source: Courcoulas et al, 2015.07.01, JAMA Surg.



# Bariatric Surgery and Type 2 Diabetes

## Who is a Candidate?

*The following are recommendations from the American Diabetes Association:*

- Surgery for Diabetes is recommended to treat people with T2DM and BMI  $> 40 \text{ kg/m}^2$ , even if your diabetes is well controlled on medications.
- Surgery for Diabetes should be considered to treat people with T2DM and BMI 35-39.9 if your diabetes is not well controlled on medications.
- Surgery for Diabetes should be considered to treat people with T2DM and a BMI between 30 and 35 when your T2DM is not controlled by medications, especially in the presence of other major cardiovascular disease risk factors.



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