

Sacroiliac (SI) Joint Fusion with iFuse-3D™ in Non-Traumatic Sacral Fractures

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SUMMARY

- Retrospective, single center study of 11 non-traumatic sacral fracture patients treated with a transiliac-transsacral screw and the iFuse-3D device
- Post-operatively all patients were able to walk, and average VAS pain score decreased from 9/10 to 4/10

BACKGROUND

- Non-traumatic sacral fractures are common, with a yearly US incidence of 150k^{2,3}
- After developing a non-traumatic sacral fracture(s), patients have a:
 - » 14-27% mortality rate at 1 year^{3,4}
 - » 14-45 day average hospital stay³⁻⁵
 - » 29-61% risk of thromboembolic disorder^{6,7}
 - » 50% risk of not returning to baseline function⁴
- Complications with alternative surgical treatments include:
 - » 20% rate of iliosacral screw backout⁸
 - » 32% rate of cement extravasation during sacroplasty⁹

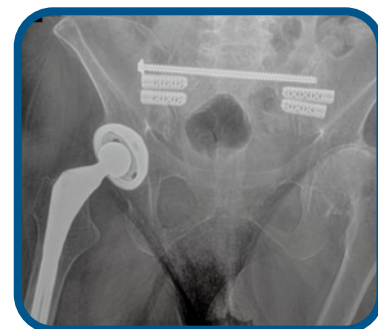
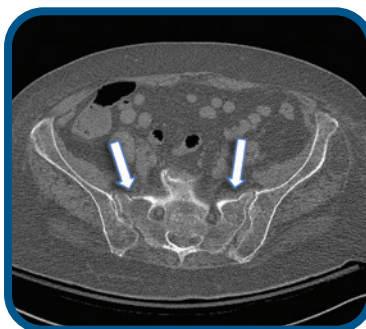
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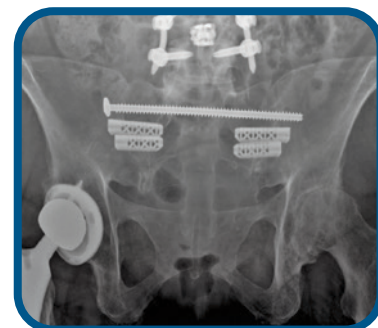
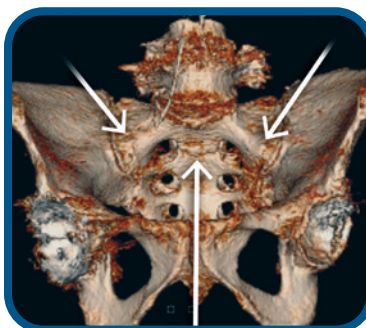
- » Sacral fractures due to falls from standing height or less
- » Unable to demonstrate safe ambulation within 24-48 hours after admission

• Surgical treatment

- » 6.5 or 7.3 mm fully threaded cannulated transiliac-transsacral screw
- » 1-2 iFuse-3D implants, either unilateral or bilateral based on fracture pattern



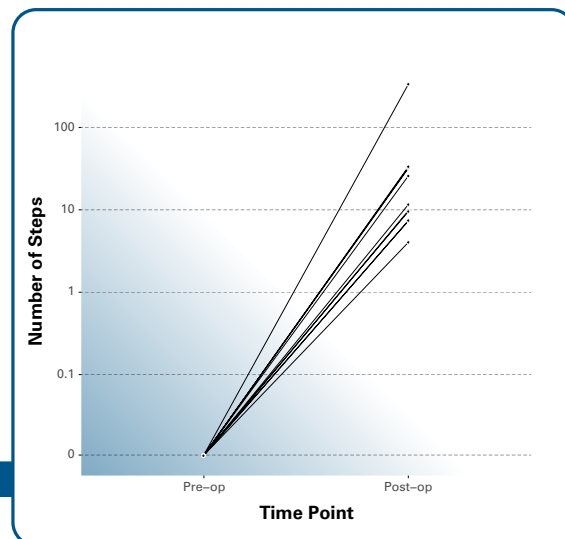
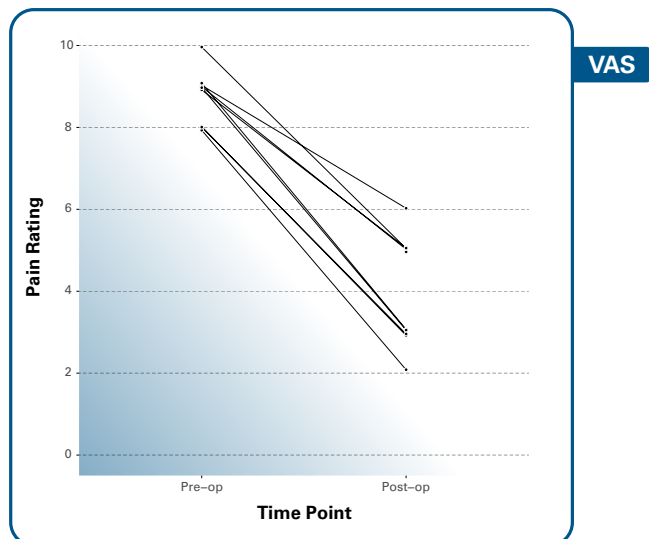
88 y/o woman, fall from standing, bilateral Denis zone 1 and transverse S2 sacral FXs. Bed bound for 1-2 weeks pre-op; post-op able to sit up and participate in PT.



68 y/o woman, ground-level fall, vertically oriented Denis zone 1 and transverse S2 sacral FXs. Bed bound for 3-4 days pre-op; at 2-weeks post-op able to walk with assistance.

KEY RESULTS

- 11 patients were treated (8 female)
- 8 had bilateral sacral fractures of which 6 also had a transverse fracture at S2 (U-shape)
- Mean age: 80.1 years
- Mean BMI: 24.4
- Mean surgery length: 50 minutes
- No intraoperative complications
- Mean pain scores improved from 9/10 at baseline to 4/10 at last follow-up (4.9, Wilcoxon $p=.0034$)
- Mean number of steps without assistance improved from 0 preoperatively (all were bed or chair-bound and unable to walk) to 45 at final follow-up (92, Wilcoxon $p=.0037$)
- Mean length of hospital stay: 4.6 days (2.7 if excluding the one outlier with pre-existing comorbidities)



Patient #	Sex	Age	Laterality	Mechanism	Fracture Pattern
1	F	54	Bilateral	Unwitnessed fall	Zone 2 sacral alar fractures with posterior extension, U-type variant
2	F	88	Bilateral	Fall at assisted living	Zone 1 sacral alar fractures with posterior extension, U-type variant
3	F	77	Unilateral	Fall at home	Left hip intertrochanteric fracture, right SI joint diastasis
4	M	94	Unilateral	Fall at home	Zone 1 fracture
5	F	87	Bilateral	No known mechanism or fall	Bilateral zone 1 fractures
6	F	79	Bilateral	Fall at home 3 weeks prior	U-type zone 2 fractures
7	F	83	Bilateral	Fall at home	Bilateral zone 1 fractures
8	M	83	Bilateral	Fall at home	U-type zone 2 fractures
9	F	81	Bilateral	Increasing pain for 1 week, no fall or trauma	Bilateral zone 1 with transverse S2 fracture, U-type equivalent
10	F	87	Unilateral	Fall in parking lot	Zone 1 sacrum with crescent fracture
11	F	68	Bilateral	Slip at home with fall	Bilateral zone 1 with transverse S2 fracture, U-type equivalent

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To augment immobilization and stabilization of the sacroiliac joint in skeletally mature patients undergoing sacropelvic fixation as part of a lumbar or thoracolumbar fusion.

Acute, non-acute, and non-traumatic fractures involving the SI joint.

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Sacroiliac (SI) Joint Fusion with iFuse in High-Energy Pelvic Trauma

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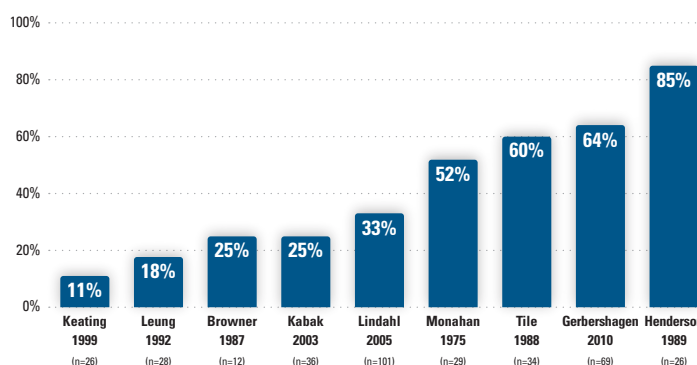
SUMMARY

- Retrospective, single center review of 4 patients with high-energy pelvic trauma treated with the iFuse Implants alongside screws/plates in the acute setting
- 75% of patients had excellent functional outcomes, the one with poor outcomes had comorbidities unrelated to the SI joint

BACKGROUND

- There is a direct correlation between the quality of SI joint reduction following its traumatic disruption and patient outcomes¹⁻³
- Despite attempted anatomical reduction of the joint, up to 85% of patients⁴⁻¹² continue to suffer from SI joint pain and poor function due to post-traumatic arthritis or malreduction

Incidence of Residual SI Joint Pain in Pelvic Trauma Patients



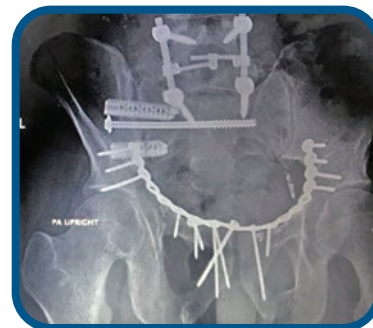
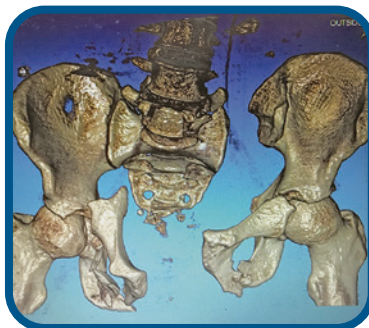
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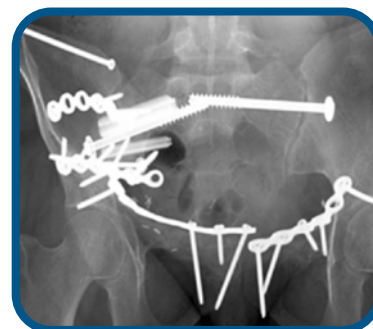
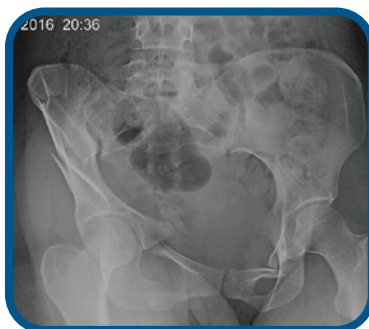
- » High-energy pelvic trauma
- » Comminuted, impacted, or dislocated SI joint

• Surgical treatment

- » Screws and/or plates
- » 2 iFuse implants



32 y/o man hit by dump truck with multiple pelvic fractures, at 2.5-year follow-up has a pain score (visual analog scale) of 1/10 and is back to performing heavy labor.



23 y/o woman ejected through sunroof with type 3 lateral compression fractures, at 6-month follow-up has no pain and no complaints (declined further follow-ups).

KEY RESULTS

Operative Details

- 4 acute fusions
- Average BMI: 28.6
- Posterior construct:
 - » 3: screw (SI or transiliac-transsacral) + 2 iFuse
 - » 1: iliac plates + SI screw + 2 iFuse
- All had anterior plate fixation
- Average days in hospital: 11 (range: 6 - 20)
- All had good-excellent reductions, healed pelvic injuries, and no hardware failures
- Complications: mild canal encroachment of 1 - 2mm in 2 patients
 - » 1: no neurological findings
 - » 1: pre-existing sciatica flared post-op, resolved after pulling implant back 5mm

Outcomes at Last Follow-Up

- All had radiographically fused SI joints
- VAS for SI joint pain at follow-up: 0.9 (91% improvement, average pre-op was 8.8)
- 0 infections
- All 4 were off pain medication
- 3/4 good-excellent qualitative functional outcomes
 - » 1: currently back to performing heavy labor
 - » 1: no pain and no complaints
 - » 1: court officer back to work with drastically improved functionality
 - » 1: right radicular pain unrelated to left fused SI joint

Patient #	Sex	Age	Mechanism	Fracture Pattern
1	M	32	Motorcycle vs. Dump truck	Vertical Shear
2	F	23	Motor vehicle accident, ejected	Lateral Compression III <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R Crescent FX • L SI joint completely dislocated • Bilateral superior and inferior rami FXs
3	M	66	Motorcycle	Anteroposterior Compression III <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L SI joint completely dislocated (only posterior ligaments remaining) • Avulsion of ala Zone1 (previous degenerative disc & arthritic changes)
4	M	53	Fell down two steps; legs flipped over head	Anteroposterior Compression II

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