Common Foot and Ankle Conditions

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Objectives

- Common Podiatric Pathology
 - Heel pain
 - Neuroma
 - Digit deformities
 - Verruca
- Basic evaluation and overview
- Basic treatment

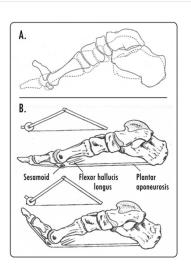
Heel Pain

- Plantar fasciitis
- Heel spur syndrome
 - Misnomer
- Post static dyskinesia
- Plantar heel pain
 - Medial calcaneal tubercle



Etiology

- Flat foot
- Hyperpronation
- Weight gain
- Exercise regimen
- Poor shoe gear
- Barefoot walking



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Spur Comparison





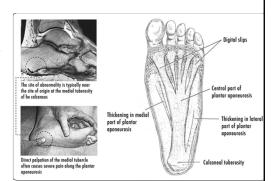
Physical Exam

- Pronated foot
- Obese
- Edema to plantar/medial heel
- Pain with palpation
 - Lateral compression



Treatment

- Stretching
- Home cryotherapy
- Avoid barefoot walking
 - In home
- NSAIDs
- Activity modifications
- Support
 - Orthotics



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Secondary Treatment

- Injections
 - Steroid
- Night splint
 - Windlass
- Immobilization
- Custom orthotics
- Formal physical therapy



Surgical Treatment

- Surgery
 - Failed conservative treatment >6 mos
 - -Plantar fasciotomy
 - -ESWT (extracorpeal shockwave therapy)
 - -Coblation



Not Plantar Fasciitis









Posterior heel

- Retrocalcaneal Heel lift exostosis
- Similar cause
- Posterior heel pain
 NSAIDs

- - Alleviate achilles tension
- Pain with activity
 Physical therapy
 - Home therapy

Neuroma/Morton's Neuroma

- Burning pain
- Numbness/Tingling
- Sharp radiating pain
- "Wrinkled-sock sensation"



Exam

- Pain with palpation
- Mulder's click
- Radiating sensation
- Radiographs
 - R/O differentials
- Ultrasound
- MRI



Treatment

- Shoe modifications
- Orthotics
- Padding
- Injections
 - Steroid
 - EtOH
- Surgery
 - Excision
 - Decompression



Neuroma Excision





Digital Deformities

- Hammertoe
- Claw toe
- Mallet toe
- Crossover toe
- Adductovarus
- Contracture



Exam

- Radiographs
- Pain with palpation
- Callus
- ROM
- Stability/push up/WB

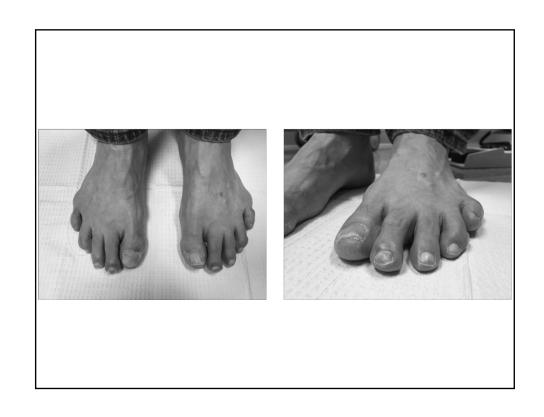


Plane of Deformity











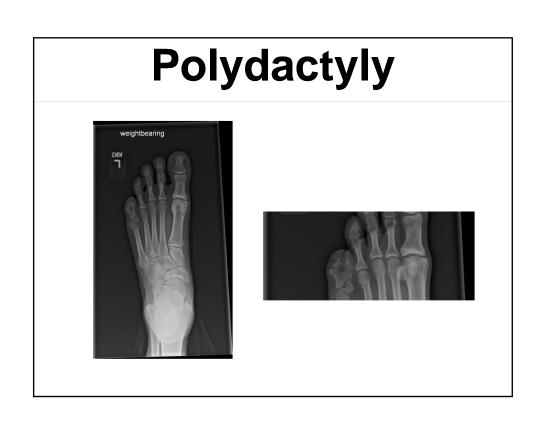


Treatment









Conservative Treatment

- Shoe modifications
- Padding
- Debridement
- Taping
- Injections



Surgery

- Arthroplasty
- Arthrodesis
 - Fixation
- Osteotomy
- Tendon transfer
 - Soft tissue balance



Verruca

- Human papilloma virus1,2,4,63
- Verruca plantaris
- Benign epithelial tumor
- 7-10% of population
- Moist surfaces
- Difficult to treat



Physical Exam

- Hyperkeratotic tissue
- Pinpoint bleeding
- Divergent skin lines
- Pain with lateral compression
 - Differentiates



Not a Wart





Treatment

- Keratolytics
 - Salicylic Acid (60%)
 - Canthiridin
- Cryotherapy
- Laser treatment
 - Leaves a wound
- Excision



Conclusion

- Exhaust conservative treatment
 - Shoe modifications
- Realistic goals
 - Patient expectations
- Surgical treatment options



Podiatry for the Primary Care Physician

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Objectives

- Eval some common pedal problems
 - Bunion (HAV)
 - Hallux Limitus/Rigidus
 - Paronychia
 - Tinea Pedis
 - Puncture Wounds

Bunion

- Hallux AbuctoValgus
- Etiology
 - Multiple factors, heredity primary influence
- Pain over the medial eminence of the 1st metatarsal head
- May also get pain from great toe impeding on 2nd digit



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Bunion-Treatment Options

- "Corrective" splints will not fix deformity
- If asymptomatic would not recommend any treatment
- Conservative options
 - Shoes with a wide toe box (accommodate the deformity)
 - Padding
 - Ice, NSAIDs
 - Orthotics- control mechanics (pronation)

Bunion

- Radiology Evaluation
 - IM 1-2 Angle
 - Normal 8 degrees
 - Tibial Sesamoid Position
 - Hallux Valgus Angle
 - Normal 15 degrees
 - Eval 1st MTP for osteoarthritis
 - Helps with operative decision making



Bunion Surgery

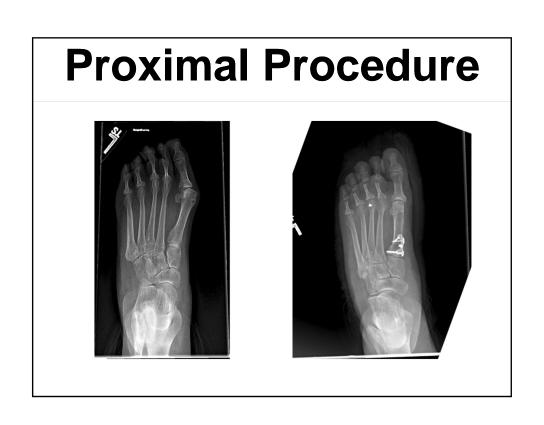
- Indicated if patient fails conservative therapy and pain limits ability to perform activities
- Multitude of surgical procedures based on degree of deformity and other factors

Surgical Options

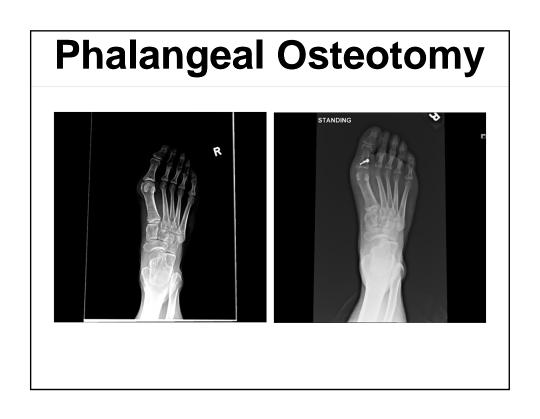
- Osteotomy
- Fusion



Distal Osteotomy



Lapidus Fusion Weightbearing



Bunion Surgery

- Remove prominent 1st metatarsal head, realign 1st MTP and sesamoid position, improve 1st MTP function
- Decrease patient pain and improve function



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Hallux Limitus/Rigidus

- Limitation of Motion of the 1st MTP
- Normal dorsiflexion of this joint is 60 degrees with the foot loaded
- Sometimes called a dorsal bunion

Hallux Limitus

- Etiology
 - Previous trauma, long or elevated 1st ray, forefoot supinatus, osteoarthritis, longstanding HAV, inflammatory arthritis
- Symptoms
 - Pain, stiffness, crepitus, painful dorsal bony prominence
- Clinical Presentation
 - More pain noted over dorsal joint and with ROM of the joint, as opposed to medial pain seen with HAV



Hallux Limitus

- Conservative Treatment
 - Decrease ROM of 1st MTP
 - Rigid shoe, carbon fiber foot plate, mortons extension on orthotic
 - NSAIDs, ICE
 - Injection
 - Physical Therapy
 - Activity Modifications

Hallux Limitus

- Surgical Options
 - Chielectomy
 - 1st MTP Implant
 - Controversial, difficult to manage complications
 - 1st MTP Arthrodesis



Paronychia

- Inflammation/Infection of nail fold
- Onychocryptosis typically involved
 - Incurvation of nail plate punctures nail fold and creates opportunity for infection



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Paronychia

- Mild Case
 - May respond to antibiotic, Epson salt soaks
- Moderate/Severe
 - Require more aggressive treatment
 - Toe block and nail avulsion
- Extreme/Neglected
 - Could potentially result in osteomyelitis



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Paronychia

- Nail avulsion
 - Typically simple drainage is not sufficient
 - Remove portion of nail impeding on the skin and drainage of any purulent material
 - Toe blocked with local, nail freed from nail bed, English anvil to resect the affected portion of nail

Paronychia

- Antibiotics-Cover gram positive
 - Cephalexin, clindamycin
- In diabetic may want to broaden antibiotic coverage
- May augment with topical antibiotic

Paronychia

- Recurrent Cases would consider a matrixectomy procedure
 - Chemical versus surgical procedures

Tinea Pedis

- Acute form
 - Trichophyton Mentagrophytes
 - Intensely pruritic, sometimes painful, erythematous vesicles or bullae between the toes or on the soles, frequently extending up the instep
 - Self-limited, intermittent, and recurrent



Tinea Pedis

- Chronic form
 - Most common
 - Trichophyton Rubrum
 - Slowly progressive, pruritic, erythematous erosions and/or scales between the toes
 - Erythema and white, macerated skin are present between the toes



Tinea Pedis

 Extension onto the sole, sides of the foot, and in some cases the top of the foot follows, presenting as moccasin distribution with variable degrees of underlying erythema



 The border between involved and uninvolved skin is usually quite sharp

Tinea Pedis

- Clinical picture and history are typically diagnostic, and KOH is to confirm
 - Septate hyphae are visible on a background of squamous cells on KOH prep

Tinea Pedis

- Treatment
 - Topical antifungal cream for four weeks; interdigital tinea pedis may only require one week of therapy
 - Butenafine
 – Mentax or Lotramin ultra 1% cream QD to BID
 - Naftine Naftin 1% cream QD
 - Terbinafine Lamisil 1% cream Qday to BID
 - Ketoconazole Nizoral 2% cream Qday
 - Miconazole Monistat-derm 2% cream BID
 - Clotrimazole Lotrimin 1% cream BID
 - Oxiconazole oxistat 1% cream Qday or BID
 - Oral antifungual
 - Terbinafine 250 mg daily for 2 weeks
 - Intraconazole

Puncture Wound/Foreign Body

- Typically caused from walking barefoot
 - Though may occur with shoegear
 - Greatest occurrence between May-October
 - July most common



Puncture Wound

- Most common object is a nail
- Treatment
 - Superficial cleansing
 - Tetanus prophylaxis
 - Oral antibiotic
 - Remove FB if possible/superficial
 - Close follow up



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Puncture Wound/Foreign Body

- Deep foreign body may require removal in operating room
 - Need for fluoroscopy

Puncture Wound/Foreign Body

- Complications
 - Cellulitis
 - Septic Arthritis
 - Retained foreign body
 - Osteomyelitis
 - Pseudomonas Aeruginosa

Puncture Wound/Foreign Body

- Goals
 - Conversion of contaminated wound to a clean wound
 - Prevent infection
 - Remove foreign body
 - Prevent residual pain or deformity

