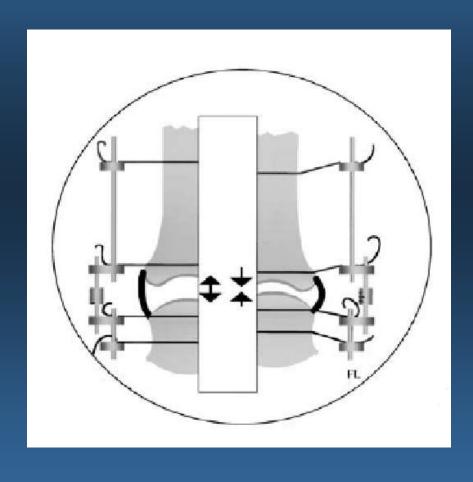
Ankle Distraction: patient education

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Ankle Distraction



Mechanical unloading of the joint

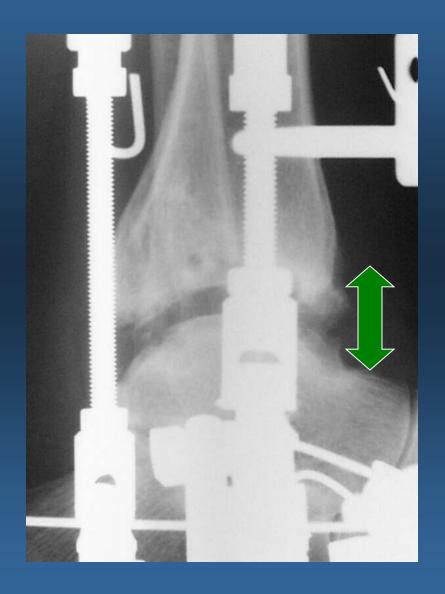
• Cartilage reparative process

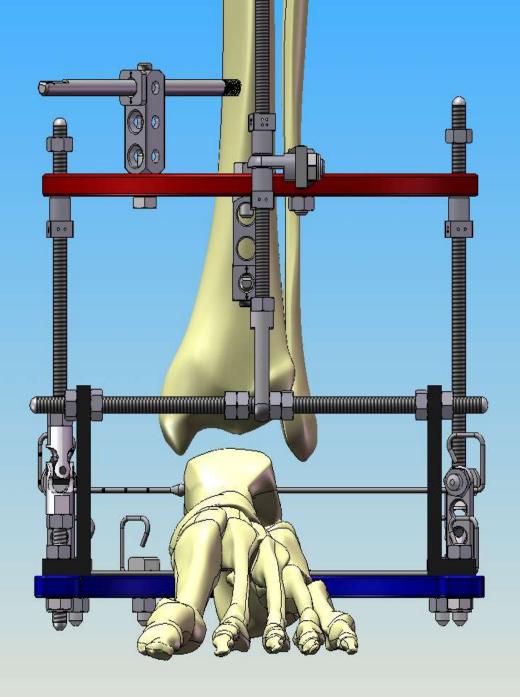
Intermittent flow of joint fluid and changes in hydrostatic pressure

• Weight bearing and ankle movement in frame

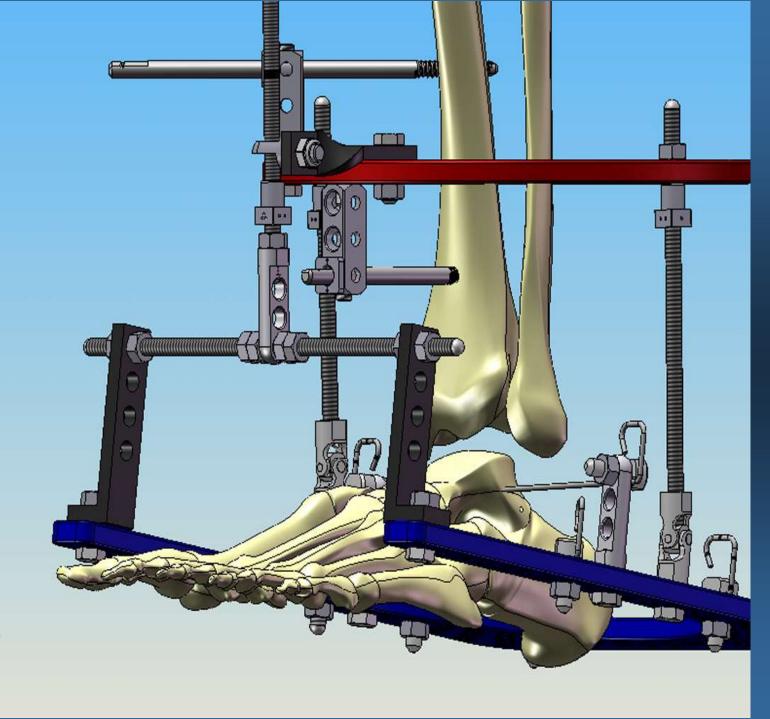
Mechanism

- Ilizarov external fixation for Distraction
- Combined w/
 resection of anterior
 osteophyte &
 chondral stimulation

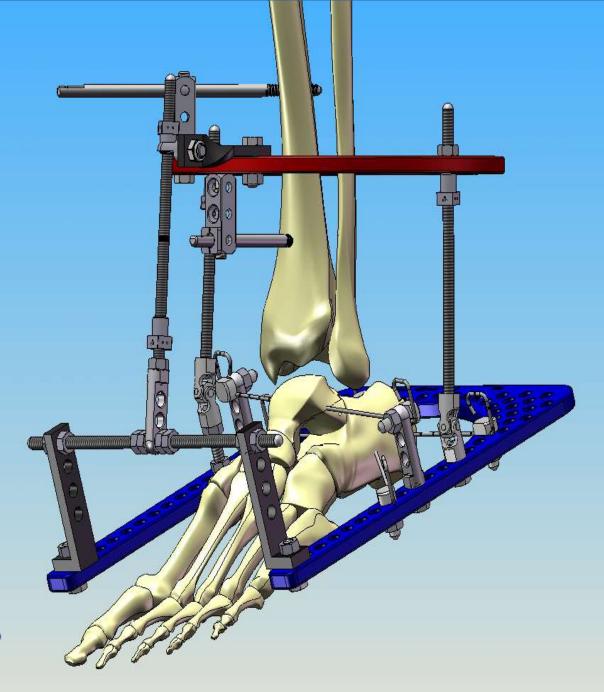






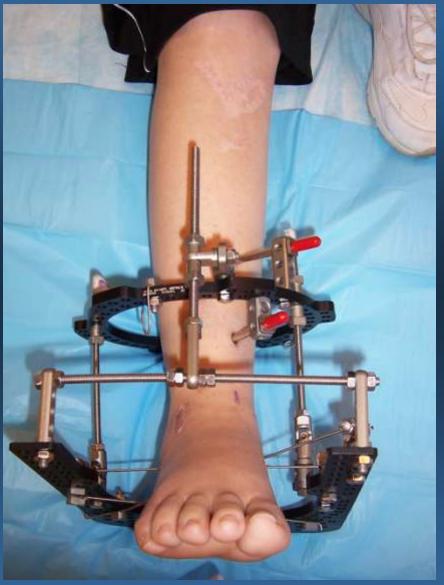






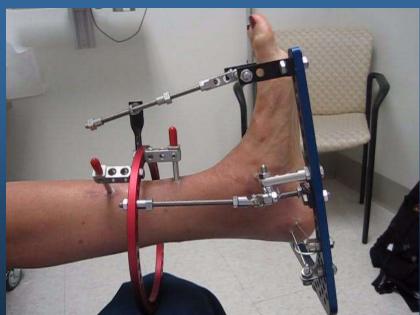
















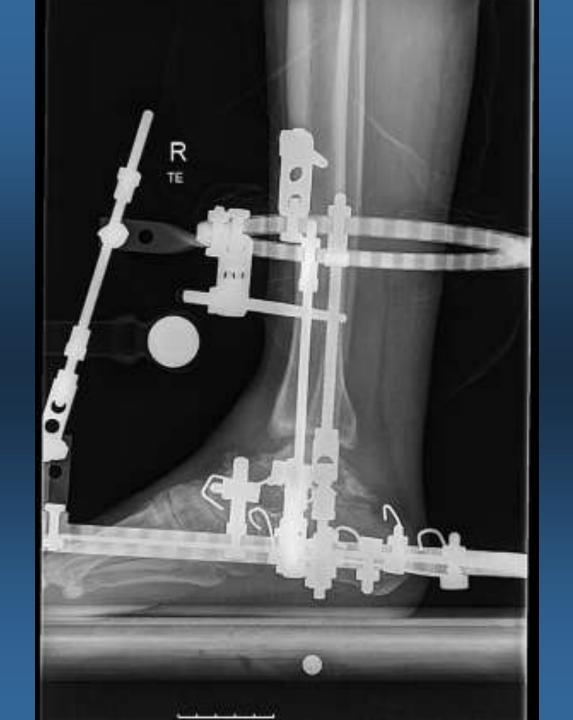














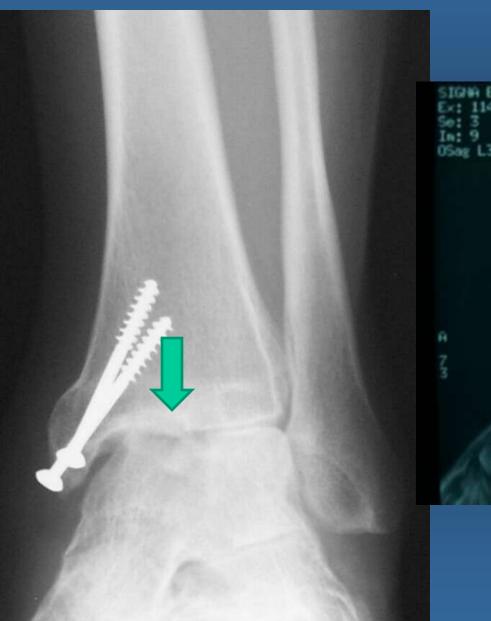


2 years later





Talar osteonecrosis



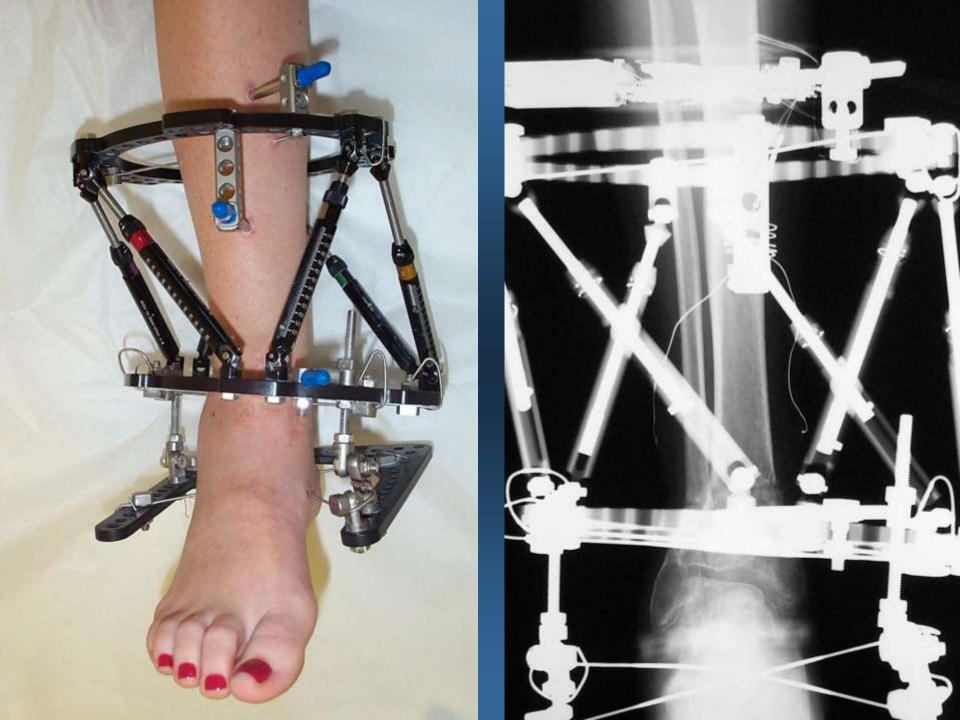












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2.5 years





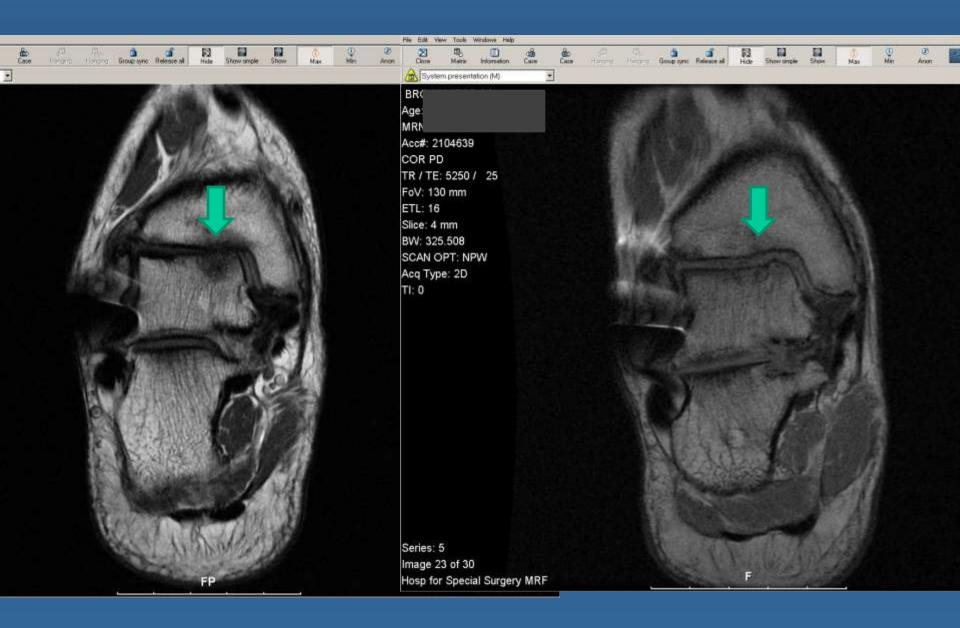








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