



Patients' Functionality And Satisfaction Following One-Sided, Primary, Non-Complicated Hallux Valgus Surgery

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Introduction

- High prevalence of HV (\bigcirc 30%; \bigcirc 13%)¹
- Surgery if conservative treatment fails
- 25-33% of patients dissatisfied regarding surgery

 Objective: Evaluate patients' perspective regarding function and satisfaction following one-sided primary hallux valgus open surgery.



Material and Methods

2011 – 2012:

59 symptomatic HV, no other associated foot disorders

- one-sided primary open osteotomy procedures for HV (Foot and Ankle Dpt. – experienced surgical team)
- → Telephone interviews
 - → FADI Foot and Ankle Disability Index
 - → Satisfaction Very satisfied, satisfied, shortly satisfied, dissatisfied
- → Correlation between FADI and age Spearman's Test



58 HV primary single surgery

16 not answered the phone (2 tries)

12 with contralateral procedure

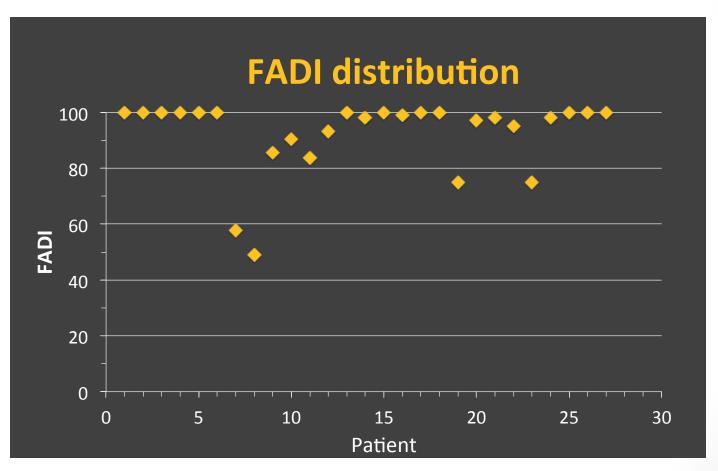
2 refused to answer

1 reoperated for insufficient correction

27 Cases

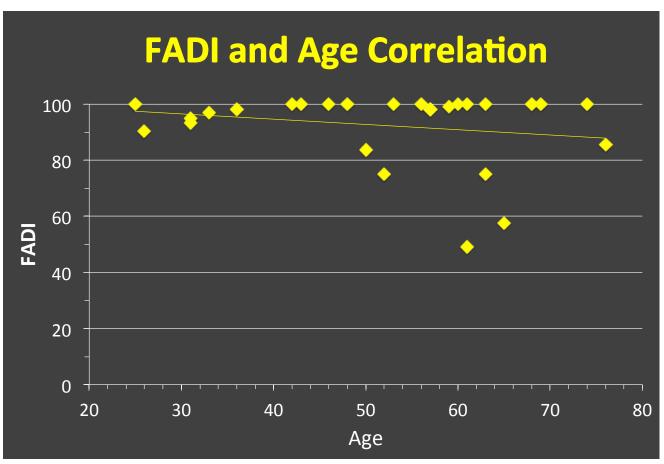
22 Chevron ± Akin, 3 Akin, 2 Scarf osteotomies





Average **92.4 13.6**

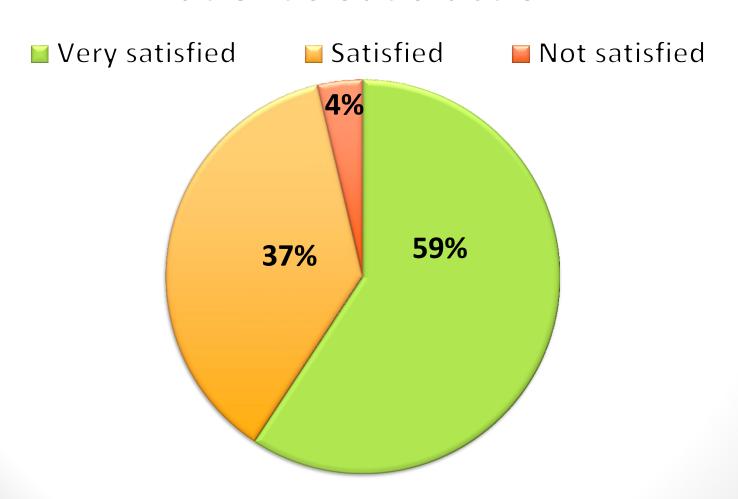




No correlationship between FADI and Age (Spearman's test)



Patient's Satisfaction





Discussion

- Patient's expectations¹
 - Pain-free great toe, no problems wearing shoes
 - Cosmetic appearance (subjective)
- Chevron generates excellent clinical outcomes²
- No osteotomy technique was shown to be superior to any other (Cochrane revision)
- A high percentage (25–33%) of patients remain dissatisfied at follow-up (Cochrane revision)
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Conclusions

Patients submitted to hallux valgus non-complicated open surgical procedures, with no other associated foot disorders, reveal excellent foot and ankle functionality level and high degree of satisfaction.

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