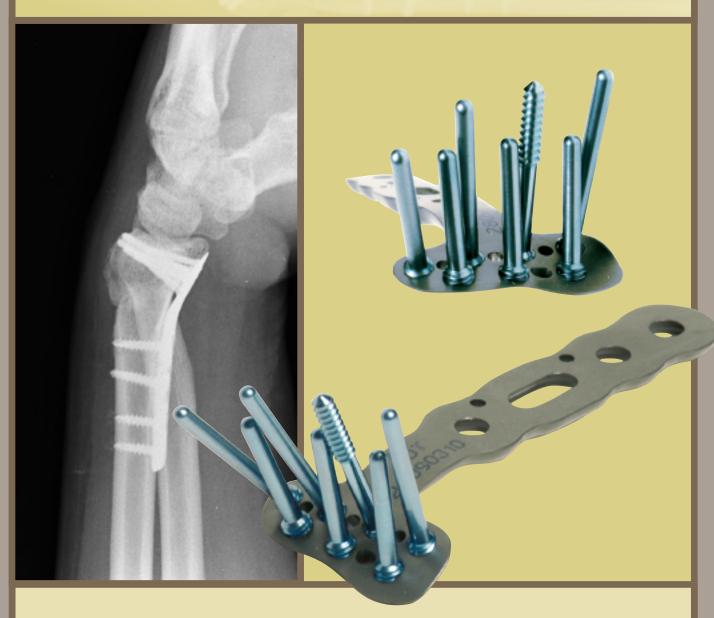
# THE ONLY VOLAR PLATE DESIGNED FOR BOTH DORSAL AND VOLAR FRACTURES

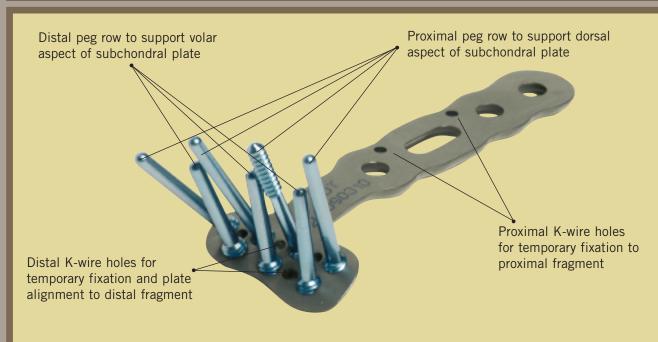
# THE ANATOMICAL DVR SURGICAL TECHNIQUE



- OPTIMIZED DISTAL FIXATION THROUGH DOUBLE-TIERED SUBCHONDRAL SUPPORT
- ANATOMICALLY CONTOURED DISTAL SURFACE
- TEMPORARY K-WIRE FIXATION



#### DOUBLE-TIERED PEG SUPPORT OF ENTIRE ARTICULAR SURFACE











#### **DISTAL FIXATION OPTIONS:**

- Smooth pegs offer the strongest support
- Threaded Pegs to lag dorsal fragments
- Cancellous screws for volar fractures





#### **INTRODUCTION**

- The DVR plate provides stable internal fixation for the treatment of most fractures and deformities of the distal radius
- Volar placement prevents tendon problems, preserves dorsal tissues and allows the use of ligamentotaxis to aid reduction
- Anatomically distributed subchondral support pegs secure the distal fragments and robust plate design allows early functional use of the hand

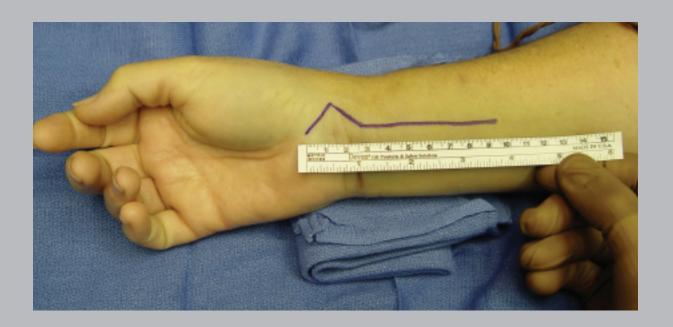
#### INDICATIONS

• The DVR Plate is indicated for the volar fixation of distal radius fractures unstable in either dorsal or volar direction and for the fixation of osteotomies

# SURGICAL APPROACHES

- Simple and acute fractures can be treated through the standard FCR approach
- Intraarticular fractures, nascent malunions and established malunions are best managed through the extended form of the FCR approach

#### Incision



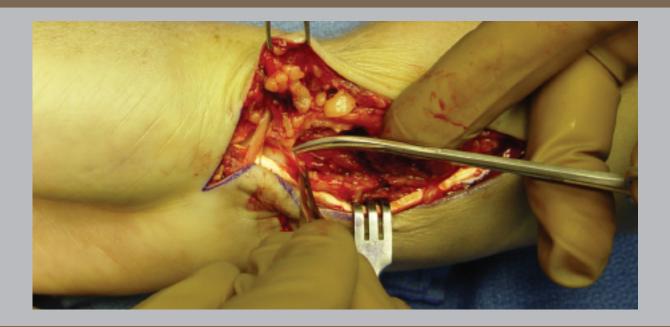
- Make an incision approximately 8cm to 10cm. long and over the course of the FCR tendon
- Zig-zag across the wrist flexion creases

# RELEASE THE FCR TENDON SHEATH



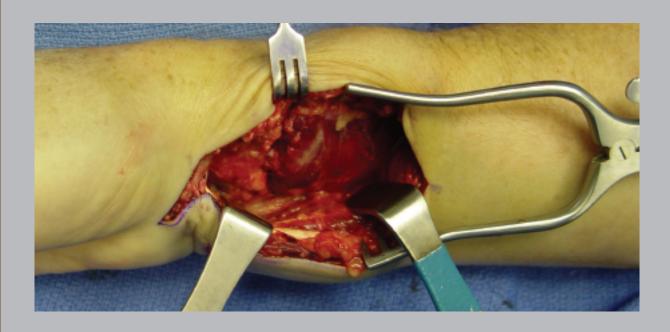
- Expose and open the sheath of the FCR tendon
- Dissect distally to the level of the superficial Radial Artery

#### CROSSING THE DEEP FASCIA



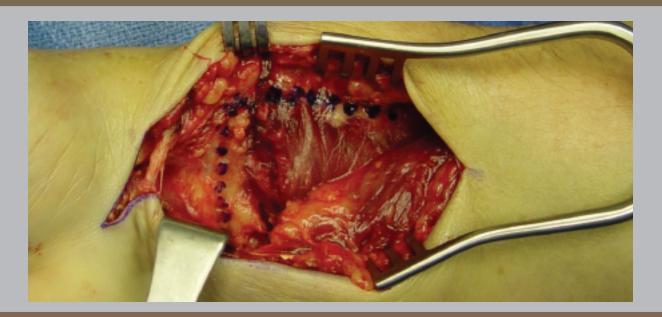
- Retract the tendon to the ulnar side and protect the median nerve
- Incise through the floor of the sheath to gain access to the deeper levels
- Split the sheath of the FCR tendon distally to the level of the tuberosity of the scaphoid

#### MID-LEVEL DISSECTION



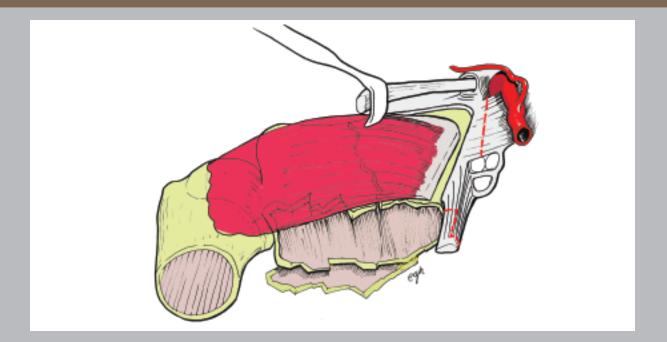
- Develop the plane between the FPL and the radial septum and reach the surface of the radius
- Develop widely the subtendinous space of Parona and expose the Pronator Quadratus

#### **ELEVATING THE PRONATOR QUADRATUS**



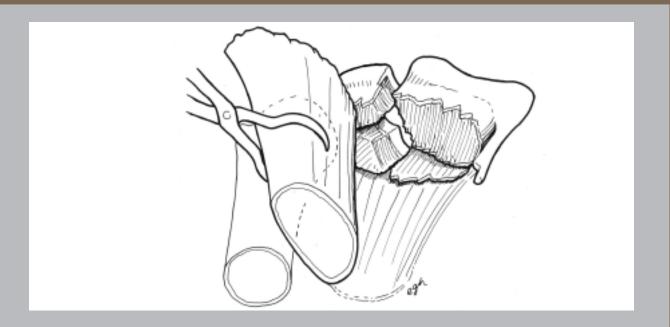
- Release the PQ muscle with an L-shaped incision and lift it from its bed to expose the volar surface of the radius. The volar cortex is thick and the fracture line is usually simple, facilitating reduction
- The pronator quadratus is frequently ruptured
- The origin of the FPL muscle can be partially released for added exposure

#### THE RADIAL SEPTUM



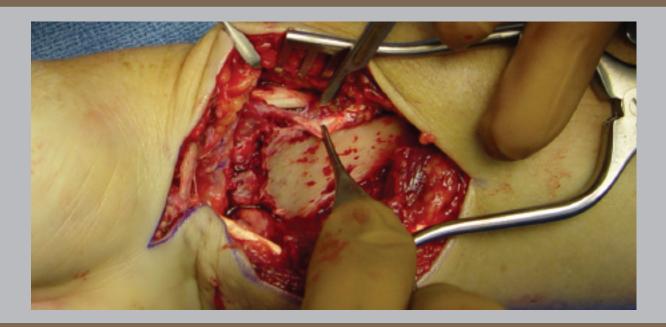
• Near the styloid process, the radial septum becomes a complex fascial structure which includes the first extensor compartment, the insertion of the brachioradialis and the distal part of the FCR tendon sheath

#### THE EXTENDED FCR APPROACH



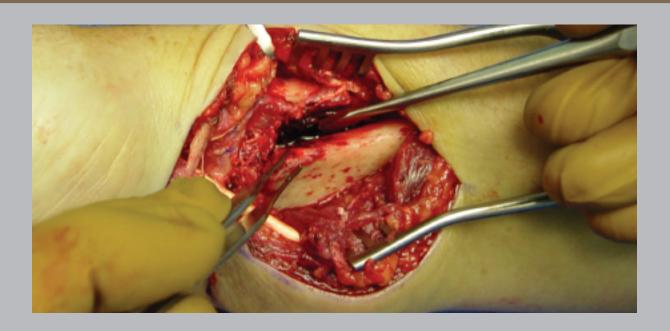
- Pronation of the proximal fragment provides intrafocal exposure
- This approach is particularly useful when a thorough debridement of a dorsally displaced fracture or access to displaced articular fragments is necessary

# THE FIRST EXTENSOR COMPARTMENT AND BRACHIORADIALIS



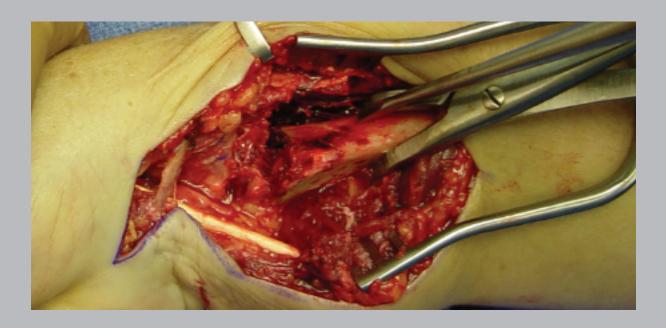
- Open the first extensor compartment and retract the APL and EPB tendons
- Release the insertion of the brachioradialis which is found on the floor of this compartment
- Preserve the radial artery

#### RELEASE OF THE PROXIMAL FRAGMENT



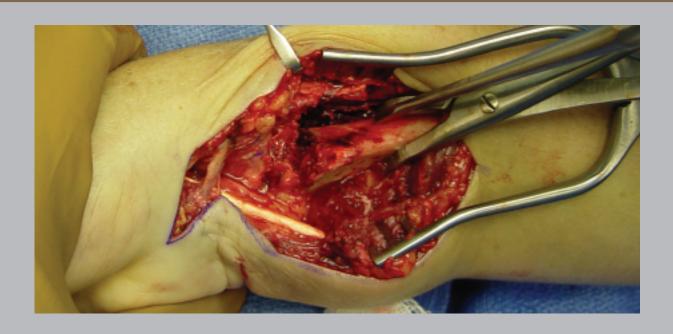
- Release the radial and dorsal aspects of the proximal fragment
- Preserve the soft tissue attachments to the medial aspect where the anterior interosseous vessels are located

#### PRONATION OF THE PROXIMAL FRAGMENT



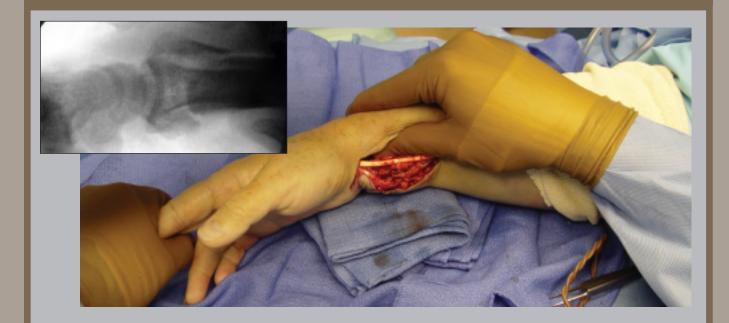
• Using the fracture plane, obtain intrafocal exposure by pronating the proximal fragment out of the way. A bone clamp facilitates this maneuver

#### INTRAFOCAL EXPOSURE



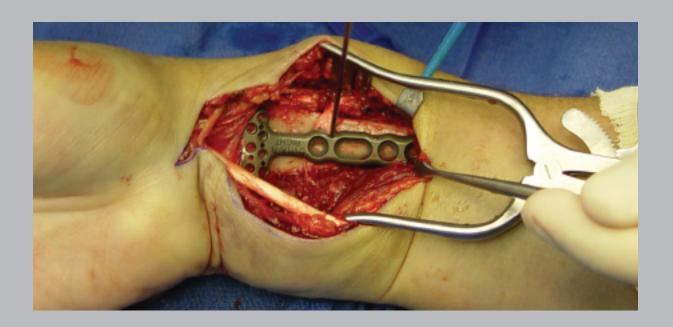
• The Extended FCR Approach allows the debridement of fracture callus and the reduction of complex articular fracture patterns

#### FRACTURE REDUCTION



- After fracture debridement, reduction is obtained using indirect means such as traction, ligamentotaxis and direct pressure over displaced fragments
- For most fractures, a properly applied bolster is sufficient to maintain reduction during plate application

#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE



• Decide the correct position for the plate by judging how it conforms to the volar surface. Secure the plate to the proximal fragment with either a cortical screw in the oblong hole or with a temporary k-wire

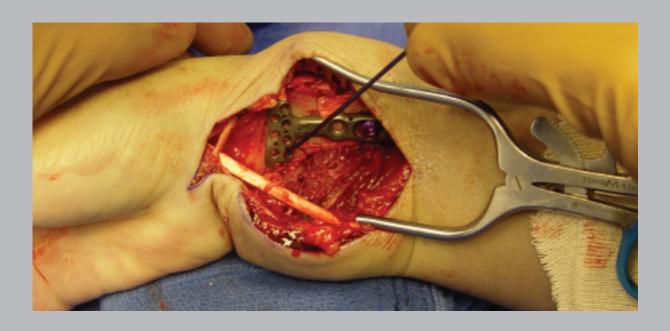
#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE





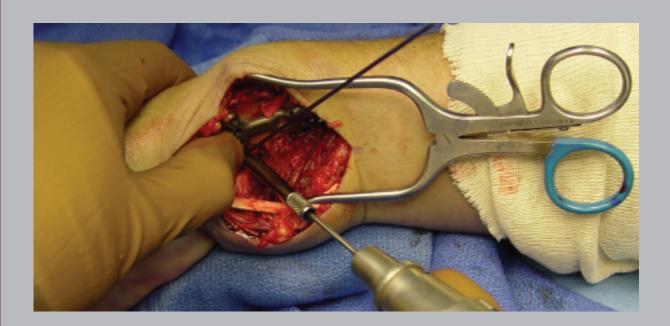
- Reduce the distal fragment to the plate and secure it with either a k-wire or a single peg applied on the ulnar side of the proximal peg row
- K-wires applied through the holes on the proximal row guide peg placement.
- Confirm with flouroscopy

#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE



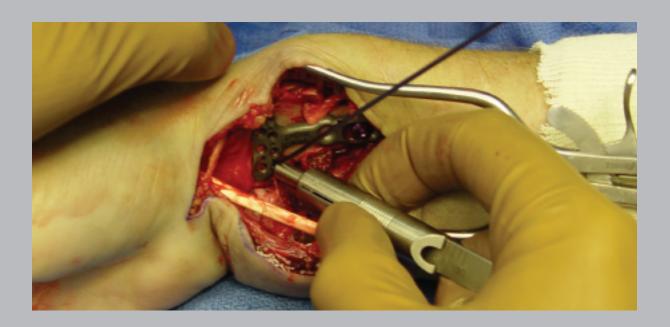
- Exchange the proximal temporary K-wire for a 3.5 mm. cortical screw
- Bend the distal K-Wire to allow insertion of the drill guide

#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE



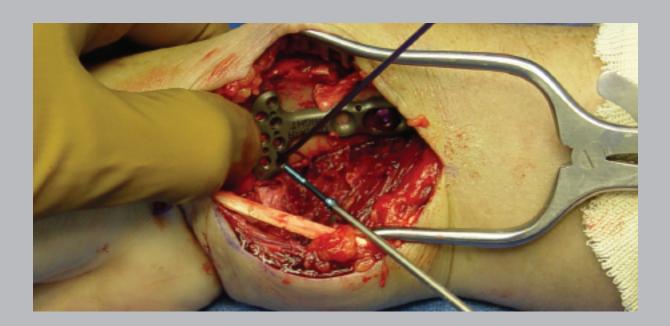
• Drill with a 2mm. bit through the threaded drill guide to create the tract for the proximal row peg

# PROXIMAL ROW PEGS DEPTH MEASUREMENT



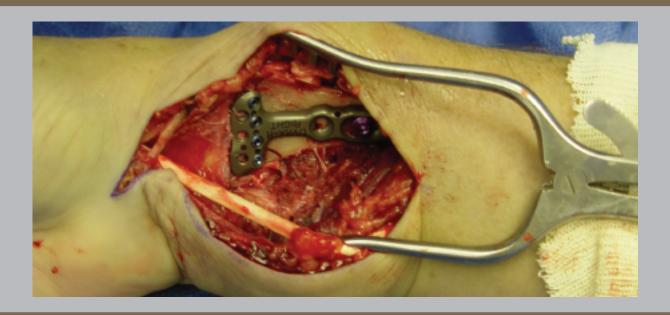
• Measure carefully the length of the proximal row pegs to prevent excessive length as this can cause extensor tendon irritation

#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE



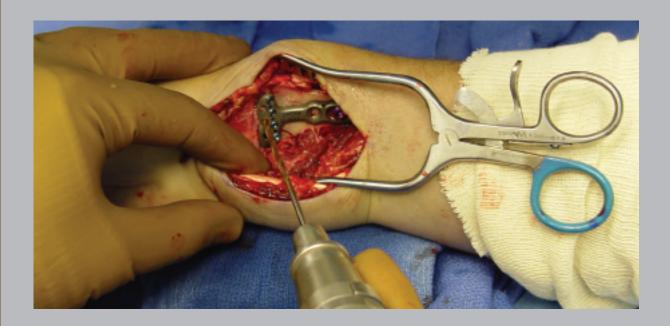
- Apply the first peg on the ulnar side in order to stabilize the Lunate Fossa
- Use a threaded peg to capture dorsal comminuted fragments

#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE



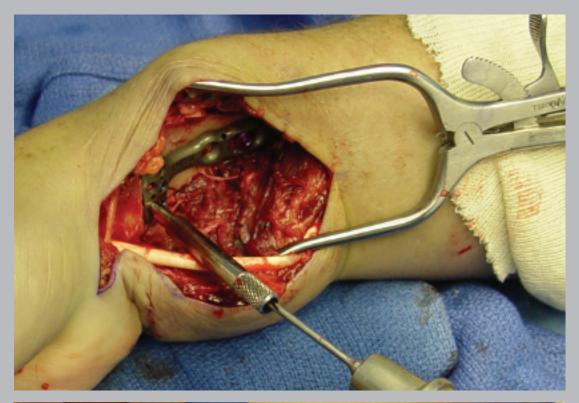
- Always fill all the peg holes on the proximal peg row of the head of the implant as these provide the stability necessary to prevent dorsal re-displacement of the fracture
- Use the distal row when there is extensive comminution or severe osteoporosis. The distal row provides added support to the central and volar aspect of the subchondral plate

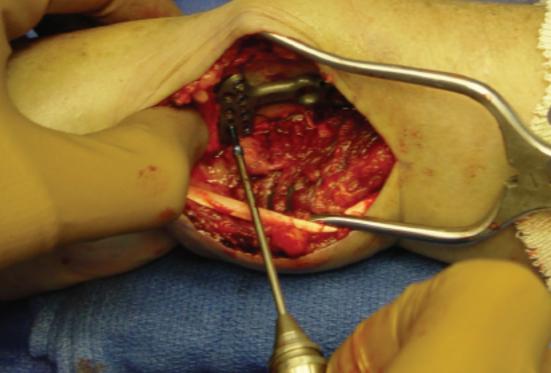
#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE



• Before threading the drill guide to the distal row, it is necessary to provide clearence by countersinking with the 2.5 mm. drill

#### STANDARD FIXATION TECHNIQUE





- Apply the threaded drill guide and drill with the 2.0 mm bit
- Insert only 18 or 20 mm. pegs on the distal row

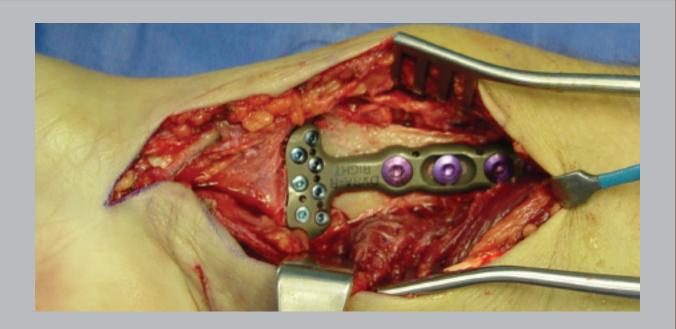
# **OBTAIN FINAL RADIOGRAPHIC STUDIES**





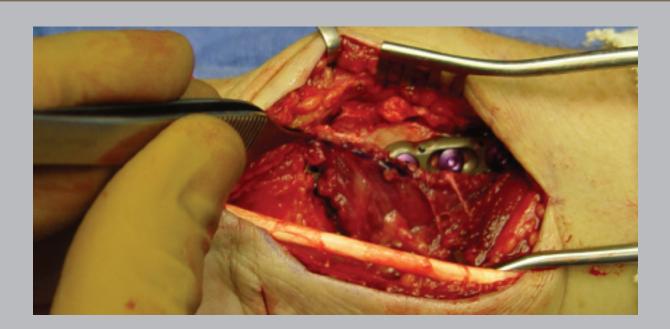
- A 20-30 deg. lateral elevation view allows visualization of the articular surface, evaluation of volar tilt and confirmation of proper k-wire/peg placement 2-3 mm. below the subchondral plate
- Finally, pronate and supinate the wrist under floroscopy to confirm that the length of each individual peg is correct

#### FINAL APPEARANCE



• A properly applied plate should not cover the volar lip of the radius to avoid coming in contact with flexor tendons

# REPAIR OF THE PRONATOR QUADRATUS



• The Pronator Quadratus should be repaired over the plate, this will add stability to the distal radio-ulnar joint

#### FINAL X-RAY





# ALTERNATE DISTAL FRAGMENT FIRST TECHNIQUE





- If significant force is necessary for reduction, it may be easier to first apply the plate to the distal fragment and then use the plate as a lever to obtain reduction. The most distal k-wire hole on the implant serves as a guide to assure correct alignment of the plate to the distal fragment
- First drill a k-wire parallel to the articular surface in the lateral plane. Slide the plate over the K-wire down to the surface of the distal fragment. Then secure the plate to the distal fragment with pegs or more k-wires

#### DISTAL FRAGMENT FIRST TECHNIQUE





- Reduce the deformity
- Apply pegs, screws and remove temporary k-wires
- Obtain radiographic confirmation

# POST OPERATIVE MANAGEMENT

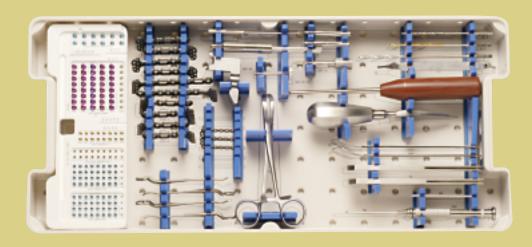




- Start immediate finger ROM and forearm rotation
- Allow early functional use of the hand for light ADLs
- Support the wrist according to bone quality and stability

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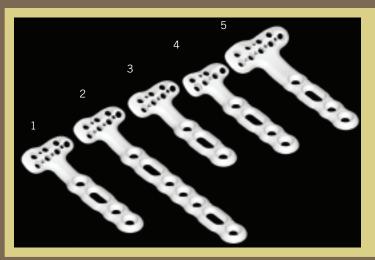
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