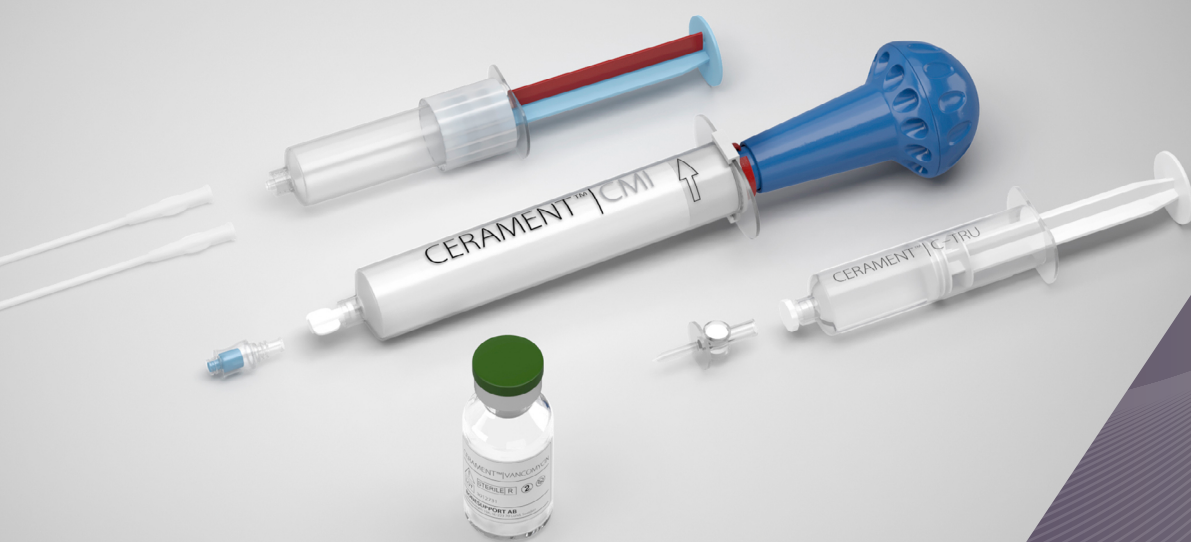


CERAMENT V in a Two-Stage Infected Knee Revision

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PATIENT

25 year old

DIAGNOSIS

The patient had an osteosarcoma in the proximal tibia (Fig. 1), a course of chemotherapy (Fig. 2) and implantation of a hinged knee prosthesis (Fig. 3). This became infected and a two-stage arthrodesis was carried out.

TREATMENT

- In the first stage, the knee implant was removed and a resection and thorough débridement of all infected and dead tissue was carried out.
- The medullary canals were brushed and flushed with saline and a 30-35 cm long metal rod was inserted from the femoral medullary canal into the tibial medullary canal (Fig. 4).
- CERAMENT V was injected around the rod and into any cavities in both the femur and tibia (Fig. 5), to provide a high dose of local antibiotic and improve bone stock for the second stage procedure.
- To preserve leg length and for load-bearing, PMMA was shaped and placed around the metal rod and between the femoral and tibial bone ends (seen on Figs. 6, 7).
- Four months later the second stage was carried out and the metal rod was replaced with an uncemented arthrodesis nail (Figs. 8, 9).

OUTCOME

- Immediately post-operatively CERAMENT V is clearly visible at the distal femur and proximal tibia (shown by the white circles in Fig. 7).
- An x-ray following the second stage procedure four months later shows bone remodeling in all areas where CERAMENT V has been injected (shown by the white circles in Figs. 8, 9).



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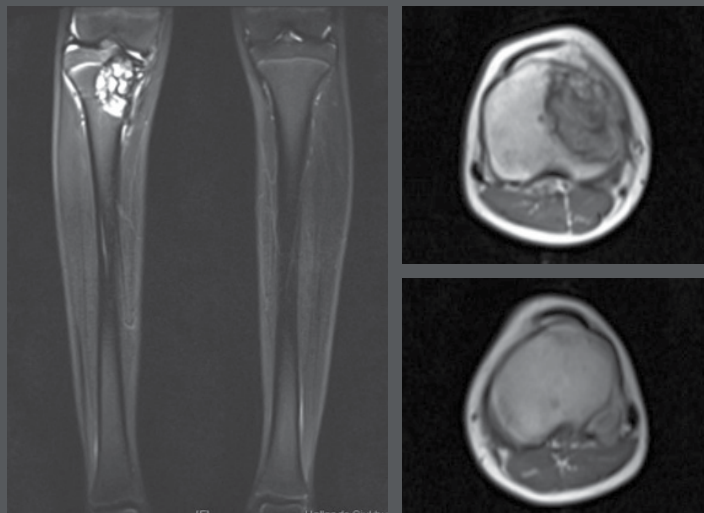


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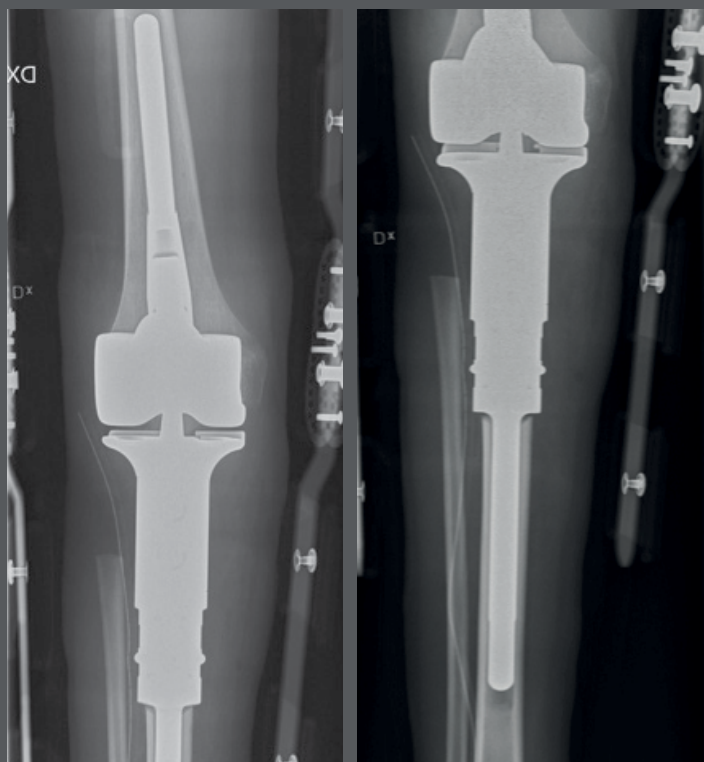


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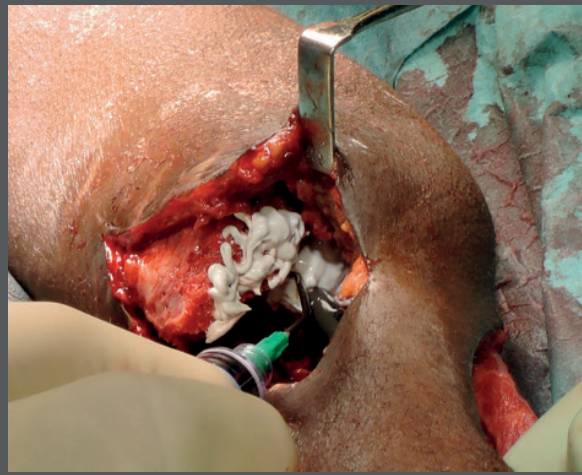


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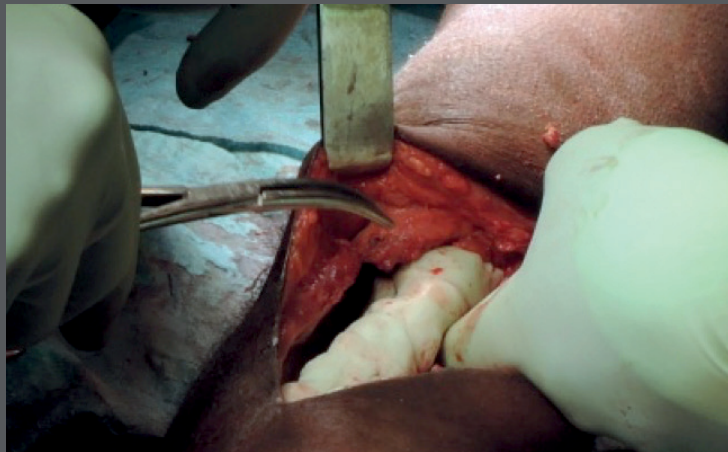


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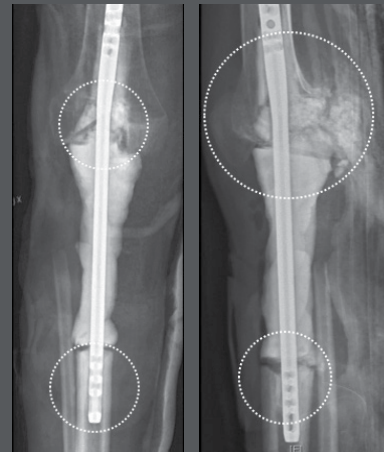


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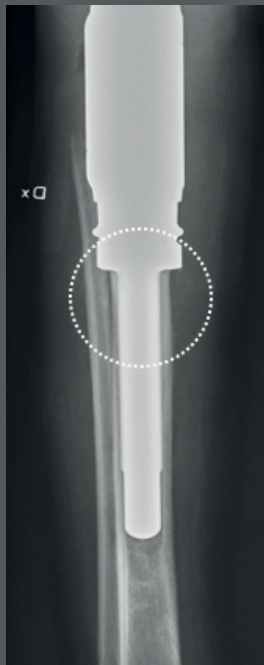
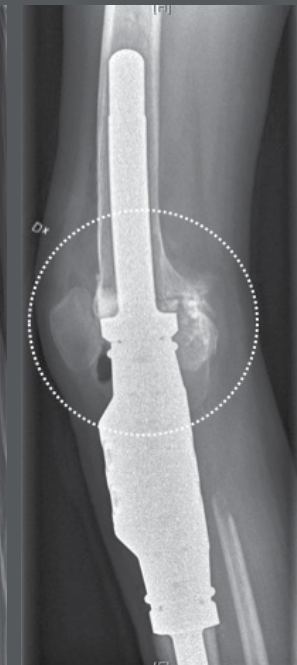


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Figure 9.



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