

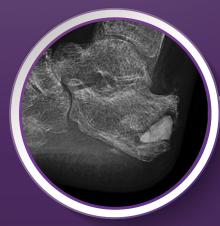
### CASE REPORT

**Medical Education Series** 

# **Chronic Osteomyelitis - Calcaneus**

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## **CHRONIC OSTEOMYELITIS - CALCANEUS**

#### PATIENT HISTORY

A 35 year old female sustained a tongue type calcaneus fracture. The original treatment was closed treatment of the fracture. 1 year post op patient was referred for debilitating pain and inability to fit into shoes. Patient was then treated with a calcaneal osteotomy and Achilles reattachment. 3 months later the patient experienced a draining sinus. The calcaneus was debrided, and the anchors and sutures were removed, the wound was closed, and the patient was prescribed IV Cefepime for 6 weeks. Bone cultures were positive for Serratia marcescens and Pseudomonas aeruginosa. 3 months later, the patient came back with a similar presentation, wound dehiscence and draining wound.

#### DIAGNOSIS

Chronic osteomyelitis of the calcaneus

#### TREATMENT

After failure of first debridement, a second extensive bony debridement was performed and CERAMENT G was injected into the subsequent bone void. Bone culture was again positive for Serratia marcescens, however negative for Pseudomonas aeruginosa. The patient was again prescribed IV Cefepime for 6 weeks.

- 1st Treatment Closed treatment of tongue type calcaneus fracture
- 2nd Treatment 1 year later Calcaneus osteotomy and Achilles reattachment
- 3rd Treatment Debridement and removal of anchors and sutures with wound closure
- 4th Treatment Extensive debridement with injection of CERAMENT G

#### CULTURE

Positive for Serratia marcescens

#### OUTCOME

Infection resolution and bone remodeling of CERAMENT G.



## **2nd Treatment**





## **3rd Treatment**



3rd Treatment pre-op: Debridement and removal of anchors and sutures. Wound was closed and patient had IV Cefepime for 6 weeks.

## **4th Treatment**





4th Treatment pre-op.



4th Treatment intra-op: Extensive bony debridement and injection of CERAMENT G .



4th Treatment post-op: 3 months. Visible signs of bone remodeling.

#### **Advancing Osteomyelitis Management**

- Bone remodeling to promote and protect bone healing
- Local antibiotic elution that is safe, consistent and clinically significant<sup>1</sup>

1 Stravinskas et al. 'Pharmacokinetics of gentamicin eluted from a regenerating bone graft substitute - In vitro and clinical release studies'. Bone Joint Res. 2016; 5:427–435

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