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Growth Factors and Bone Morphogenetic Proteins as Relevant to Spinal and Fracture Surgery

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Why is Bone Grafting Important?

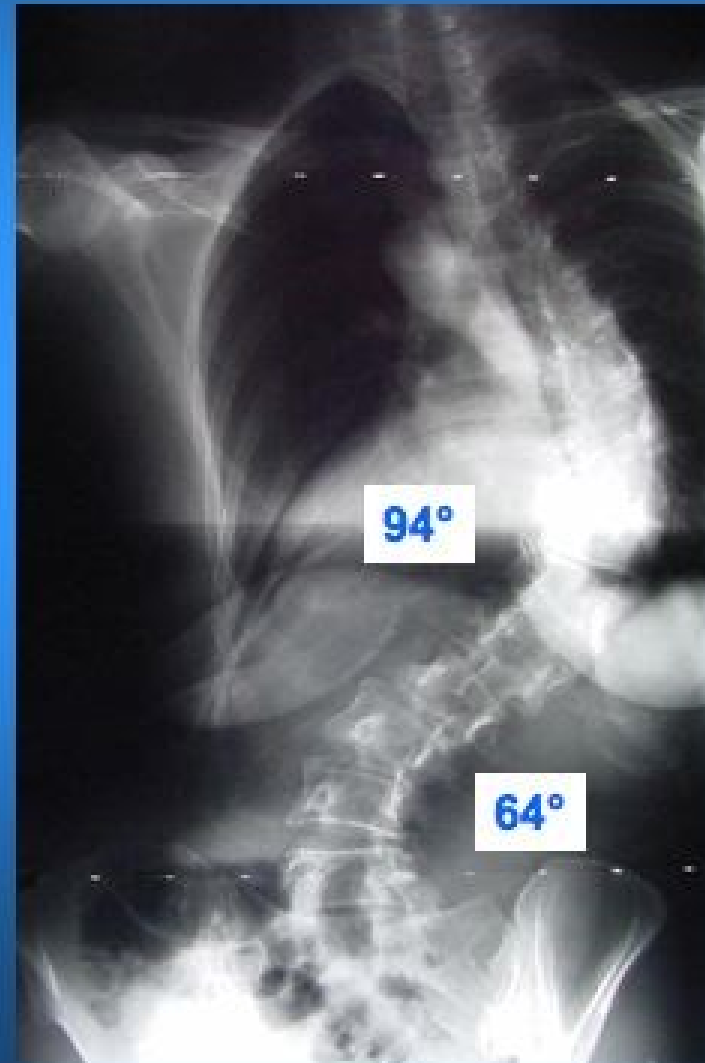
◆ Fracture Surgery



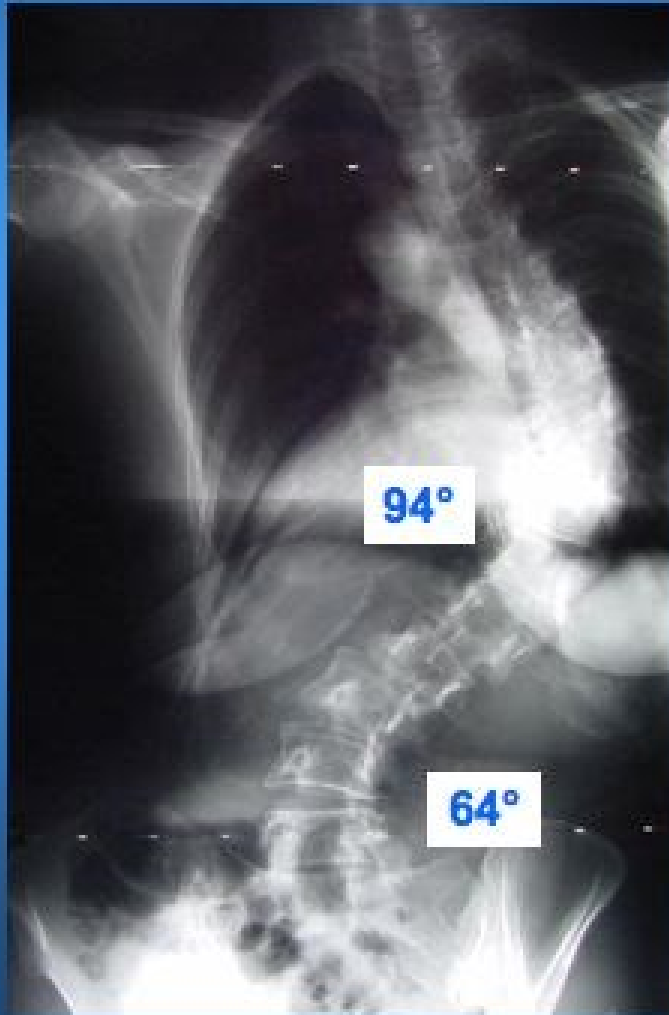
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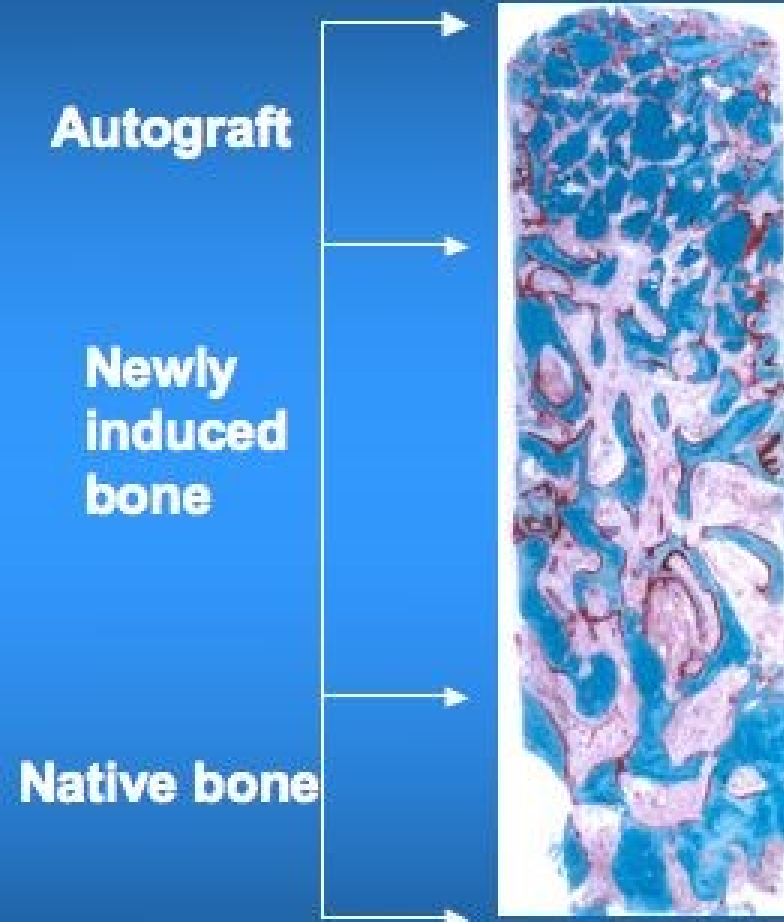


Why is Bone Grafting Important?



Benefits of Autogenous ICBG

- ◆ Objective: To harvest live viable cells capable of forming bone following transplantation
- ◆ Fresh autograft is
 - ❖ Osteoconductive
 - Scaffold for new bone formation
 - ❖ Osteogenic
 - Contains bone forming cells
 - ❖ Limited osteoinductivity
 - Contains small amounts of growth factors (BMPs) embedded in bone mineral



Longitudinal section of bone biopsy from human maxilla*

*Boyne et al. J Oral Max Surg 2005.

Limitations of Autogenous ICBG

◆ Complications

- ❖ Pain, morbidity

◆ Quantity

- ❖ Revisions, multi-levels

◆ Quality

❖ Age

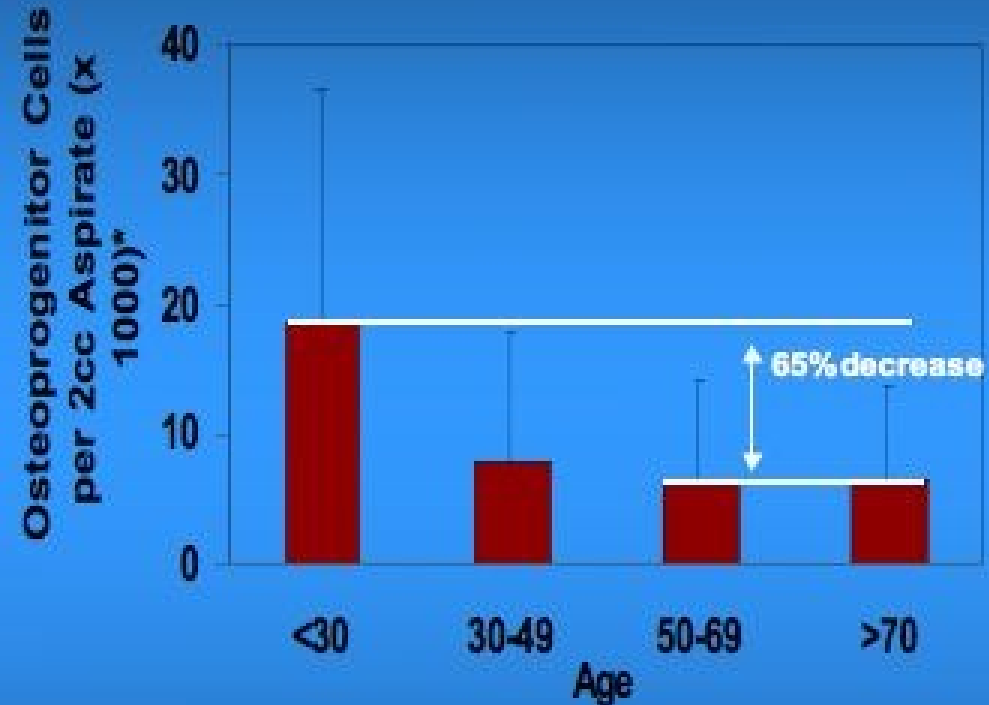
- Stem cells decrease w/ age

❖ Comorbidities

- Diabetes, smoking, osteoporosis

❖ Therapies

- Pharmaceuticals, radiation



Osteoinductivity & Bone Graft Replacements

- ◆ **Osteoinductivity is the key property for a graft replacement**
 - ❖ the ability to induce de novo bone formation at a non-bony site
- ◆ **Bone Morphogenetic Proteins are the only known differentiation factors that are osteoinductive**

Bone Morphogenic Proteins

- ◆ Family of more than 20 proteins (BMP-2, -7 and -14)
- ◆ Stimulate new bone formation
- ◆ Initiate osteoblastic differentiation of mesenchymal stem cells
- ◆ *Human bone contains 1 part per billion BMP-2*

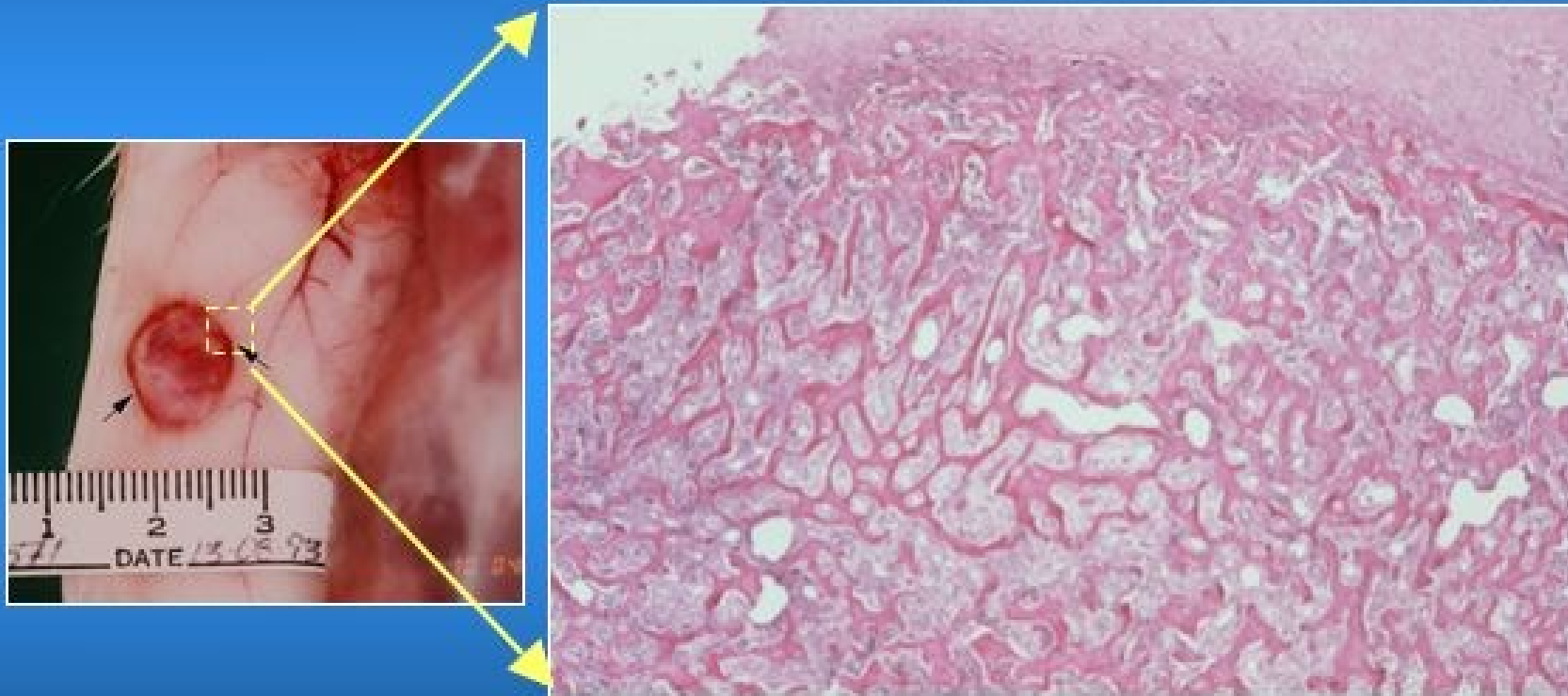
Origin of rhBMP-2

- ◆ BMP protein was purified from bovine bone:
- ◆ Starting material = 10 kilograms of bovine bone
- Final yield = 20 micrograms of all BMPs

Estimate:

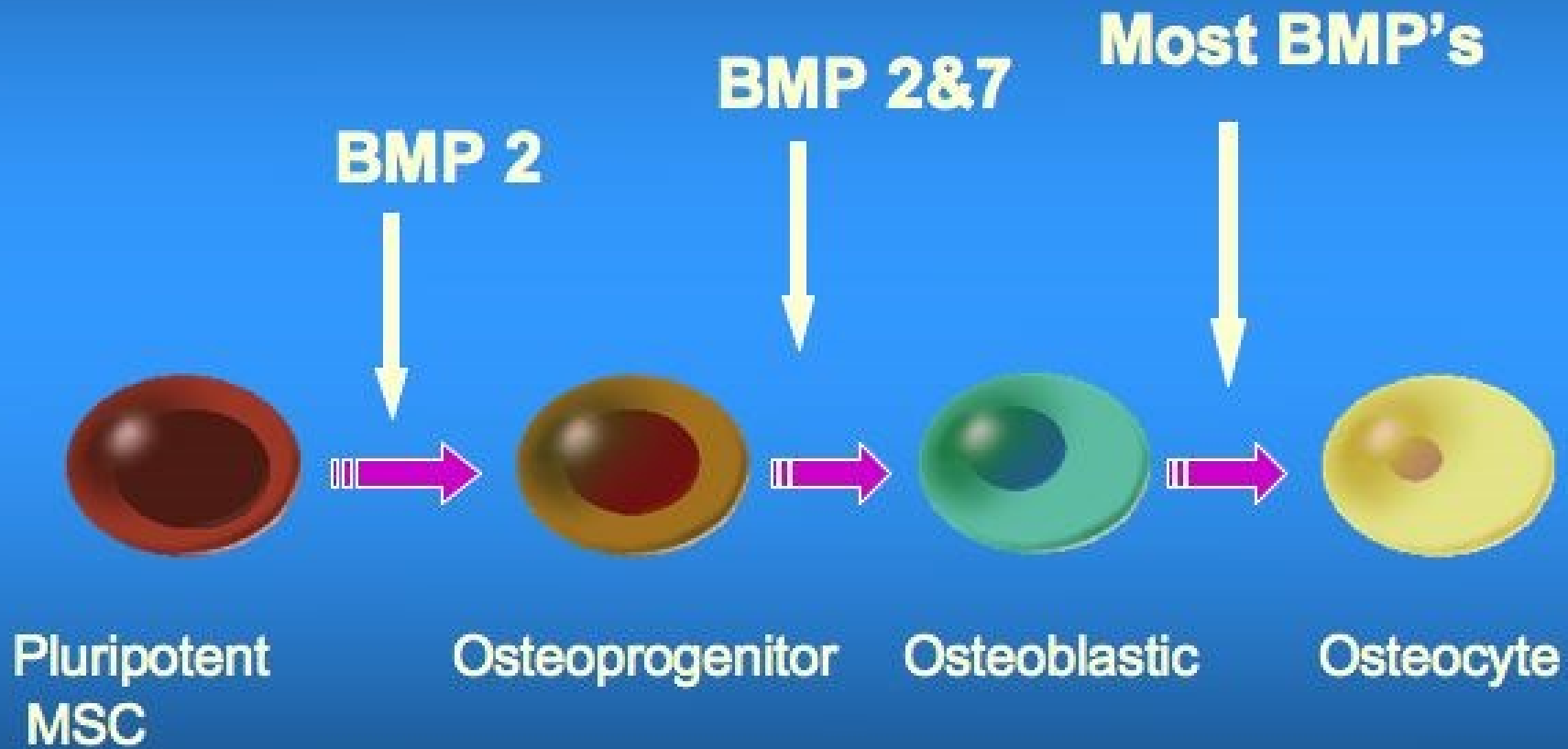
*human bone contains **1 part per billion** BMP-2*

Rat ectopic implant assay (non-bony site)



Bone formation 14 days post-implantation of rhBMP-2/ACS

Osteogenic Hierarchy of BMP's

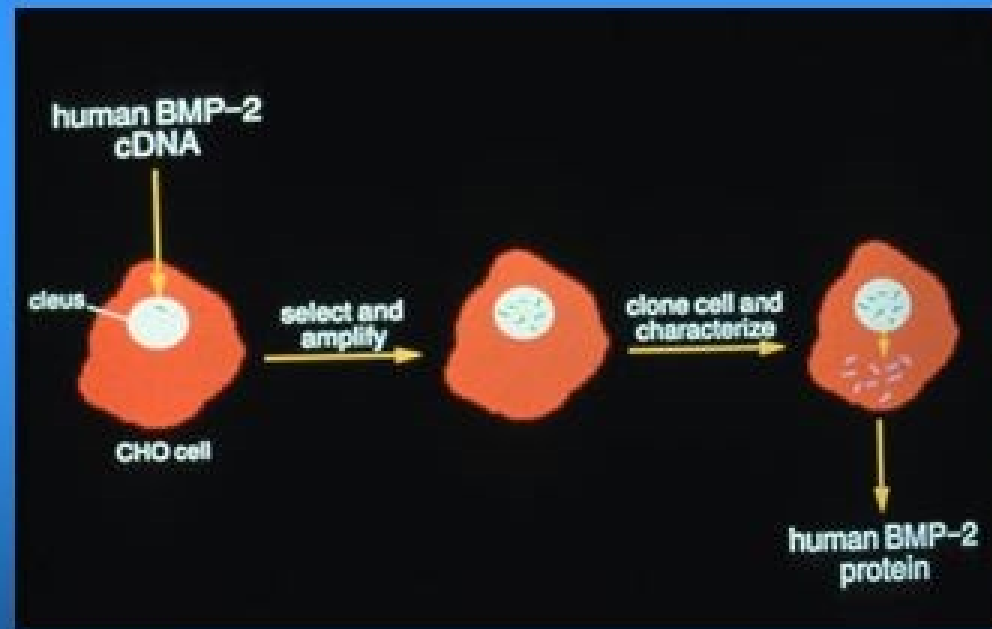


rhBMP-2 =

**recombinant human
bone morphogenetic protein-2**

Origin of rhBMP-2

- ◆ The gene for human BMP-2 was isolated
- ◆ This gene was inserted into a chromosome of a mammalian cell
- ◆ This cell line produces a pure natural human protein



rhBMPs Manufacture

◆ Process

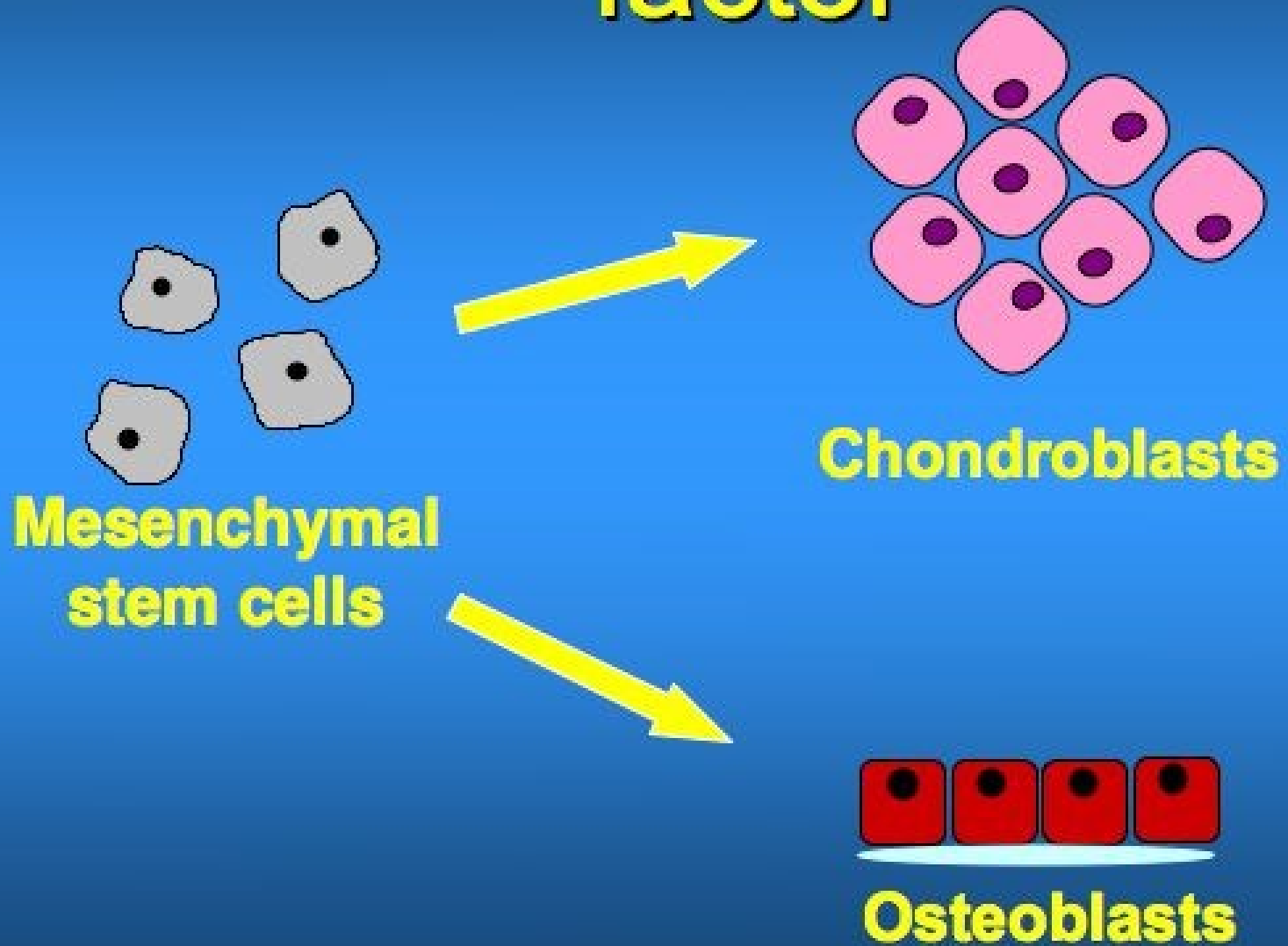
- ❖ Validated
- ❖ Consistent
- ❖ Large scale economical production
 - delivery of therapeutic doses

◆ Product

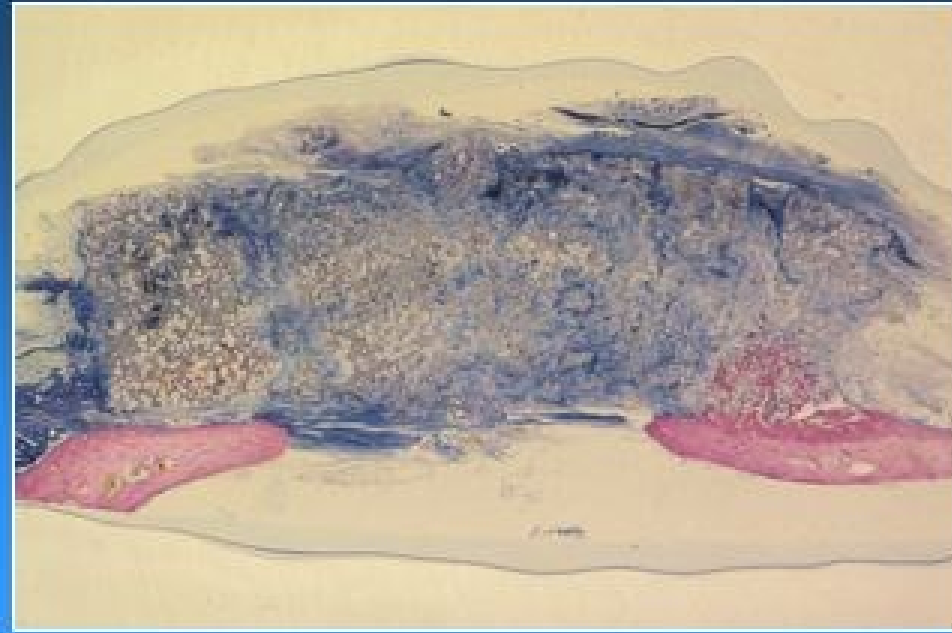
- ❖ High purity
- ❖ High potency
- ❖ Safe
 - free of pathogens



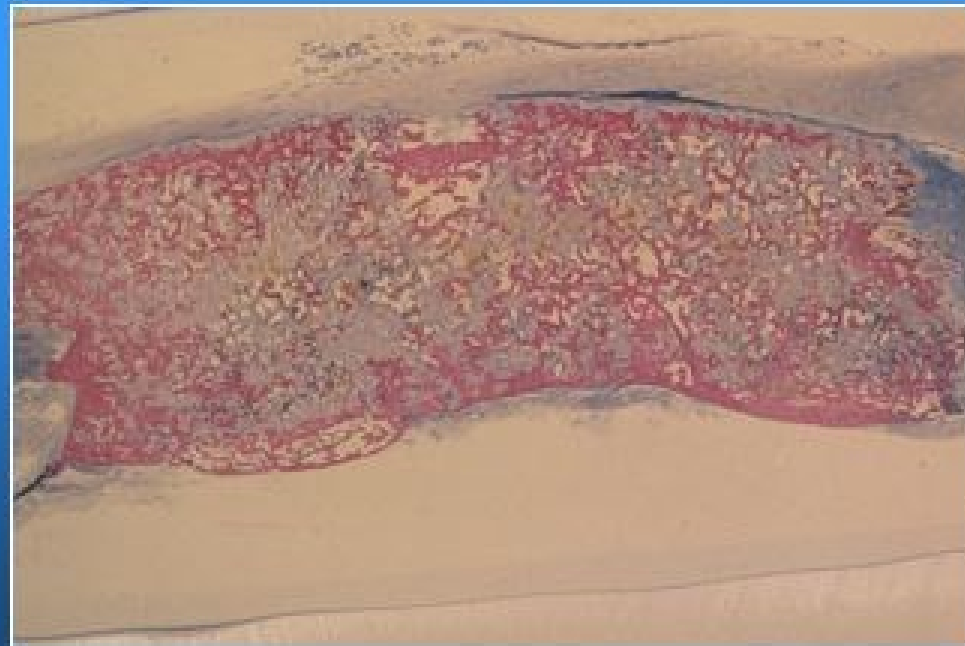
rhBMP-2 = differentiation factor



**Osteoconductive
Ceramic**



**Osteoinductive
(BMP-containing)
ceramic**



rhBMP-2 INFUSE Carrier

Absorbable Collagen Sponge

- ◆ **Commercially available in US since 1981**
 - ❖ Approved PMA
 - ❖ Implantable hemostatic agent
 - ❖ Extensive experience of safe use
- ◆ **Bovine tendon Type I collagen**
 - ❖ Manufacturing process meets/exceeds all US and EU guidance



INFUSE Interbody Fusions

Three sequential FDA-approved IDE clinical trials involving 679 patients

- **LT CAGE / Iliac crest bone graft**

- 402 total patients

- 136 Open ALIF approach
- 266 Laparoscopic ALIF approach



- **LT CAGE / INFUSE (rhBMP-2)**

- 277 total patients

- 143 Open ALIF approach
- 134 Laparoscopic ALIF approach



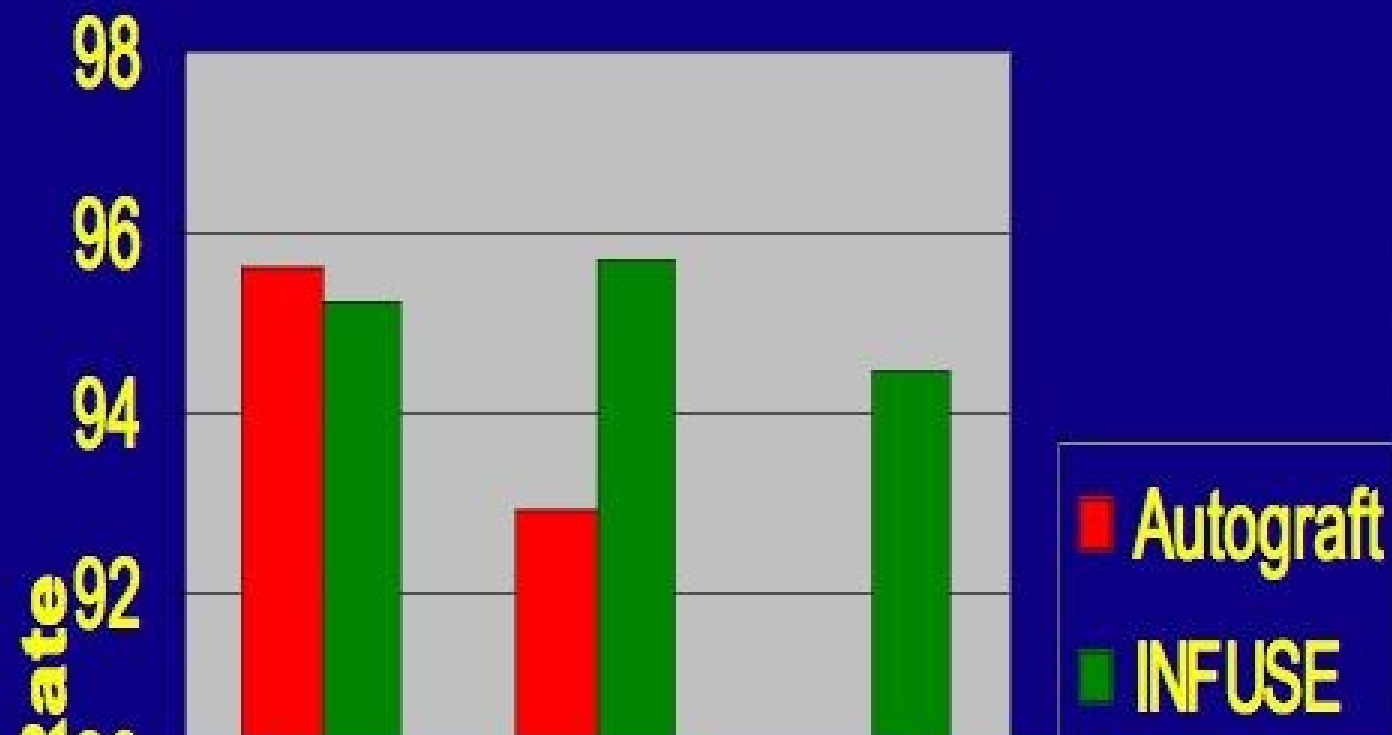
Surgical Data Summary

	<u>Autograft</u>	<u>rhBMP-2</u>	<u>p</u>
Operative time <i>(hours)</i>	2.7	1.8	<0.001
Blood loss <i>(ml)</i>	192.9	127.4	<0.024
Hospital stay <i>(days)</i>	3.1	2.2	<0.001

Fusion Success

Fusion "Success"

$p = 0.02$



LT Cage w/ rhBMP-2



Pre-op



Post-op

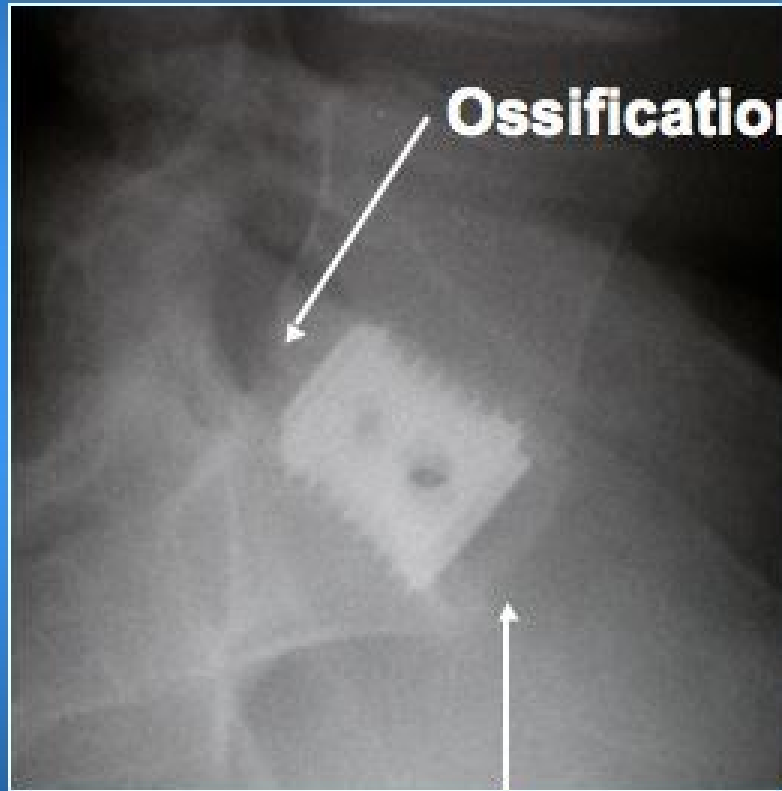


1 yr Post-op

LT Cage w/ rhBMP-2



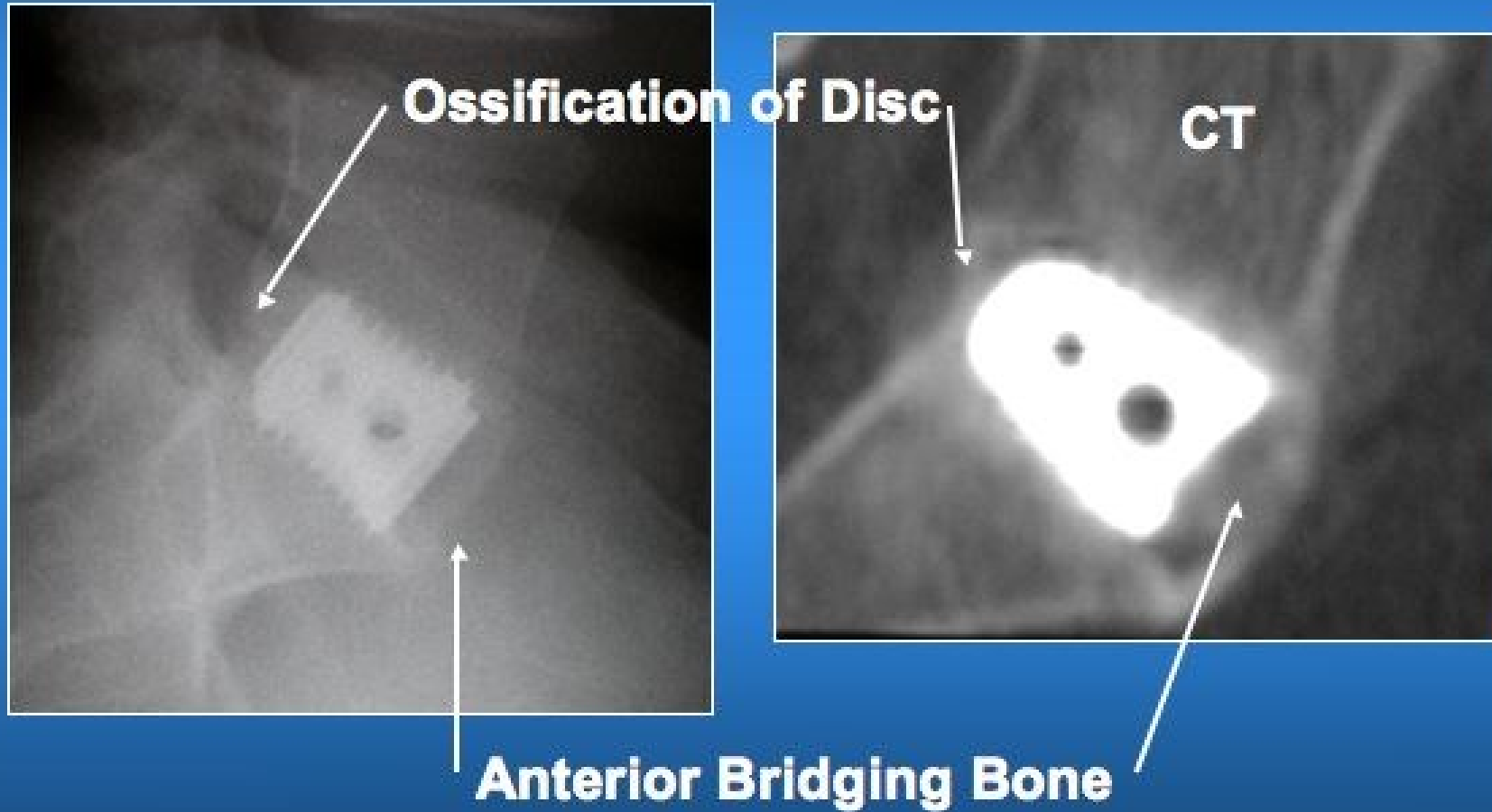
LT Cage w/ rhBMP-2



Ossification of Disc

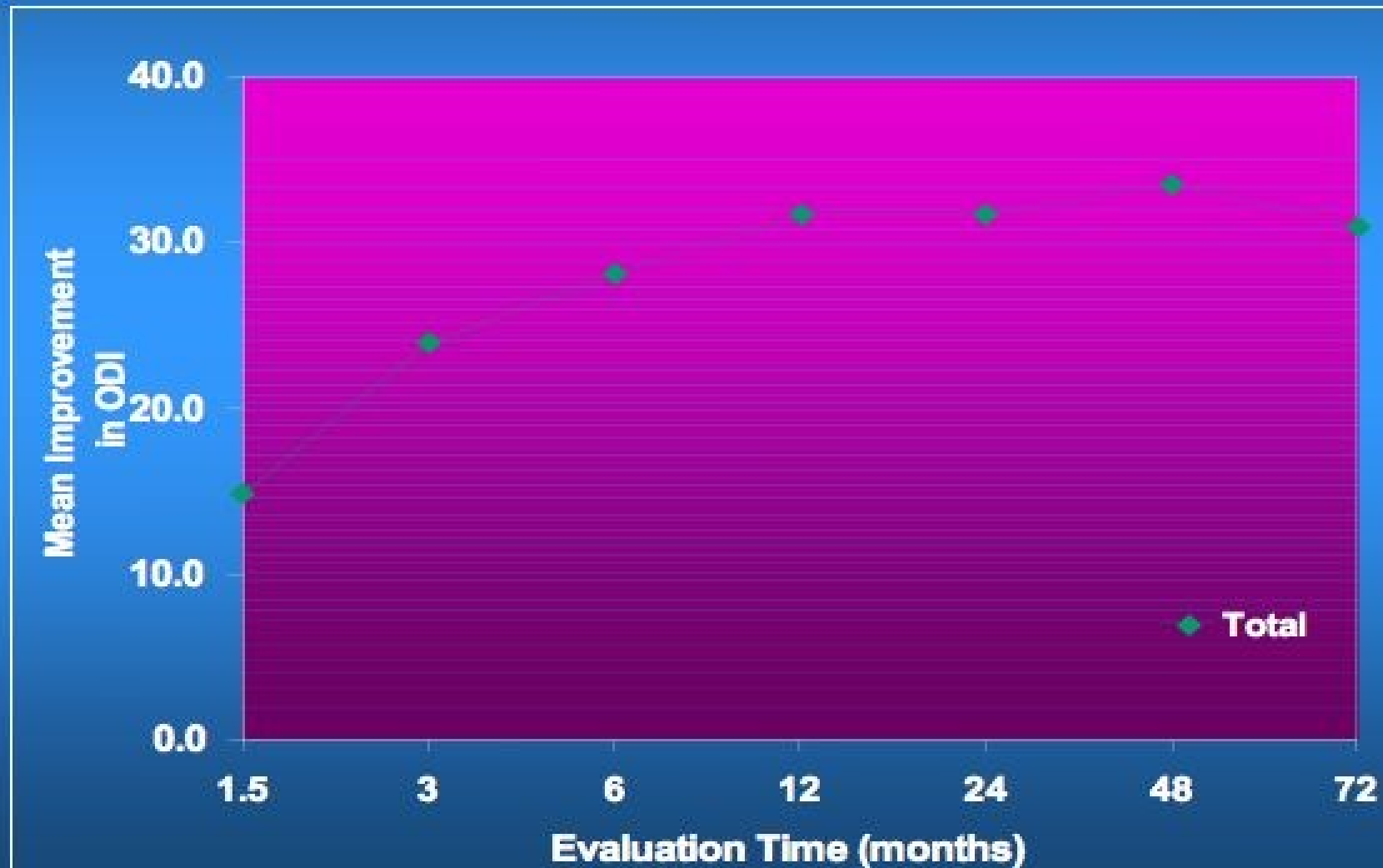
Anterior Bridging Bone

LT Cage w/ rhBMP-2



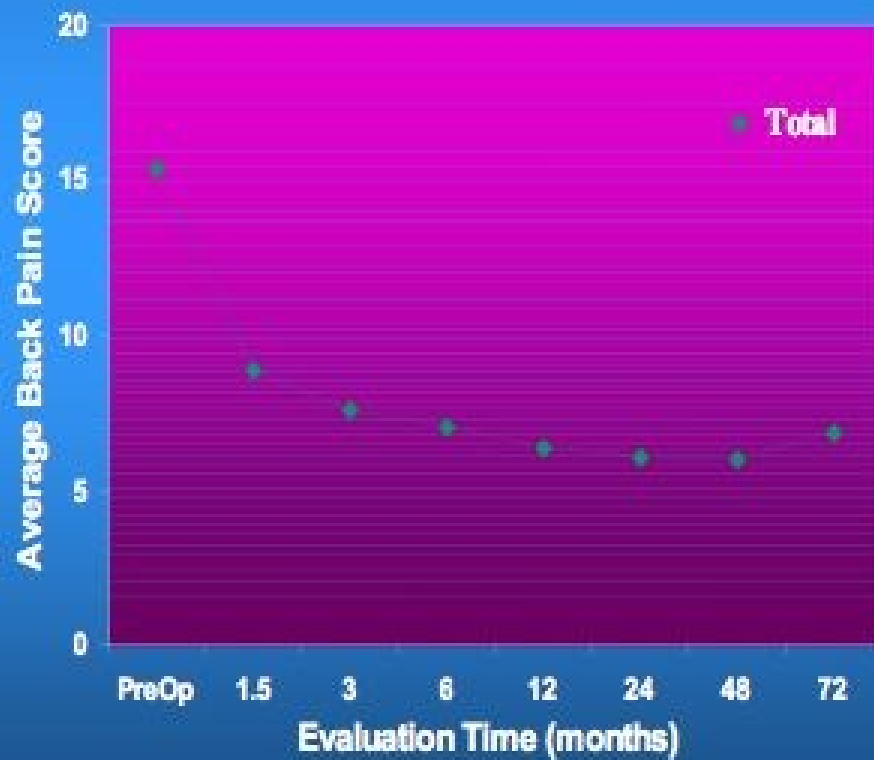
Improvement in Oswestry Scores

Low Back Pain and Disability

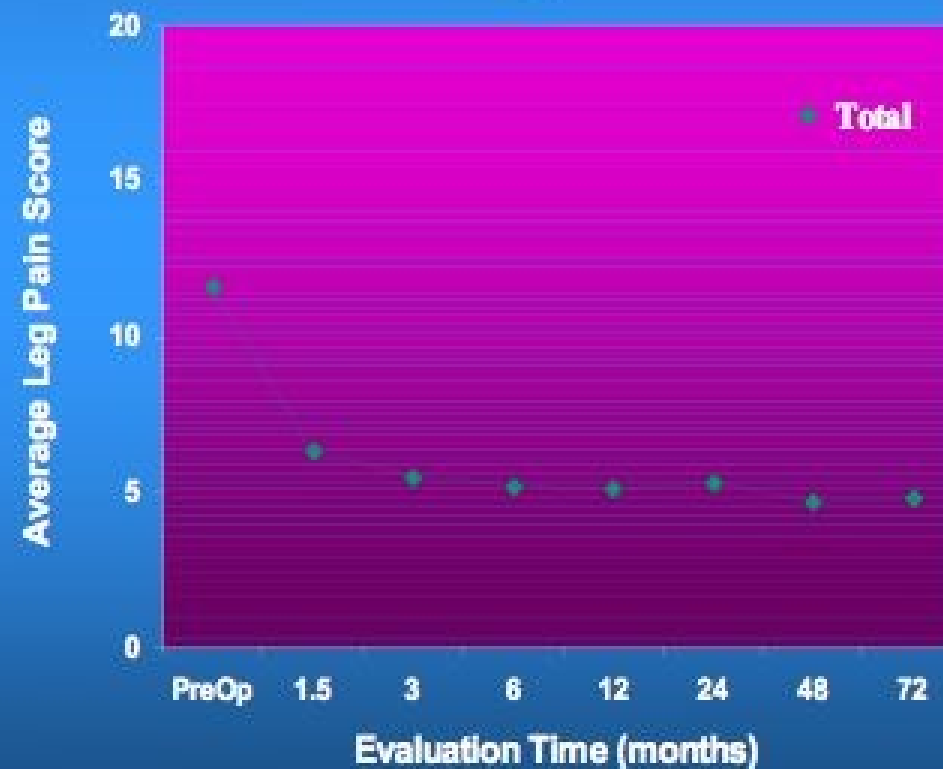


Back and Leg Pain Scores

Back Pain



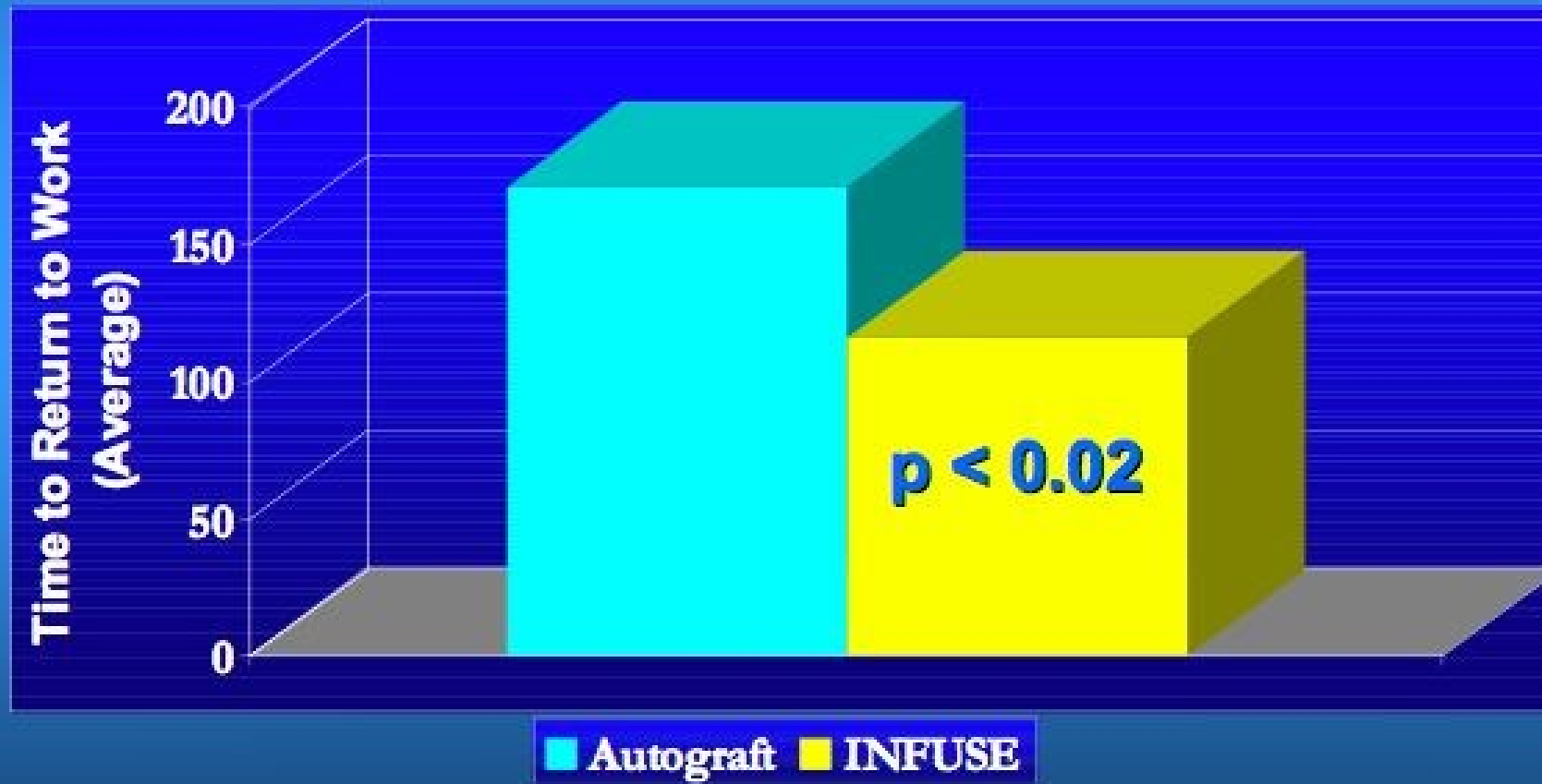
Leg Pain



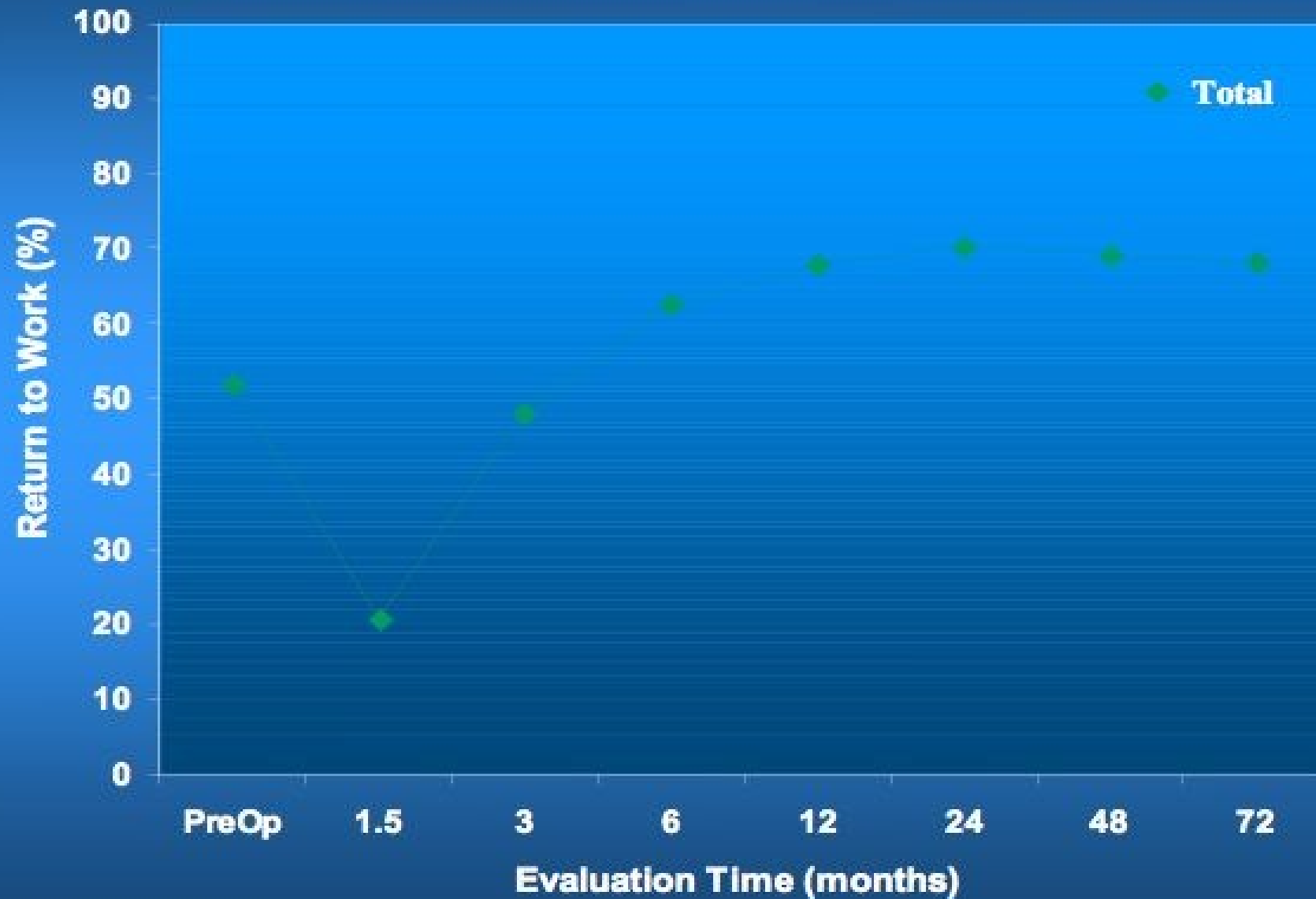
20 Point Scale: 10 pts frequency, 10 pts intensity

Return to Work

(Time-to-event analysis)



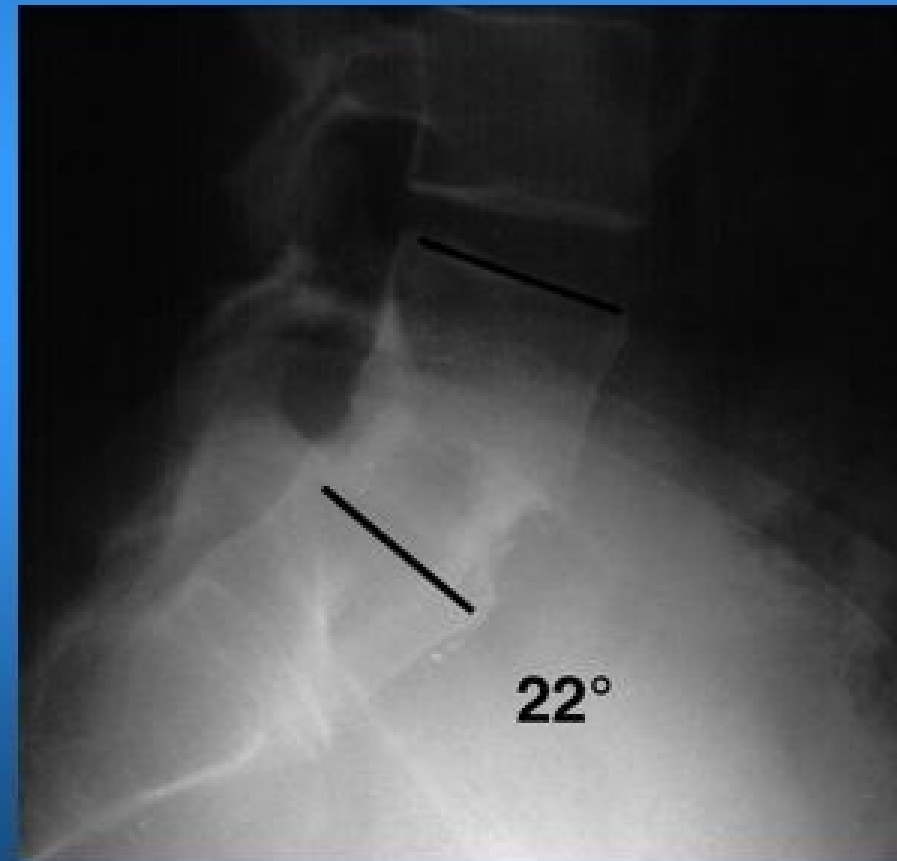
Return to Work



Use of rhBMP-2 in Combination with Structural Cortical Allografts: Clinical and Radiographic Outcomes in Anterior Lumbar Spinal Surgery

J. Kenneth Burkus, Harvinder S. Sandhu, Matthew F. Gomet and Michael C. Longley
J Bone Joint Surg Am. 87:1205-1212, 2005. doi:10.2106/JBJS.D.02532

- ◆ **Prospective**
- ◆ **Multi-center**
 - ❖ 15 investigational sites
- ◆ **Randomized 131 patients**
 - ❖ 79 rhBMP-2
 - ❖ 52 Autograft control



Radiographic Fusion Success



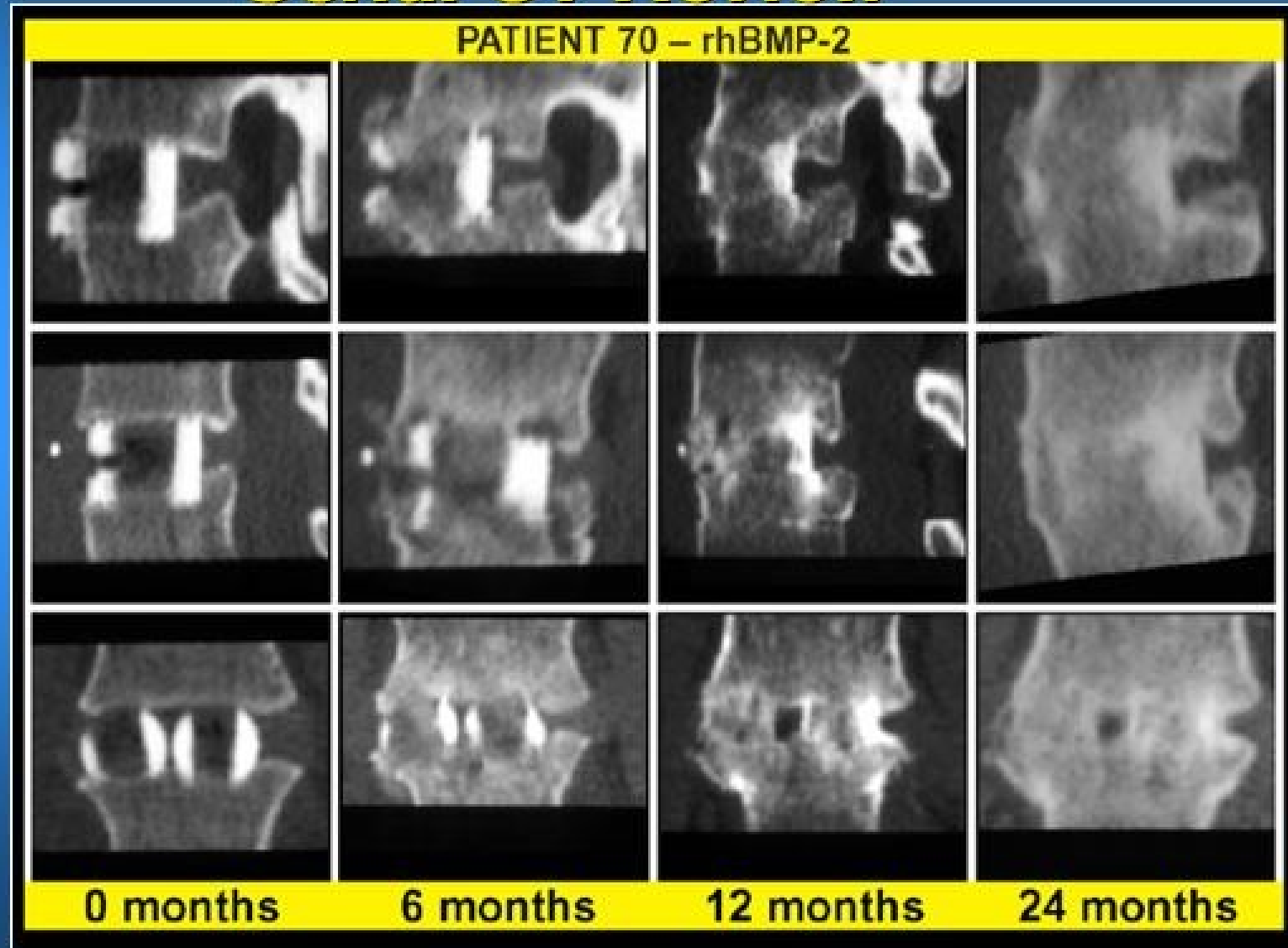
rhBMP-2 (INFUSE)

Serial CT Review

Right
Dowel

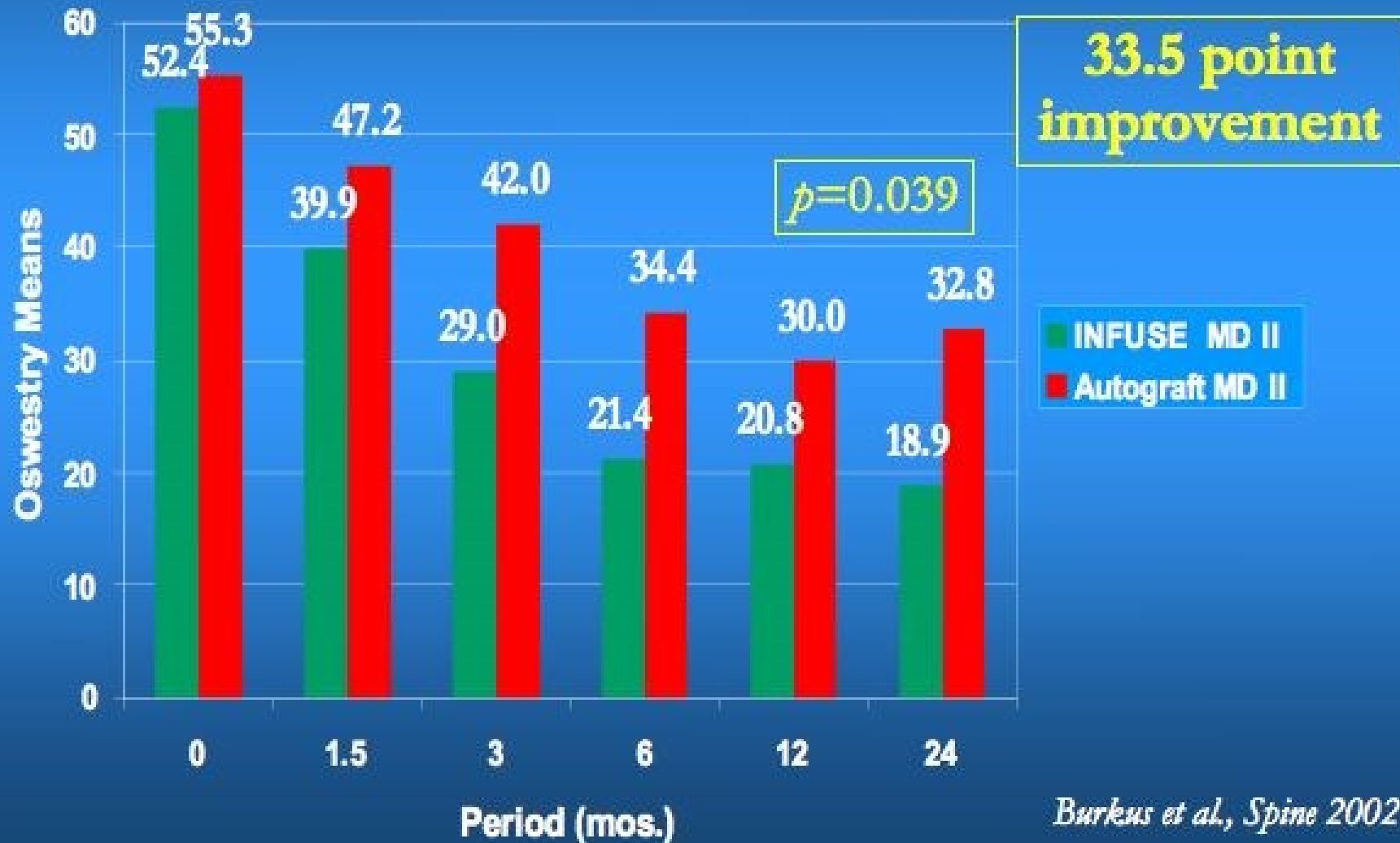
Left
Dowel

Coronal
View



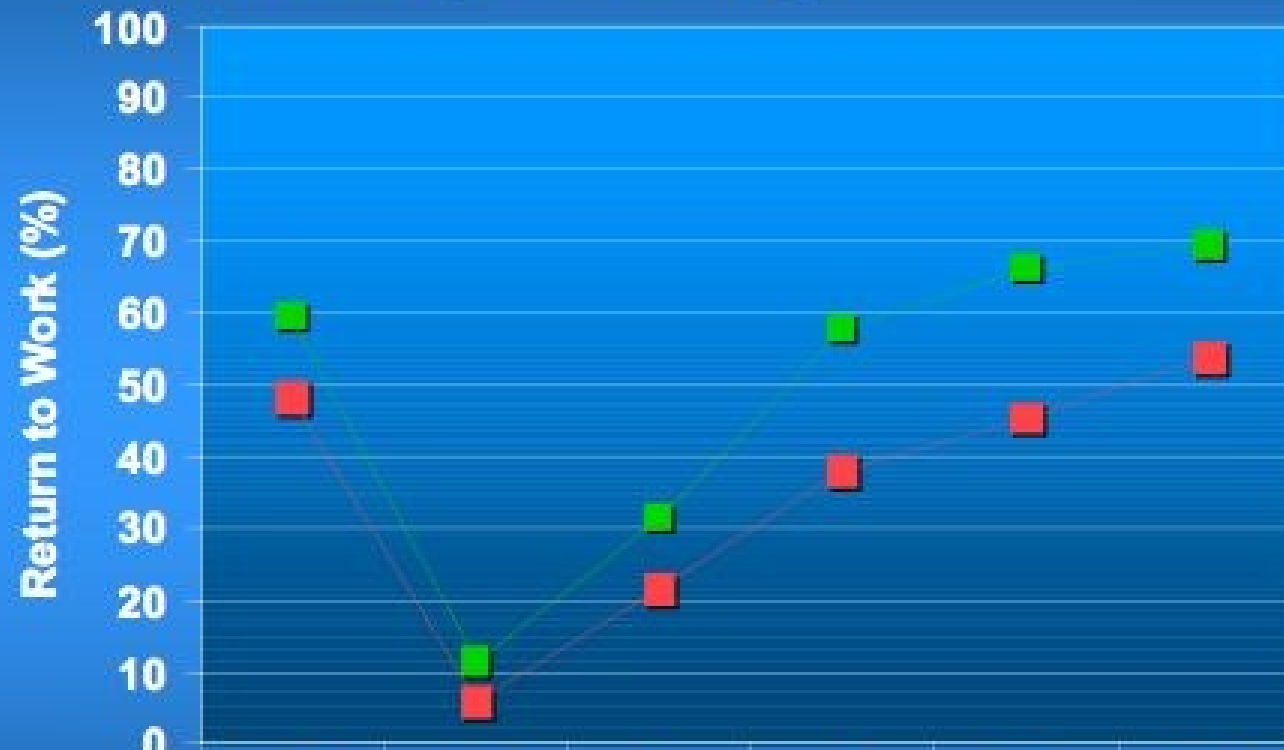
rhBMP-2 (INFUSE) vs Autograft

Oswestry Results



Work Status

(Percentage Working)



	PreOp	1.5	3	6	12	24
■ Autograft	48.1	5.9	21.6	38	45.5	53.8
■ INFUSE Bone Graft	59.5	11.5	31.6	57.7	66.2	69.4




Evaluation Time (months)

Burkus et al, *JBJS*, 2004

Posterolateral Fusion



Optimized Carriers and rhBMP-2 Formulations

Carrier	BCP (60 HA : 40 TCP)	CRM (Collagen + Ceramic)	INFUSE + MasterGraft
			
rhBMP-2 Concentration	2.0 mg/mL	2.0 mg/mL	1.5 mg/mL
rhBMP-2 Dose	20 mg/side	20 mg/side	6 mg/side

Canadian rhBMP-2/Ceramic BCP Posterolateral Lumbar Fusion Study

◆ Prospective, randomized, multicenter study – 97 patients (Level-1 data)

- ❖ 1 and 2 level instrumented posterolateral fusions

 - 48 - rhBMP-2 Investigational

 - 49 – Autograft control

◆ Outcomes: similar in both groups

◆ Fusion rates:

- ❖ 97.1% - rhBMP-2 Investigational

- ❖ 60.6% - autograft control



Study Design

Instrumented Single-Level Posterolateral Lumbar Fusion

◆ Randomized, controlled

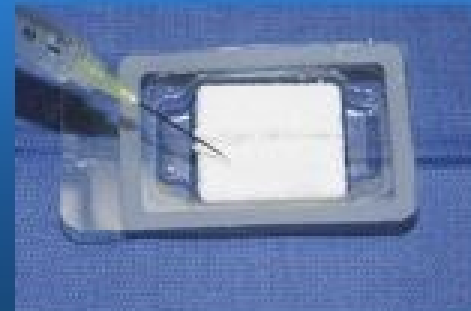
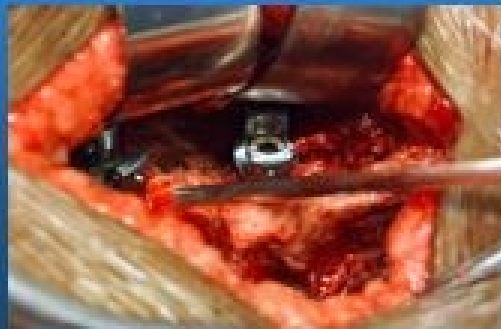
❖ 239 patients with AMPLIFY™ rhBMP-2 Matrix (Medtronic Sofamor Danek)

➢ 20 cc matrix containing 2.0 mg/cc rhBMP-2

❖ 224 patients with iliac crest bone graft

❖ Local bone was discarded in both groups

❖ No interbody fusion was performed

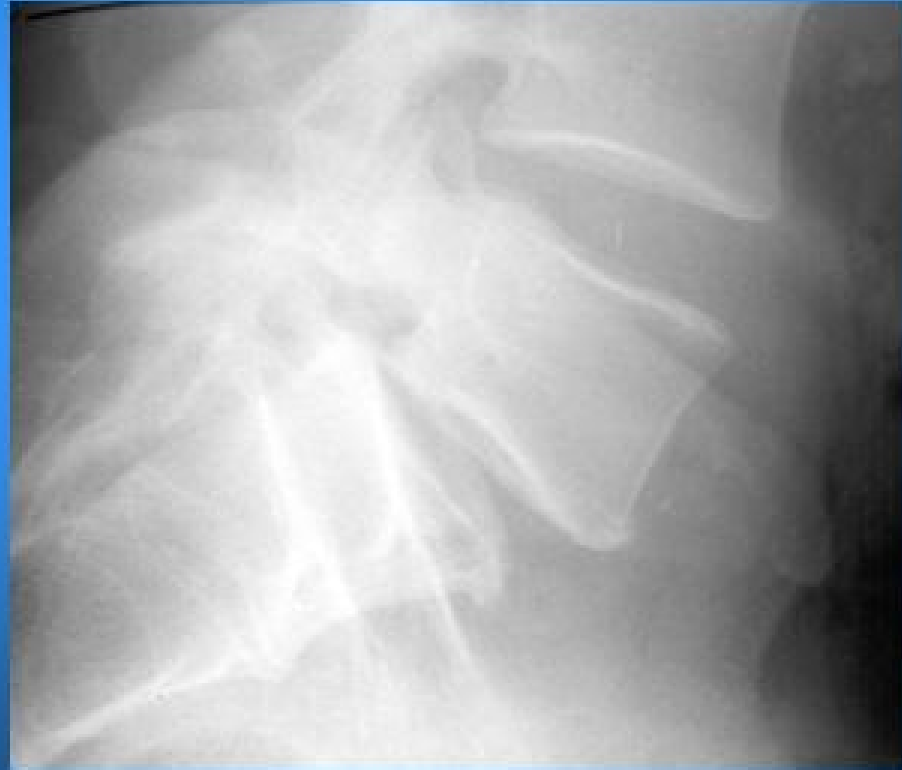


Improvement in Oswestry Disability Index

Significant improvements from pre-operative status in both groups ($p < 0.001$)



Case Presentation

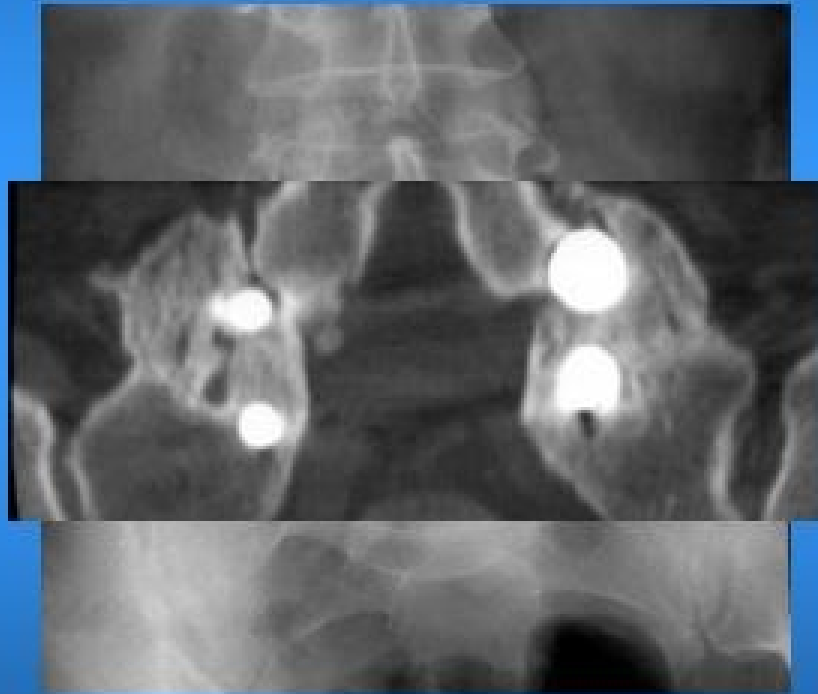


Immediate Postoperative

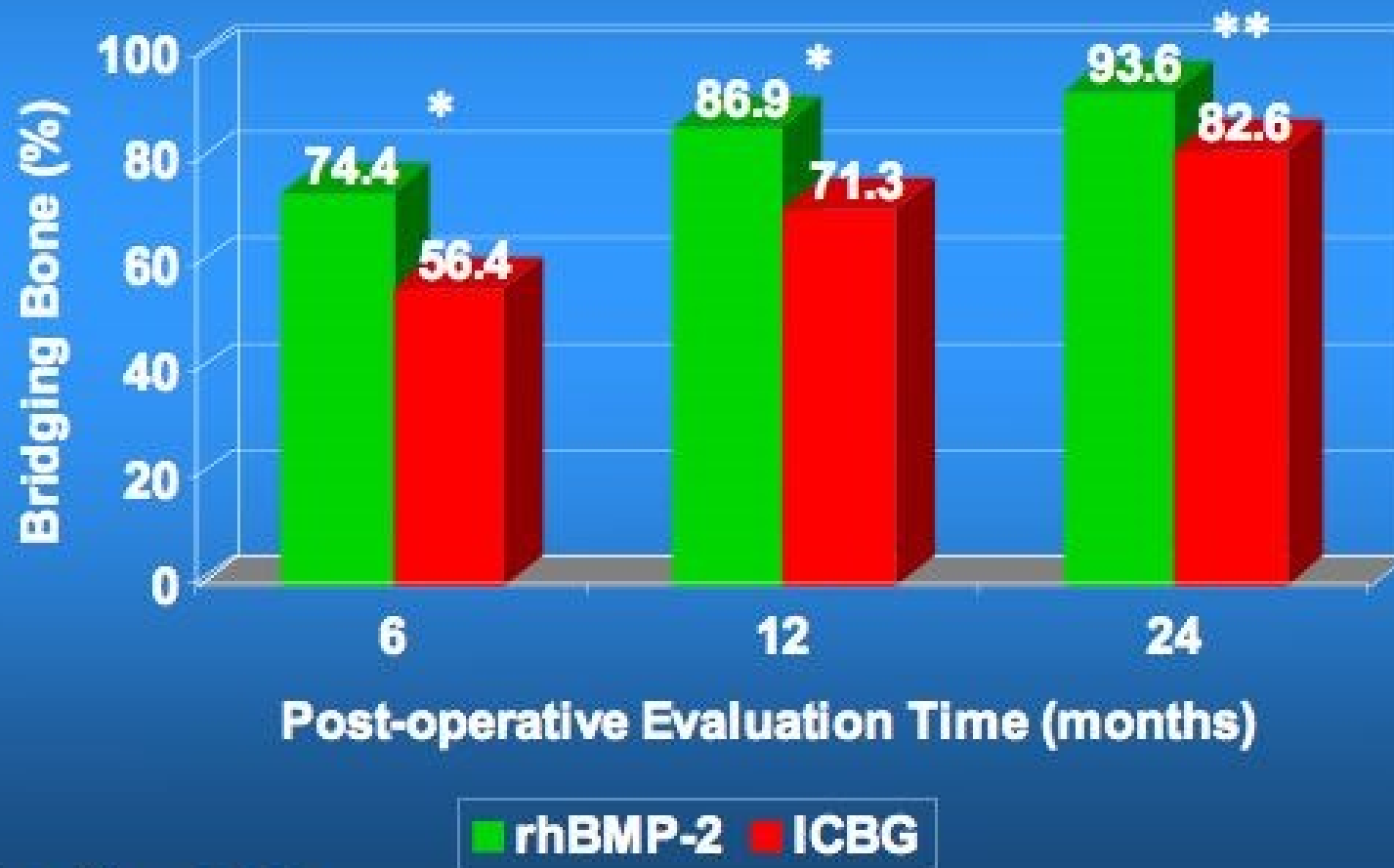


rhBMP-2/CRM Clinical Study

6-month radiographs



Incidence of Bridging Bone *CT Assessment Only*



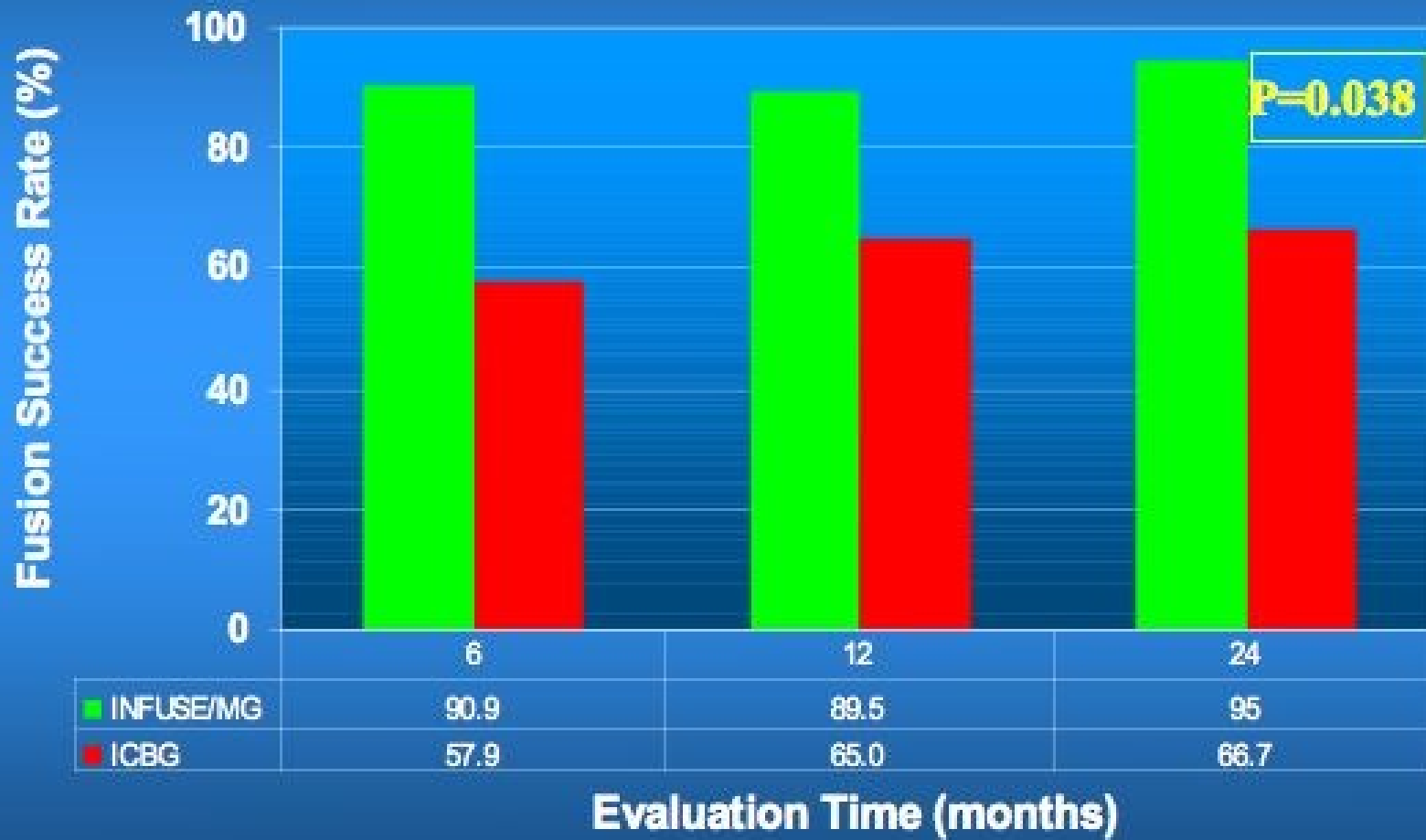
* $p < 0.001$, ** $p = 0.024$

INFUSE Bone Graft and MasterGraft Ceramic Granules

- ◆ Prospective, randomized, multicenter study
 - ❖ 1 level instrumented posterolateral fusion
 - ❖ Investigational
 - Large II kit INFUSE Bone Graft
 - ❖ 1.5 mg/cc on ACS carrier
 - ❖ 8 cc containing 12 mg rhBMP-2
 - MasterGraft Granules
 - ❖ 15% HA / 85% TCP
 - ❖ Control
 - ICBG
 - ❖ All locally harvested bone was discarded



CT Evidence of Bridging Trabecular Bone

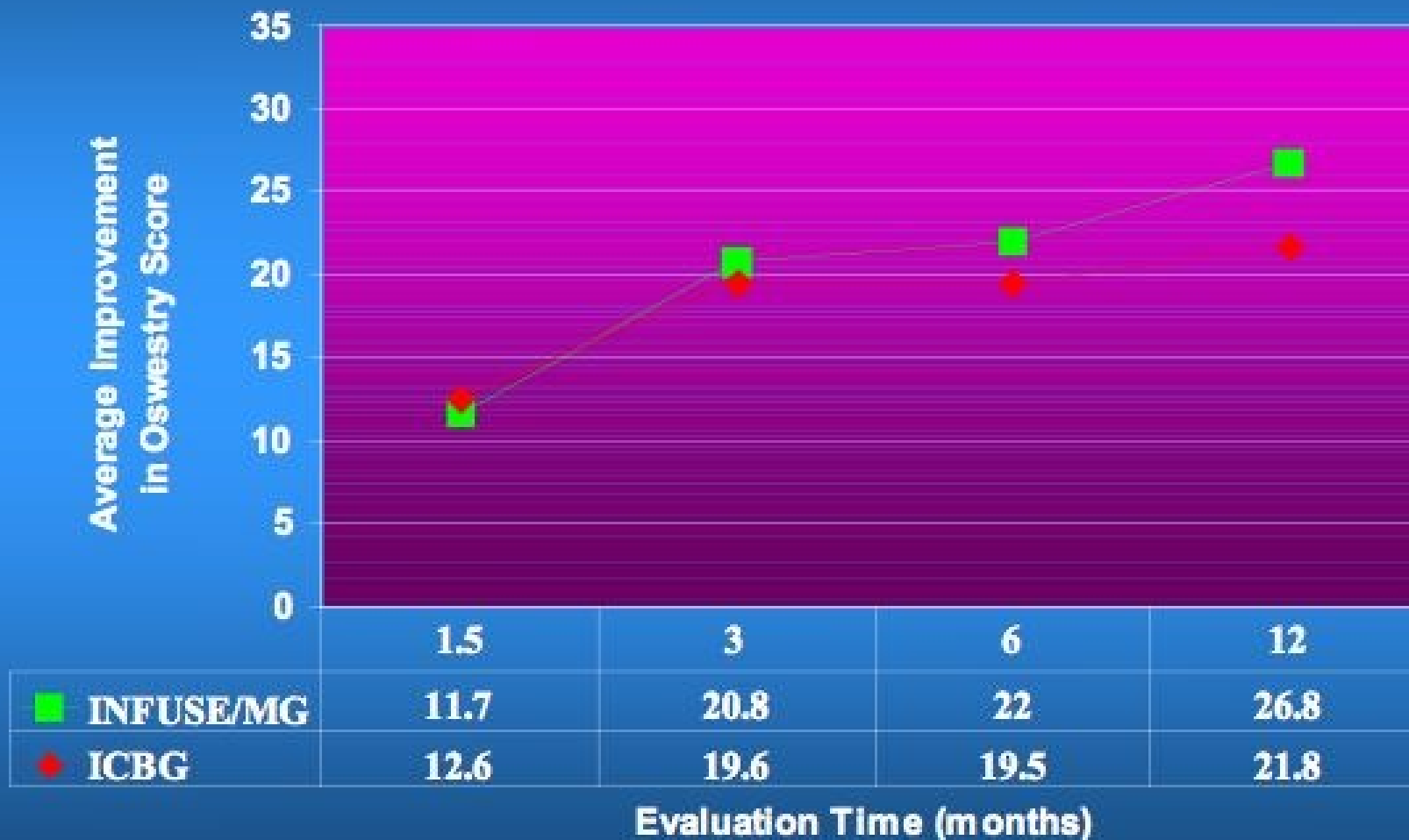


INFUSE Bone Graft and MasterGraft Ceramic Granules

◆ CT scan Fusion Assessment



Improvement in Low Back Pain and Disability (Decrease in ODI)



ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Use of Recombinant Human Bone Morphogenetic
Protein-2 as an Adjunct in Posterolateral
Lumbar Spine Fusion

A Prospective CT-Scan Analysis at One and Two Years

Kern Singh, MD, Joseph D. Smucker, MD,† and Scott D. Boden, MD‡*

J Spinal Disord Tech • Volume 19, Number 6, August 2006

Study Design

◆ Purpose:

- ❖ To evaluate the presence, quality and speed of radiographic fusion induced by INFUSE® Bone Graft and a bulking agent in PL fusion procedures

◆ Groups:

- ❖ INFUSE® Bone Graft + ICBG + Local Bone
(n = 39 patients & 70 levels)
 - (1) Large II kit per level
- ❖ ICBG + Local Bone (n = 11 patients & 22 levels)
- ❖ M8 titanium or TSRH instrumentation

◆ Methods:

- ❖ Single level & multi-level instrumented PL fusion
- ❖ Range: 1- 3 levels

◆ Duration:

- ❖ 24 month study

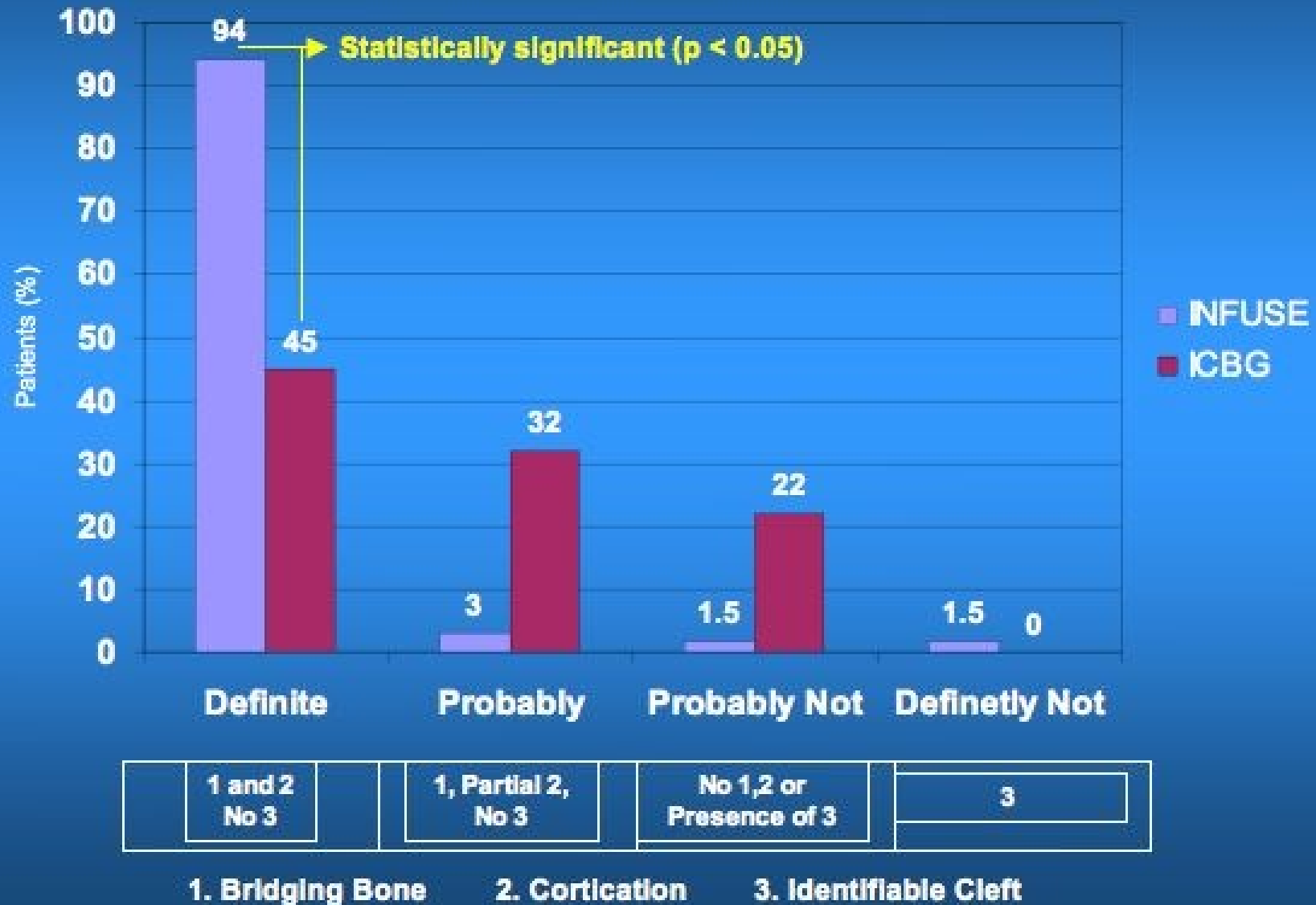
◆ Fusion Assessment Methodology:

- ❖ Thin slice CTs

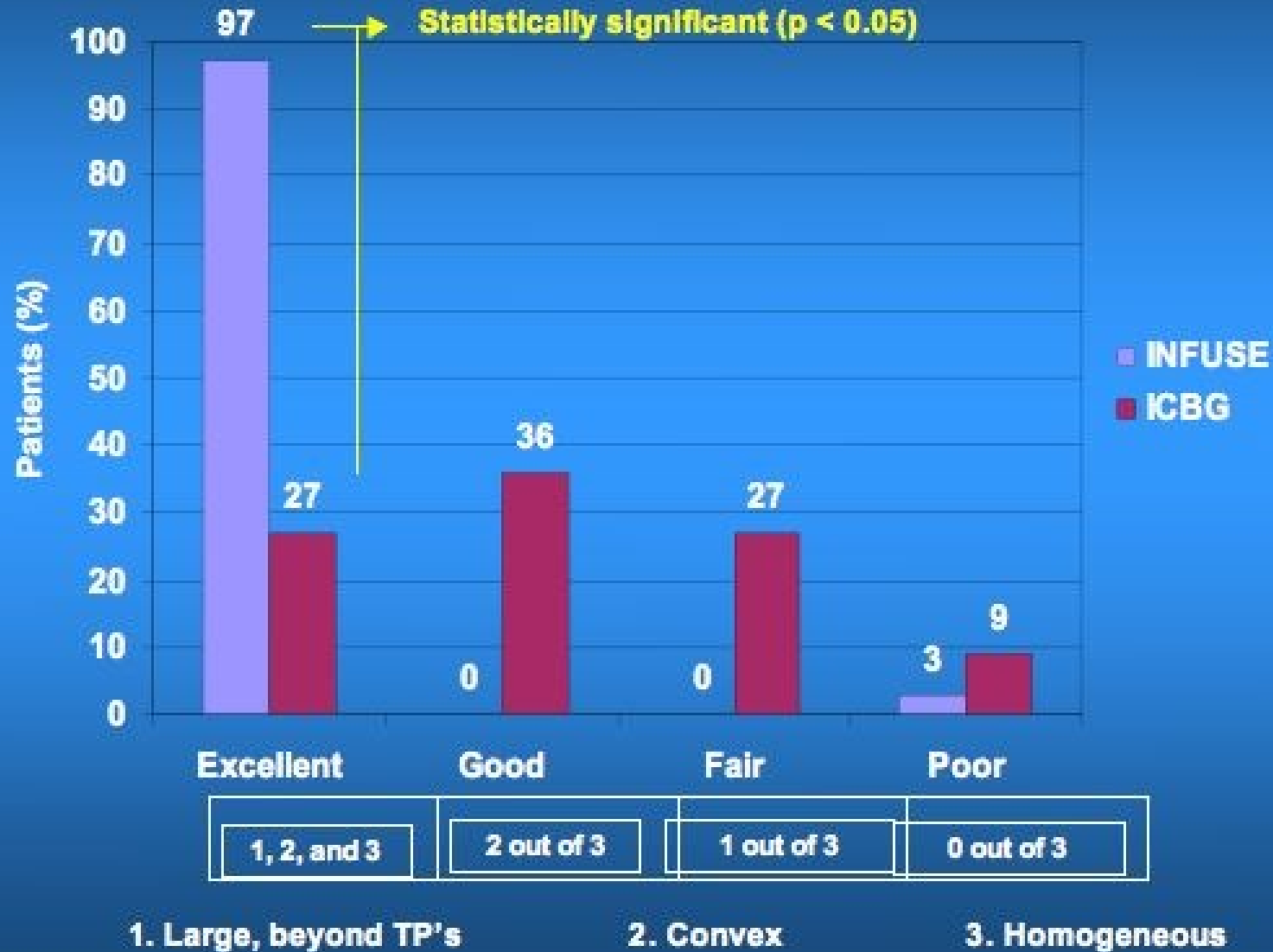


2 – 4 cc Laminectomy Bone

24 Month Fusion Assessment

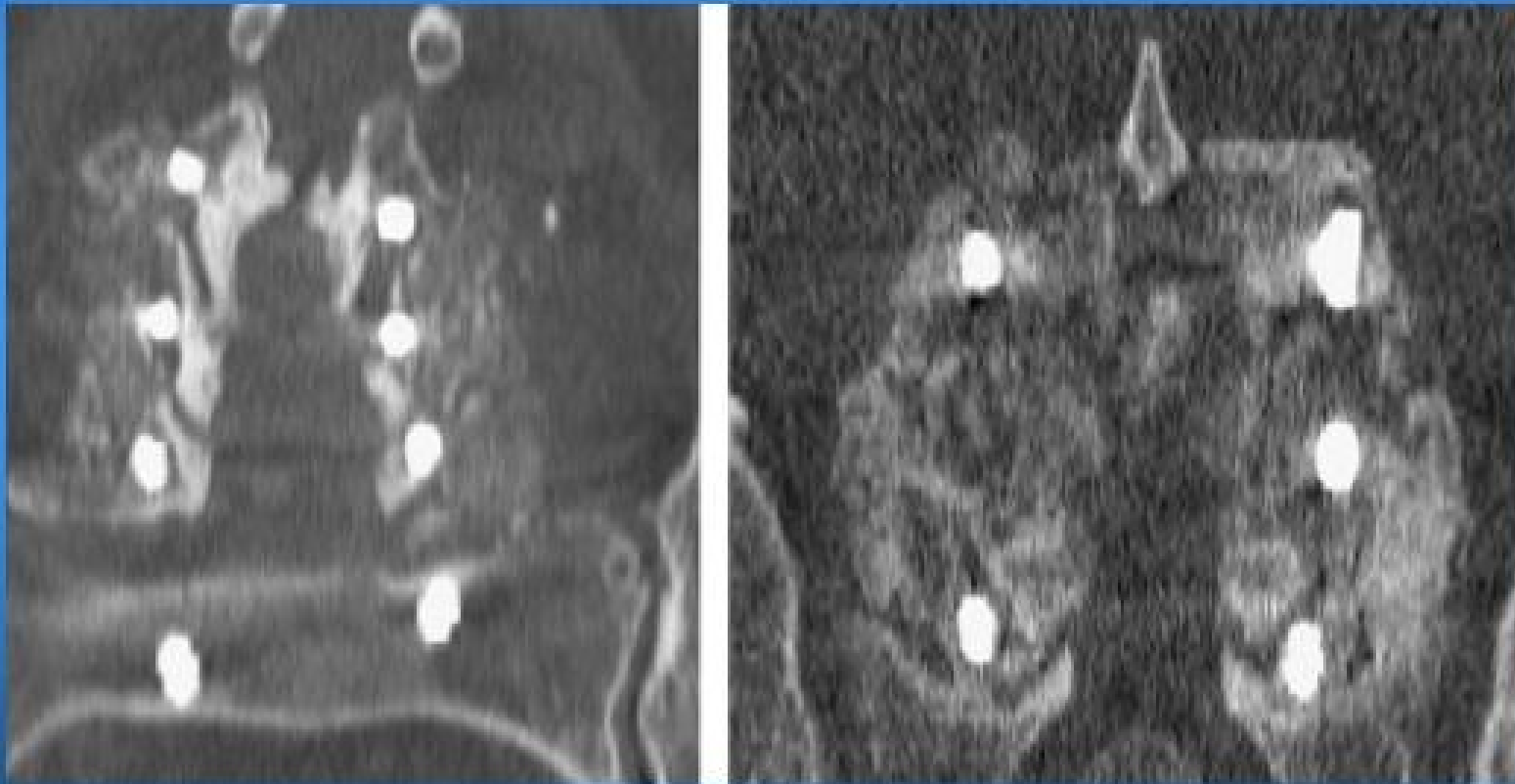


24 Month Quality of Fusion



Radiographic Results

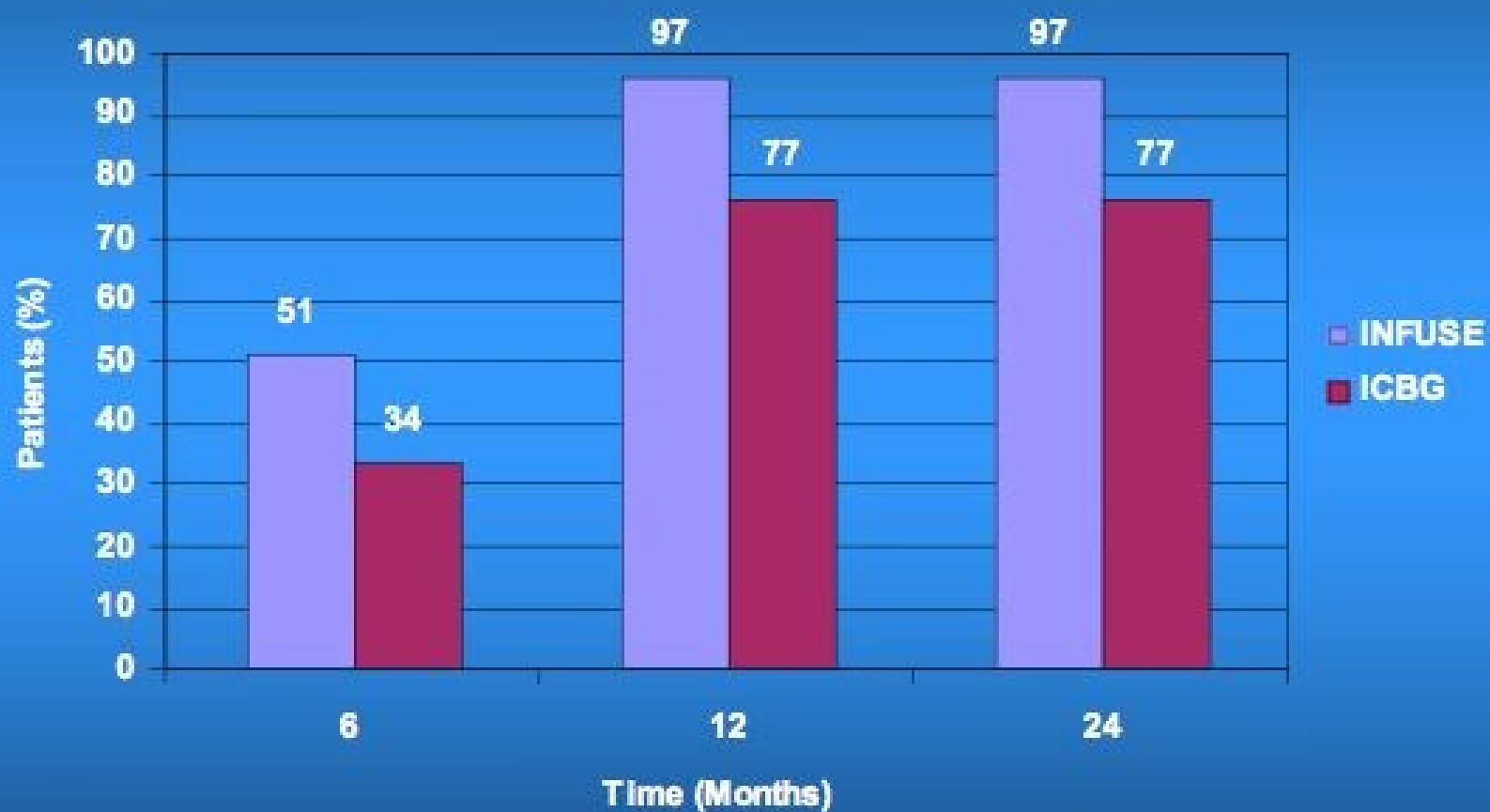
(6 month CT Scans)



ICBG

INFUSE® Bone Graft +
ICBG

Speed of Fusion



% of patients graded as definitely + probably fused

INFUSE and Trauma



Acute Tibia Fractures

Govender S. et al. JBJS 2002

- ❖ 450 open tibia fractures (Grade I to IIIB)
- ❖ 44% reduction in 2nd interventions
- ❖ Patients healed 39 days faster

Swiontkowski M. et al. JBJS 2006

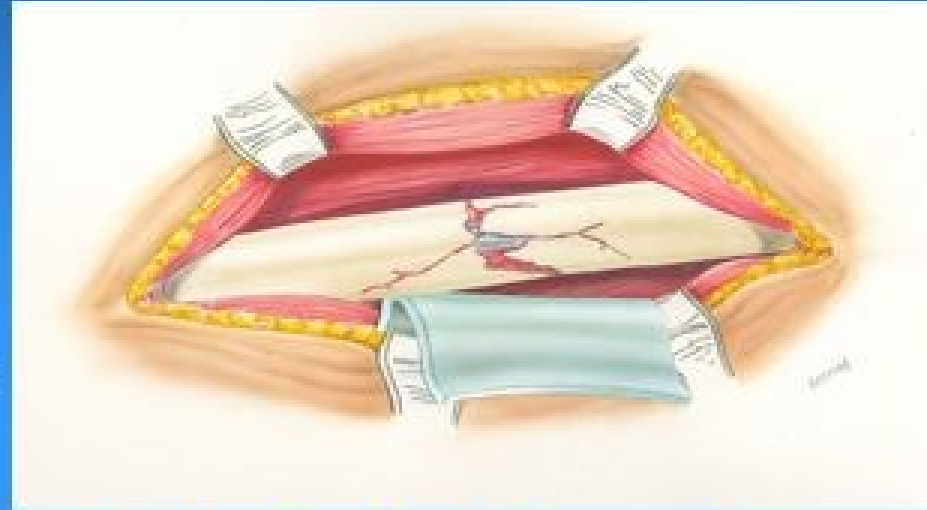
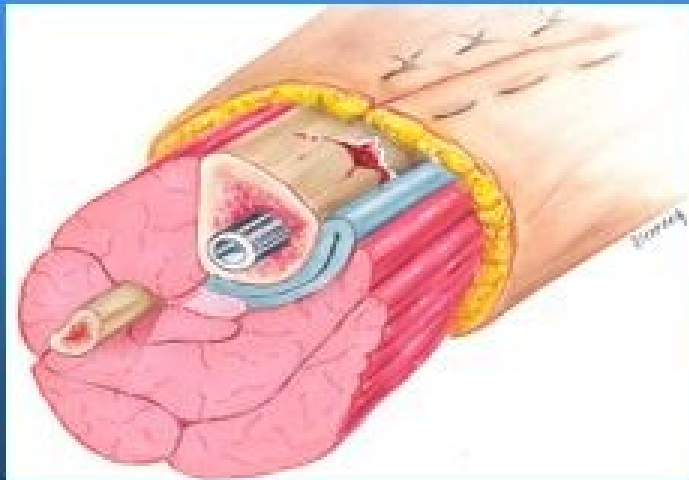
- ❖ 131 open tibia fractures (Grade IIIA & IIIB)
- ❖ 90% reduction in need for bone grafting
- ❖ 48% reduction in incidence of infection



Surgical Technique

INFUSE is implanted after IM nail placement:

- **At definitive wound closure (may be at later surgery)**



- **Bridge fracture fragments**
- **Do not strip periosteum**
- **Accessible through the wound (typically no incision),**
- **Place posteriorly near muscle tissue, if possible (may be folded)**

INFUSE Improves Rate of Overall Clinical Success by 28%

Success = No secondary intervention + fracture union



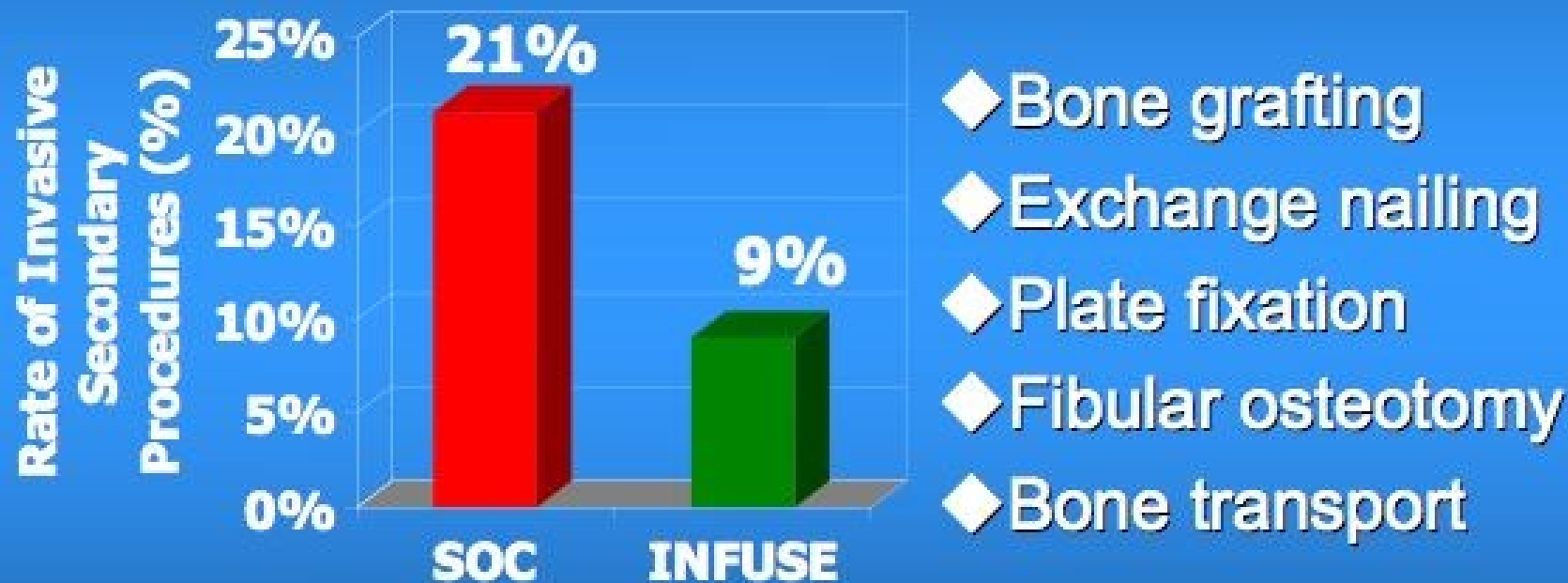
BESTT, Govender *et al.* *JBJS* 84A: 2123-34, 2002

INFUSE Reduces Risk of Secondary Interventions by 44%



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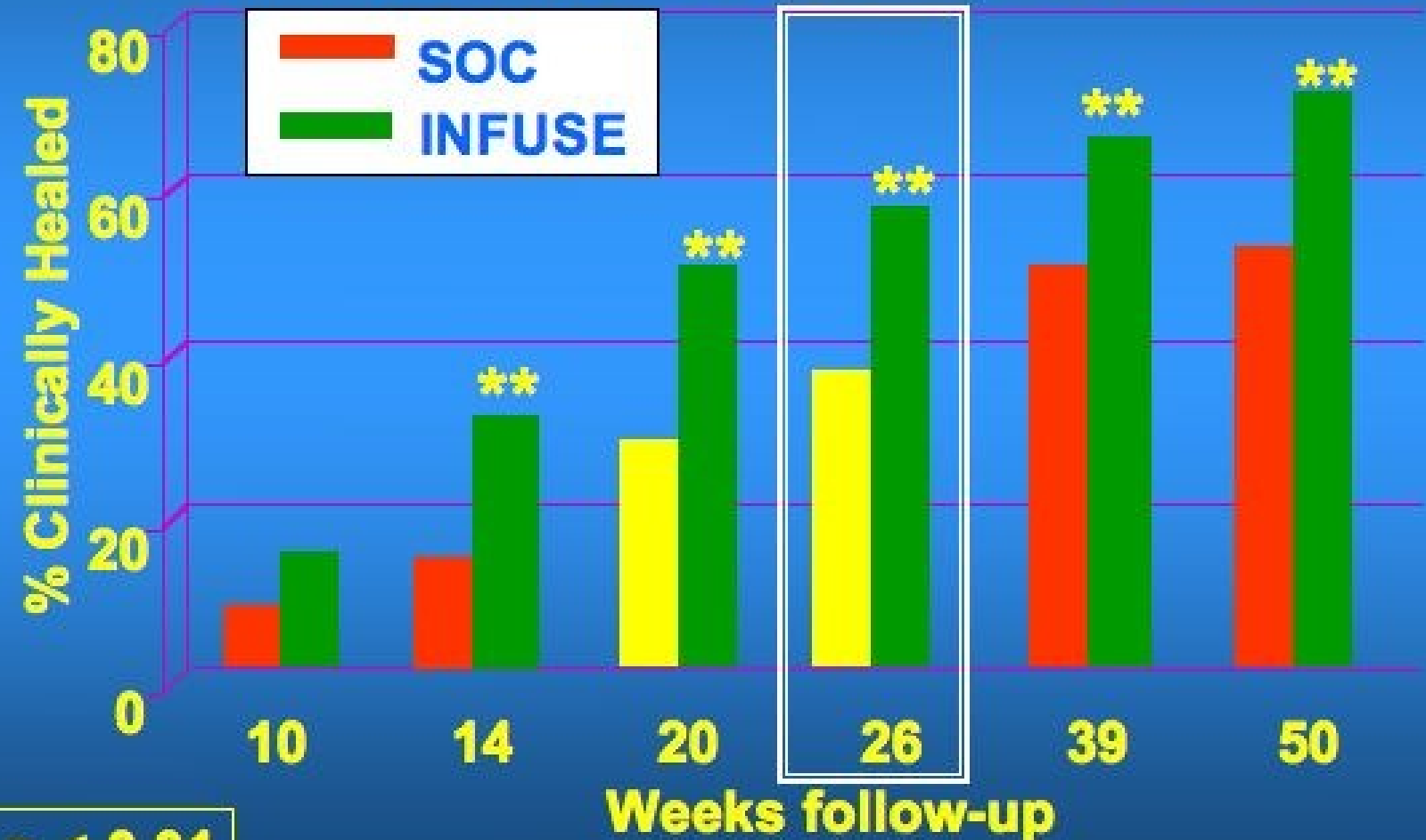
INFUSE Reduces Risk of Invasive Secondary Procedures



p = 0.0264

INFUSE Accelerates Rate of Clinical Healing

At 6 months, healing rate with INFUSE is 21% higher than SOC



(**) $p < 0.01$

Patient #32 (AP view)



wks

6

10

14

20

26

52

flup:

Govender S. et al. JBJS 2002

Healed

INFUSE Decreases Rate of Infection

All Fractures



Grade IIIA & IIIB

45% reduction in difficult fractures



p = 0.047

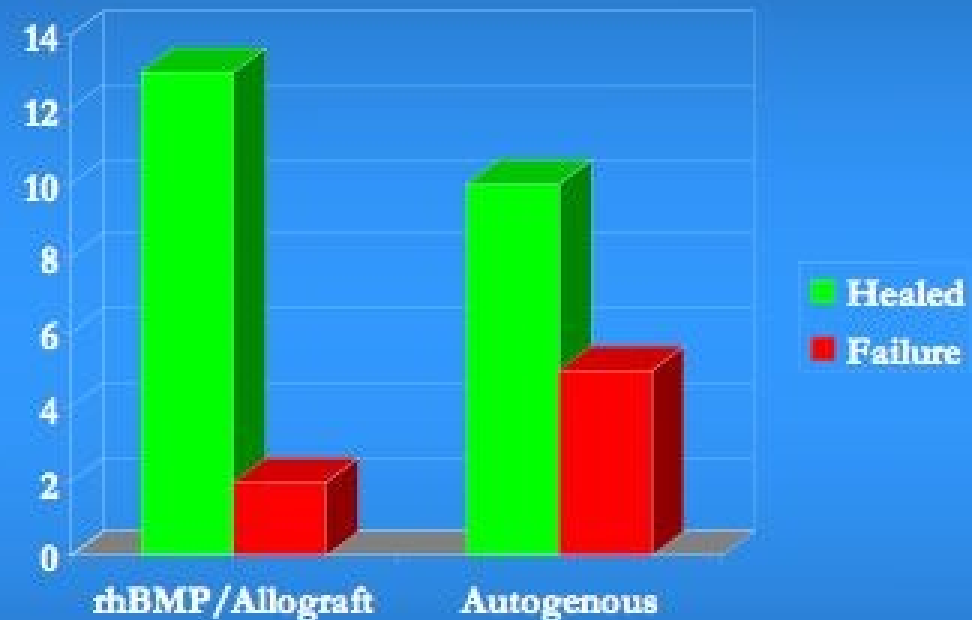
INFUSE rhBMP-2

- ◆ Reduces the risk of second surgeries by 44%
- ◆ Increases overall clinical success by 28%
- ◆ Accelerates fracture healing
 - ❖ At 6 months, rhBMP-2 improved healing rate by 21% ($p=0.0008$)
- ◆ Reduces infection rate
 - ❖ In Grade IIIA & IIIB, rhBMP-2 reduced the infection rate by 45% over SOC ($p=0.0264$)

Fractures with Bone Loss

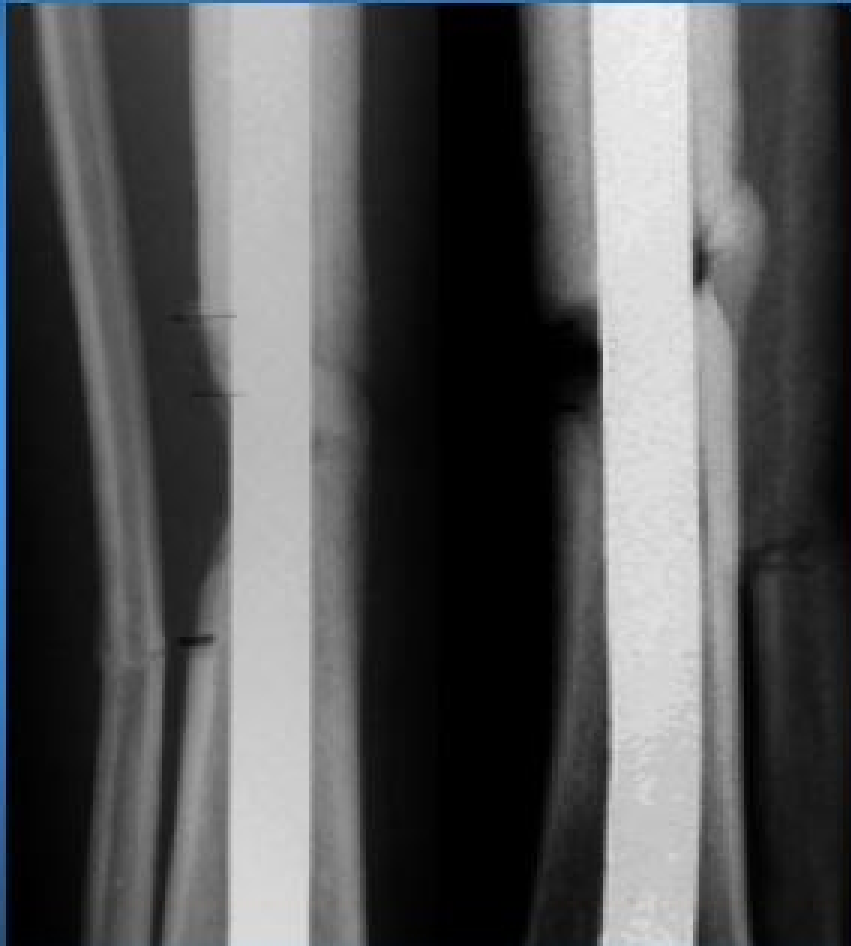
30 Tibia Fractures

- ❖ Mean length of defect was 4 cm
 - range, 1 to 7 cm
- ❖ 15 rhBMP-2/Allograft
 - Two with 2nd interventions
- ❖ 15 Autogenous bone graft
 - Four with 2nd interventions and one nonunion



Fractures with Bone Loss

Pre-grafting



12 months



Fractures with Bone Loss

Kuklo T. et al. OTA mtg 2005

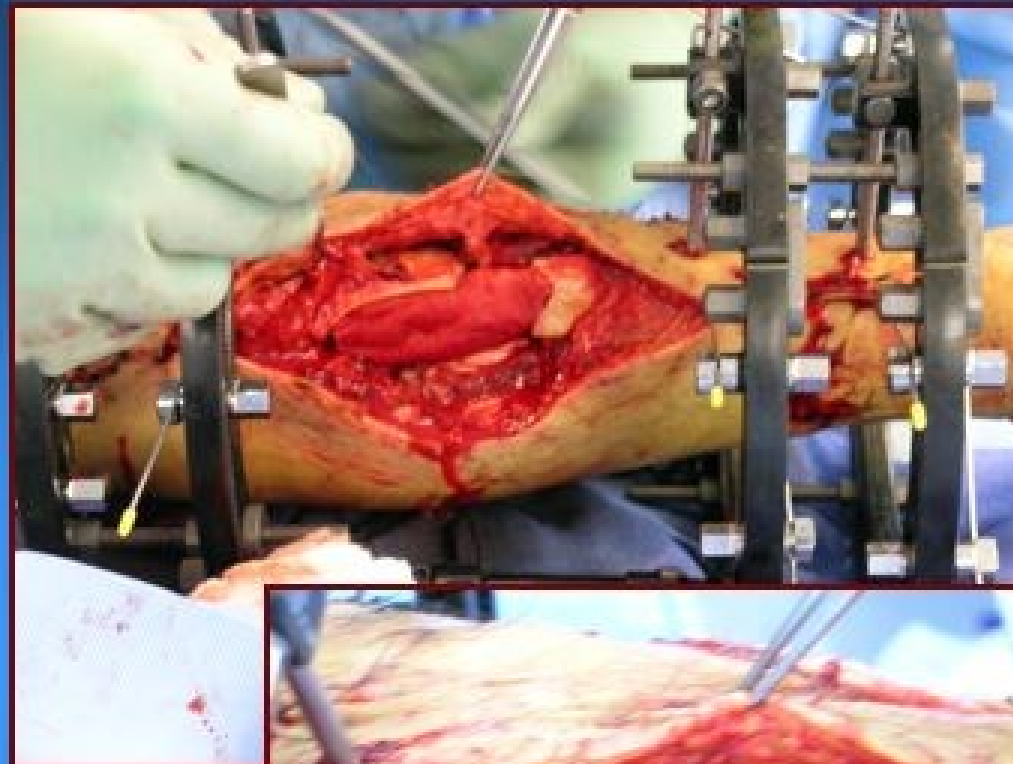
- ❖ 59 open tibia Fx with bone loss
- ❖ 2 to 10 cm defect lengths
- ❖ Allograft with rhBMP-2/ACS
- ❖ 54 of 59 patients healed (92%)

Schwartz et al. J Ortho 2006

- ❖ 19 fracture defects in 18 patients
- ❖ Various bones (defect length 1.5 to 8 cm)
- ❖ Ceramic granules with rhBMP-2/ACS
- ❖ 16 of 19 defects healed at 9 months (84%)







Kuklo T. et al. OTA mtg 2005





Combined Clinical Success in Long Bone Nonunion Treatment

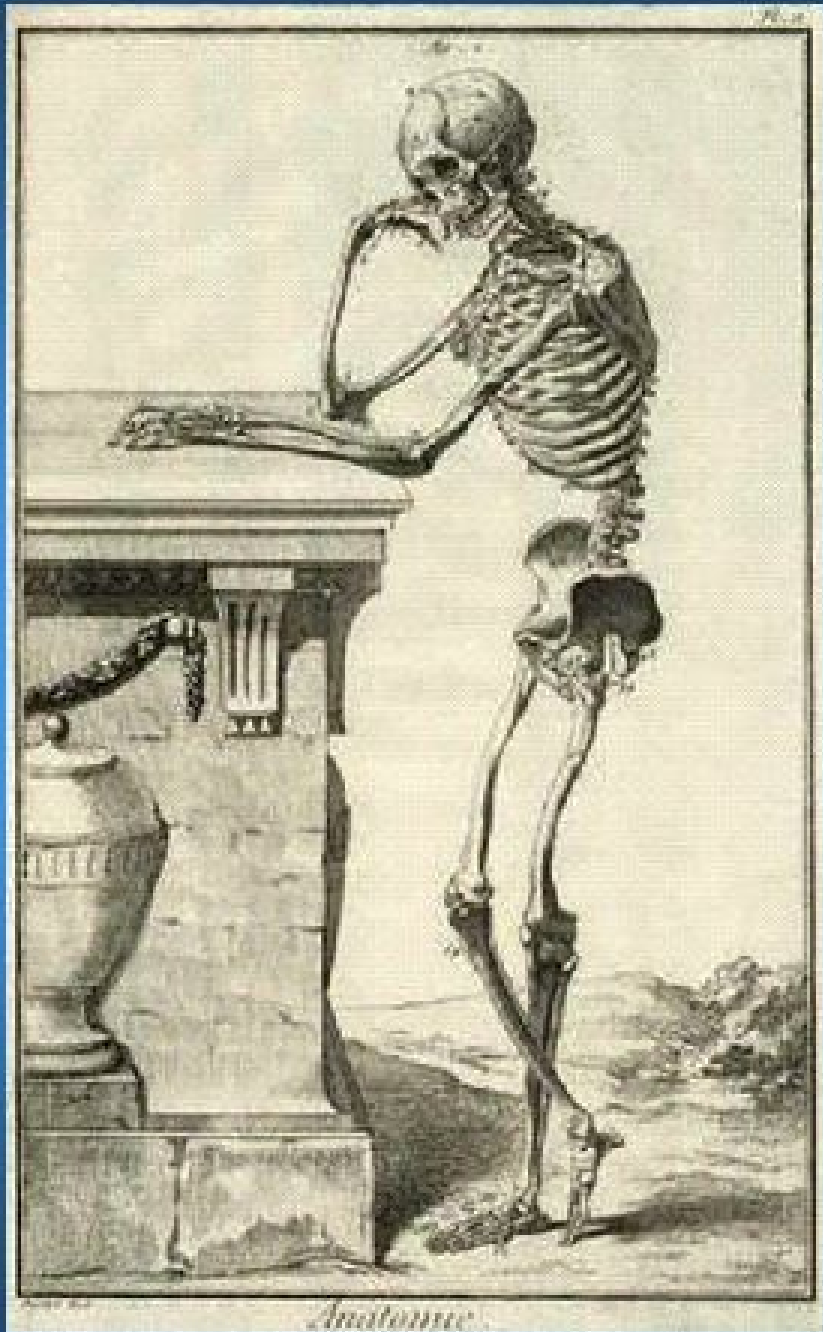


	*Success of rhBMP-2/ACS
Hicks et al. OTA mtg 2006	44/54 (81%)
Cole et al. OTA mtg 2006	94/98 (96%)
Ringler et al. OTA mtg 2007	20/20 (100%)
Obremskey et al. OTA mtg 2006	17/22 (77%)
Hawkins BJ. Tech Foot Ankle 2007	40/40 (100%)
TOTAL	215/234 (92%)

* Includes various nonunions (femur, tibia, humerus, ulna/radius and ankle). The rhBMP-2/ACS was used in combination with either autograft, allograft or calcium phosphate ceramic granules.

InFUSE rhBMP-2

- Since Launch in U.S. 2002:
 - ✓ >220,000 procedures
 - ✓ <1% AE instance rate
- Most studied Biologic Agent
- Standard of Care for Neurosurgeons
- Documented Success Rates



Anatomie