

# Different perspectives from orthopaedic subspecialties

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# Introduction

- This study was to investigate the consensus and different perspectives on the treatment of two fractures by panels of different trauma Italian Societies.



# Methods

- A questionnaire was designed for this study, which included clinical history of a 70 years-old woman involved in a road accident, asking for the choice of treatment technique of a AO-OTA 11.B1.3. humeral fracture and a 62.A1 displaced acetabular fracture. One hundred eighty-three orthopaedic surgeons agreed to participate in the study during each 2016 annual meeting of six different societies.



# Results

- The AO Italian division members (26/36), Soc.I.Tra.S. (Italian Road Trauma Association) members (14/22) and AIP (Italian Pelvic Trauma Society) members (12/21) pointed at open reduction and plate fixation. The CIO (Italian Trauma Society) members indicated closed intramedullary fixation (26/40). The AITOG (Geriatric Trauma Association) members tended to be more oriented about conservative treatment (21/30). The SIFE (Italian External Fixation Society) members indicated percutaneous pinning as preferred technique (24/34). Consensus was obtained for ORIF by plating for acetabular fracture from all members (181/183).

# Conclusions

- **More investigations will be needed to obtain a consensus between the different subspecialties of orthopaedic surgeons. In case of debated solution, personal experience still represents criteria for choosing preferred treatment.**

