


## Baseplate Design: Screw in/Threaded Post

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## My formidable debate opponent

**Dr. Joseph Zuckerman**

- Chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases and the Walter A.L. Thompson professor of orthopaedic surgery at the NYU School of Medicine
- Past-president of the AAOS (2009)
- Portrait from the Clinical Educator Hall of Fame!



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### Fortunately, I like my topic!

- Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design



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### Glenoid Baseplates & Their Methods of Fixation



Exactech Equinox  
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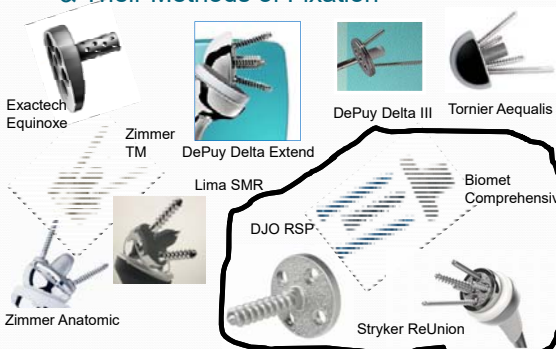
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### Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

- DJO RSP
- Designed by Frankle
- 1<sup>st</sup> custom RSP in 1998 featured this design
- > 20 year history
  - My first RSP was in 2004 (Original IDE)
  - Personal history 14 years



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### Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Base Plate Fixation:

- Fixed angle central compression 6.5mm lag screw fixation
- Backside coating
  - Hydroxyapatite coating for ingrowth (2004+)
  - P<sup>2</sup> coating



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### Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Base Plate Fixation:

- Fixed angle central compression 6.5mm lag screw fixation
- 4 fixed angle 5.0mm locked peripheral screws
  - De-rotation screws
  - No advantage for polyaxial insertion
  - Adjunctive screw fixation must be strong enough



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## Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Original Base Plate Fixation:



- Frankle et al., JBJS 2005
- 11% incidence of baseplate failure
- Fixed angle central compression 6.5mm lag screw fixation
- 4 3.5mm non-locking peripheral screws
- NO backside coating



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## Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Subsequent studies have revealed much lower baseplate failure rates:

- Frankle et al., JBJS 2008
  - 0/114 shoulders beginning 2/2004
- Multi-center study (2 year data)
  - 0/173 shoulders (enrolled 2010-12)
- Personal experience
  - 3/400+; less than 1%
  - 2 with PJI ; 1 in a patient with movement disorder



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## Biomechanics of Baseplate Fixation

- Compressive force of baseplate fixation
- Strength of fixation (load to failure testing)
- Micromotion at baseplate-glenoid interface
- Finite element modeling of the interface



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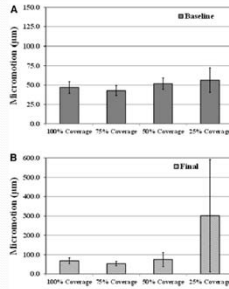
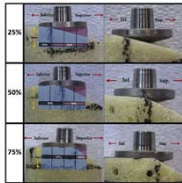
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## Micro-motion Testing

- No significant baseplate micro-motion unless less than 50% of the baseplate is supported by bone (Formaini, JSES, 2015)
- Central compression screw also helps hold bone graft in place under compression if needed
- Peripheral screws important only for de-rotation




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## Finite element modeling of glenoid bone/baseplate interface

In vitro and finite element analysis of glenoid bone/baseplate interaction in the reverse shoulder design

Najem A. Vran, MD,\* Mehdi Haman, MD,\* Eric S. Fink, PhD,\* Jonathan Levy, MD,\* David E. Pignati, MBA,\* and Mark A. Frankel, MD,\* Tampa, Viter Palm Beach, and Ft. Lauderdale, FL

- Same 7 baseplate-glenosphere combinations modeled in ABAQUS (36-45K 3D solid elements)
- Results: Great correlation with in vitro testing. Micromotion < 100µm for all combinations

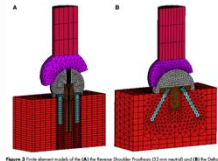
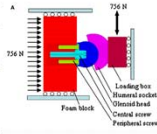


Table V Comparison of finite element simulation and the mechanical test results

Prosthesis	Distance between simulated glenoid and center of rotation (mm)	Baseplate motion			Baseplate motion from mechanical testing	
		at $\mu = 0$ from FE analysis (µm)	at $\mu = 0.1$ from FE analysis (µm)	at $\mu = 0.25$ from FE analysis (µm)	1 cycle of loading (µm)	1000 cycles of repetitive shear load (µm)
ESP (6.4 mm)	0	59	65	74	100 ± 10	100 ± 10
Duboff	1	57	63	69	90 ± 27	90 ± 24
ESP (6.4 mm)	2	64	70	77	107 ± 6	107 ± 15
ESP (6.0 mm neutral)	4	69	75	84	110 ± 17	97 ± 12
ESP (6.0 mm neutral)	6	74	81	87	116 ± 10	126 ± 10
ESP (5.2 mm)	8	74	80	86	110 ± 10	113 ± 12
ESP (5.2 mm neutral)	10	81	90	96	113 ± 12	113 ± 6




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## Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Bone Conserving Fixation:



- Fixed angle central compression 6.5mm lag screw fixation
- Shank has a diameter of 3.2mm

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**Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design**

Bone Conserving Fixation:

2.5cm

7.7mm

3.2mm



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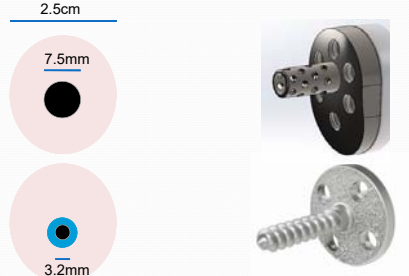
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**Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design**

Bone Conserving Fixation:

2.5cm

8.5mm

3.2mm



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### Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Bone Conserving Fixation:

2.5cm

11.4mm

3.2mm



The diagram shows two circular cross-sections on the left. The top one is a large black circle with a diameter of 11.4mm. The bottom one is a smaller blue circle with a diameter of 3.2mm. To the right, there are two 3D models of hardware: a dark grey, dome-shaped baseplate with a central hole, and a silver threaded screw with a hexagonal head.

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### Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

Bone Conserving Fixation:

2.5cm

13.6mm

3.2mm



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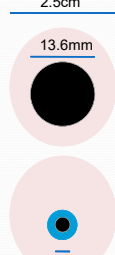
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- Most posts/cages are larger with diameters from 7.5-14mm
  - An 11.5mm post removes 13 X as much bone compared with a threaded screw with a 3.2mm shank
- Small glenoids are commonly encountered (small stature, post-traumatic bone loss)
- So what would you rather work with?
  - A device that will violate 20-25% of the glenoid surface or a device that conserves 98%
  - A device that permits intra-op changes or that facilitates single stage revision, or a device that does not



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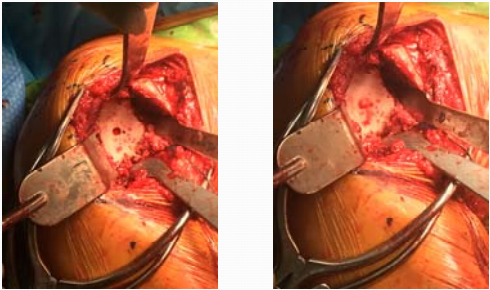
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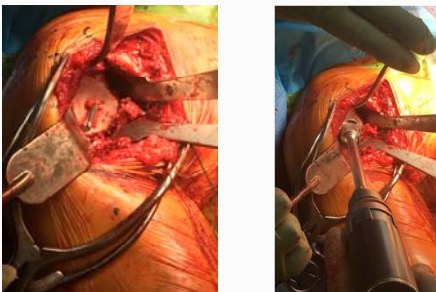
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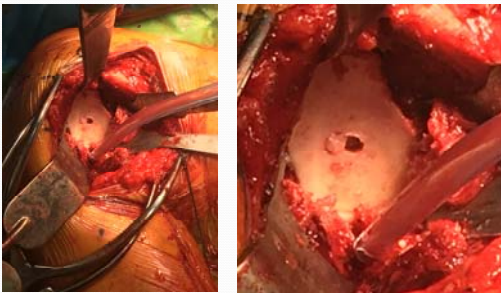
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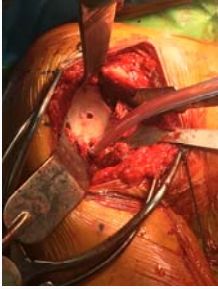
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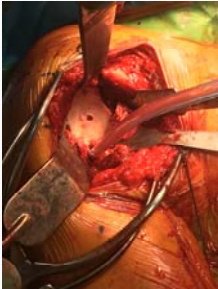
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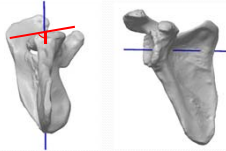
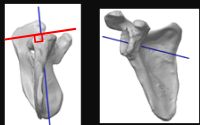
## Threaded (screw-in) baseplate design

### Alternative Center Line:

- Any center line that bisects the available native bone
- Very helpful concept in cases of (severe) glenoid bone loss

- Starts at glenoid surface
- Parallels scapular spine
  - Through junction of scapular spine and body
- Anteverted

### Conventional Center Line:



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## Alternate Centerline

Works for retroversion and for anteversion

(Klein and Frankle, 2010)

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## Applications of the Alternate Center Line

<b>Normal Morphology</b> Standard Center Line 32 Neutral Glenosphere	<b>Posterior Bone loss</b> Spine Center Line Hooded Glenosphere	<b>Anterior Bone Loss</b> Spine Center Line Hooded Glenosphere
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You just can't do this without a screw-in baseplate!

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## Summary

- Threaded baseplates offer several advantages including:
  - Superior time 0 fixation
  - Bone conservation that may facilitate revision
  - Ability to reorient baseplate along alternate centerline
- Threaded baseplates have a 20 year-track record
- Several implant systems currently offer baseplate designs employing screw fixation
  - Single piece design acts as a large compression screw
  - Other similar implants are two piece designs

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Let's face it...

- Who doesn't like a good *screw*

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