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Hallux Rigidus: Diagnostiek en conservatief beleid.

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Introduction

- ▶ Epidemiology
- ▶ 40% USA population foot problems
 - ▶ > 50 y: 2;5% MTP-1 degenerative arthritis
 - ▶ Most common arthritic condition in the foot.
- ▶ Pathophysiology
- ▶ Unclear
 - ▶ Most common ideopathic
 - ▶ 75% Family history
 - ▶ 79% Bilateral



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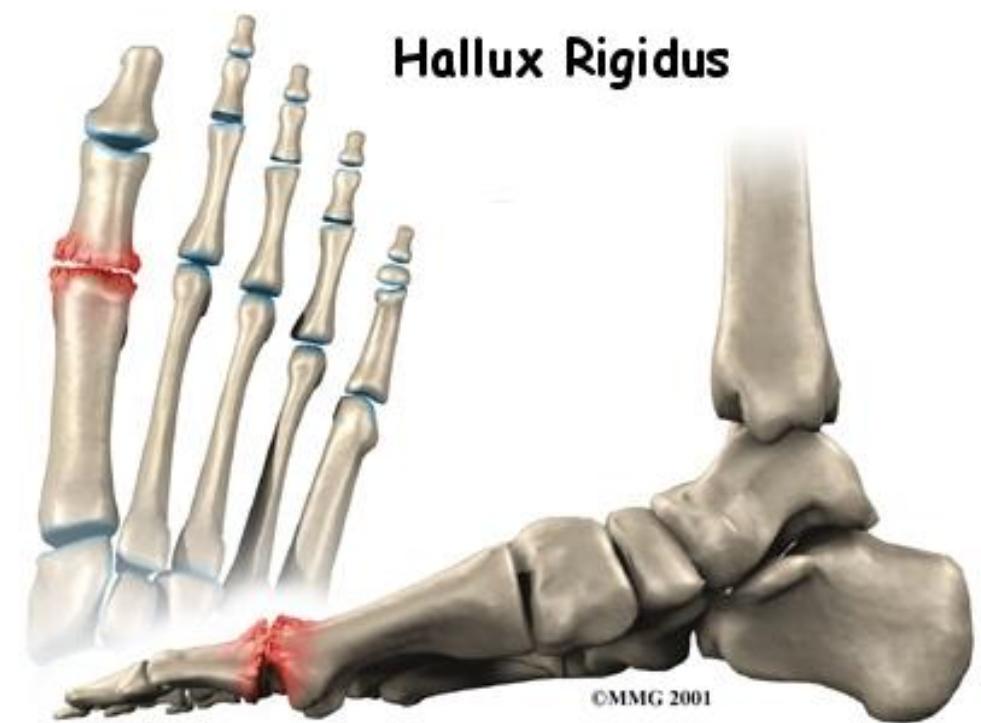
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Hallux rigidus = MTP-1 degenerative arthritis



Diagnosis

- ▶ Anamnesis
 - ▶ Pain
 - ▶ Stiffness
 - ▶ Numbness and pain by pressure
 - Worse with activities !
 - ▶ Stairs
 - ▶ Running
 - ▶ Push-ups
 - Ambulation with heel-rise and toe-off (dorsiflexion MTP-1)



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- ▶ Clinical examination
 - ▶ Osteophytes
 - ▶ Tenderness
 - ▶ Decreased ROM (<75° dorsi)
 - ▶ !!Grinding shows more advanced arthritis !!
 - ▶ X-rays
 - ▶ !! Weight Bearing !!
- ALL FOOT and ANKLE pathologies





Conservative Treatment

- ▶ NSAID
- ▶ Activity adaptation
- ▶ Shoe adaptation
 - ▶ Rocker bottom sole (stiff sole)
 - ▶ High and wide toe boxes
- ▶ Insole (stiffening at MTP-1 level)
- ▶ Injections
 - ▶ Dep-Medrol
 - ▶ Hyaluronic acid
- Limited results



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Take Home message

- ▶ Hallux rigidus= MTP-1 arthritis
- ▶ Clinical diagnosis
 - ▶ Dorsomedial bunion
- ▶ X-ray: STANDING
 - ▶ Dorsol osteophyte
- ▶ Shoe adaptation:
 - ▶ Rocker bottem sole





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