

Development of a Novel Surgical Technique for autologous Bone Transfer to optimize Reconstruction of large Bone Defects in Long Bones

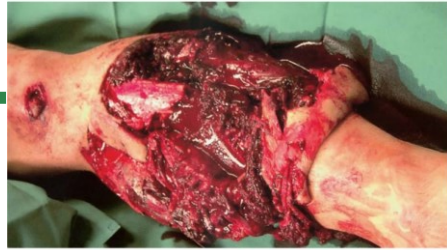
Presentation of the Results of the PhD Thesis

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Motivation

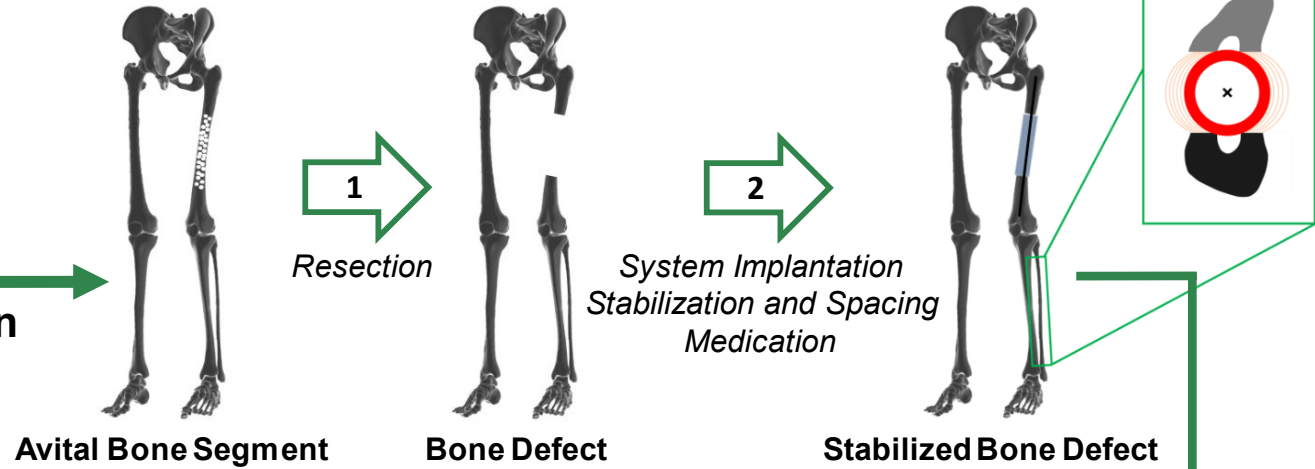
Bone Defect due to Infection or Tumor



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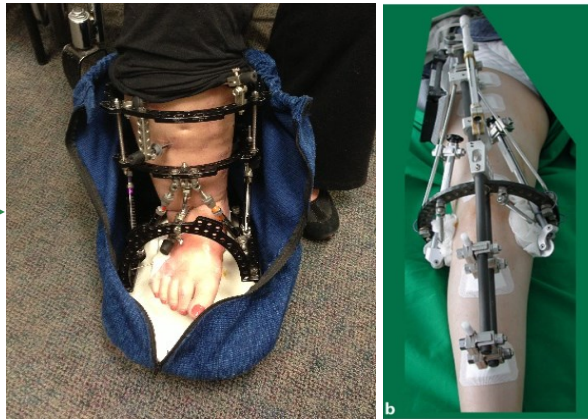


Innovative Reconstruction with Fibula Expansion

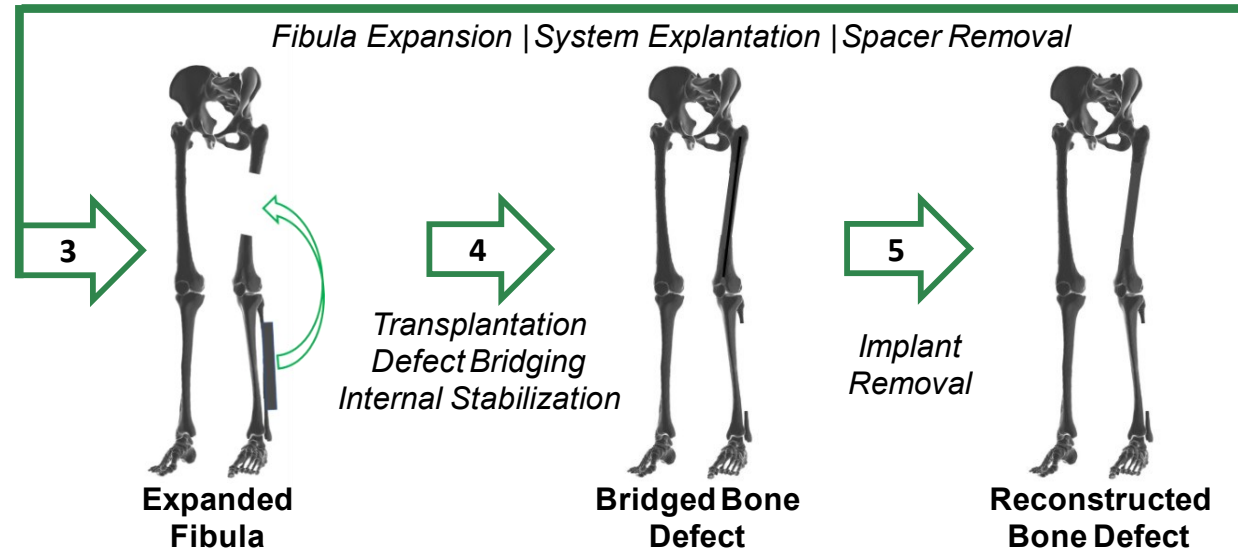


Bone Transport

→ Lengthy, expensive and complication-prone Treatment with External Systems



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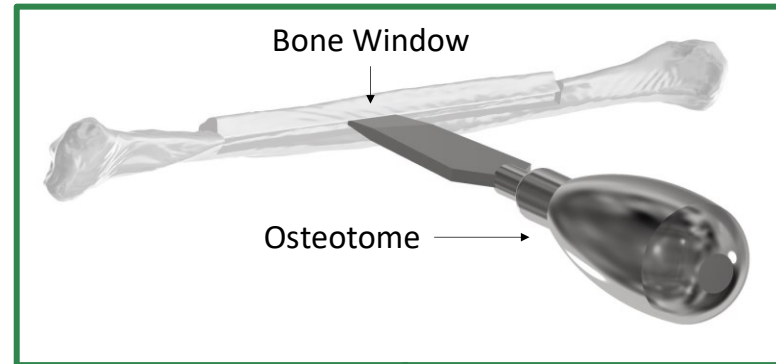
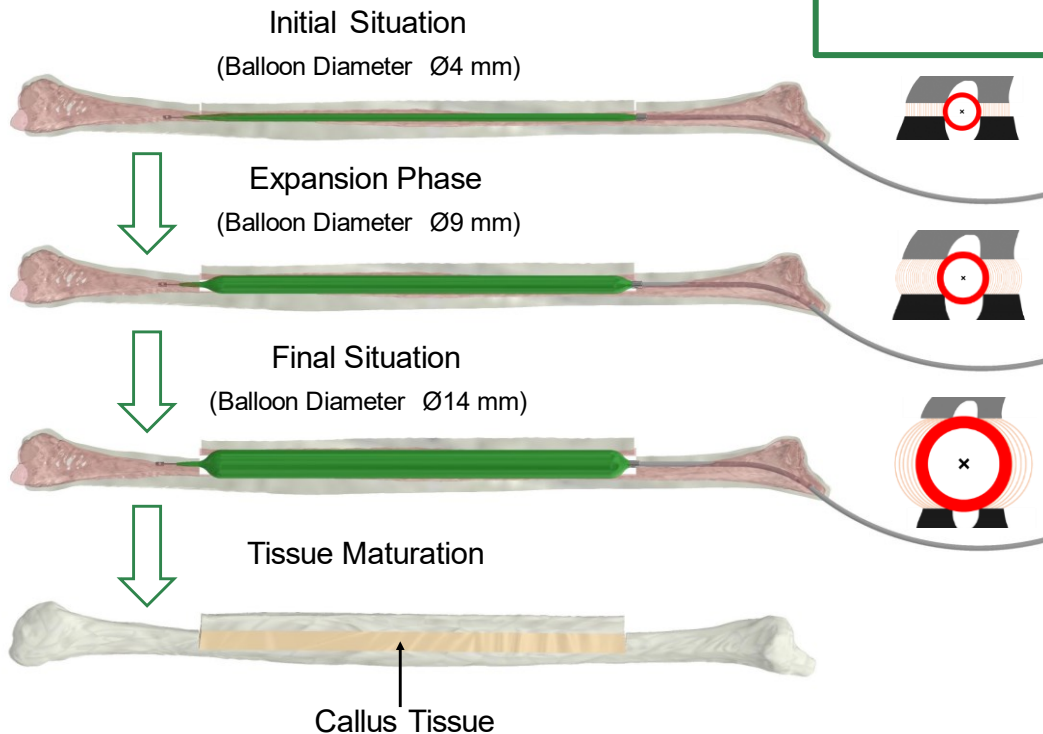
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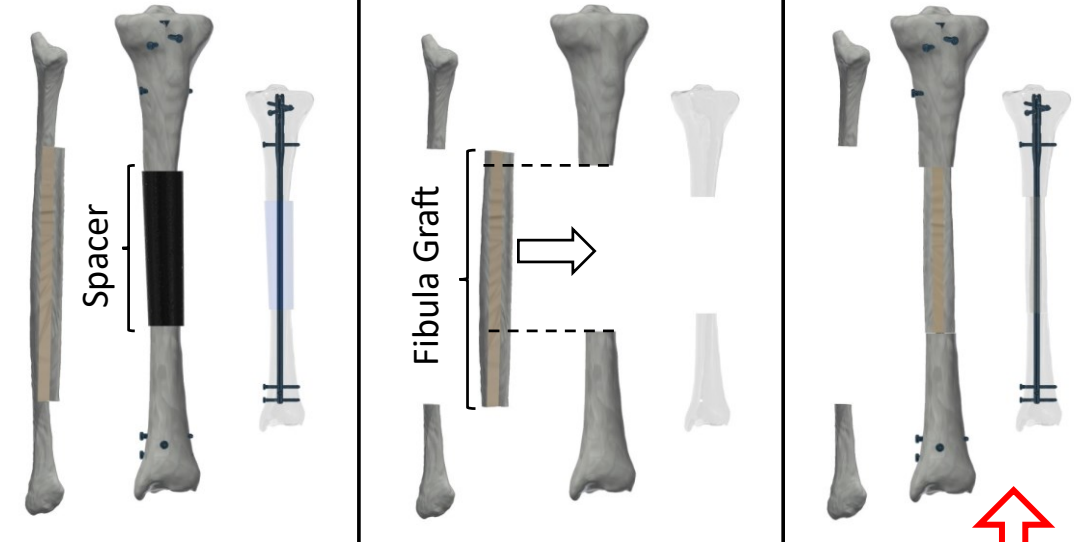
Defect Reconstruction

Detailed Surgical Technique

Expansion of the Fibula



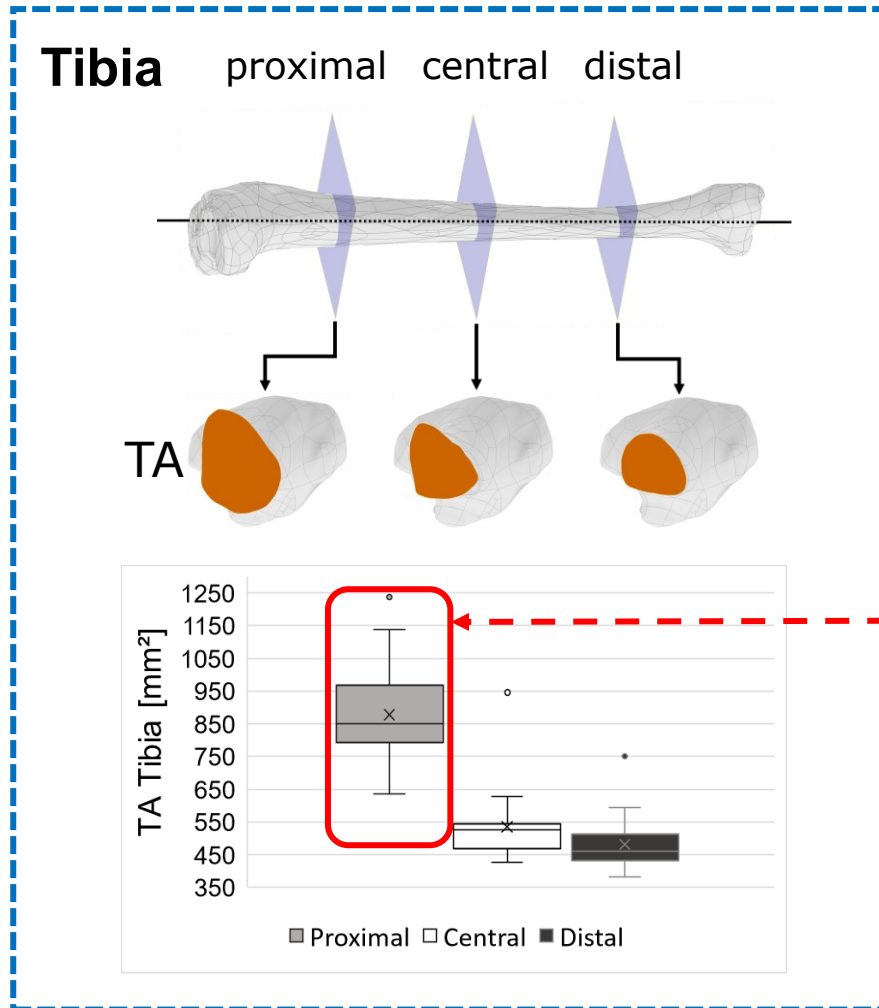
Transplantation of the Fibula



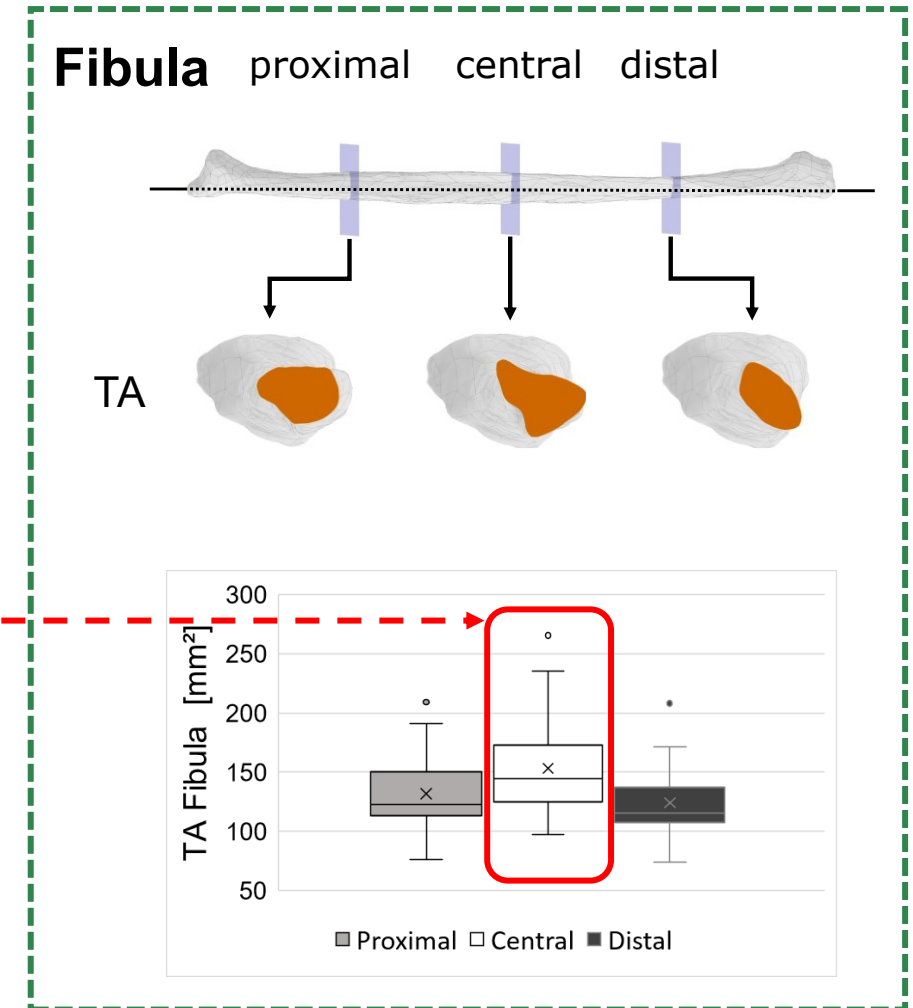
Bridging with complete internal Stabilization

Biomechanical Simulation

Total Distraction Area *TA* for longitudinal Distraction Osteogenesis



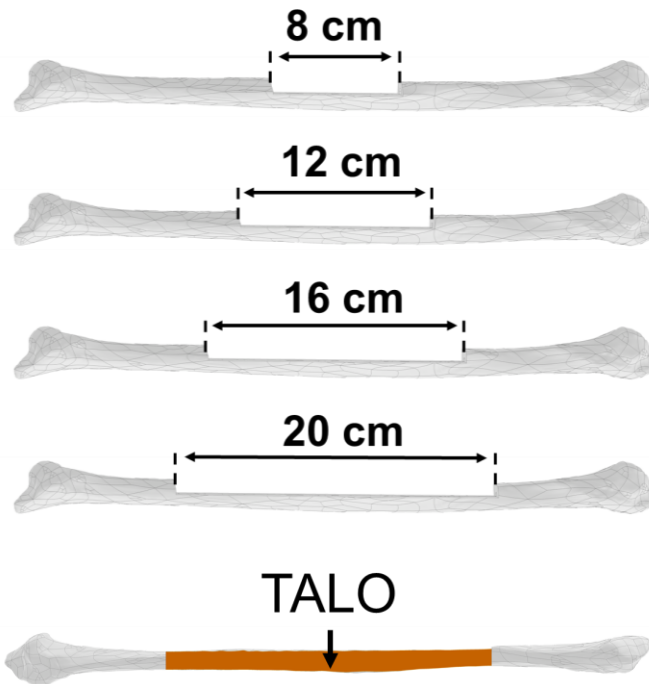
Utilization
for
Simulation



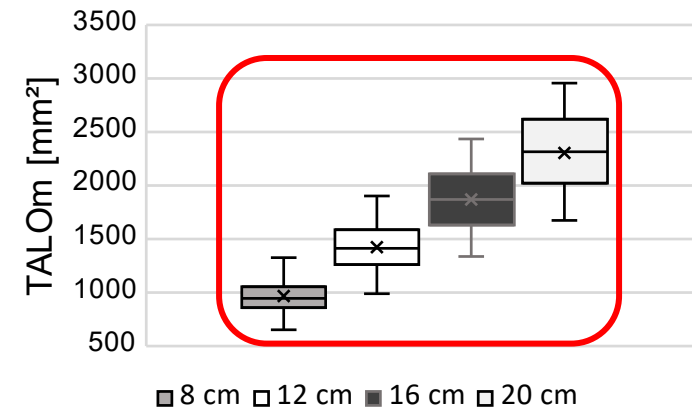
Biomechanical Simulation

Distraction Area for radial / transverse Distraction Osteogenesis

Fibula

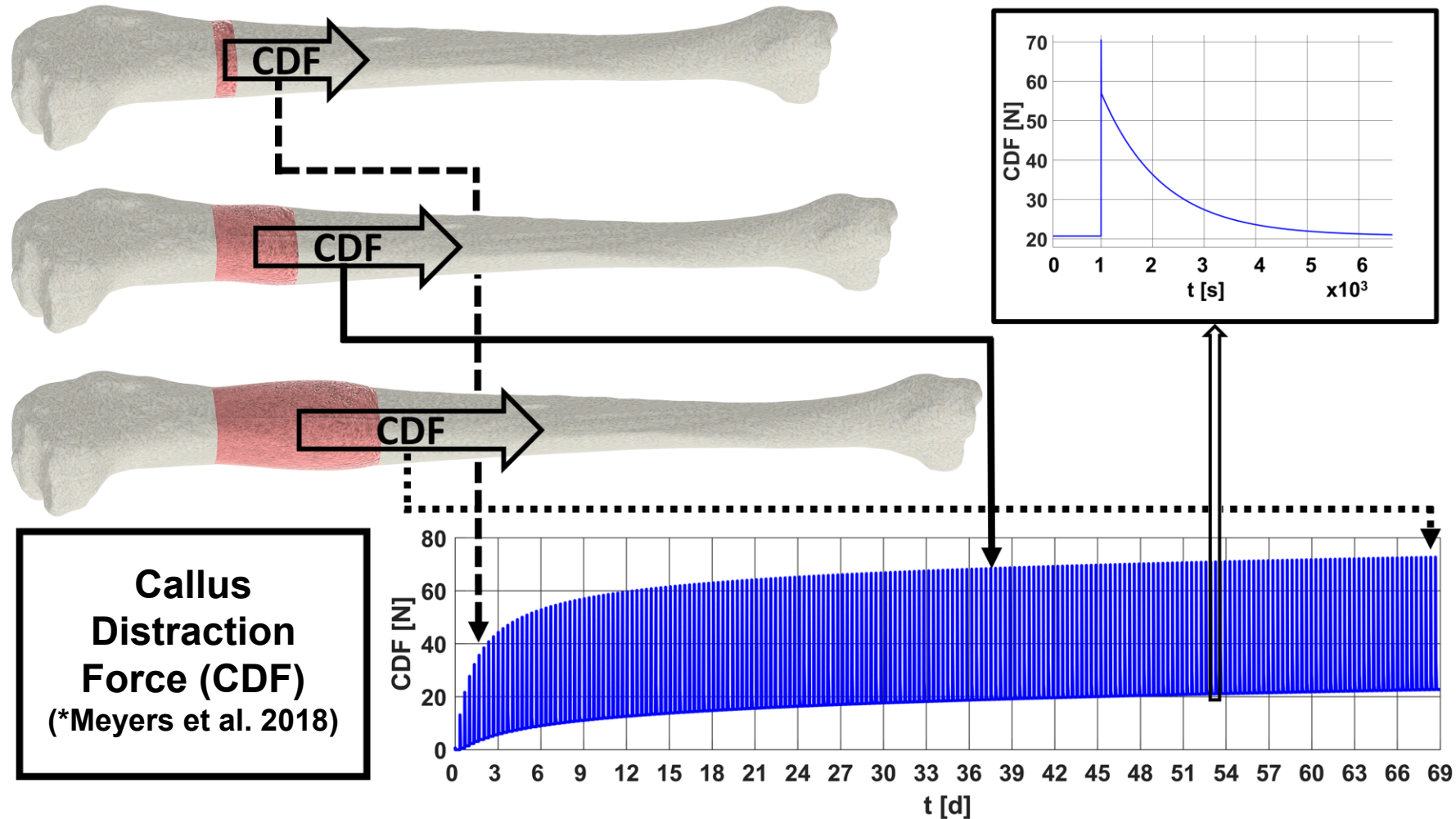


Total Area (Medial Osteotomy Plane)
TALOm



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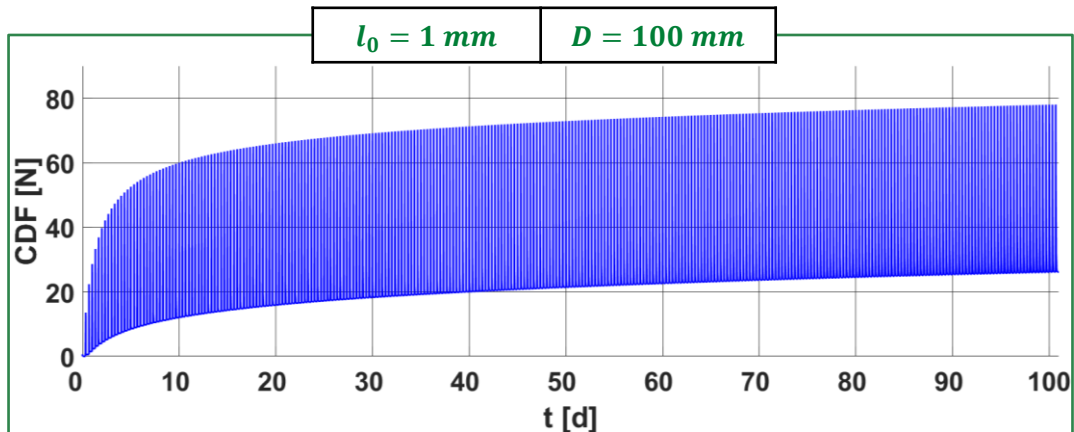
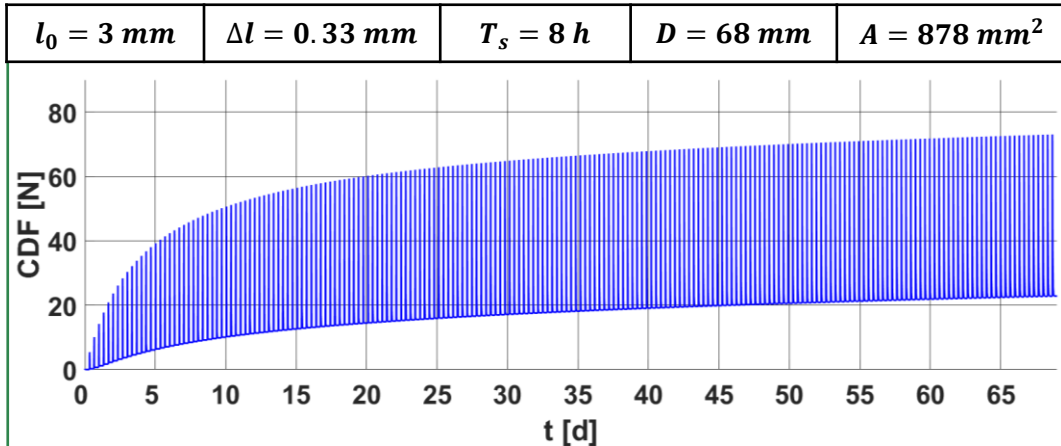
Distraction Forces for longitudinal Distraction Osteogenesis (LDO) in the Tibia



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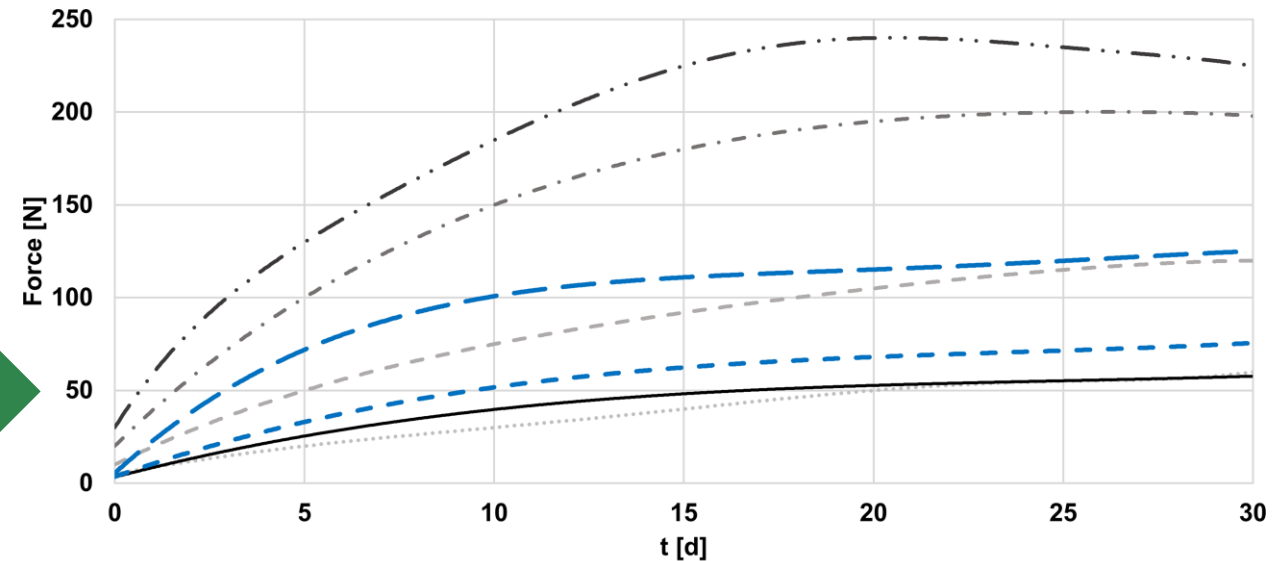
Distraction Forces for longitudinal Distraction Osteogenesis (LDO) in the Tibia

Callus Distraction Force (CDF) in LDO



Validation of simulated Forces TDF = CDF + DRF

Total Distraction Force (TDF) & Distraction Resisting Force (DRF) in LDO



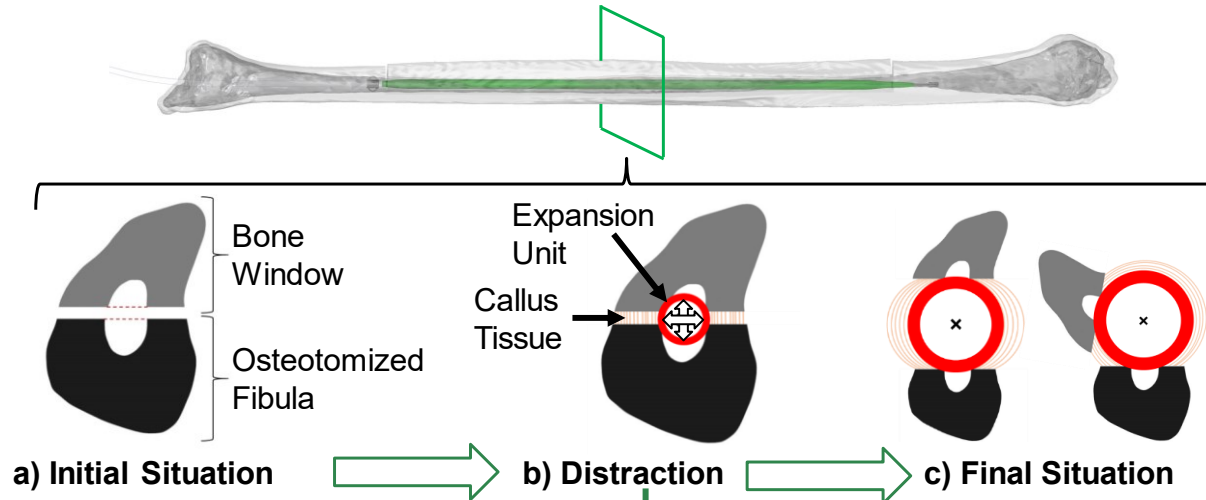
- · — Max. TDF in vivo 1*
- · — DRF in Cadavers**
- — — Max. TDF in vivo 2*
- — — Max. TDF Simulation (CDF + DRF)
- · · · · Min. TDF in vivo 1*
- — — Min. TDF Simulation (CDF + DRF)
- · · · · Min. TDF in vivo 2*

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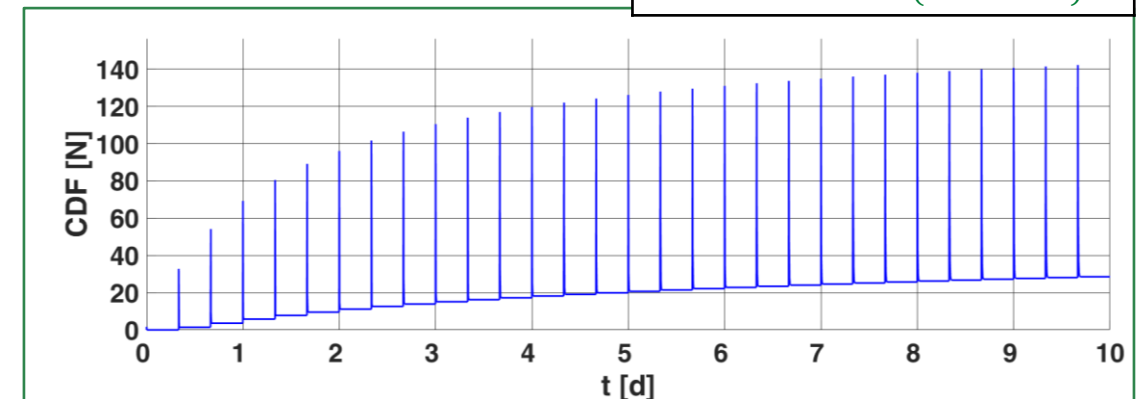
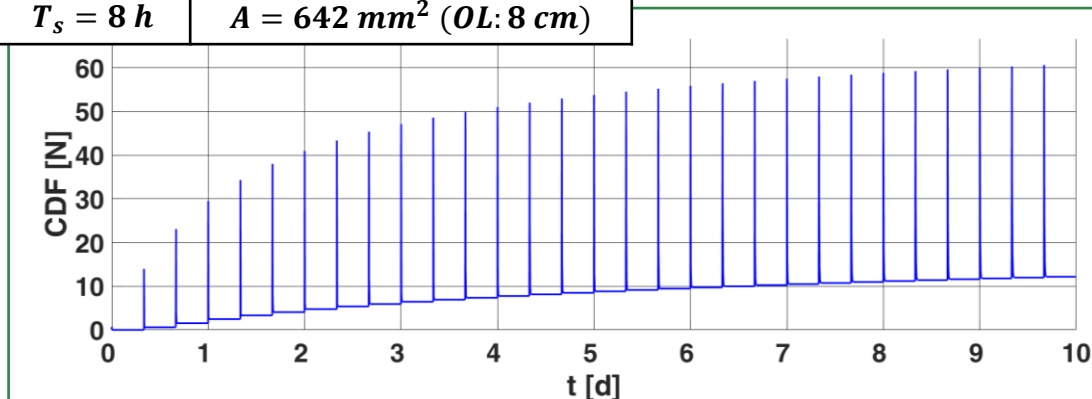
Distraction Forces for radial Distraction Osteogenesis (RDO) in the Fibula



$l_0 = 1 \text{ mm}$	$\Delta l = 0.33 \text{ mm}$
$T_s = 8 \text{ h}$	$A = 642 \text{ mm}^2 \text{ (OL: 8 cm)}$

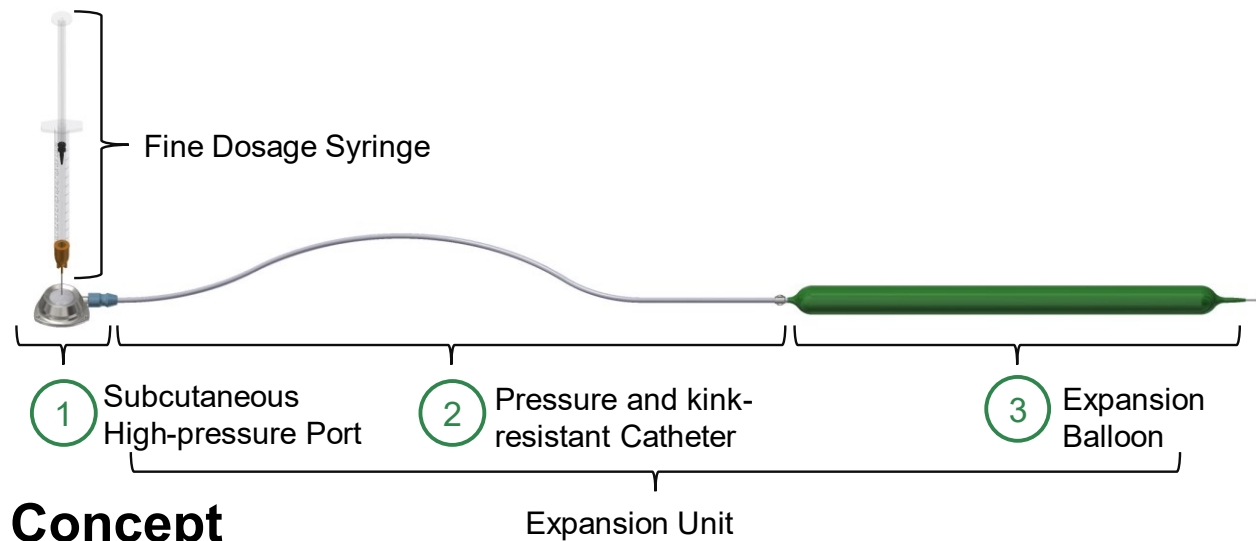
Callus Distraction Force (CDF) in RDO

$A = 1506 \text{ mm}^2 \text{ (OL: 20 cm)}$

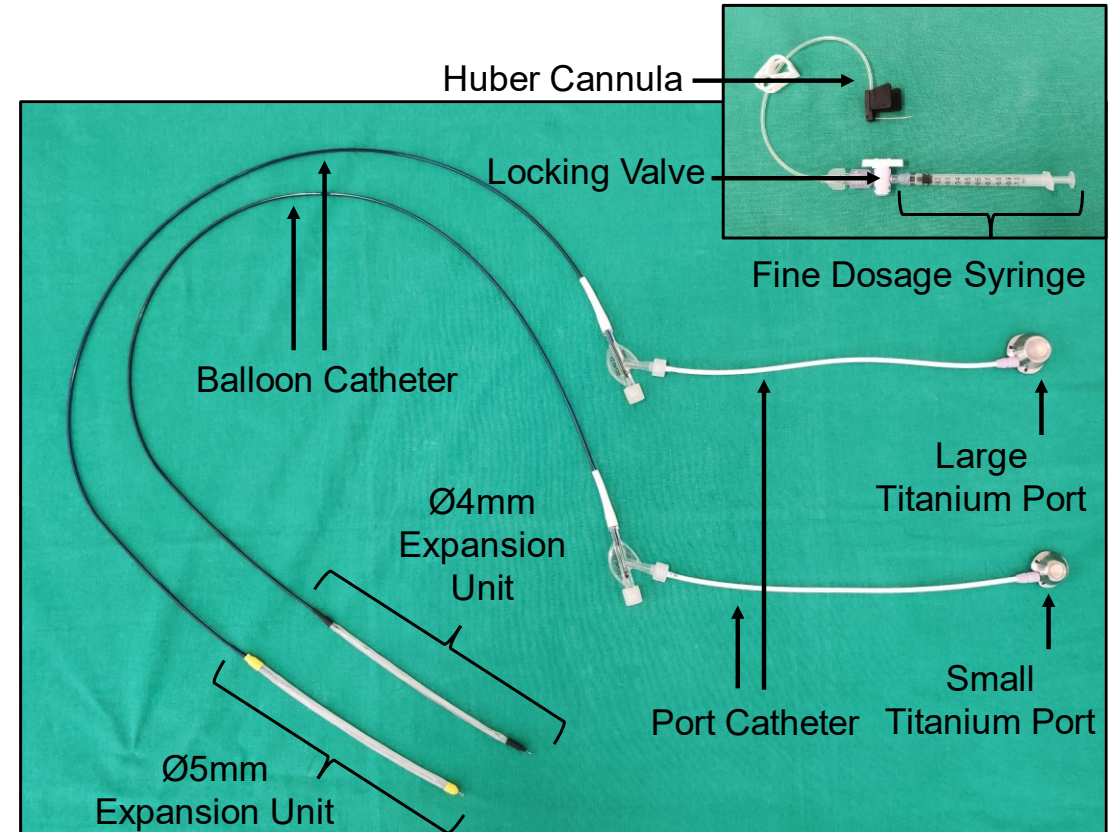


System Design

Expansion System to increase the Diameter of a human Fibula



Concept



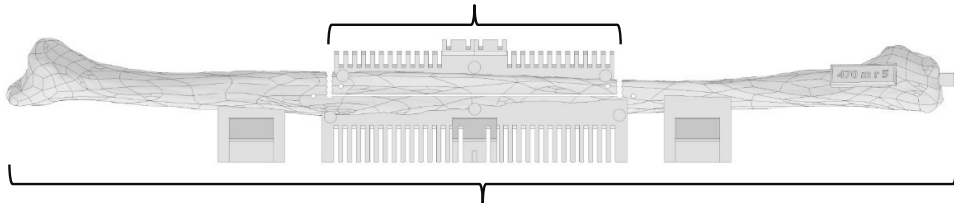
Physical Prototypes

Test Setup and Modeling

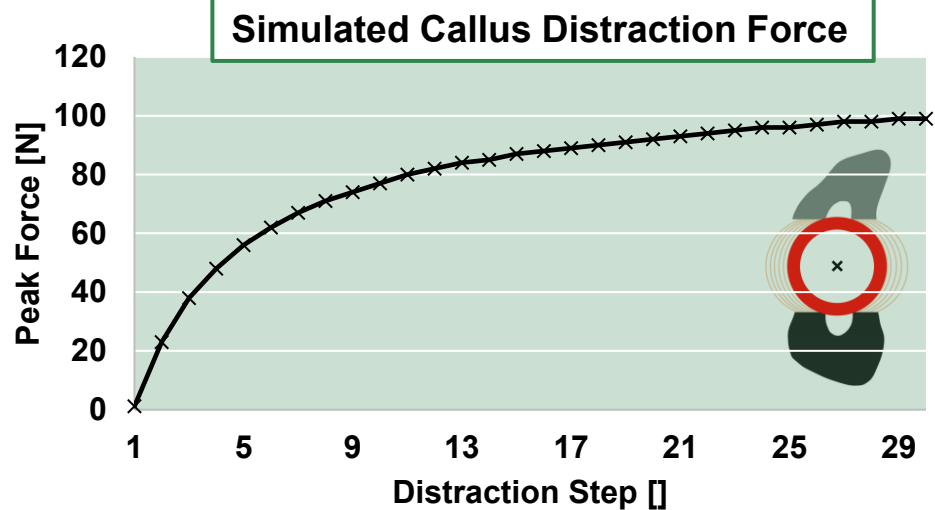
Biomechanical Bone Models and physical Test Setup

Size S-M-L

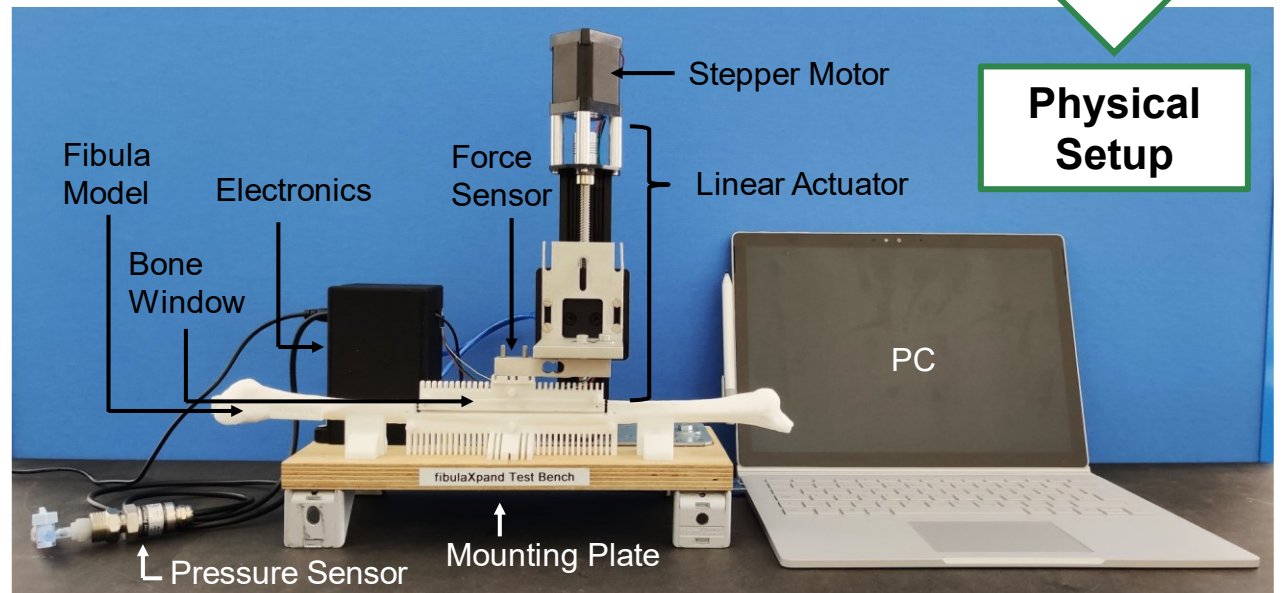
Bone Window with Comb Structure



Osteotomized Fibula with Comb Structure



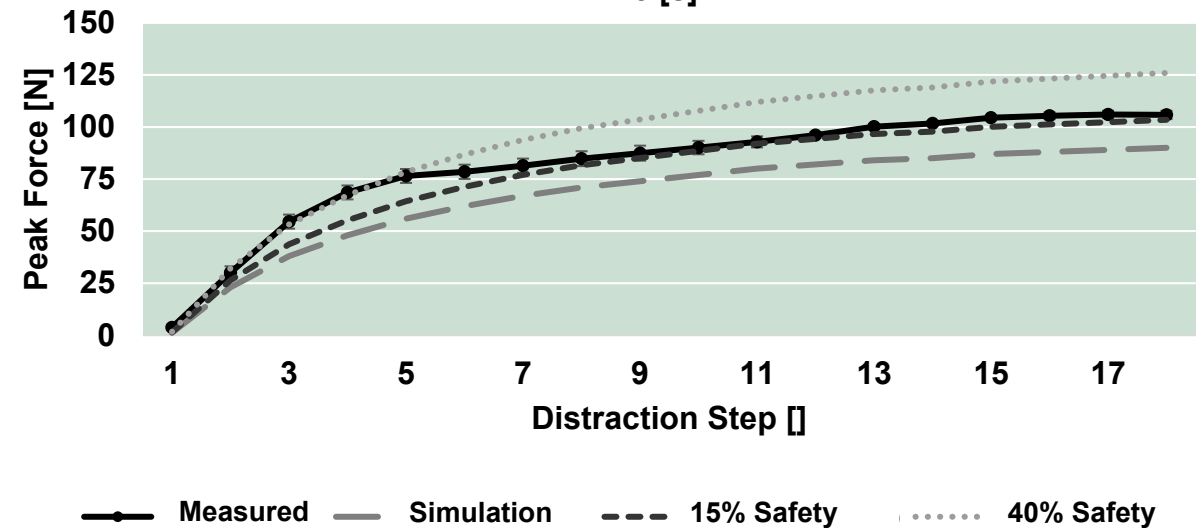
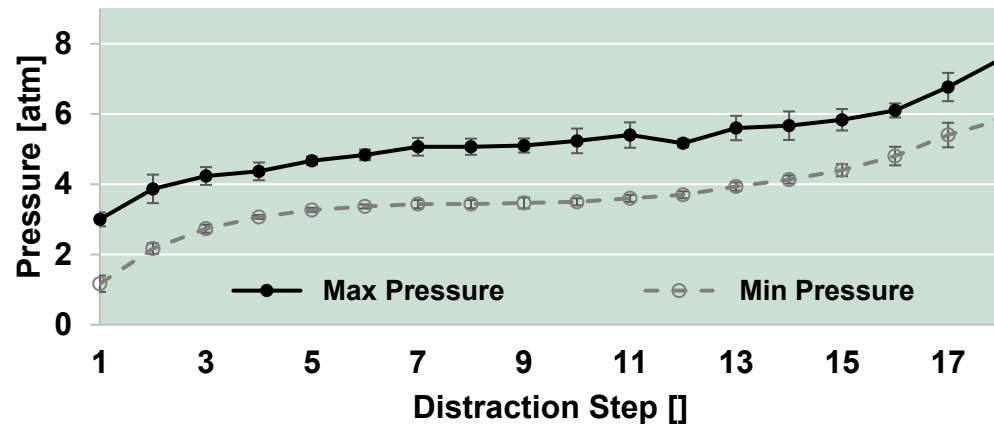
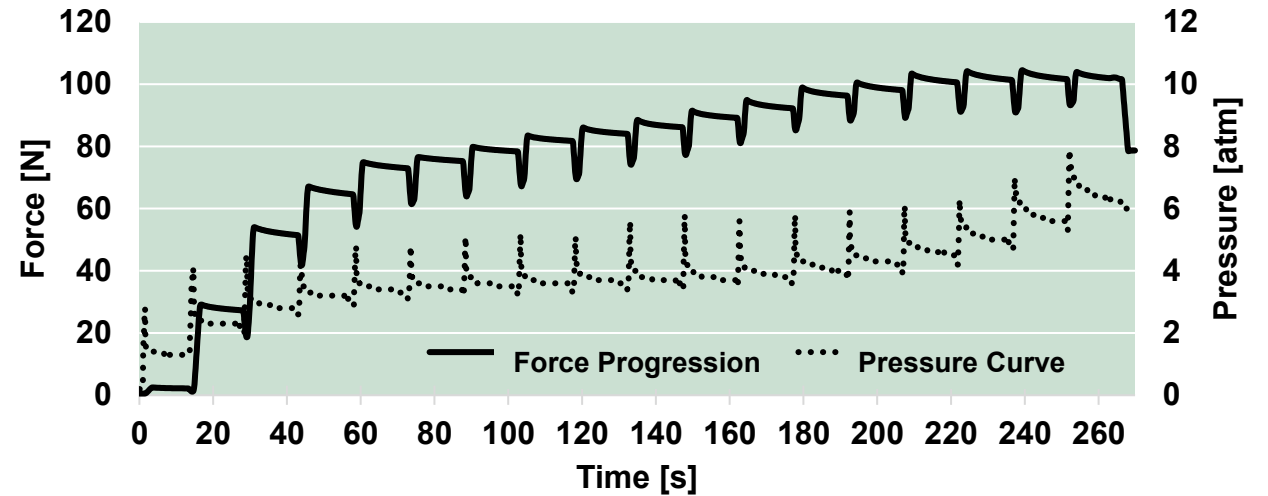
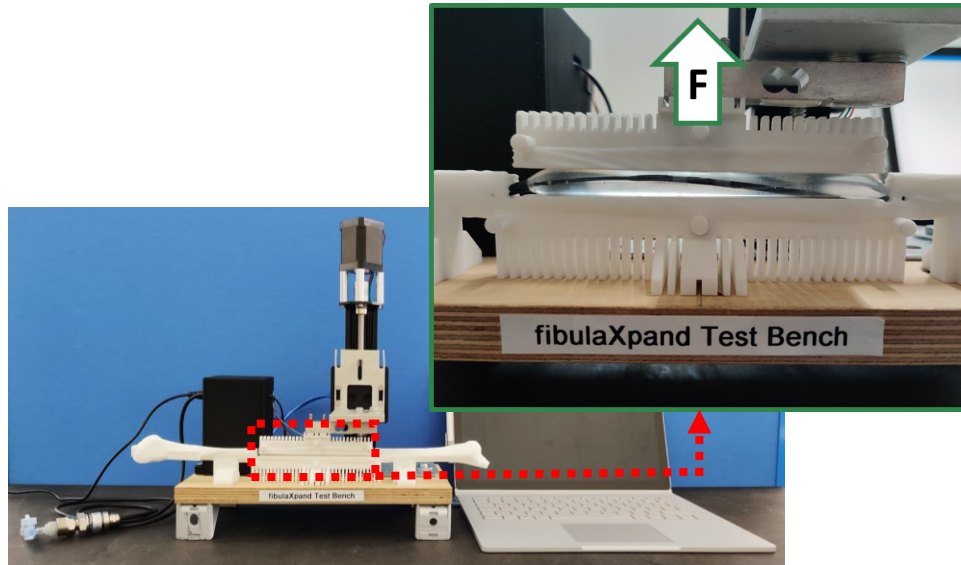
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Physical Setup

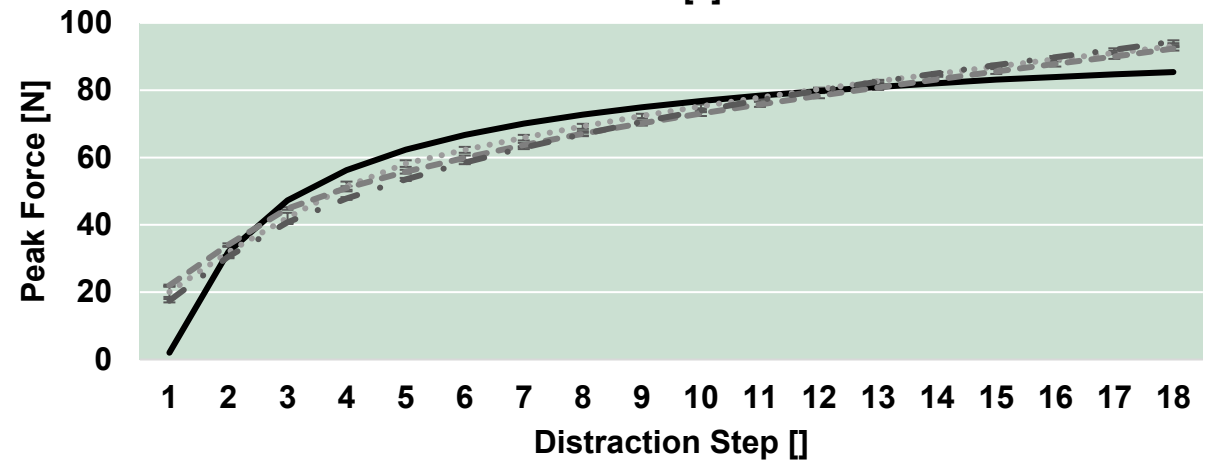
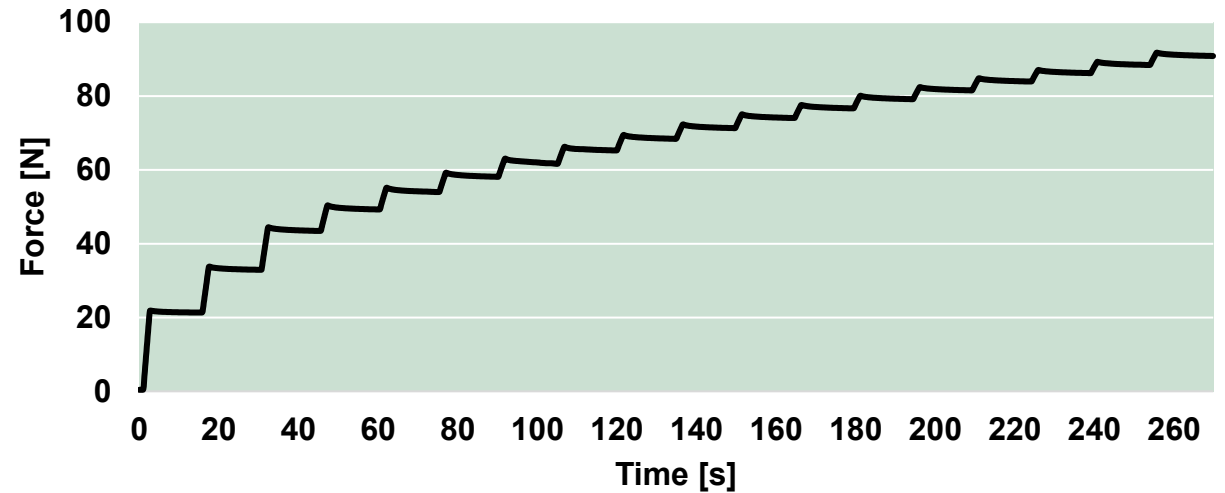
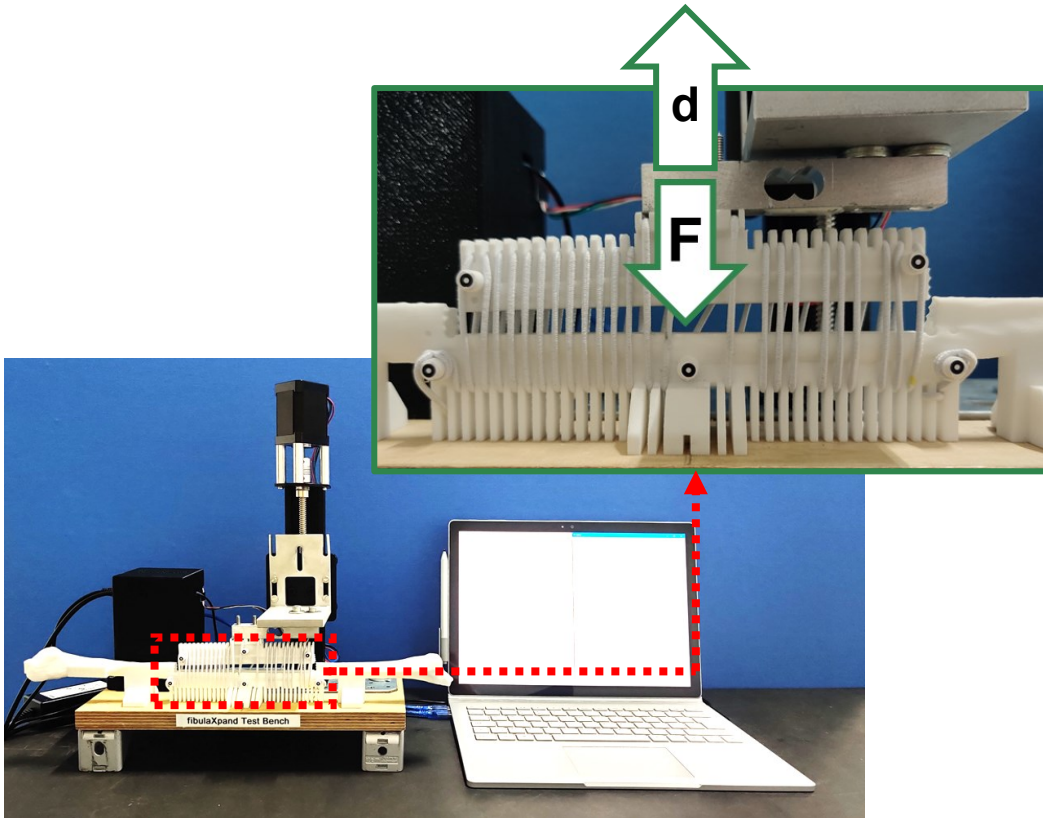
Mechanical Testing

Measurement of Force F and Pressure p during System Expansion



Biomechanical Testing

Measurement of Distraction Force F at Displacement d in a Model with simulated Callus

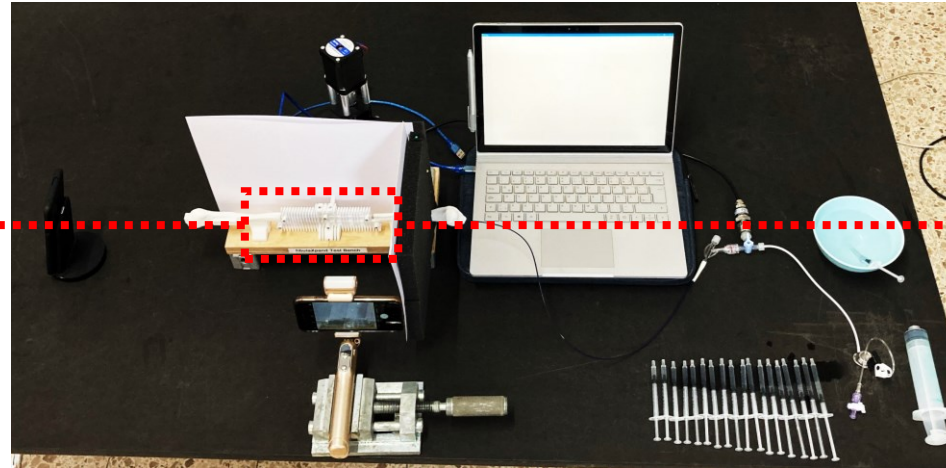


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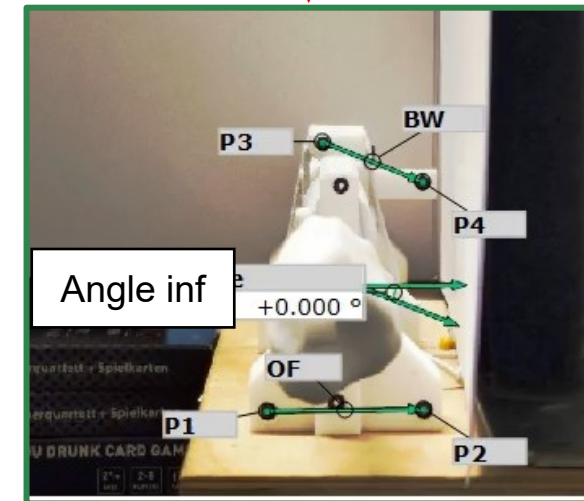
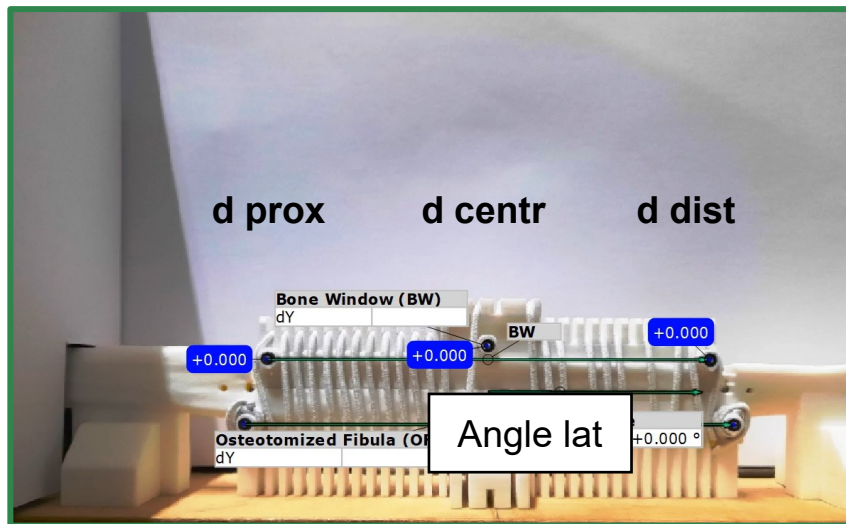
Biomechanical Testing

Optical Measurements to determine Displacement d and Tilt Angle lat / inf

Displacement
& Tilt *lateral*

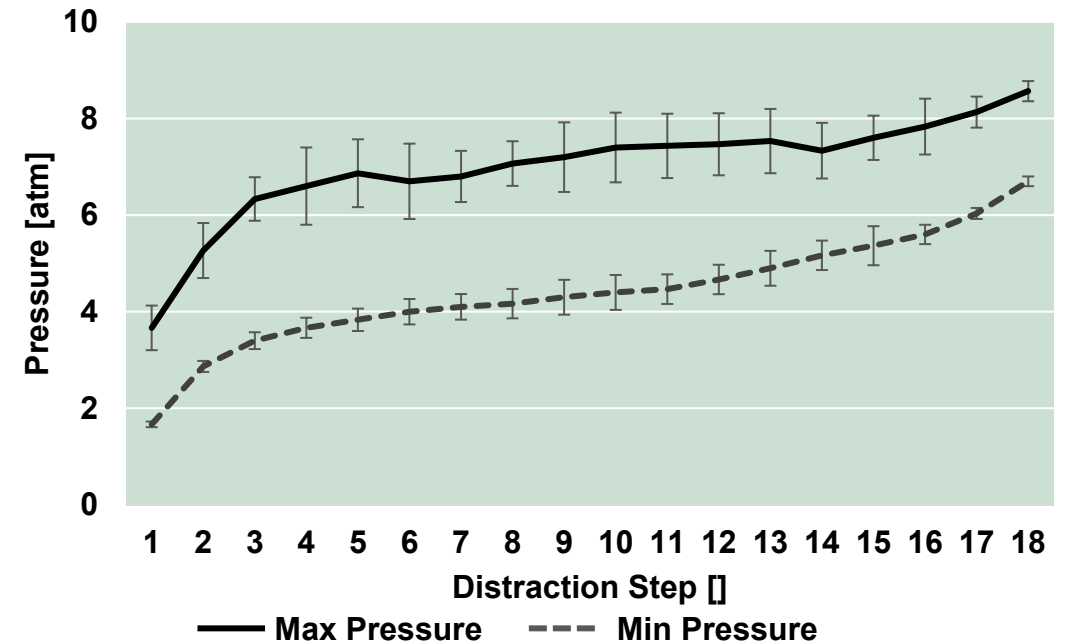
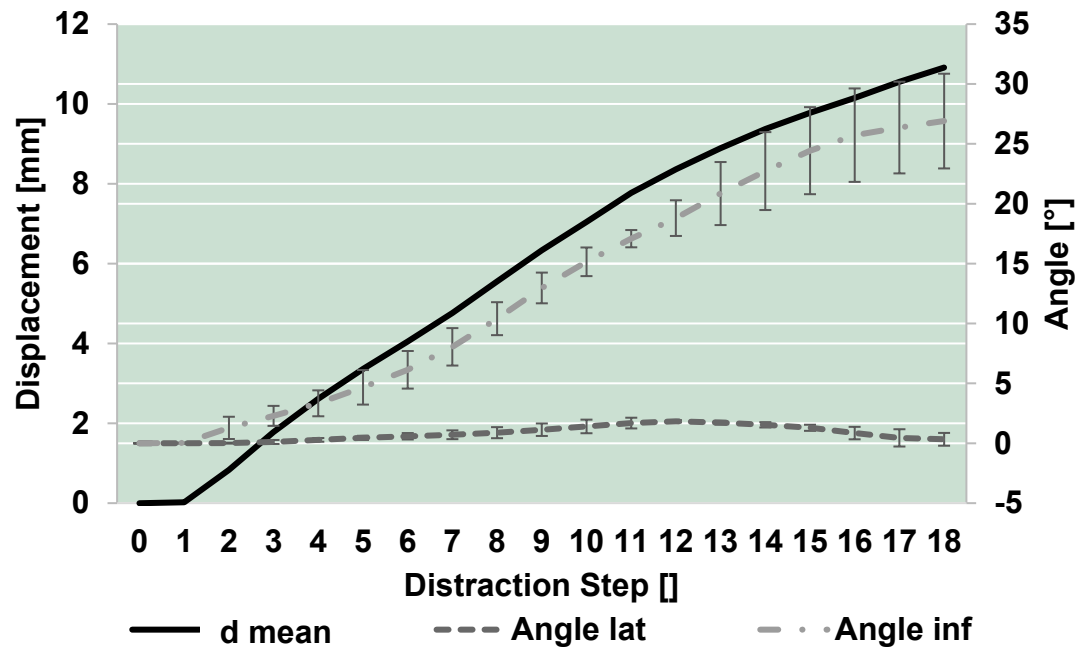
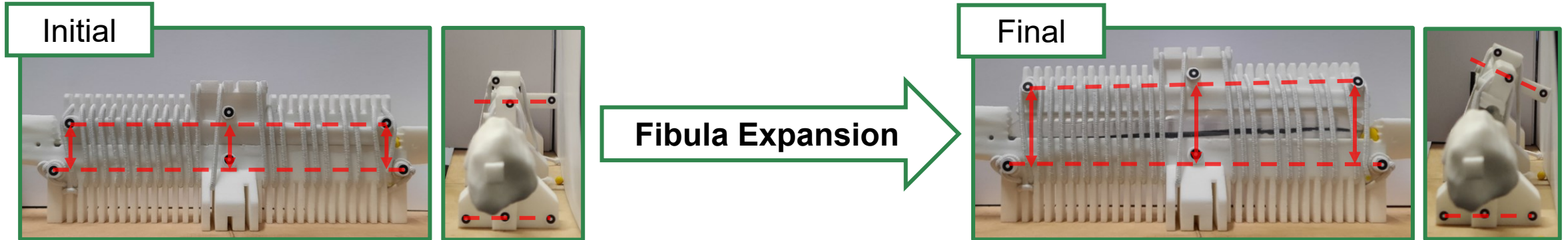


Tilt *inferior*



Biomechanical Testing

Optical Measurements to determine Displacement d and Tilt Angle lat / inf



Discussion and Outlook

- 1) **Surgical Technique for Fibula Expansion**
→ Demonstration of Feasibility of Radial Distraction in vivo (animal experiment) necessary
- 2) **Morphological Parameters**
→ Distraction Areas not estimable based on Bone Length
- 3) **Model to calculate Distraction Forces**
→ Model based on Animal Experiment (Transferability limited)
→ No Validation of the Radial Forces possible
- 4) **Prototypes of the Expansion System**
→ Professional Manufacturing of the Expansion System
- 5) **Mechanical Testing**
→ Long-term measurements with accredited Test Rigs
→ Check of further Parameters (Tightness, Radial Forces)
- 6) **Biomechanical Testing**
→ Long-term measurements
→ Extension of Fibula Models with Soft Tissue Simulation

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