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— Abstract —

**A Long-term Results of Ulnohumeral Arthroplasty in Primary Osteoarthritis of the Elbow**

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**Purpose:** To assess the long-term effect of ulnohumeral arthroplasty and the relationship between radiological recurrence and clinical outcome.

**Materials and Methods:** Eleven elbows with primary osteoarthritis were analyzed at an average of eighty months after ulnohumeral arthroplasty. All patients were male with a mean age of fifty years. The outcomes were assessed using the Mayo Elbow Performance Score(MEPS) and the clinical and radiological results were compared.

**Results:** Four elbows were not painful and six were mildly painful but one was not changed. The mean gain in extension was 15 °, in flexion 10 °. There were satisfactory results in 8 elbows(73%) and the mean MEPS was 81 points. All of eleven elbows had some degree of recurrent osteoarthritis and there was no correlation between radiological recurrence and clinical endpoints in nine elbows. But in two elbows, it appeared that recurrence of osteophyte at coronoid process was severe and caused fair outcome.

**Conclusion:** Ulnohumeral arthroplasty is one of the effective treatment options for primary osteoarthritis of the elbow. The radiological recurrence did not correlated with the clinical outcome in most cases.

**Key Words:** Elbow, Primary Osteoarthritis, Ulnohumeral Arthroplasty

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35 ( : 30~40 ), 110 ( : 100~120 )

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가

16~20 mm

가

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1992 Morrey<sup>7)</sup>  
Kashiwagi<sup>3)</sup>

Outerbridge-

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Mayo Elbow Performance Score (MEPS)<sup>5)</sup>

1,6,9,10)

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(90 ), (75~89 ),  
(60~74 ), (60 ) 가

Wilcoxon rank-sum test

1994 3 1999 12

Phillips Stanley 가<sup>9)</sup>

(75% ), (25~75%  
(25% ) ,

13 5

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11

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80 ( : 62~106 )

50 ( : 42~60 )

1

6

, 4

1

, 30

4

, 6

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가

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20  
 ( : 10 ~ 30 ), 120 ( : 1 (Fig. 1)  
 100 ~ 130 ) 15  
 ( $p < 0.0001$ ), 10 ( $p < 0.0001$ )가 가 가 , 8  
 , 5 (30 ~ 130 , 3  
 ) 가 2  
 , 9 가 1 (Fig. 1)  
 가 1 , 2  
 , 2  
 6 5 9 가 ( $P < 0.05$ ).  
 5 가  
 MEPS 63 81 ( : ,  
 65 ~ 90 ) 가 ( $p < 0.0001$ ),  
 3 , 5 , 3 8  
 (73%)  
 9 2 가  
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 5 가 (Table 1).  
 column procedure<sup>5)</sup>,  
 (debridement  
 arthroplasty<sup>8)</sup>  
 4)

**Table 1.** Details and results of ulnohumeral arthroplasty in 11 patients

Cases	Age	Follow-up (months)	Preoperative/Postoperative measurement				Clinical result
			Pain*	Extension	Flexion	M.E.P.S <sup>†</sup>	
1	47	106	2/2	40/20	100/100	60/70	fair
2	44	78	2/0	35/20	110/130	65/90	excellent
3	42	100	2/2	40/20	110/100	65/65	fair
4	60	90	2/1	40/30	110/120	60/70	fair
5	55	84	2/0	30/20	110/120	65/80	good
6	57	84	2/1	35/20	100/120	60/85	good
7	46	72	2/1	35/20	120/130	65/85	good
8	52	68	2/0	30/10	110/130	65/90	excellent
9	51	62	2/1	30/10	120/130	65/85	good
10	50	66	2/0	35/20	110/130	65/90	excellent
11	55	70	2/1	40/20	110/120	60/85	good

\* Pain : 3,severe; 2,moderate; 1,mild; 0,none. †M.E.P.S : Mayo Elbow Performance Score.

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가 8 (73%)

1992 Morrey<sup>7)</sup>가 Outer-bridge-Kashiwagi<sup>3)</sup> 15 21

가 87%

80 ( : 24~164 ) Antuna<sup>1)</sup> 46 50%

76% . Phillips Stanley<sup>9)</sup> 50%

50%

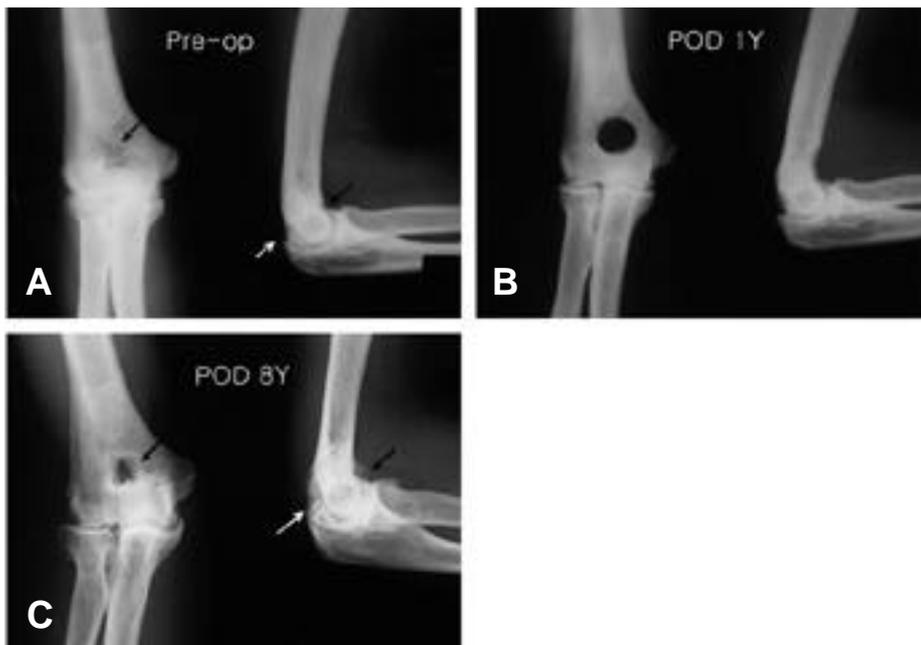
. Phillips Stanley<sup>9)</sup> 5 20 20

가 80%

5 . Oka<sup>8)</sup> 20

가

5 . Oka<sup>8)</sup> Antuna<sup>1)</sup> 25



**Fig. 1.** (A) Preoperative AP and lateral radiographs show encroachment of the olecranon fossa and osteophytes at the tip of the olecranon and coronoid fossa. (B) Postoperative one-year radiographs show good placement of the hole and resected osteophytes. (C) Postoperative eight-year radiographs show bone reformation within the hole of the olecranon fossa and osteophytes recurrence at the tip of the olecranon and coronoid process with joint space narrowing.

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Cohen <sup>2)</sup>

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