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Ankle arthrodesis in rheumatoid arthritis: techniques, results, and complications

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Abstract: This article defines specific risks associated with rheumatoid arthritis, including an increased incidence of medical comorbidities, the use of steroids and other immunosuppressive agents, osteoporosis, vascular disease, and the common occurrence of severe deformity. This article suggests approaches for management and techniques that may improve specific surgical issues in this challenging patient population.