Preface

Controversies in Acute Trauma and Reconstruction







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Foot and ankle trauma is a common problem for subspecialists and general orthopedic surgeons in the emergency department setting. This issue tries to give a practical approach for the most frequent clinical dilemmas in terms of diagnosis and treatment. In some articles, we asked the authors to defy some established knowledge or "gold standards"; in others, we asked the authors to organize and clarify classic contents, and in all of them, we asked the authors to share their experience and innovative vision on these problems.

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We hope this *Foot and Ankle Clinics of North America* issue, "Controversies in Acute Trauma and Reconstruction," can be helpful for your clinical practice and could stimulate more research for our patients' benefit.

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