Clinical Case Review 1

Penetration of 8 mm cortical bone

Procedural Information

Location: Uppsala, Sweden
Hospital: Uppsala University Hospital
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Case Description

Case history
Seventy-five year old man with a suspected metastasis in the femoral shaft.

Biopsy details
Penetration of the 8-mm thick, cortical bone was achieved by manually drilling with the Bonopty® Drill. The drill was then exchanged for the Bonopty® Biopsy Cannula which was used to obtain two samples in the bone marrow, through the anchored Bonopty® Penetration Cannula.

Analysis of the samples
Histologic examination of these samples revealed metastatic bone marrow involvement.

Comments
The intact, thick cortical bone was easily penetrated with the eccentric drill using only finger-tip force.

CT scan of the femur
The anchored Bonopty® Penetration Cannula
Samples obtained with the Bonopty® Biopsy Cannula
8 mm thick cortical bone

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