AVULSION FRACTURES OF THE LOWER EXTREMITY

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INTRODUCTION

Avulsion fractures of the lower extremities are common in childhood and adolescence. In their classic forms they are not difficult to identify but in subtle form they can be entirely overlooked. At the same time in chronic form they frequently are misinterpreted for a more serious problem such as a bone tumor. In this communication we present not only classic avulsion fractures but avulsion fractures over their entire spectrum of presentation.