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### Cross-cultural comparison of postoperative discharge opioid prescribing after orthopaedic trauma surgery



The Journal of Bone & Joint Surgery

The extent of variation in analgesic prescribing following musculoskeletal injury among countries and cultural contexts is poorly understood. Such an understanding can inform both domestic prescribing and future policy. The aim of our survey study was to evaluate how opioid prescribing by orthopaedic residents varies by geographic context. [READ MORE](#)

### Is your EHR a malpractice risk?



Medical Economics

Certainly, the desire to avoid medical errors, a major basis of medical malpractice claims, was one of the driving forces behind EHR adoption. But with the implementation of these systems, the country has seen a rise in what used to be a relatively rare malpractice situation: medical liability claims with an EHR as a contributing factor. [READ MORE](#)

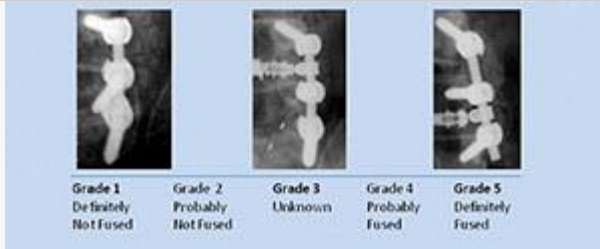
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### The CBD oil trend — what should physicians say to their patients?



Depending on who's talking about CBD, it's either a cure-all for every ailment, or little better than a placebo. Since 33 states (and the District of Columbia) have legalized medical marijuana, and the 2018 Farm Bill legalized hemp, physicians may be seeing more requests from patients to try these products. What do physicians need to know to best inform their patients? The answers lie somewhere in the middle of the two extremes. [READ MORE](#)

## PRODUCT SHOWCASE



### Rare Head-To-Head Comparison of Two Bone Grafts

Two bone graft extenders differing in chemical composition were implanted contralaterally in 27 consecutive patients undergoing instrumented posterolateral lumbar fusion. It was hypothesized that differences in biomaterial composition may reveal differences in the rate at which new bone was formed. [Learn more](#)



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