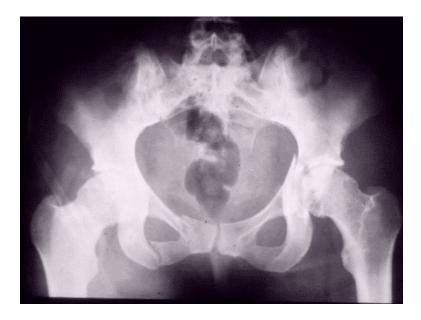
Pelvic fracture



A 27 year old motorcyclist has lost control of his machine and hit a tree. Lateral c-spine and CXR are normal, but his pelvic view is as shown.

Describe this X-Ray (3 marks)

Fracture of L acetabulum
Fracture of R pubic rami ant and post

What injuries would be possible with this injury? (4 marks) Bleeding of pelvic vessels Urethral tear
Nerve injury
Rectal injury

Outline your management of this patient if they were in hypovolaemic shock (3 marks) Fluid resuscitation
Stabilise pelvis with straps
Ortho for exfix
? embolisation

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