LOWER LIMBS CASTING IN ADJUNCT TO BOTULINIUM TOXIN (BTX) INJECTION TO IMPROVE THE GAIT PATTERN FOR PATIENT WITH STROKE

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Stroke



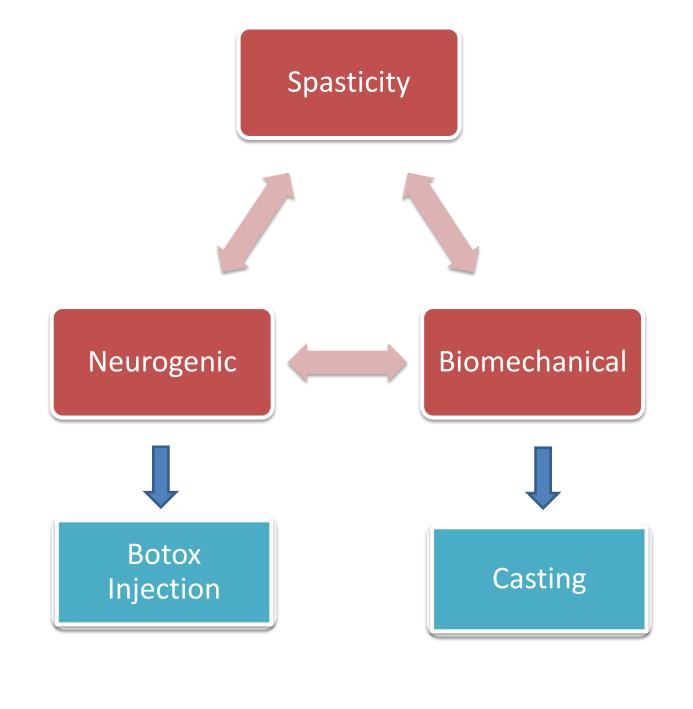
How common is spasticity after stroke?

17% European study 38% UK study

(Lundstrom et al, 2008) (Watkins et al 2002)

Spasticity mainly occurs in the first 3 months following stroke (Lundstrom et al, 2008)

Unable to walk



Botox Clinic



RESULTS



CONCLUSIONS:

Casting in adjuncted with botulinum toxin injection is effective in improving the gait pattern for patients with stroke.

Pre-botox:

Patient walked with flexed knee, forefoot landing and small step

Post-botox with casting: Patient walked with less knee flexion, whole foot landing and bigger step