

# “Advanced Treatments For Sacroiliac Joint Pain”

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# Objectives

- Recognize the different advanced treatment options for SI joint pain
- Identify which treatment option is best for an individual patient
- Recognize the risk and benefits of these treatment options



# Types of Advanced Treatments

- Prolotherapy
- Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP)
- SI joint fusion
  - Open vs. percutaneous approach
  - Lateral vs. posterior lateral vs. posterior approach



# Prolotherapy – What is it?

- “Proles” – “growth” or “offspring” in Latin
- Often uses irritant solution (often hyperosmolar glucose) not containing biologic material to create an inflammatory response
- Induces growth of connective tissue to strengthen the attachment of ligaments or tendons at fibrous-osseous junctions
- Useful in SI joint ligamentous laxity

# Prolotherapy – Data

- **Kim et al. A randomized controlled trial of intra-articular prolotherapy versus steroid injection for sacroiliac joint pain. 2010. Level I evidence**
  - Inclusion:  $\geq 3$  months SI joint pain,  $\geq 50\%$  improvement with local block
  - 3 injections (2 weeks apart)
  - ODI and NRS significantly improved at 2 weeks with no significant difference between them
  - $\geq 50\%$  pain relief at 15 months: 58.7% with prolotherapy vs. 10.2% with steroid

# Prolotherapy – Data

- **Cusi et al. The use of prolotherapy in the sacroiliac joint. Br J Sports Med. 2010. Level II evidence**
  - Prospective descriptive study
  - 3 hypertonic dextrose injections (6 weeks apart) into dorsal interosseous ligament under CT guidance
  - Positive clinical outcomes in 76% of patients at 3-months (76% at 12 months and 32% at 24 months)

# Prolotherapy – Data

- **Hoffman and Agnish. Functional outcome from sacroiliac joint prolotherapy in patients with sacroiliac joint instability. 2018.**

Level IV evidence

- Retrospective cohort study
- Series of 3 SI joint prolotherapy injections (15% dextrose in lidocaine) at 1 month intervals
  - 24 (23%) patients improvement  $\geq 15$  points on the ODI
  - 50 patients no improvement
  - 29 patients improvement in ODI score  $< 15$  points
- Minimal improvement with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> injection if no improvement with 1st

# Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP)

- Autologous concentrate of platelets from centrifuged whole blood
- Initiates the body's own repair processes, modulates inflammation, delivers growth factors, and attracts and activates mesenchymal stem cells, which promote a healing environment and reduce pain



# PRP-Data

- **Navani and Gupta. Role of intra-articular platelet-rich plasma in sacroiliac joint pain. 2015. Level III evidence**
  - 10 patient case series
  - >50% improvement in pain at 12 months
  - Improvement in function at 12 months

# SI Joint Fusion

- Approaches:
  - Open vs. **Minimally Invasive (MIS)**
  - Lateral vs. Posterior Lateral vs. **Posterior Approach**
    - **CornerLoc**
    - **PainTeq**
    - **Omnia Medical**

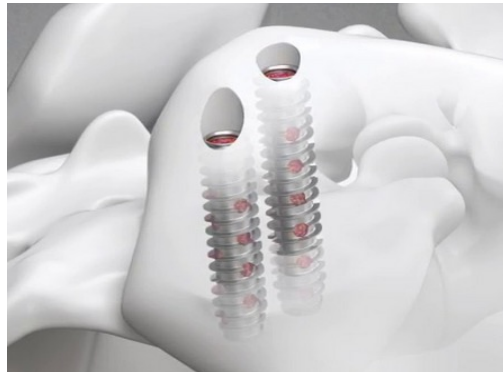
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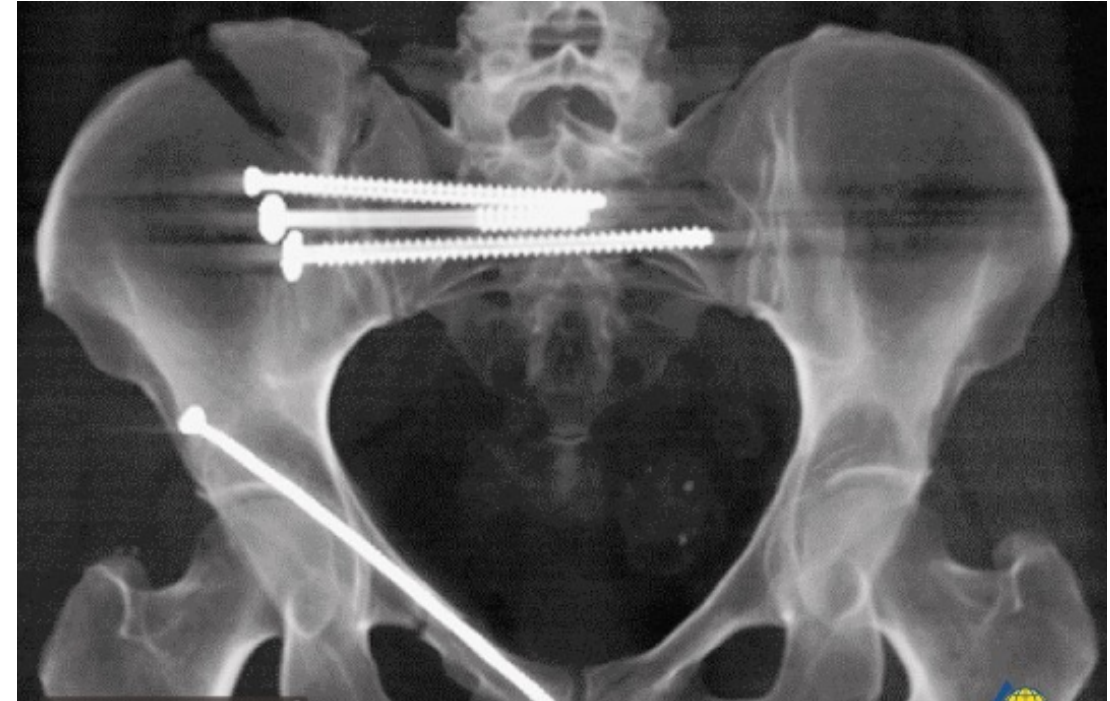
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# MIS - CornerLoc

Study	Design	Patients	Results
Patterson et al. 2018	Retrospective	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 73.2% pain reduction at 10-12 weeks</li><li>• 81.8% of patients reported at least 60% pain relief</li></ul>
Mann et al. 2019	Retrospective	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 62.3% pain reduction at 12 weeks</li><li>• 79.2% pain reduction at 12 months</li></ul>

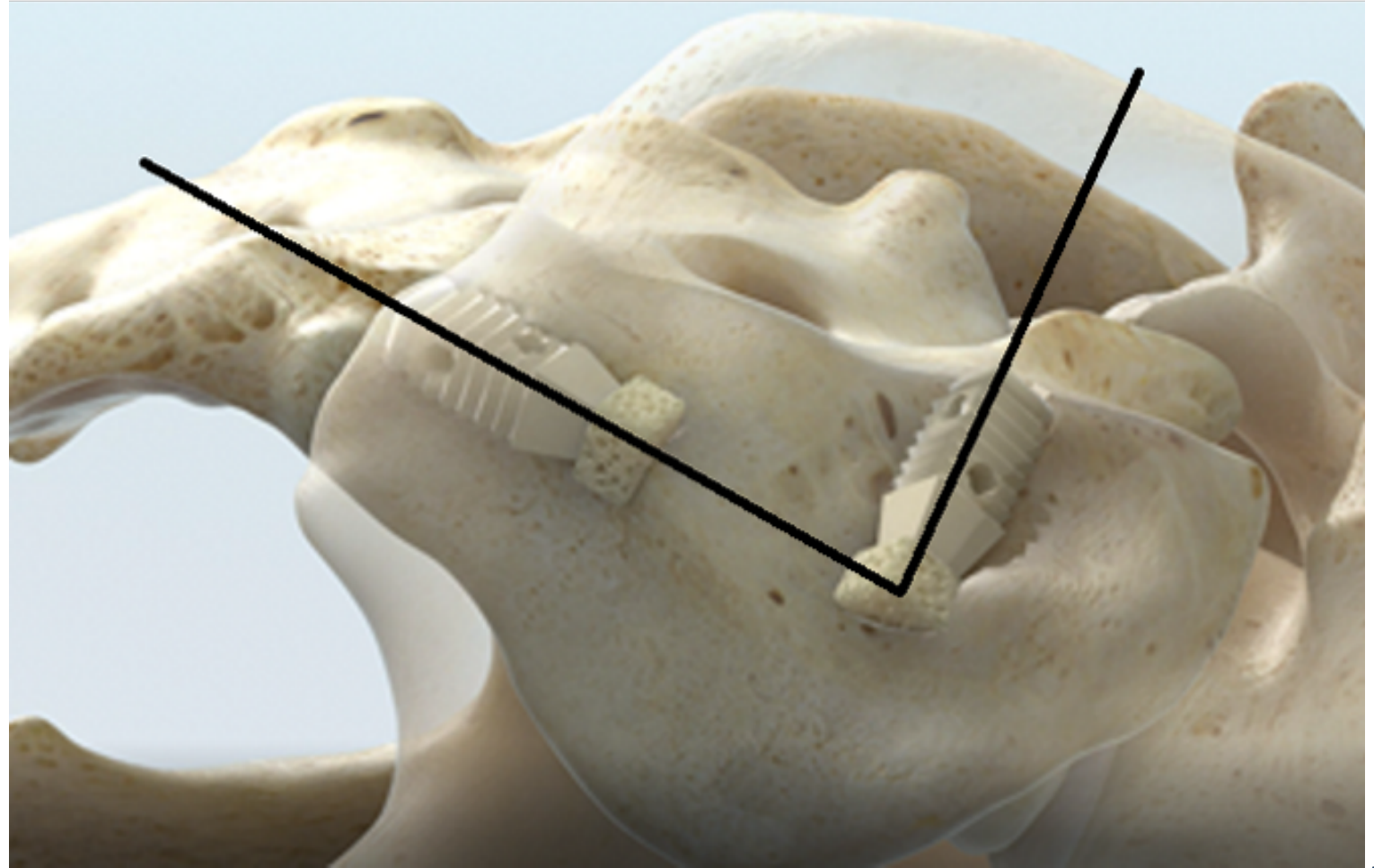
# MIS - PainTeq

Study	Design	Patients	Results
Pyles S. 2019	Case Series	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 55% had complete resolution of pain at 6 months</li><li>• Average 72% pain reduction at 6 months</li></ul>
Kim et al. 2019	Case Series	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Average 88% pain reduction at 6 months</li></ul>
Lam et al. 2020	Multicenter retrospective review	62	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Average 83.3% pain reduction at 3 months</li></ul>
Sayed et al. 2021	Multicenter retrospective review	50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Average 65.5% pain reduction at least 12 months postop</li></ul>
Deer et al. 2021	Multicenter retrospective review	111	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Average 67.6% pain reduction at follow up</li></ul>

# SI Joint Fusion – Workup

History	Undergone 6 months prior therapies
Physical Exam	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Finger Fortin Test</li><li>2. Thigh Thrust OR Compression</li><li>3. Need two of below:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Distraction</li><li>• Faber</li><li>• Gaenslen's</li></ul></li></ol>
Diagnostic Injections	2 diagnostic injections with 75% pain relief at any point
Diagnostic Imaging must include <u>ALL</u> of the following:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Imaging (plain radiographs and a CT or MRI) of the SI joint that excludes the presence of destructive lesions (e.g. tumor, infection) or inflammatory arthropathy that would not be properly addressed by percutaneous SIJ fusion</li><li>2. Imaging of the ipsilateral hip (plain radiographs) to rule out osteoarthritis</li><li>3. Imaging of the lumbar spine (CT or MRI) to rule out neural compression or other degenerative condition that can be causing low back or buttock pain</li></ol>

MIS –  
Technique  
CornerLoc





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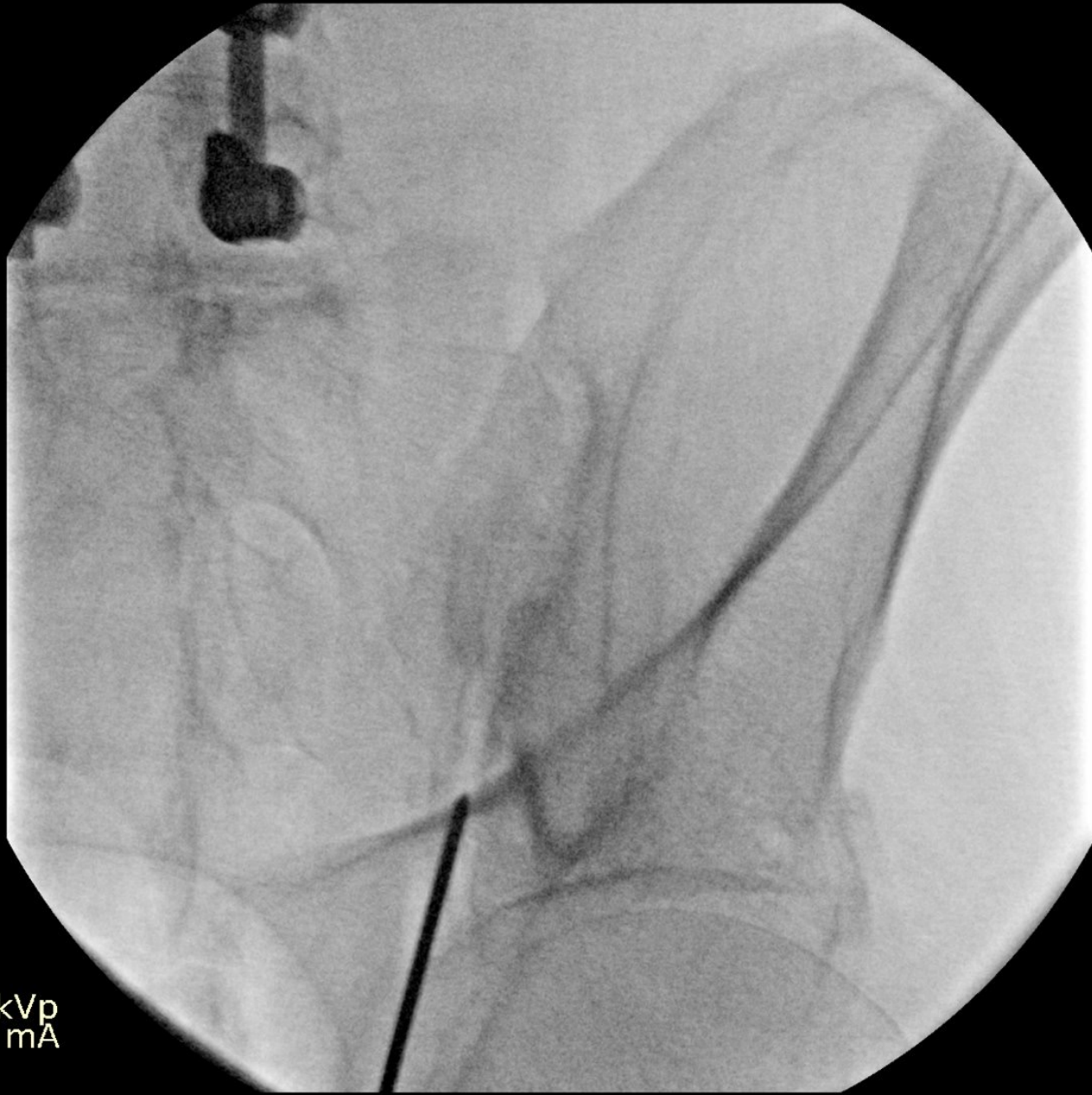
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## Steinmann Pins



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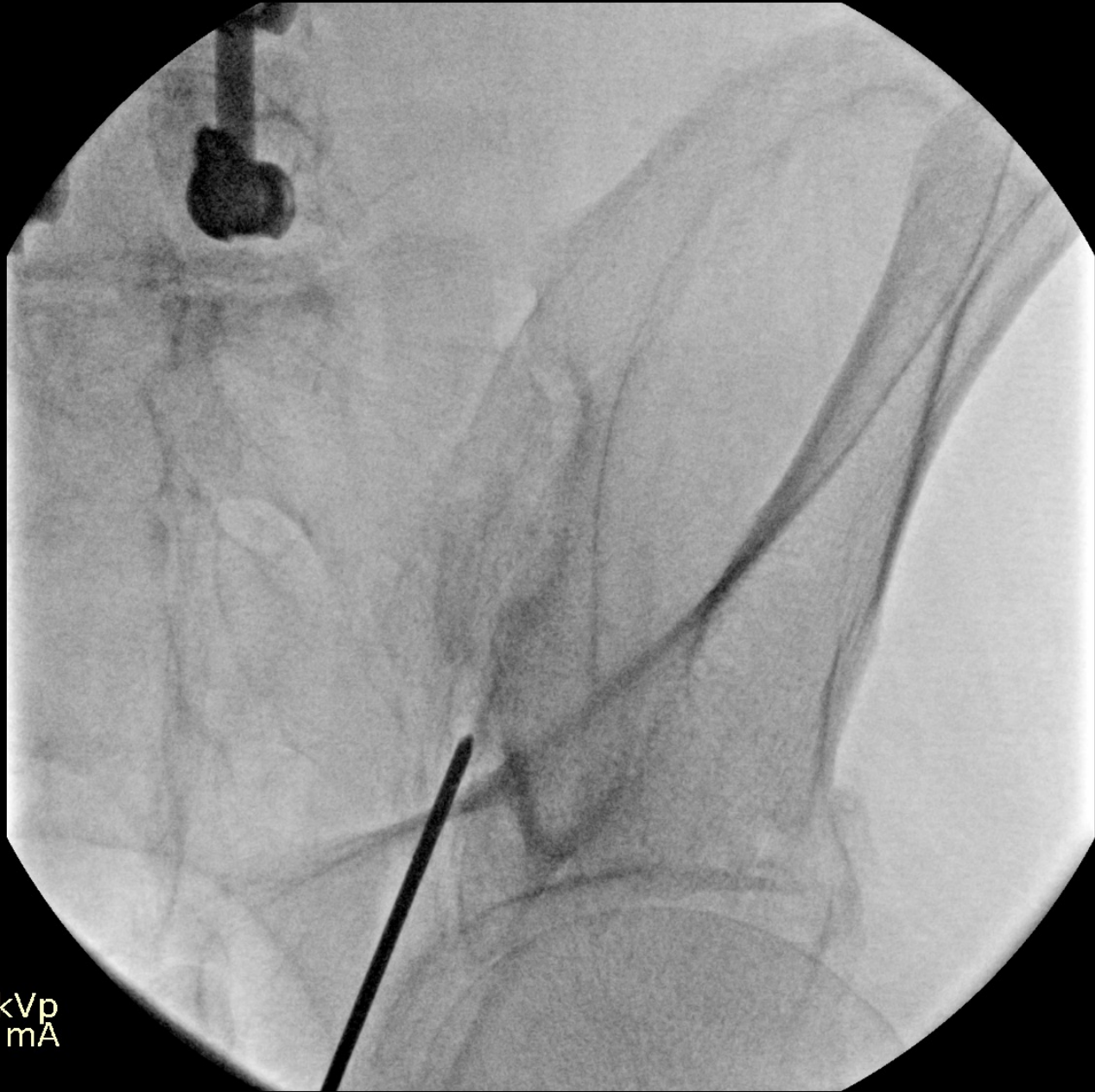
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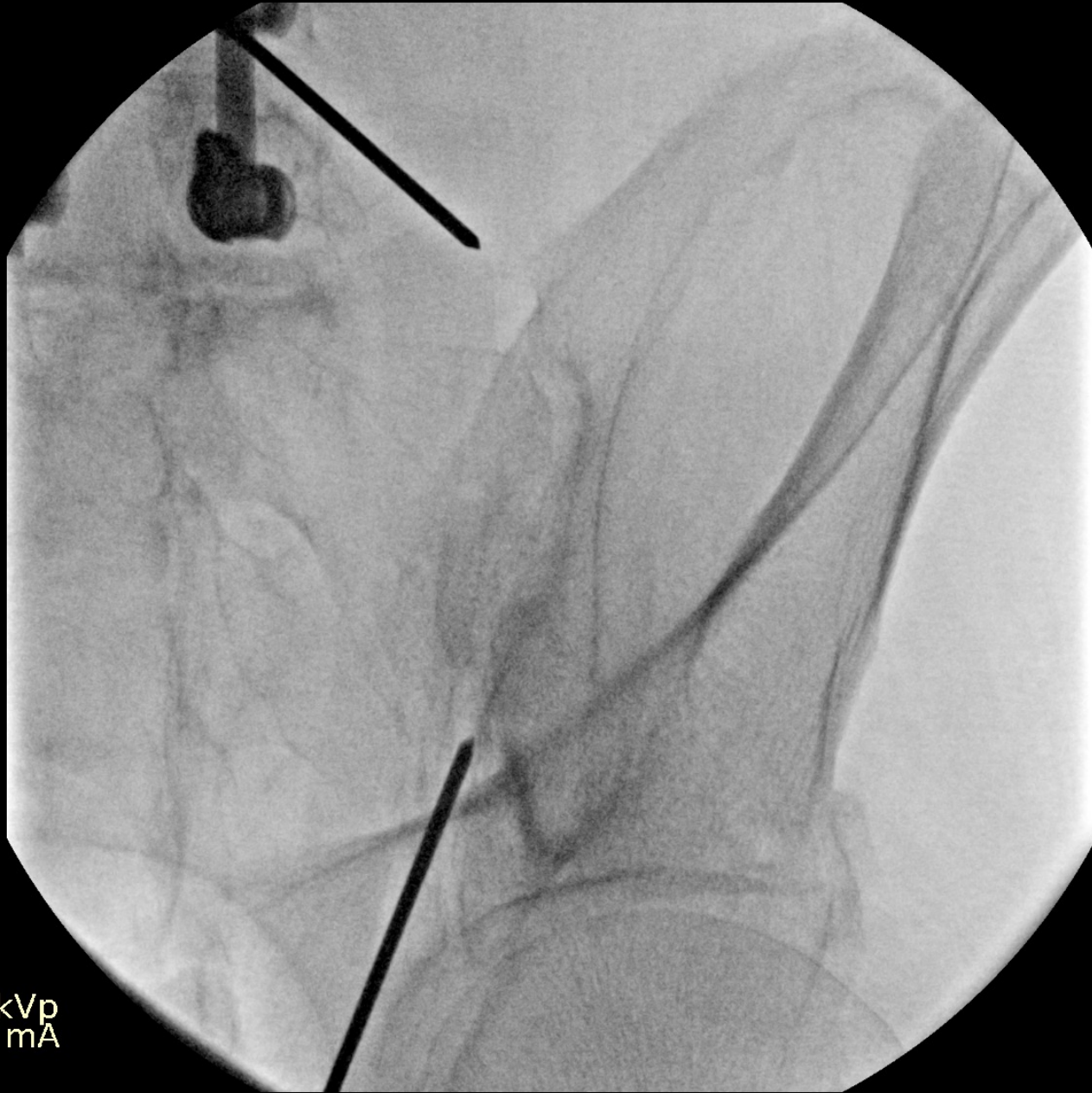
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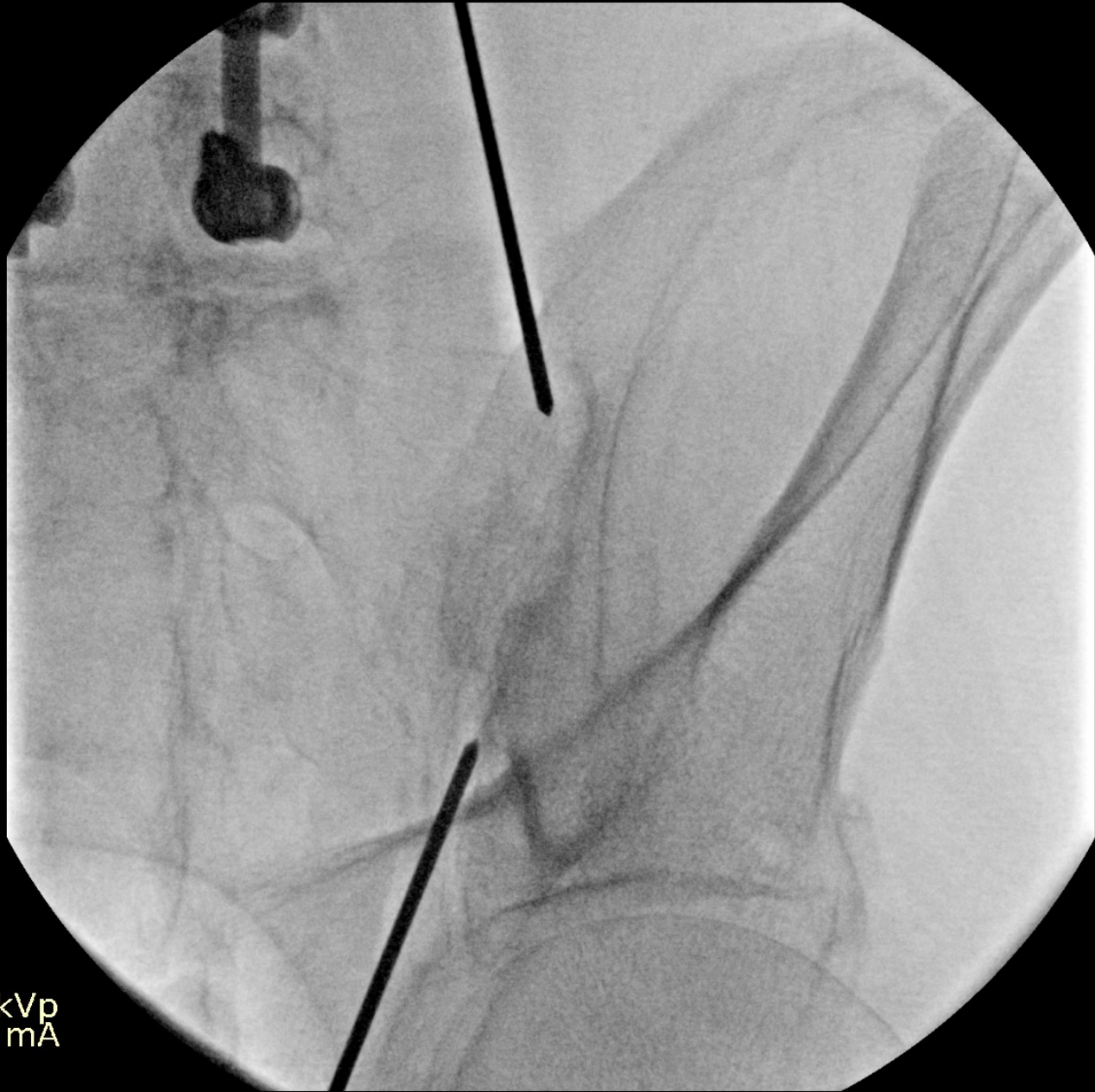
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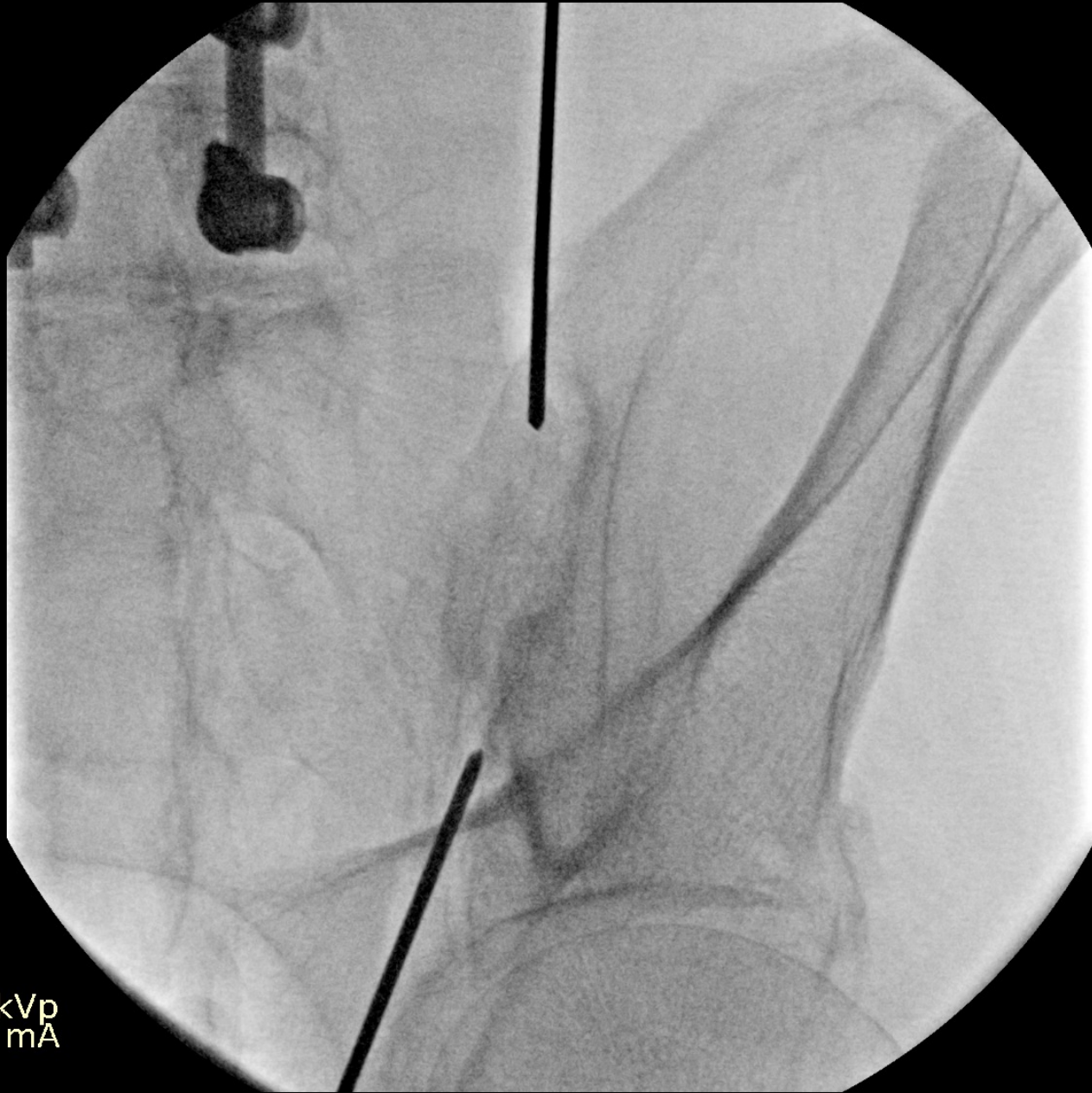
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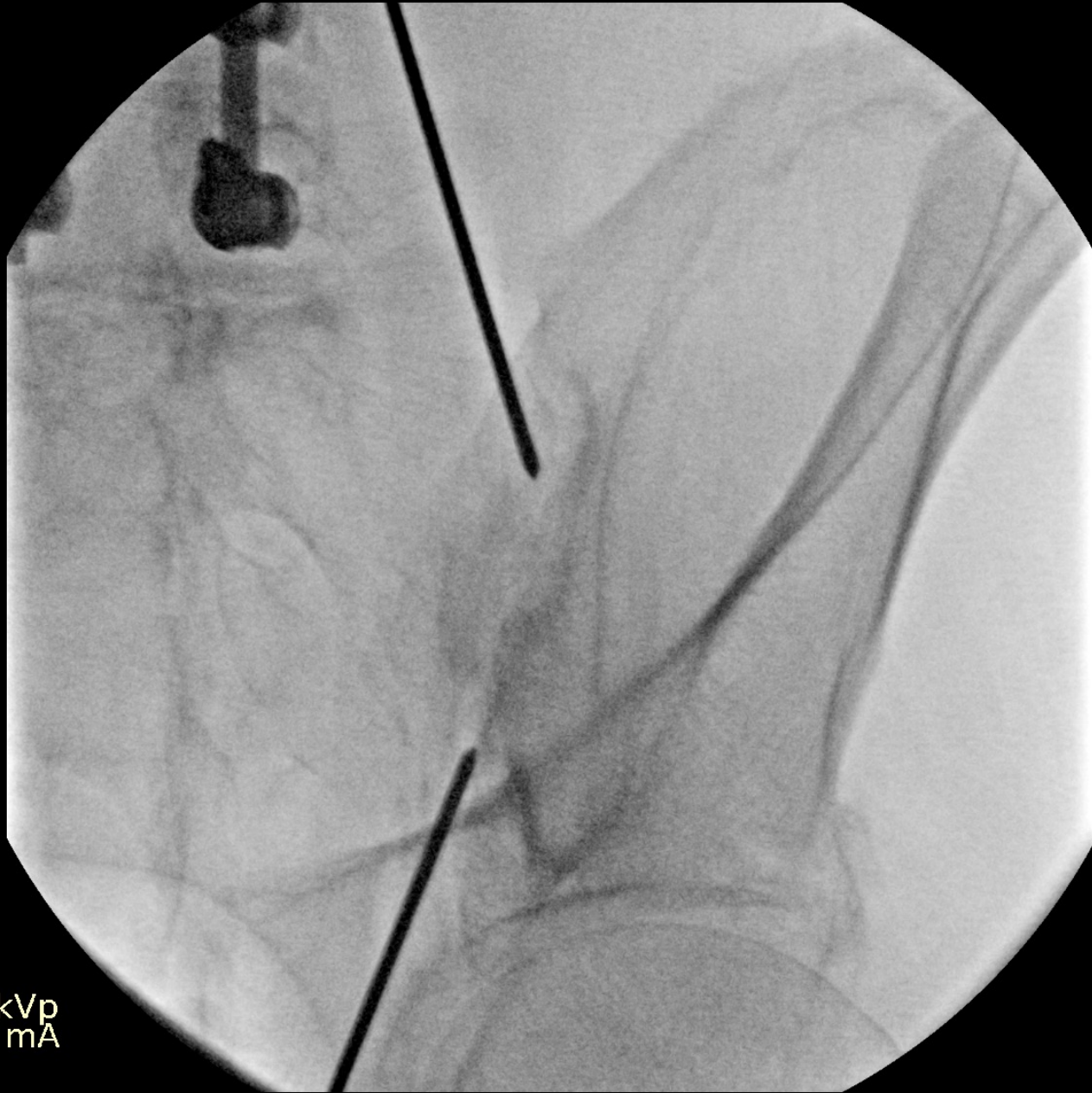
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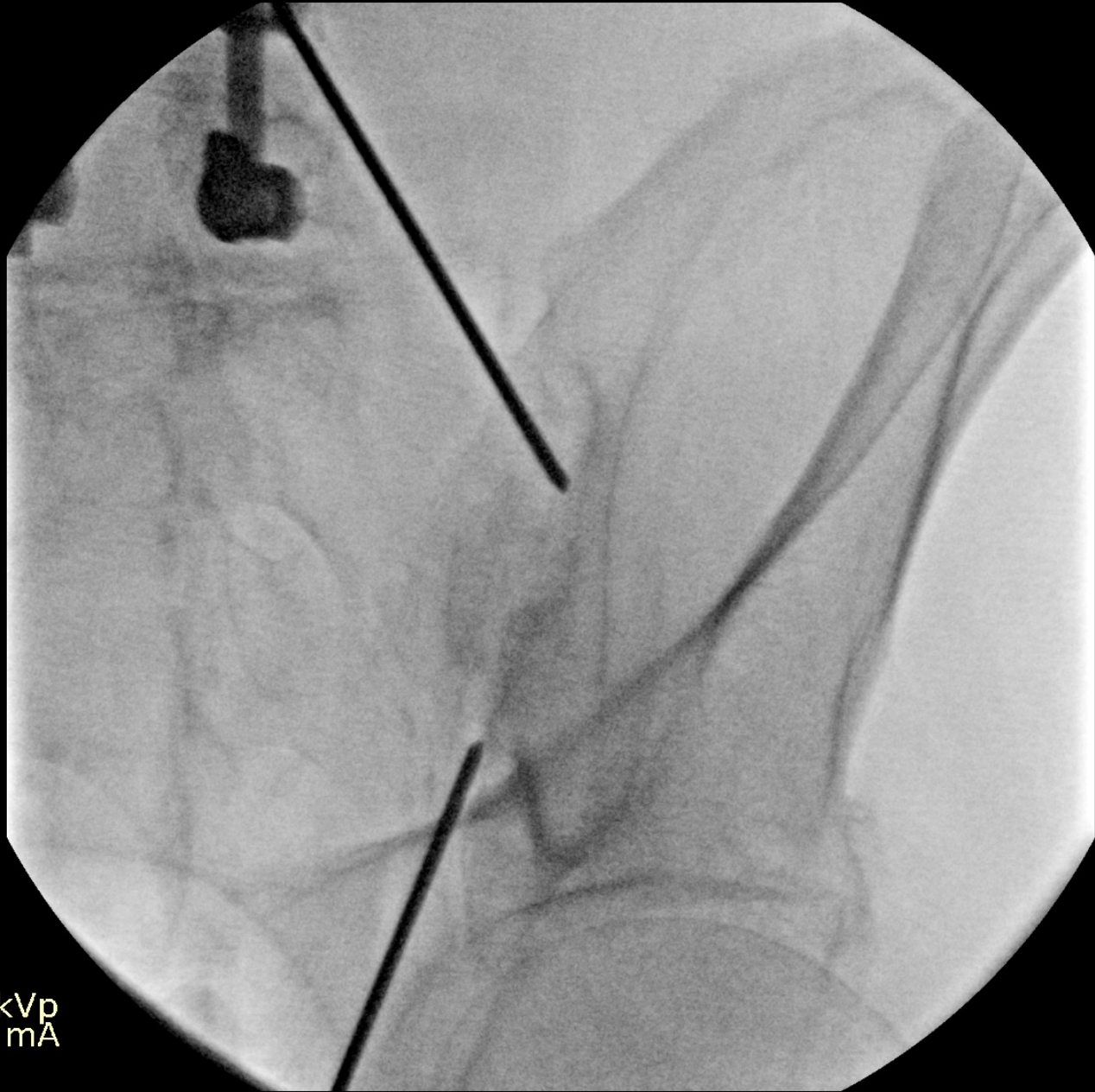
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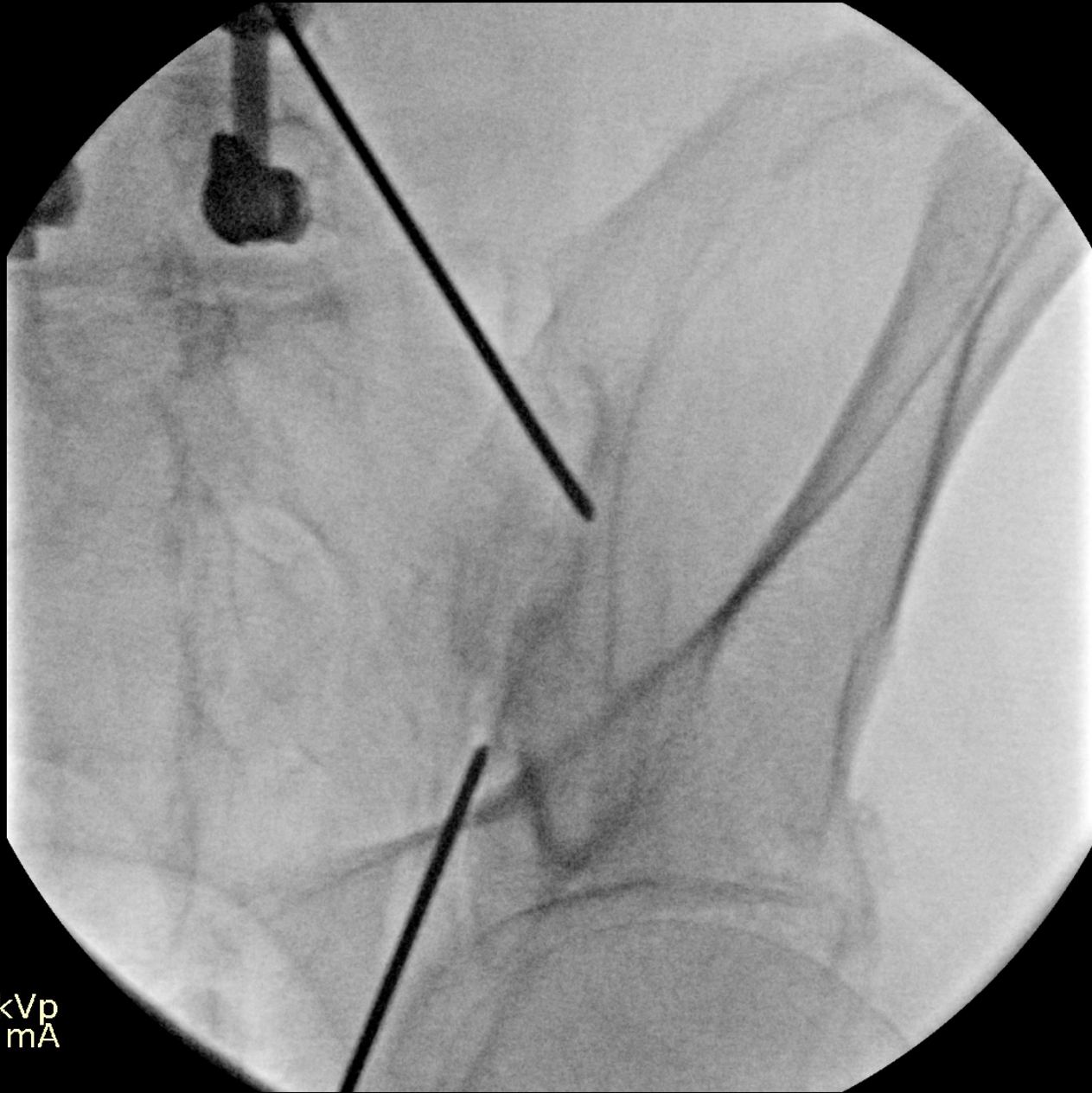
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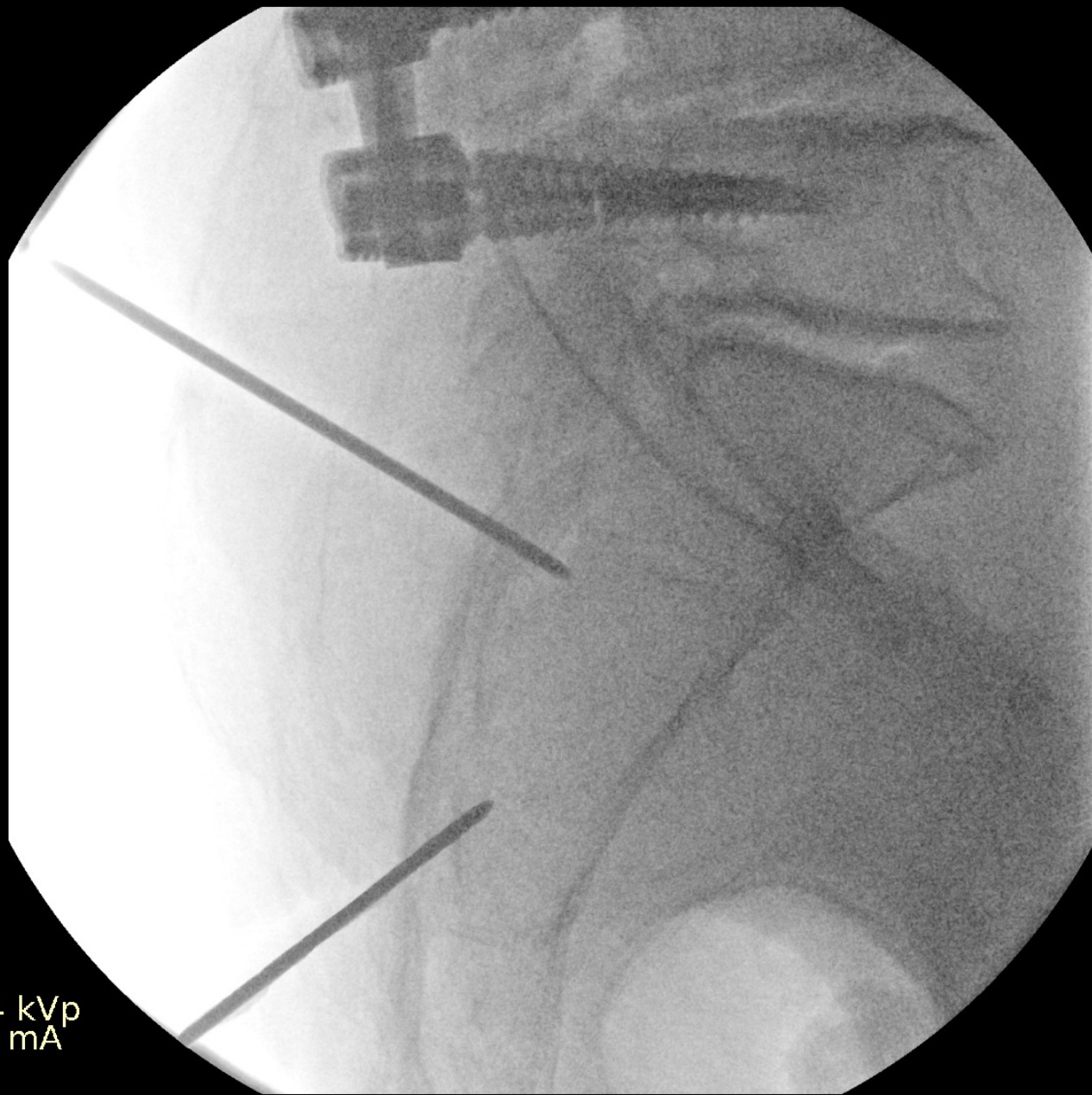
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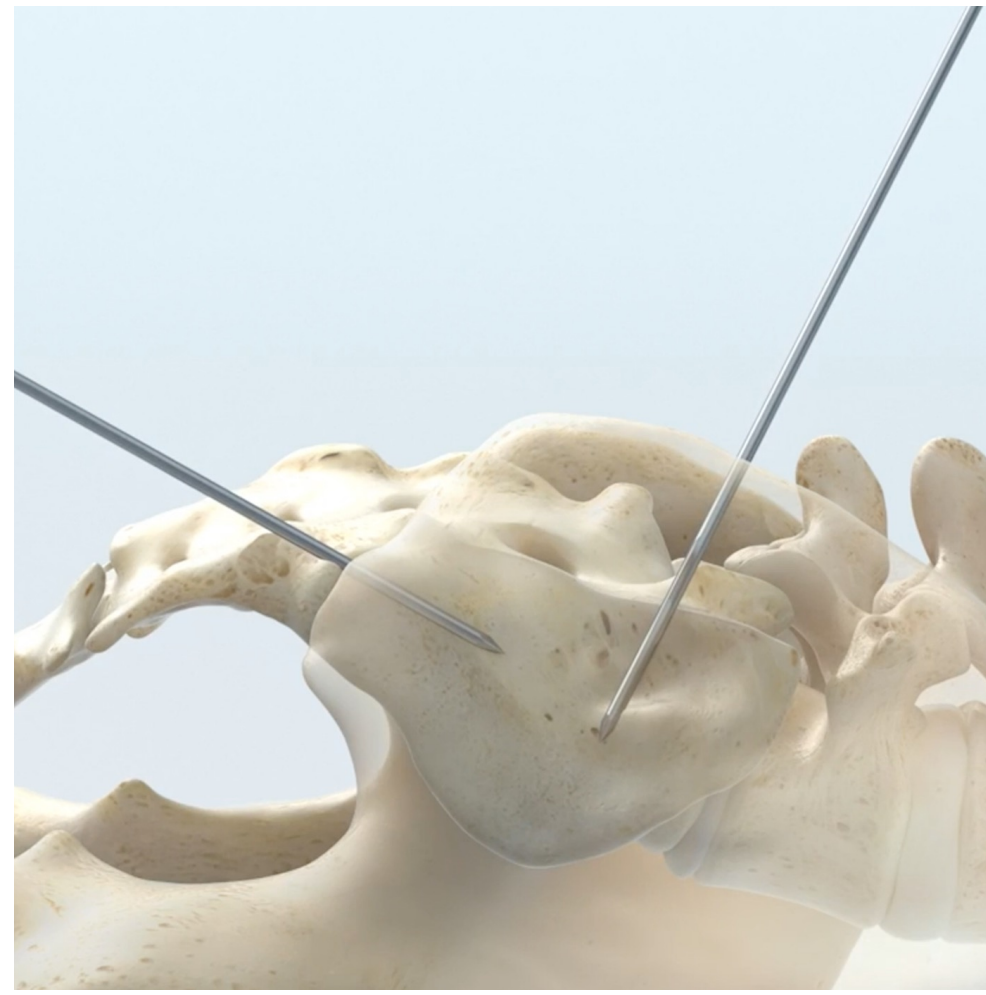
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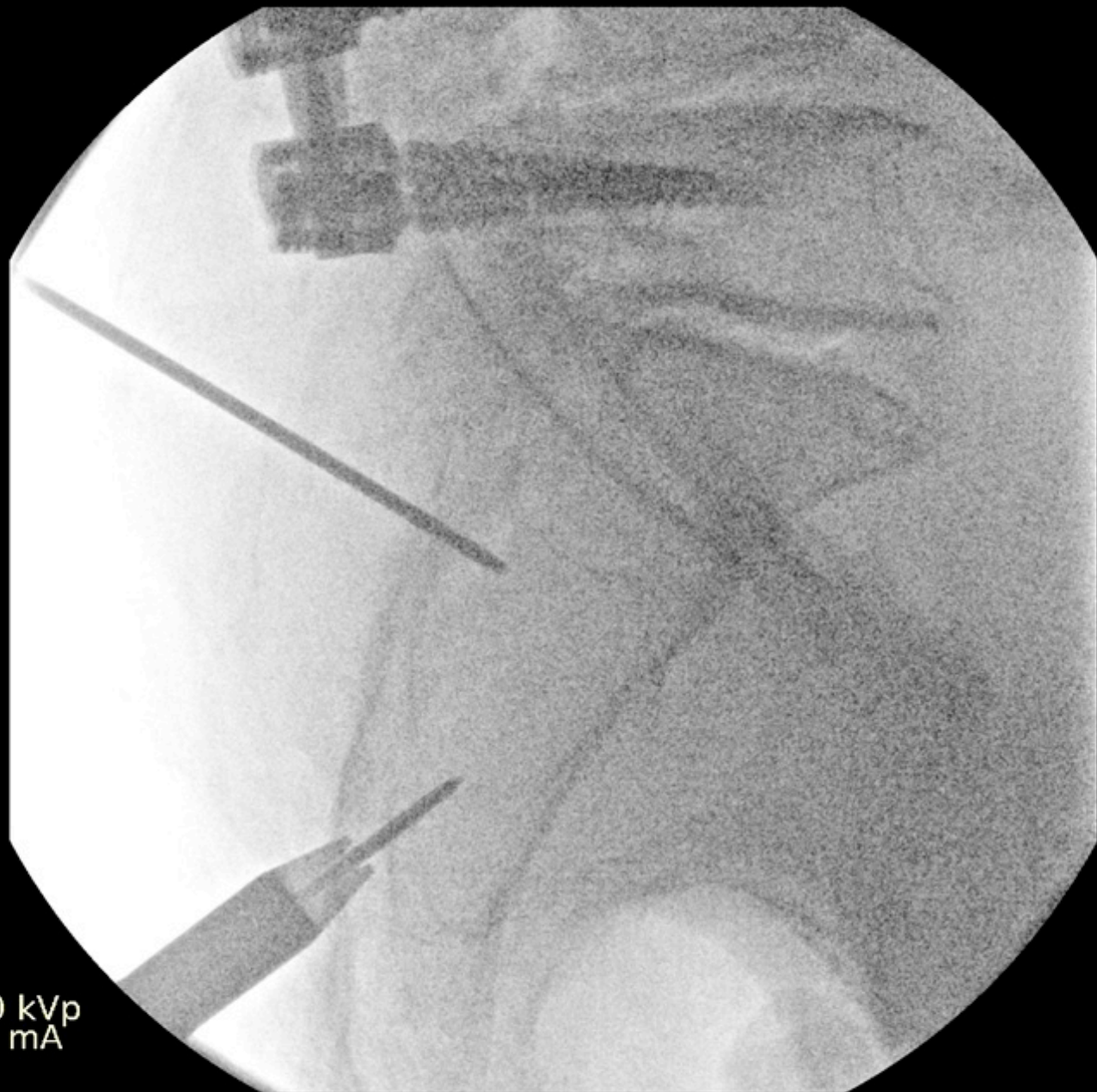
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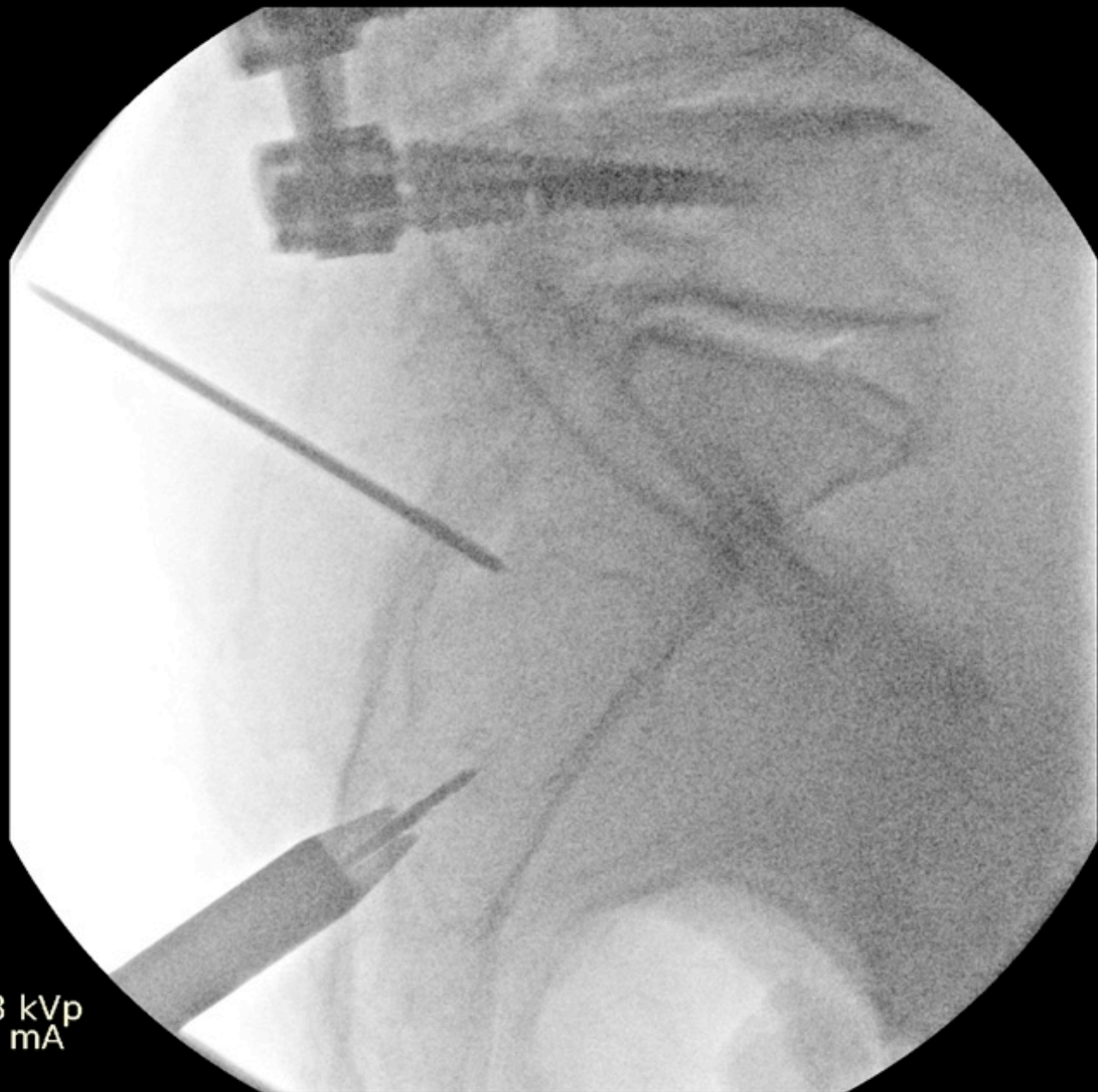


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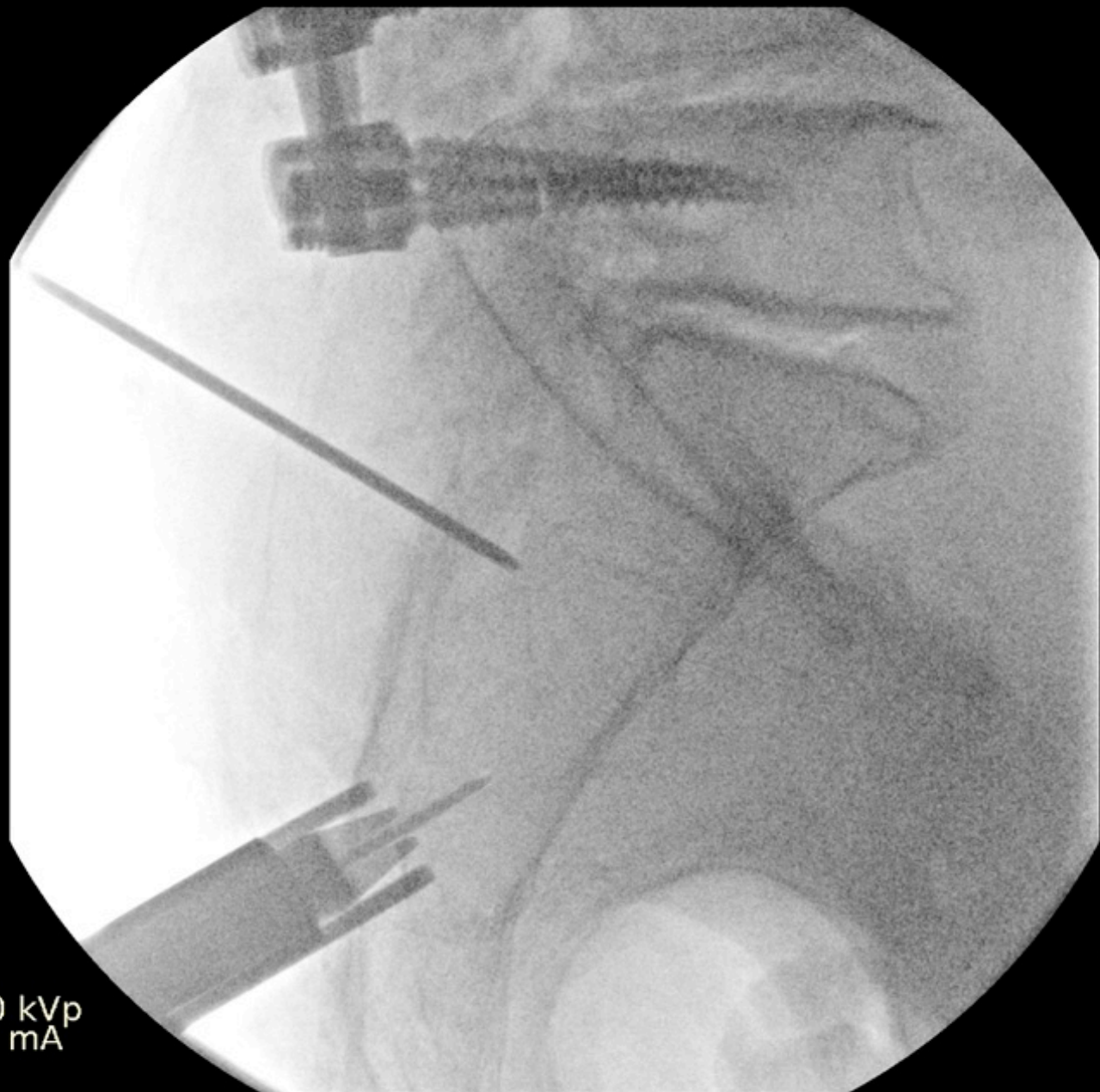


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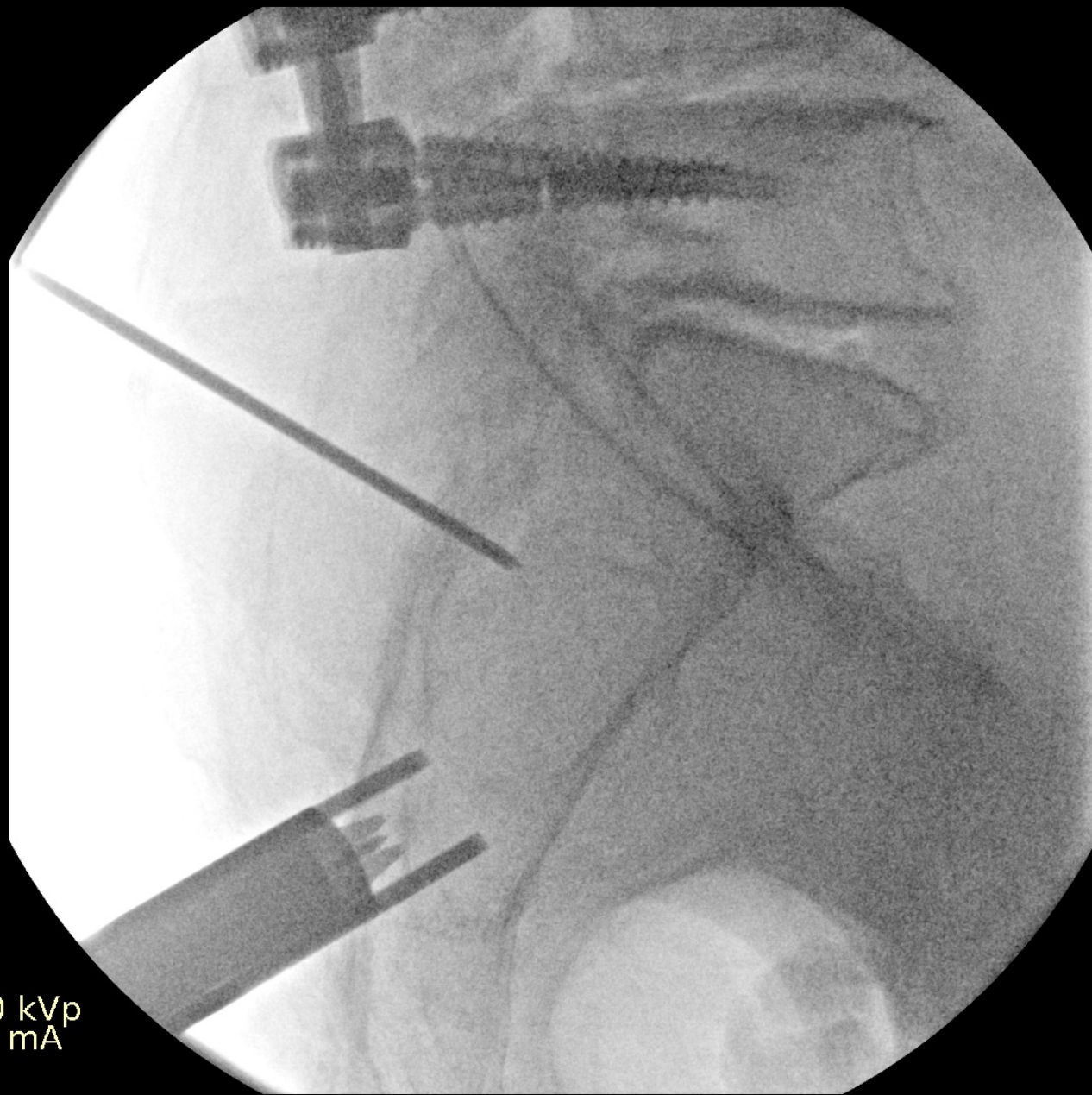
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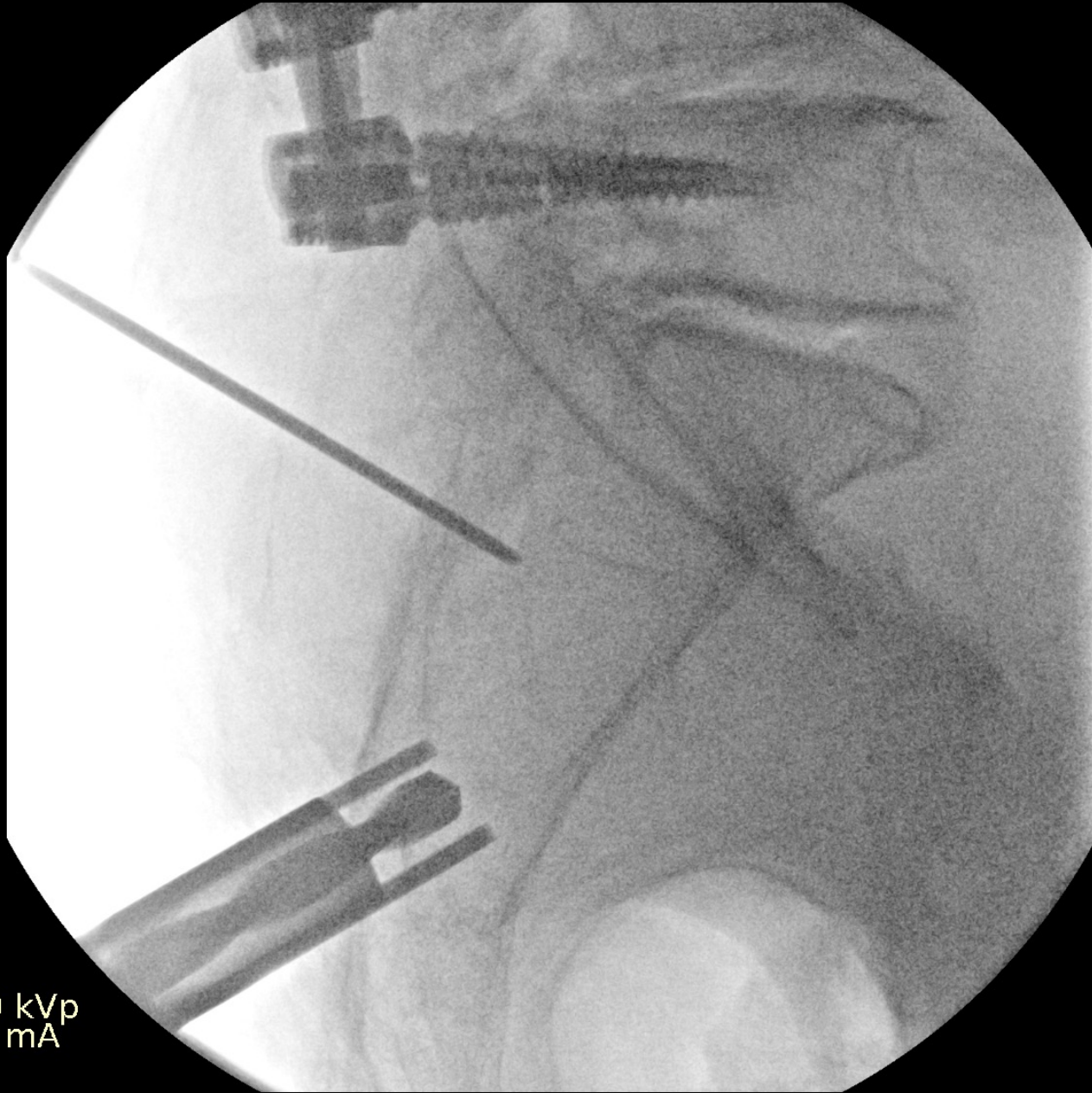


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**Remove Joint Finder**



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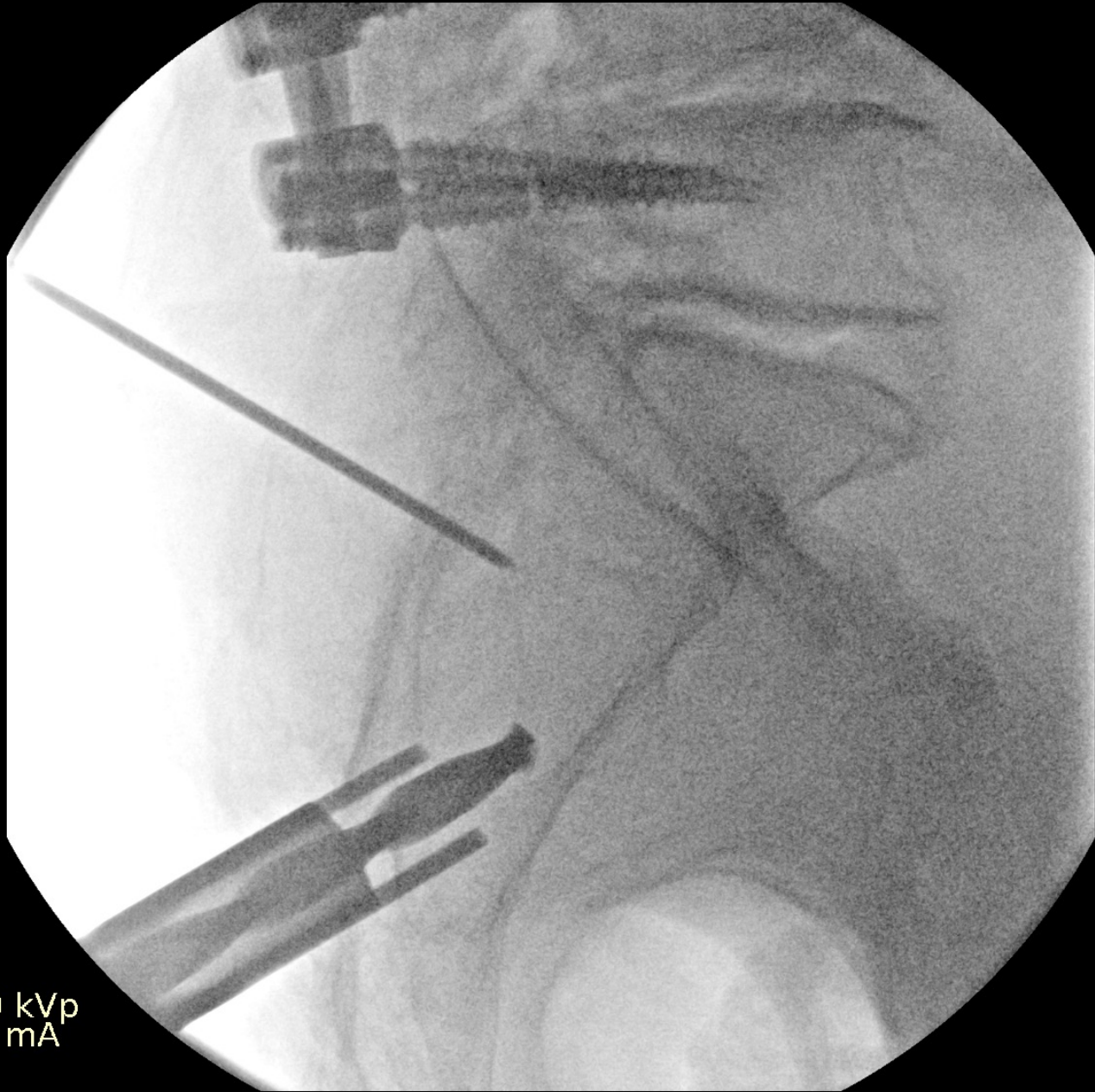


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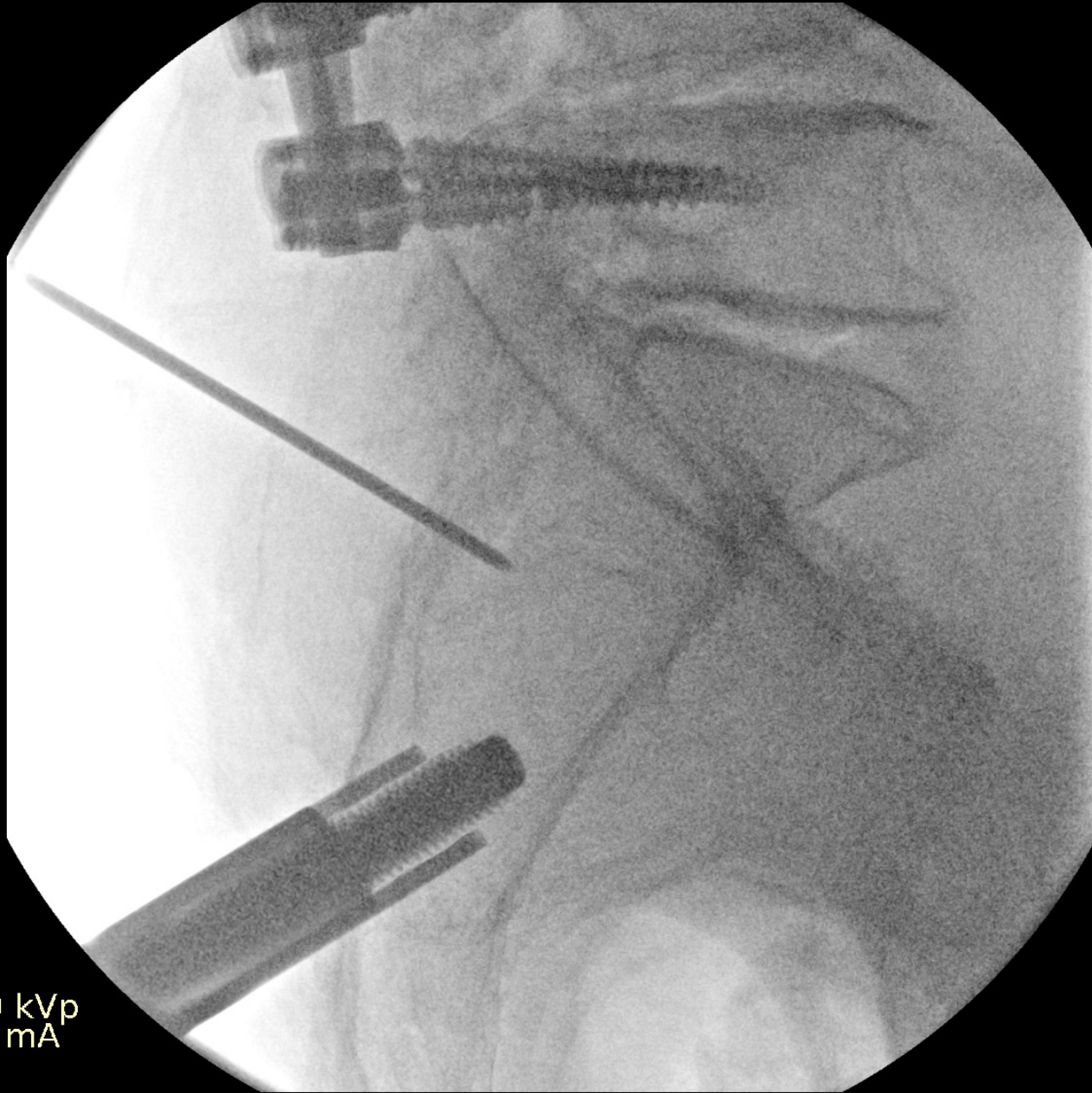
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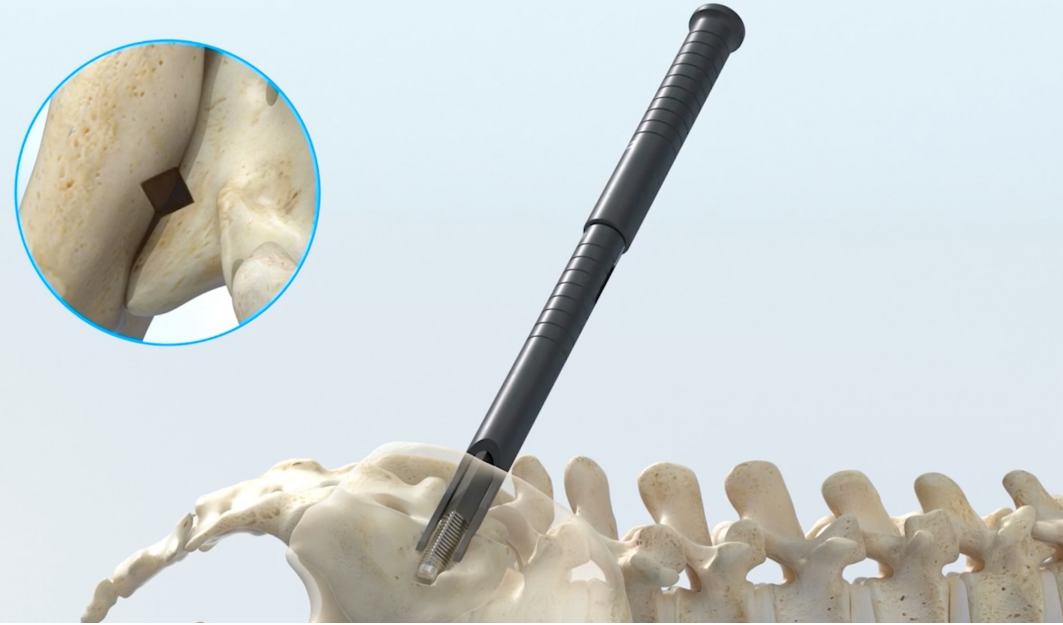
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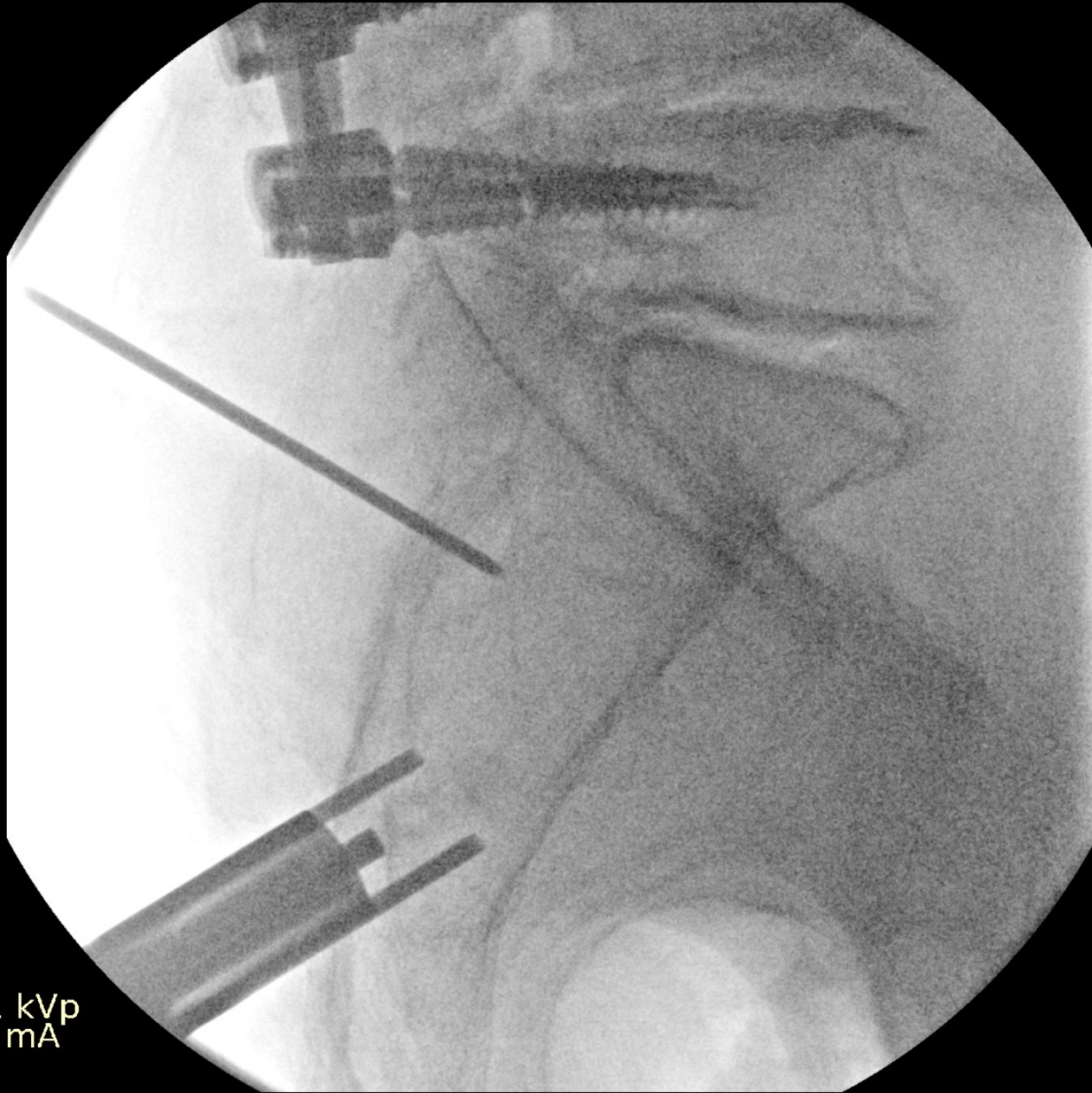
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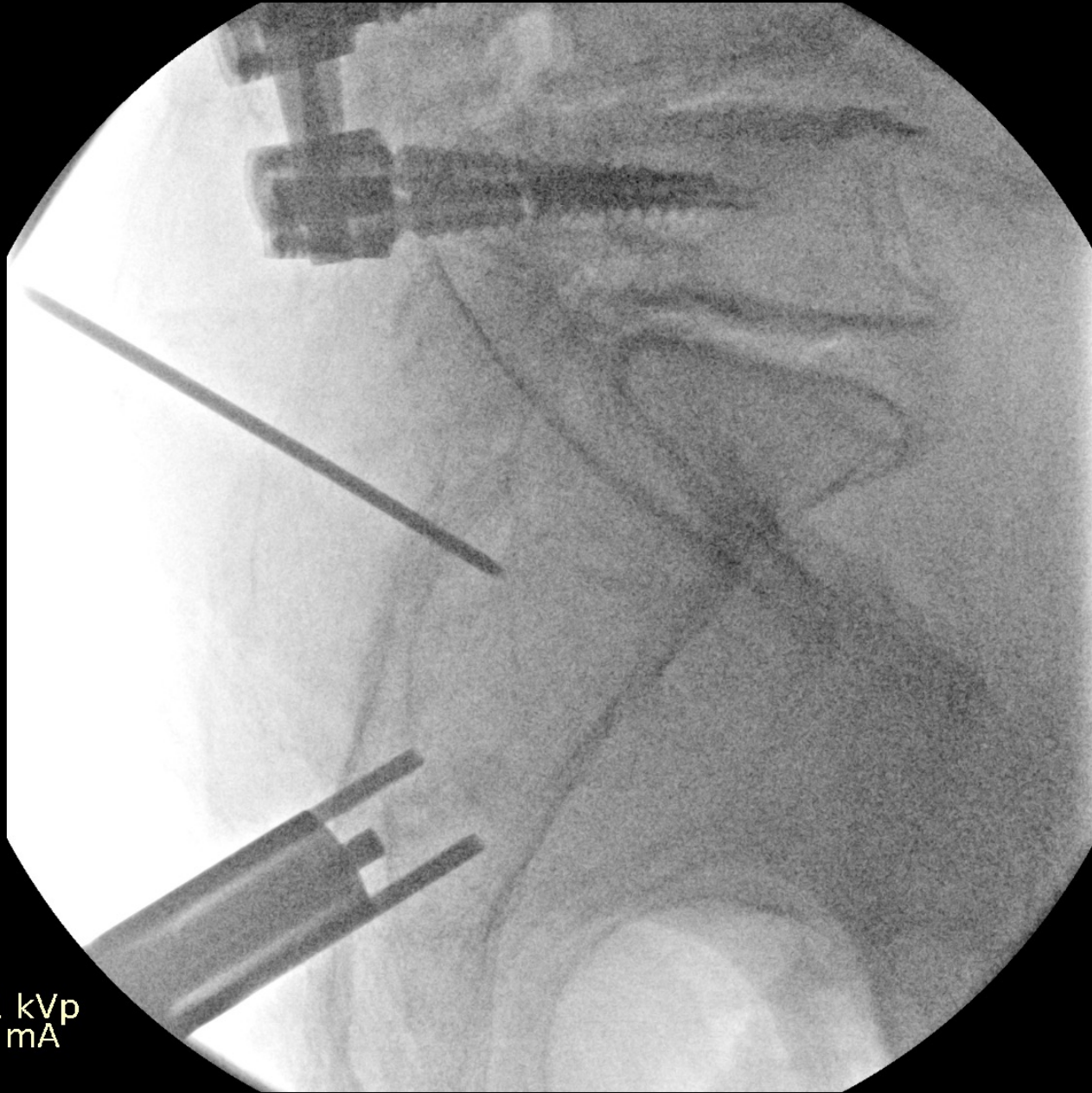
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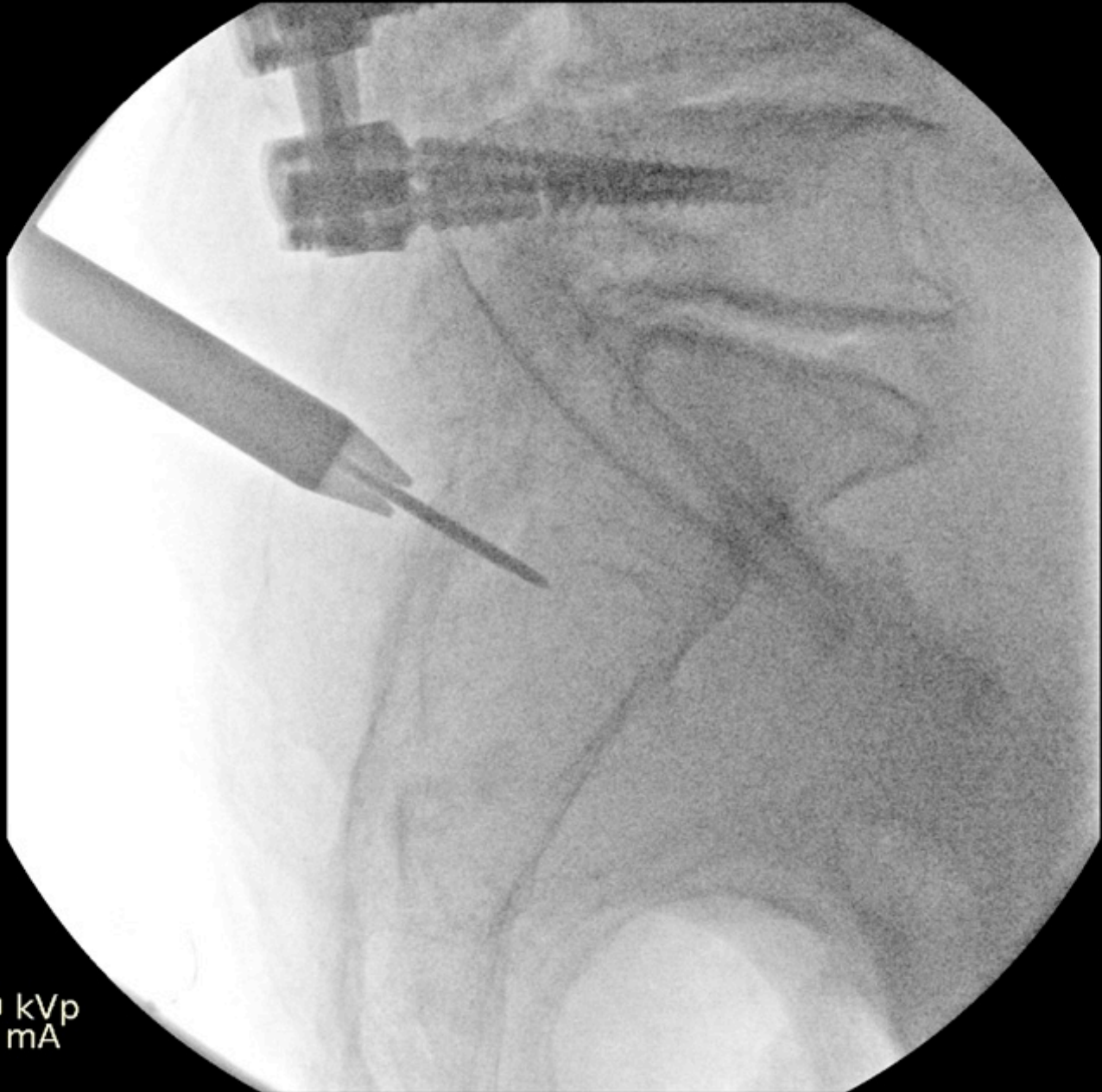
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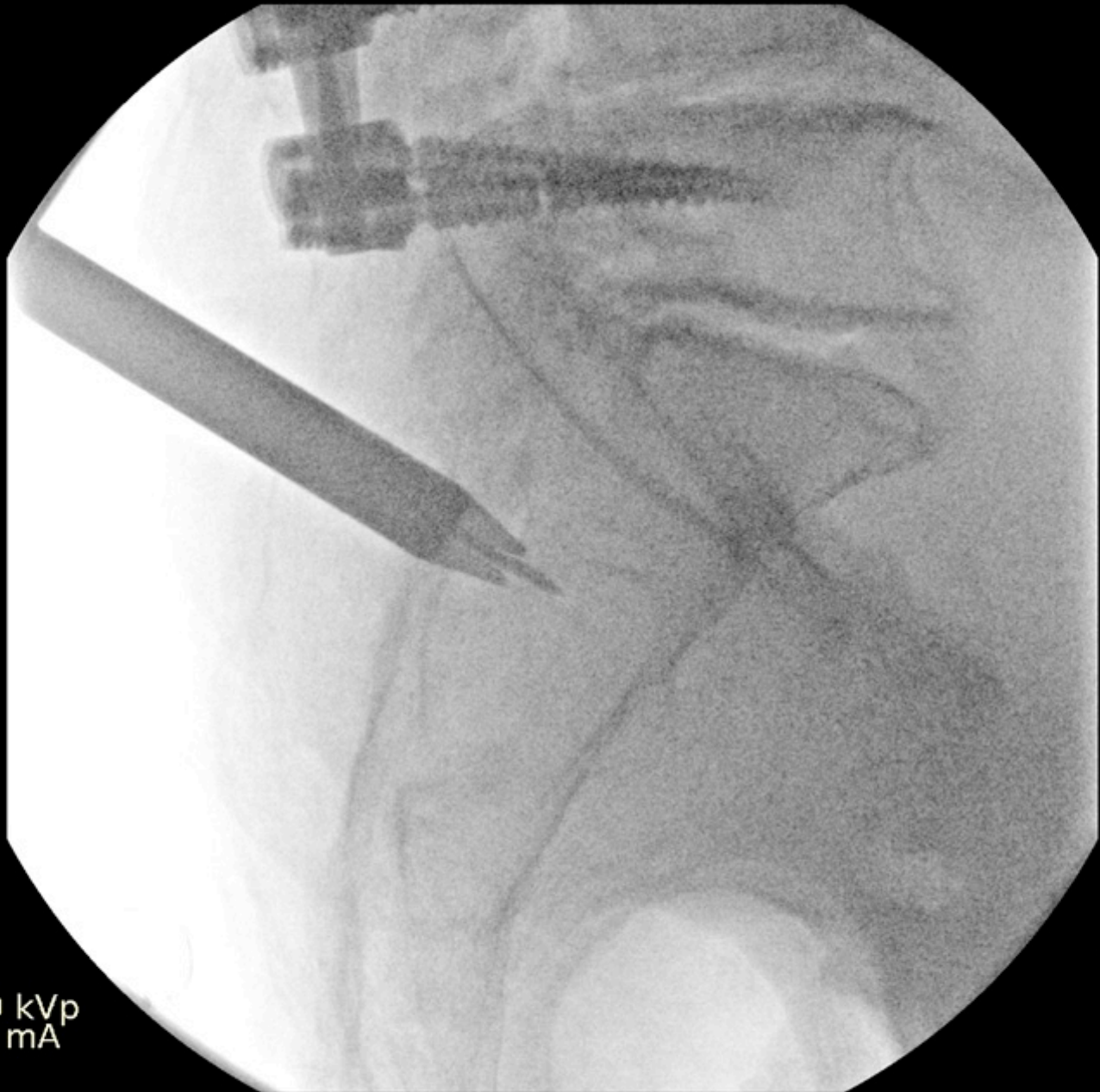
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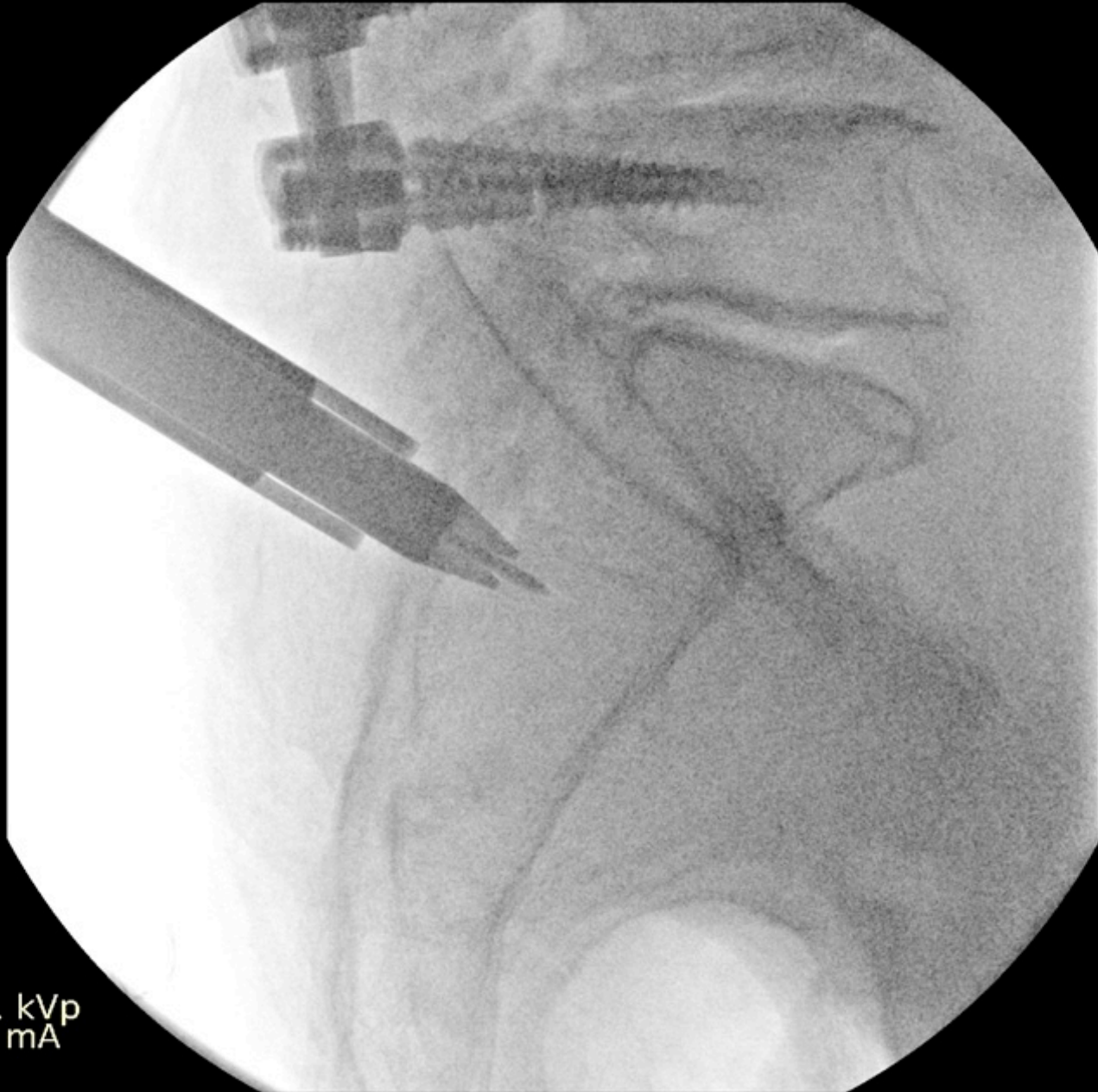
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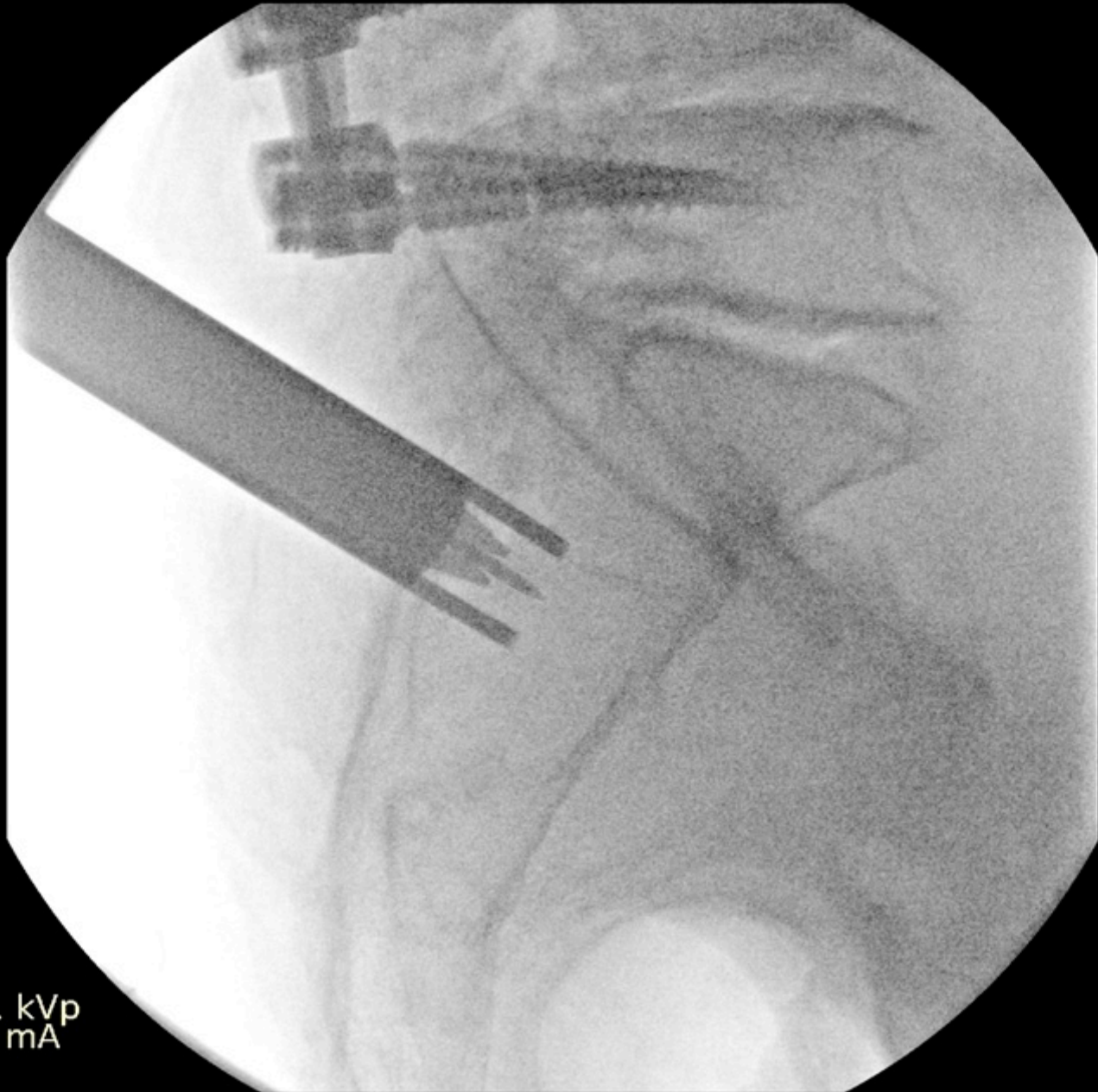
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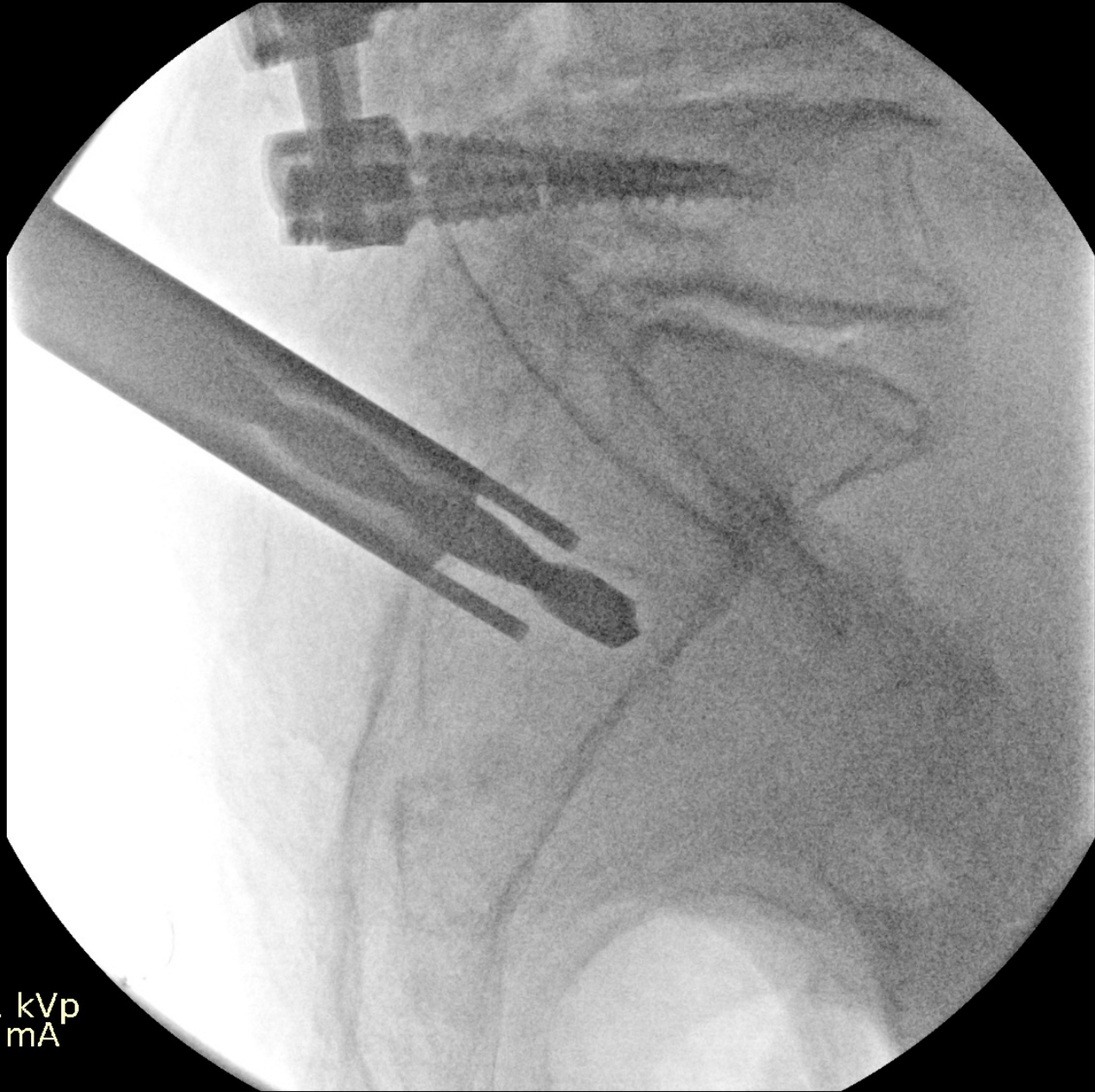
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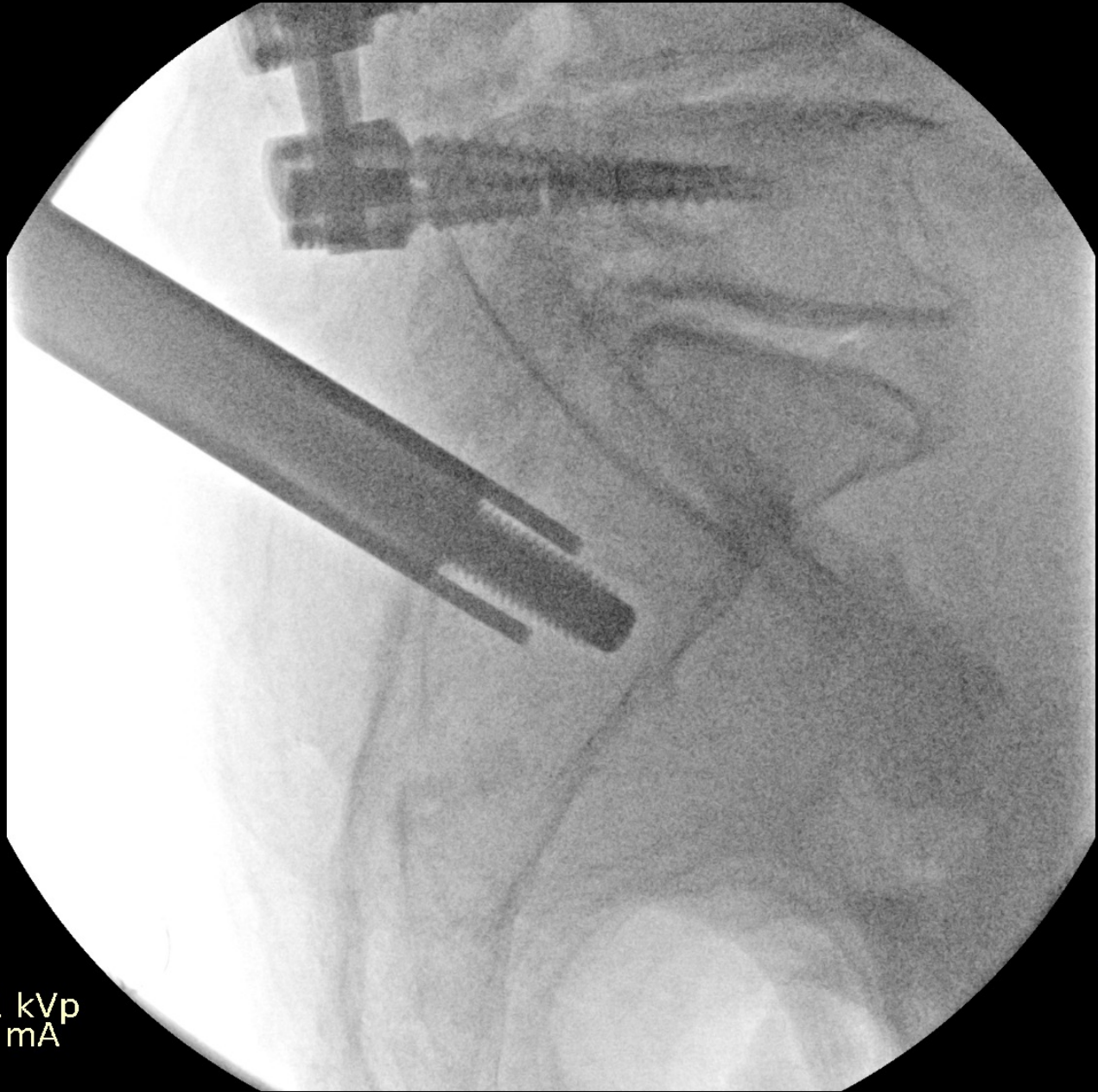
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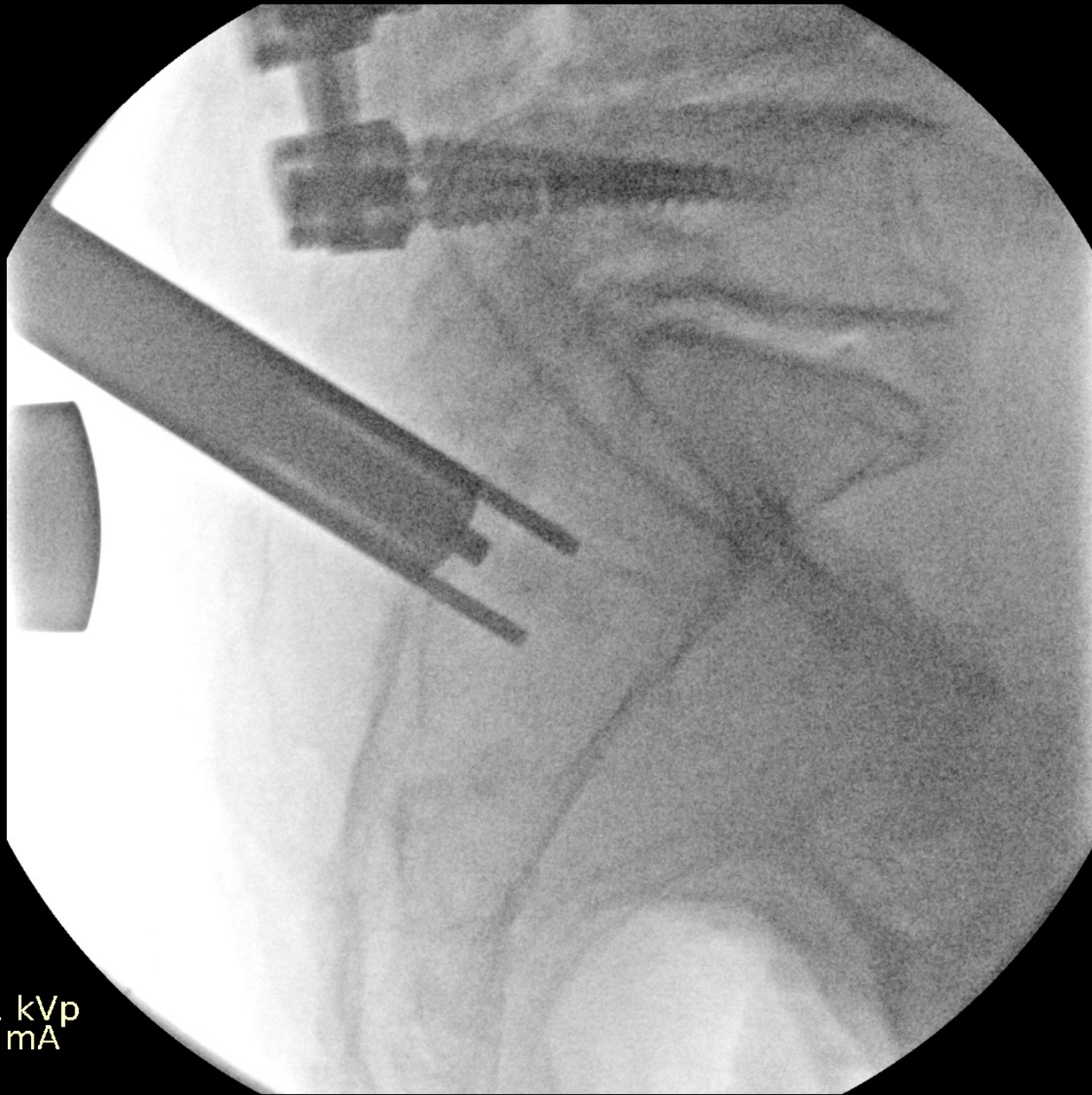
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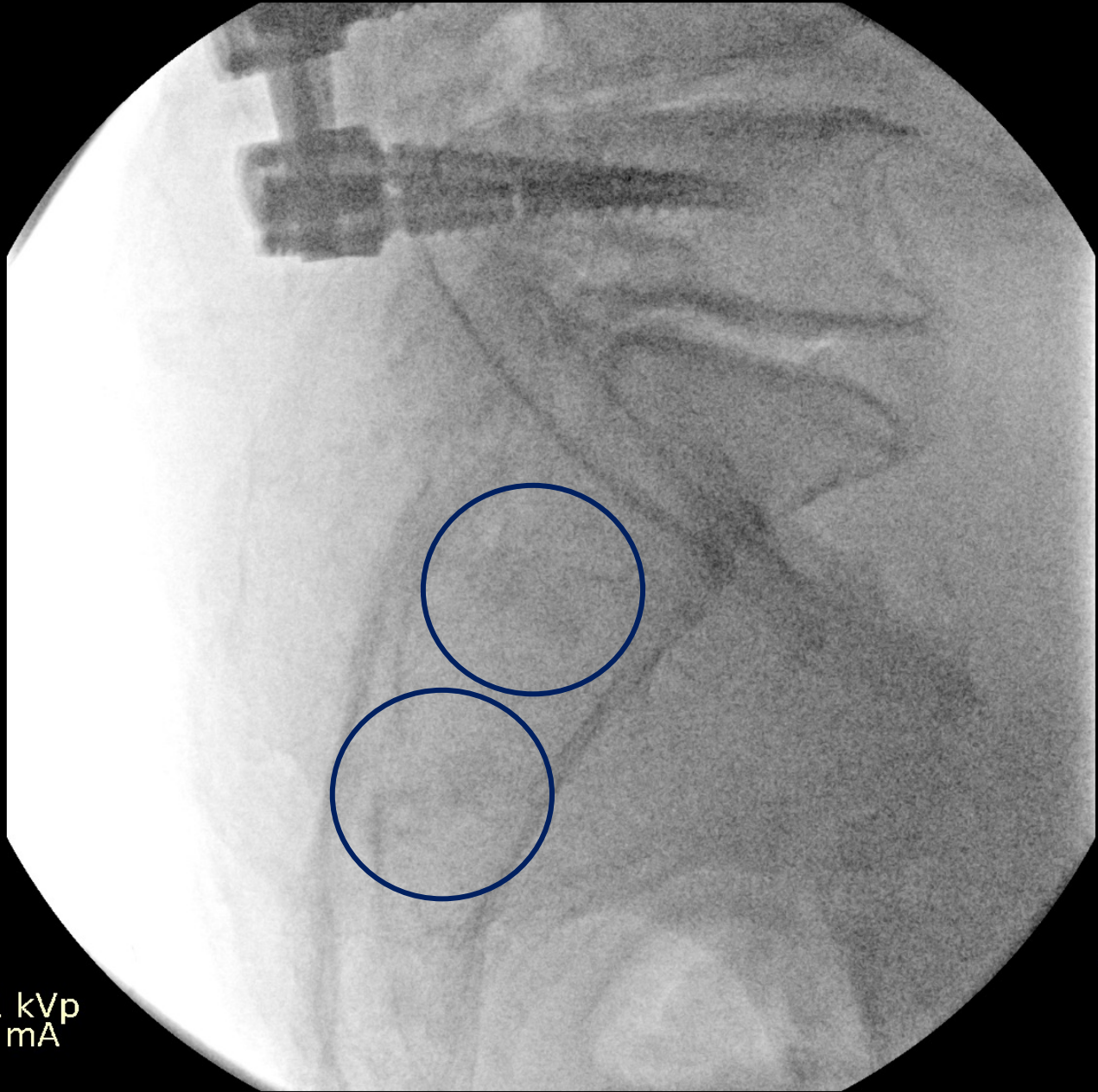
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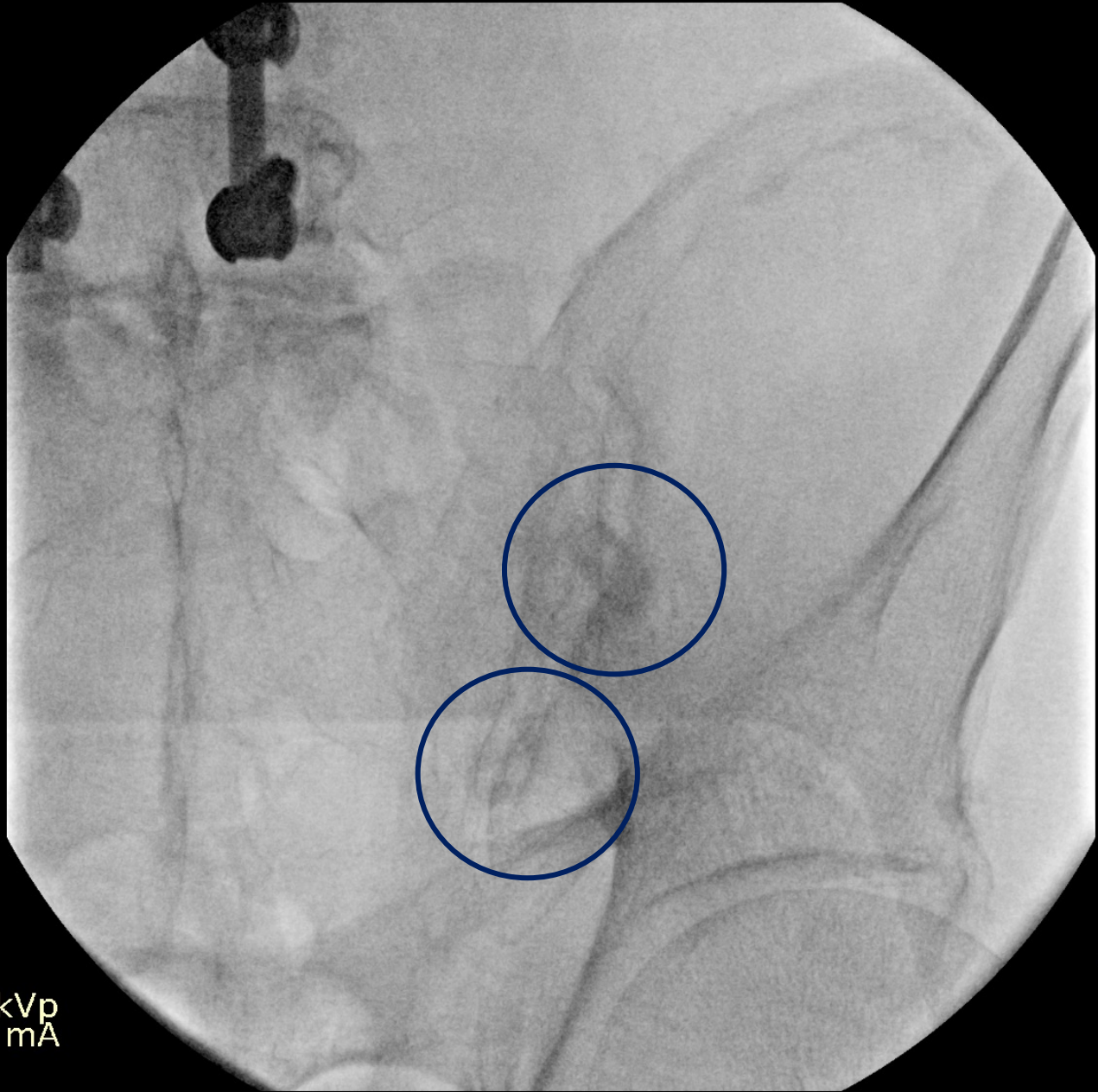
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# Post Operative Care/Operative Note

## SI JOINT FUSION RECOVERY

- Most patients walking same day
- Return to work and perform light activities after 2 weeks

### POST OP INSTRUCTIONS:

- No driving for 2 weeks
- Keep dressing on for 2 weeks until follow up
- Sponge bath for 2 weeks until follow up with Doctor
- No lifting above 10 pounds for 6 weeks
- No NSAIDs for 6 weeks
- No running or jumping for 12 weeks

# Questions?



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