Differentiating between accidental and suicidal deep wrist injuries can help improve their surgical management.

Study evaluated patients treated for deep wrist injuries between 2008 and 2016:

- **147** Accidents
- **36** Suicide attempts

Inclusion criteria:

≥1 deep injury

Aspects of injury patterns vary between accidental and suicidal deep wrist injuries:

- **Accident**
  - Ulnar
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  - **4.2 (± 3.5)**
  - Unilateral
  - No handedness effect
- **Suicide**
  - Median
  - Radial
  - **4.7 (± 4.7)**
  - Bilateral
  - Non-dominant hand

**20% of deep wrist injuries were from suicide attempts.**

Inclusion criteria:

Psychiatric evaluations for intentionality of injuries.

The Reason Matters: Deep Wrist Injury Patterns Differ with Intentionality (Accident versus Suicide Attempt)


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