## C2 screws

## Options

- 1. C2 pedicle screw placement (pars interarticularis screws): directed medially.
- 2. lateral mass screws: directed laterally. Length is sized to fall short of foramen transversarium
- 3. C1-2 transarticular screws: associated with more risk of VA injury

4. translaminar screws: 1 year stability appears to be less than C2 pedicle screws when used for subaxial fusions, but was  $\approx$  as effective for axial fusions (C1-2 or C1-3). May be useful as a "bail- out" for subaxial fusions when the C2 pars diameter is too small for pedicle screws.

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