

The Role of UKA in 2018



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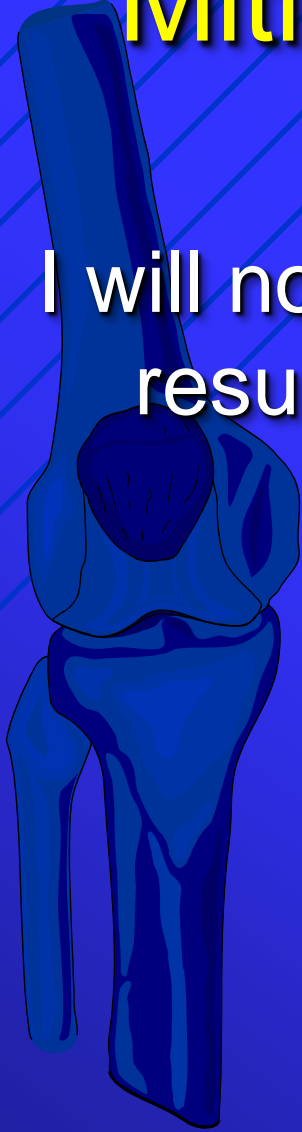
Royalties

- Journey™ UKA (Smith & Nephew)



Mitigating Potential Bias

I will not be discussing the technique or results of the Journey™ UKA



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I perform unicompartmental knee arthroplasty (UKA) in *selected* patients



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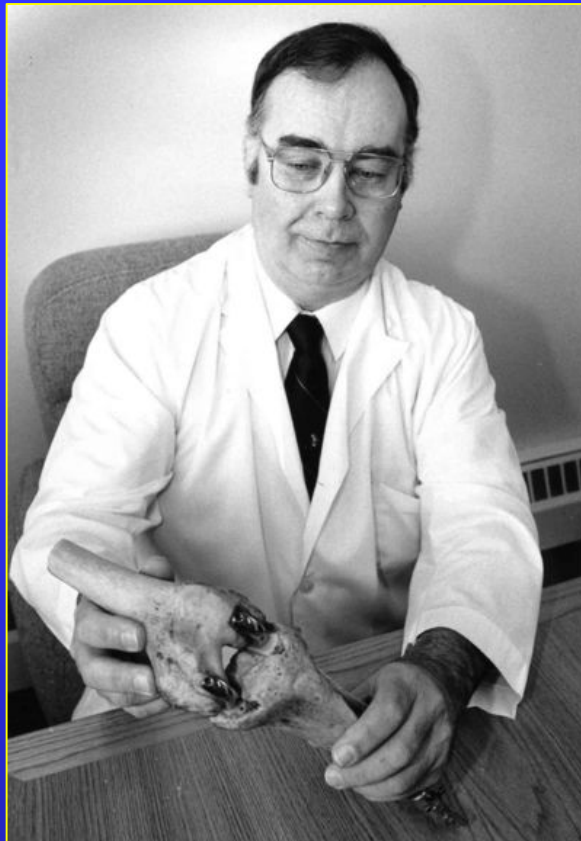
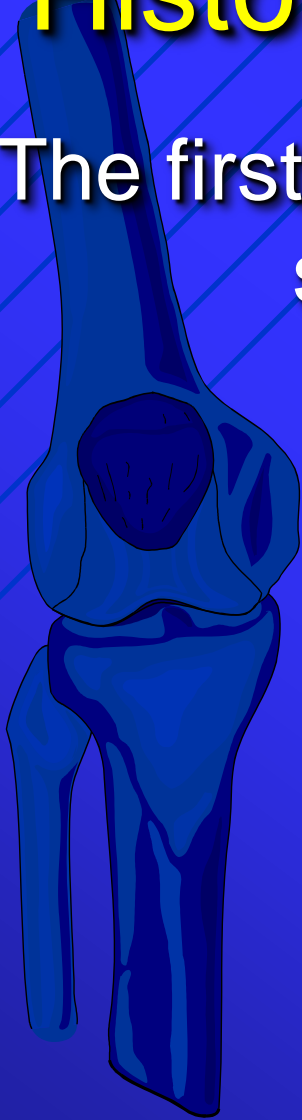
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Does bearing design influence survivorship of UKA?

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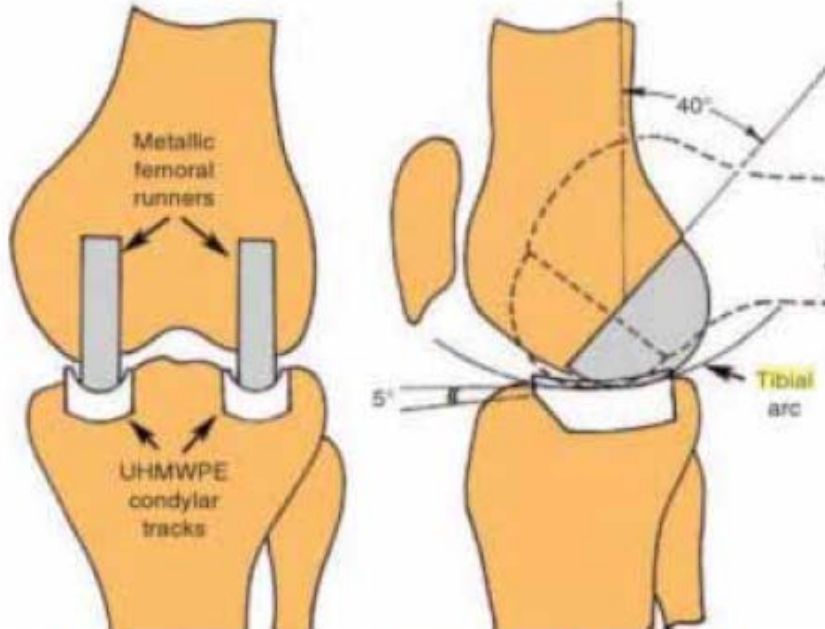


Illustration of Polycentric TKA design by F. Gunston 1969



Polycentric Radiographic Post-op view and product



Unicompartmental Knee Arthroplasty:
Past, Present, and Future

Am J Orthop. 2009;38(1)

Unicompartmental spacer

Pioneered by Campbell (1940)

Interposition of Vitallium Plates in Arthroplasties of the Knee

Preliminary Report

Willis C. Campbell, MD

- Reported preliminary results in the medial compartment of arthritic knees

Unicompartmental spacer

Thereafter, McKeeever introduced his
vitallium tibial plateau (1957)

Tibial Plateau Prosthesis

————— Duncan C. McKeeever, MD, FACS —————



Fig. 1. The McKeeever Interpositional hemiarthroplasty device, consisting of vitallium component to replace the medial tibial plateau.

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Unicompartmental spacer

Concurrent development of a metallic hemispacer for tibial plateau resurfacing

- MacIntosh prosthesis (1958)

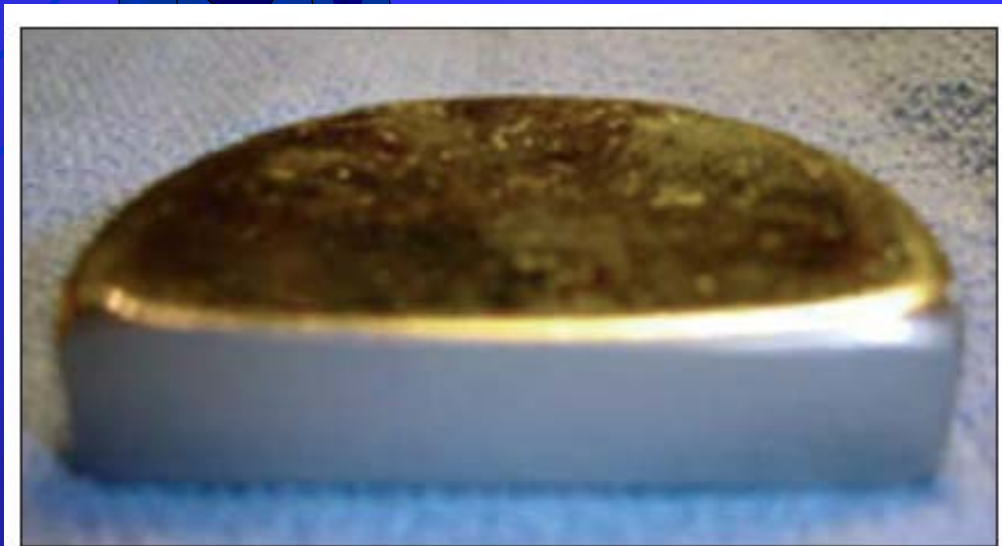


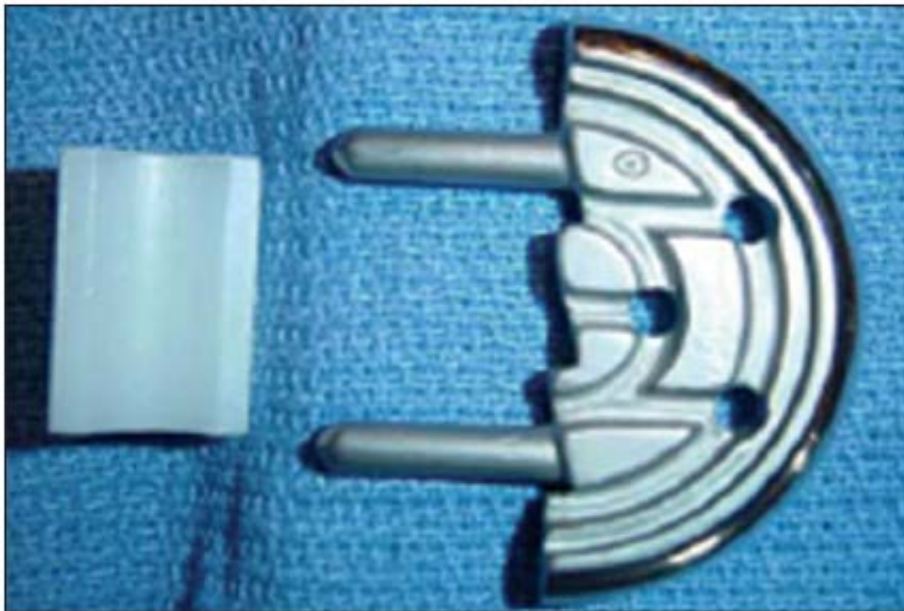
Fig. 2. The MacIntosh acrylic tibial plateau, developed at around the same time as the McKeever device.

Unicompartmental knee replacement:
a historical overview

JOINTS 2013;1(2):45-47

Unicompartmental arthroplasty

Designs evolved to employ metallic femoral components articulating with polyethylene inserts (Gunston)



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Fig. 3. The Gunston unicompartmental knee replacement: this was the first time a tibial and femoral component was presented as a solution for the resurfacing of both medial compartments.

Unicompartmental arthroplasty

Reported short-term results

- Marmor[®], St Georg Sled[®], Brigham[®]

Marmor L. Marmor modular knee in unicompartmental disease. Minimum four-year follow-up. J Bone Joint Surg Am 1979;61:347-53.

Engelbrecht E, Siegel A, Rottger J, et al. Statistics of total knee replacement: partial and total knee replacement, design St Georg; a review of a 4-year observation. Clin Orthop Relat Res 1976; (120):54-64.

Scott RD, Santore RF. Unicompartmental replacement for osteoarthritis of the knee. J Bone Joint Surg Am 1981; 63:536-544.

Some discouraging results

However, several studies cast doubt on the benefits of UKA as a surgical option

Insall J, Aglietti P. A five to seven-year follow-up of unicondylar arthroplasty. *J Bone Joint Surg Am* 1980;62:1329-1337.

Laskin RS. Unicompartamental tibiofemoral resurfacing arthroplasty. *J Bone Joint Surg Am* 1978;60:182-185.

Bucholz HW, Heinert K. Long-term results of cemented arthroplasty. Analysis of complications fifteen years after operation. *Orthop Clin North Am* 1988;19:531-540.

Some discouraging results

Discouraging early results

- 37 knees – 20% revision at 2 years
- 22 knees – 28% revision at 6 years

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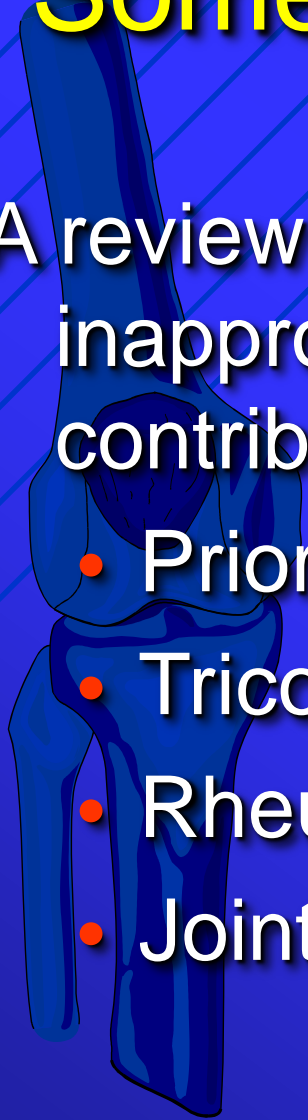
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- Prior patellectomy
- Tricompartmental disease
- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Joint instability



Some discouraging results



FIG. 1. Radiograph of medial unicondylar prosthesis in which the tibial component was loose. A complete radiolucency developed around the tibial component and the cement plug and the tibial component was confirmed loose at operation.

Unicondylar Knee Replacement

JOHN INSALL, M.D.* AND PETER WALKER, PH.D.**

Clinical Orthopaedics
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Number 129
October, 1976

Further skepticism

Late reports of mechanical failure of certain prostheses due to thin polyethylene and possible edge contact or loading



Further skepticism

Early Failure of the Porous-Coated Anatomic Cemented Unicompartmental Knee Arthroplasty

A 5- to 9-Year Follow-Up Study

A. D. Skyrme, MB BS, BSc, FRCS, M. M. Mencia, MB BS, FRCS,
and P. W. Skinner, MB BS, FRCS

The Journal of Arthroplasty Vol. 17 No. 2 2002



Fig. 1. Polyethylene wear in the retrieved components.

Further skepticism

At the same time, the outcome of TKA was becoming increasingly satisfactory, reproducible and reliable



Mobile-bearing designs

THE MECHANICS OF THE KNEE AND PROSTHESIS DESIGN*

JOHN GOODFELLOW, JOHN O'CONNOR

From the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre and the Department of Engineering Science, Oxford

THE JOURNAL OF BONE AND JOINT SURGERY

VOL. 60-B, No. 3, AUGUST 1978

- Highly congruent meniscal (mobile) bearing
- Polished metal tibial tray



Mobile-bearing designs

Proposed advantage of this design was the large contact area of the femoral-polyethylene interface

- Tried to address the problem of polyethylene wear

Psychoyios V, Crawford RW, O'Connor JJ, Murray DW. Wear of congruent meniscal bearings in unicompartmental knee arthroplasty: a retrieval study of 16 specimens. *J Bone Joint Surg Br.* 1998;80(6):976-982.

Mobile-bearing designs



Author	Design	Cases	F/U	Survival
Price	Oxford [®]	114	15 yrs	93%
Price	Oxford [®]	682	20 yrs	91%
Emerson	Oxford [®]	55	10 yrs	85%
Zermatten	Oxford [®]	48	10 yrs	78%

Mobile-bearing designs

Introduced a new mode of failure:

- Dislocation of the mobile bearing from the tibial base



Mobile-bearing designs

Composite thickness of the tibial component eliminated the conservative nature of this procedure on the tibial side



Fixed-bearing designs

Newer designs had more promising results

Miller-Galante[®]

- Flat articular surface
- Unconstrained motion



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Fixed-bearing designs

MEDIAL UNICOMPARTMENTAL KNEE ARTHROPLASTY WITH THE MILLER-GALANTE PROSTHESIS


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Author	Design	Cases	F/U	Survival
Naudie	M-G [®]	113	10 yrs	90%

Fixed-bearing designs



Author	Design	Cases	F/U	Survival
O' Rourke	Marmor [®]	136	> 21 yrs	86%
Tabor	Marmor [®]	100	15 yrs	86%
Steele	St Georg [®]	203	15 yrs	86%
Berger	M-G [®]	62	13 yrs	96%
Heyse	Genesis [®]	223	10yrs	94%

Renewed interest

- Less time in hospital
- Faster recovery
- Faster return to work and recreational activities
- **Outpatient surgery**



Challenges

- Proper patient selection
- Technical difficulty in performing the procedure
- Less tolerance for acceptable component positioning
- Small margin of error

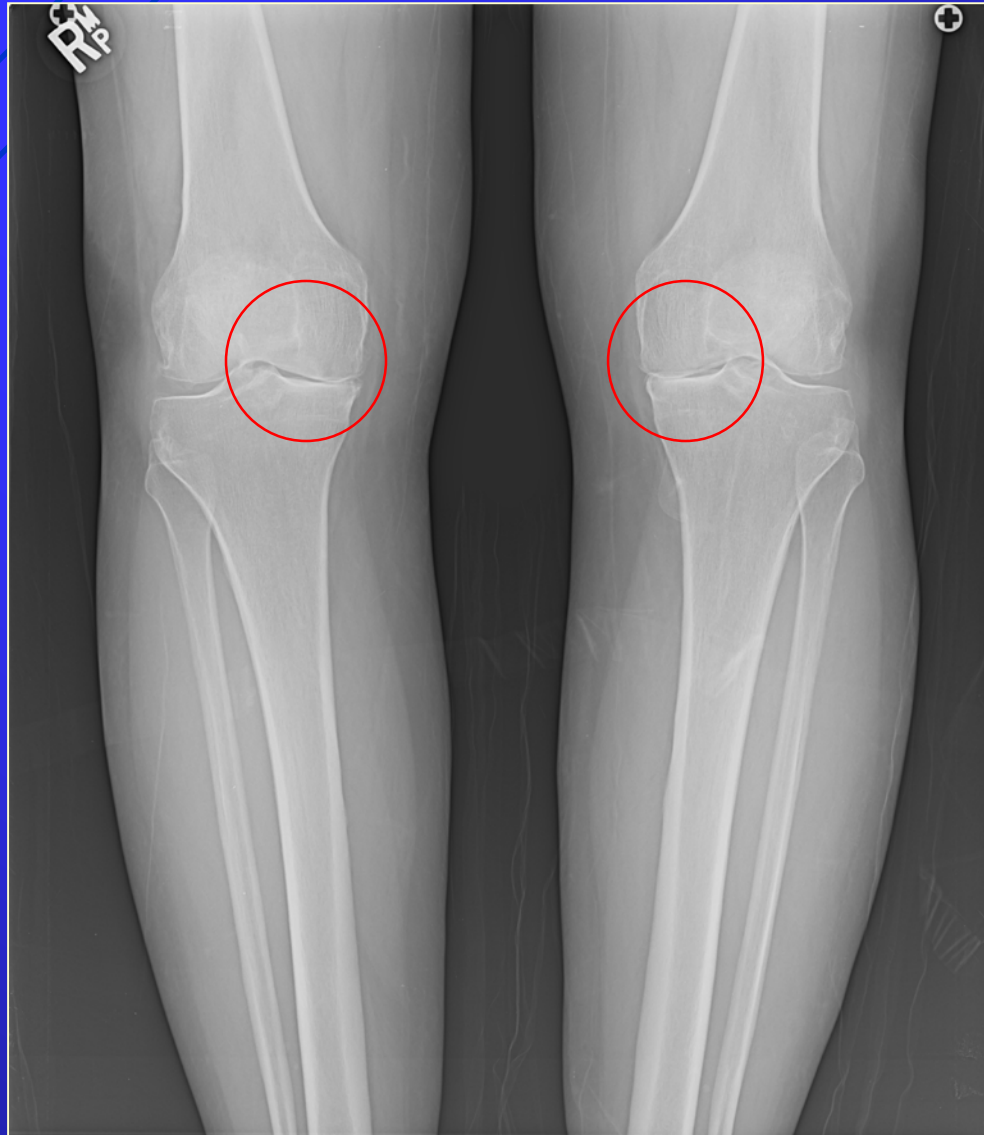
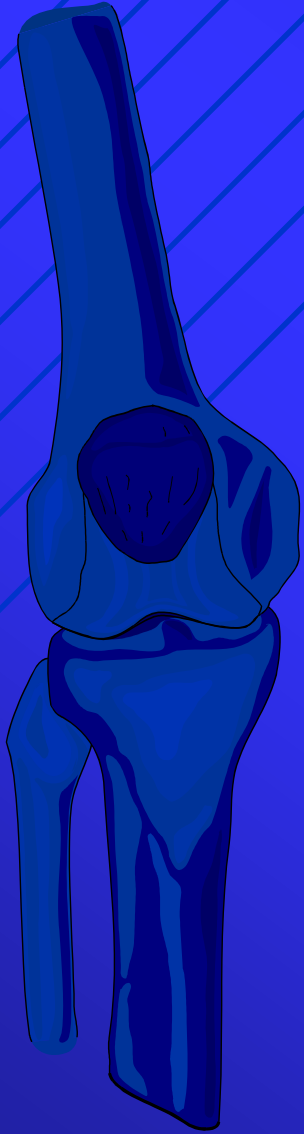


Where are we at in 2018?

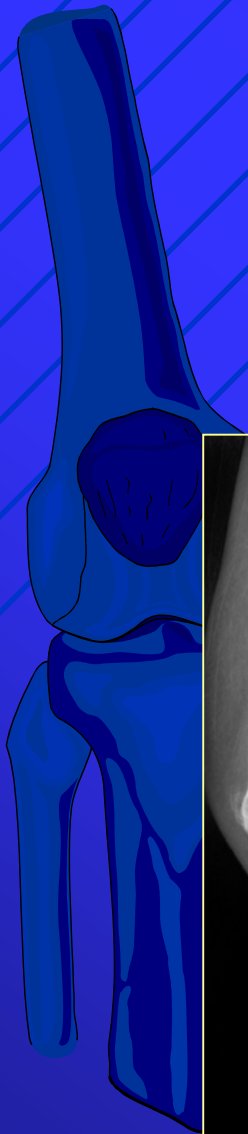
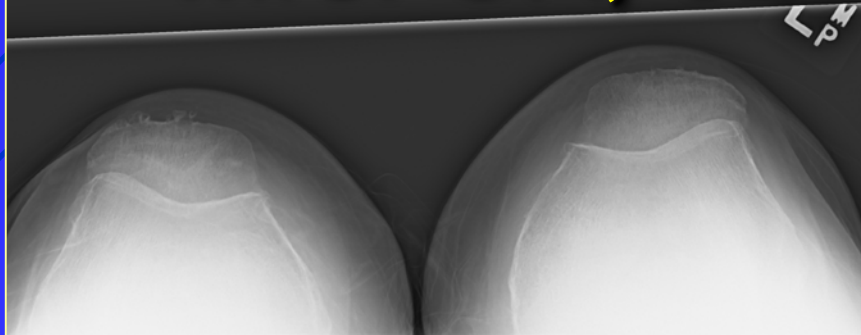
- Many surgeons (and patients) remain wary of historically inconsistent results published in the literature



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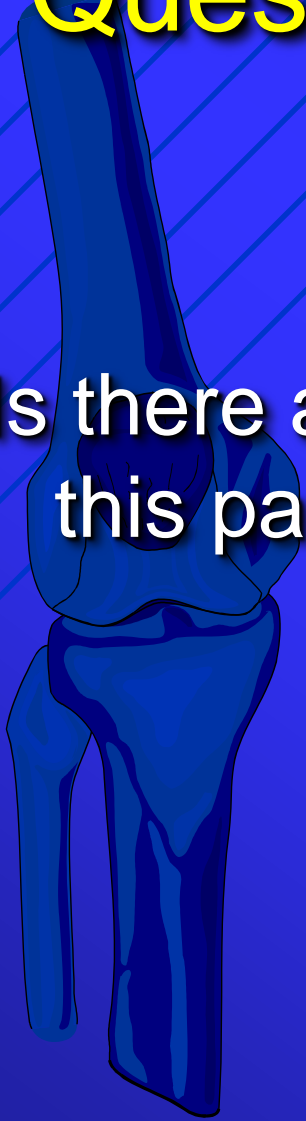


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Question

Is there a role for UKA in this patient in 2018?



Goals of knee arthroplasty

Restoration of mechanical alignment

Preservation of joint line

Ligament balancing

Patellofemoral tracking

Full range of motion

Can all be achieved with UKA



Goals of knee arthroplasty

Patient satisfaction and function

Long-term survivorship

Avoidance of complications

Minimize risks of future surgery

Cost-effective

Can these be achieved with UKA?



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Patient satisfaction after knee arthroplasty

A report on 27,372 knees operated on between 1981 and 1995 in Sweden

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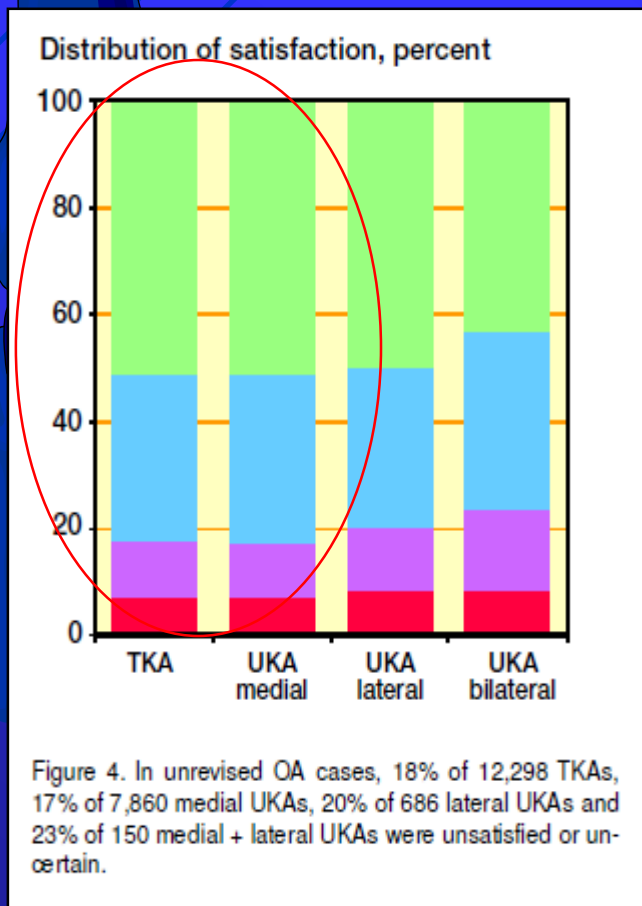
Postal survey questionnaire

- 95% response
- **Similar patient satisfaction after UKA or TKA**

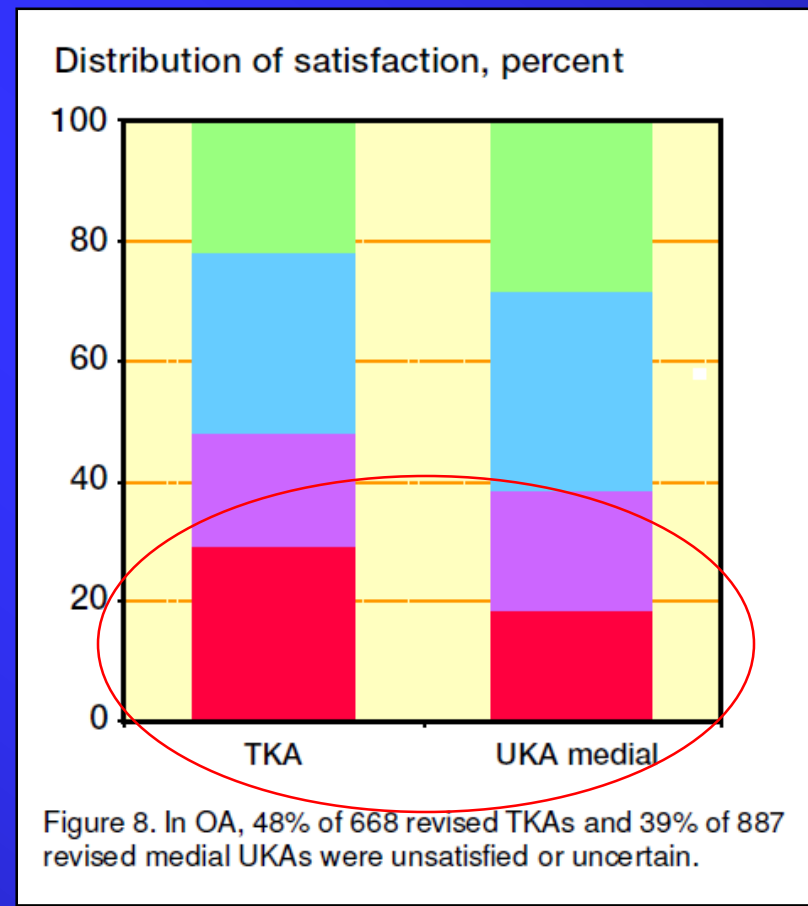
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In primary cases



In revision cases



SYMPOSIUM: PAPERS PRESENTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE KNEE SOCIETY

Unicompartmental Versus Total Knee Arthroplasty Database Analysis

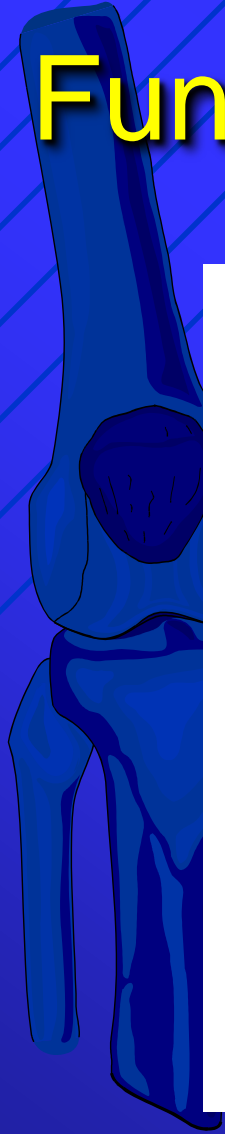
Is There a Winner?

Matthew C. Lyons MBBS, FRACS, Steven J. MacDonald MD, FRCSC,
Lyndsay E. Somerville MSc, Douglas D. Naudie MD, FRCSC,
Richard W. McCalden MD, FRCSC

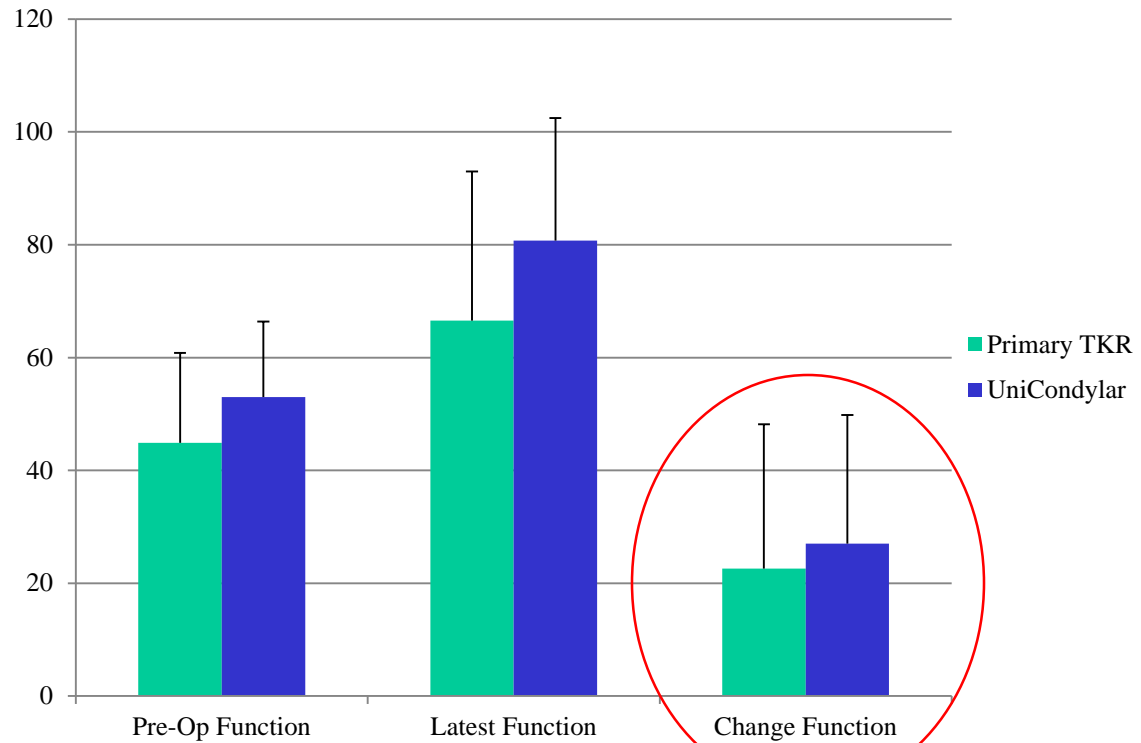
Consecutive series

- 6352 TKAs
- 296 UKAs

Function



KSCRS Function



Function

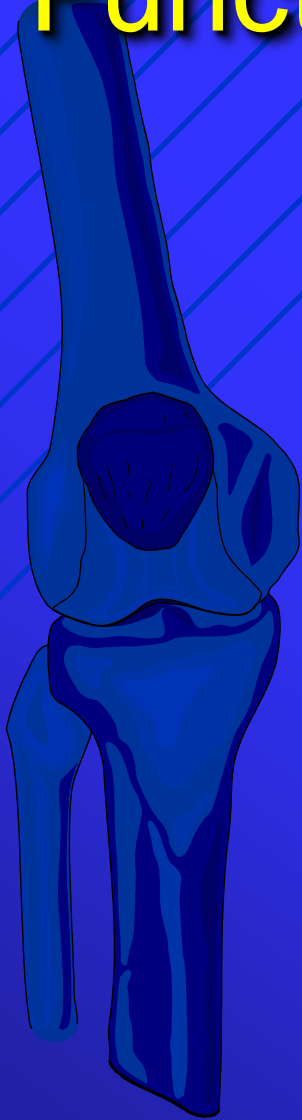


Table 5. Preoperative, latest, and change in KSCRS scores

KSCRS domain	Procedure	Mean	SD	p value*
Preoperative				
Function	TKA	44.52	15.63	< 0.001
	UKA	53.21	13.18	
Knee	TKA	41.09	15.34	< 0.001
	UKA	47.82	15.92	
Total	TKA	85.73	24.45	< 0.001
	UKA	101.10	22.71	
Latest				
Function	TKA	65.74	27.06	< 0.001
	UKA	79.55	22.42	
Knee	TKA	89.72	13.48	0.33
	UKA	90.58	13.64	
Total	TKA	155.63	33.96	< 0.001
	UKA	170.87	29.88	
Change				
Function	TKA	21.36	26.22	< 0.001
	UKA	25.65	22.26	
Knee	TKA	49.24	19.45	0.001
	UKA	42.88	21.29	
Total	TKA	70.62	36.21	0.76
	UKA	69.56	32.80	

Patient satisfaction after primary total and unicompartmental knee arthroplasty: An age-dependent analysis

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141 UKAs; 245 TKAs

Satisfaction and expectation

- ROM
- Daily Living Function (DLF)
- Return to Recreational Activity (RRA)
- Ability to kneel

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Patient satisfaction in patients with a TKA versus UKA given in numbers and percentages.

Age groups	UKA			TKA		
	Excellent/good	Fair/poor	Total	Excellent/good	Fair/poor	Total
<55	47 96.0%	2 4.1%	49	51 81.0%	12 19.0%	63
55-64	42 93.3%	3 6.7%	45	61 89.0%	8 11.1%	72
65+	44 93.6%	3 6.4%	47	99 91.7%	9 8.3%	108
Total	133	8	141	214	29	243

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Table 4

Patient response rates, n (%) in respect to expectations and satisfaction with their current result.

Variable	TKA	UKA	p-Value
Expectations met – daily living			0.0306
No	31 (12.7%)	8 (5.8%)	
Yes	213 (87.3%)	131 (94.2%)	
Expectations met – kneeling			0.1726
No	103 (44.8%)	51 (37.5%)	
Yes	127 (55.2%)	85 (62.5%)	
Expectations met – motion			<.0001
No	54 (22.1%)	8 (5.7%)	
Yes	190 (77.9%)	133 (94.3%)	
Expectations met – pain			0.1158
No	28 (11.5%)	9 (6.5%)	
Yes	216 (88.5%)	129 (93.5%)	
Expectations met – sport			0.0139
No	51 (21.4%)	16 (11.4%)	
Yes	187 (78.6%)	124 (88.6%)	



Age stratified, propensity matched comparison of UKR & TKR

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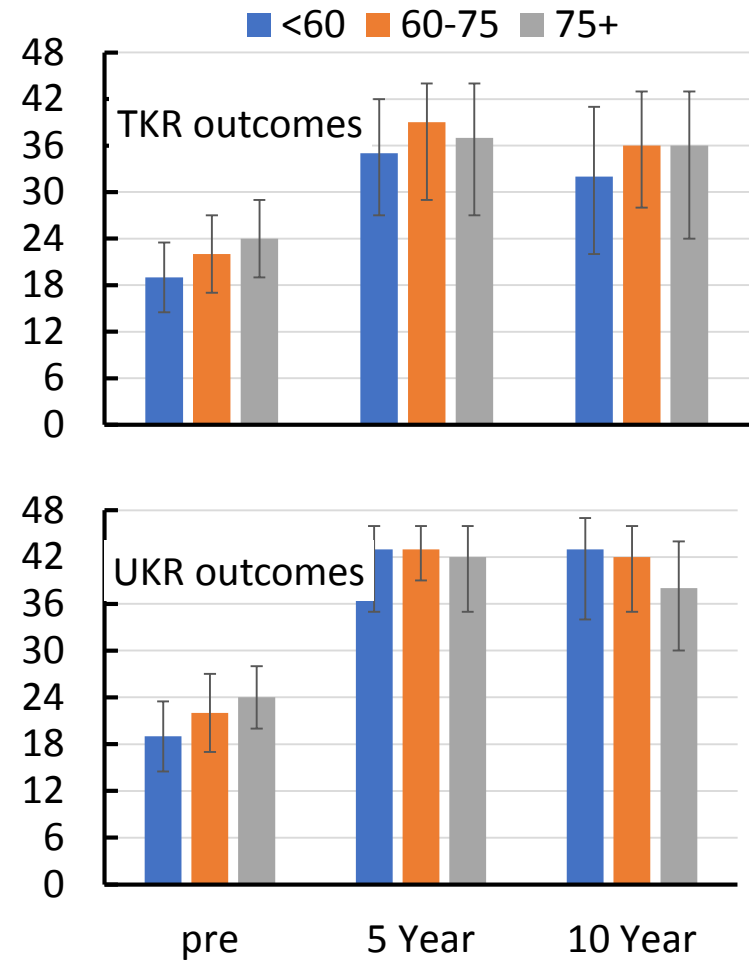
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Methods

- Patients: median FU 10 years
 - TKR 2,252 from Knee Arthroplasty Trial: Subgroup with medial OA & ACLI
 - UKR 1000 cemented Oxford medial UKR,
- Analysis
 - Divided into age strata at surgery (<60, 60 to <75, 75+)
 - propensity score matched (age, weight, sex, preop OKS) 1:1 within age strata. Total 1008 knees
- Outcomes compared
 - Median OKS at 5 years and 10 years
 - Revision (rare thus both unmatched and matched survival at 10yr)
 - Failure defined as poor outcome or revision

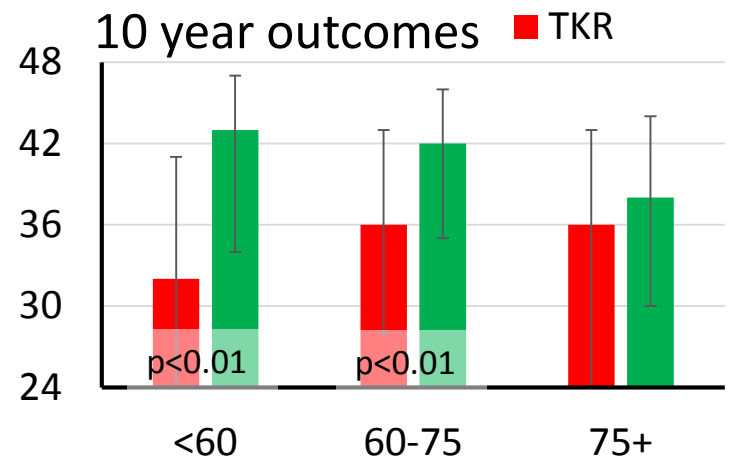
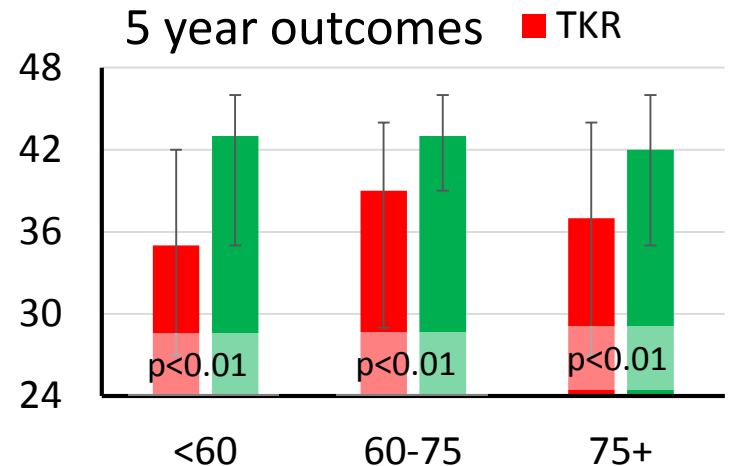
Functional outcome (OKS)

- UKR and TKR
 - Identical pre-op scores.
(Therefore can directly compare post op scores)
 - Substantial improvement for all age groups at both 5 and 10 years



Functional outcomes UKR and TKR

- UKR better than TKR at all time points ($p < 0.01$ all except 75+ 10yr)
- Differences most marked in young patients (11 OKS points at 10 year follow-up.) These are likely to be the most demanding and most disappointed with poor results



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UKA or TKA:

5-year results of a prospective RCT

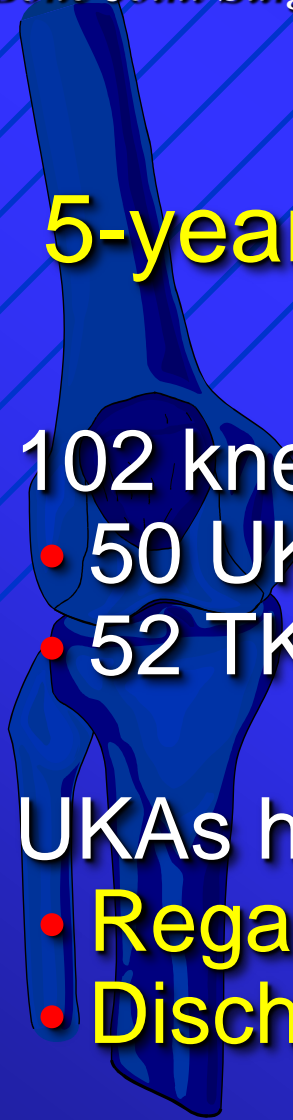
Newman J, Ackroyd C, Shah NA

102 knees

- 50 UKA
- 52 TKAs

UKAs had less perioperative morbidity

- Regained knee movement more rapidly
- Discharged from hospital sooner



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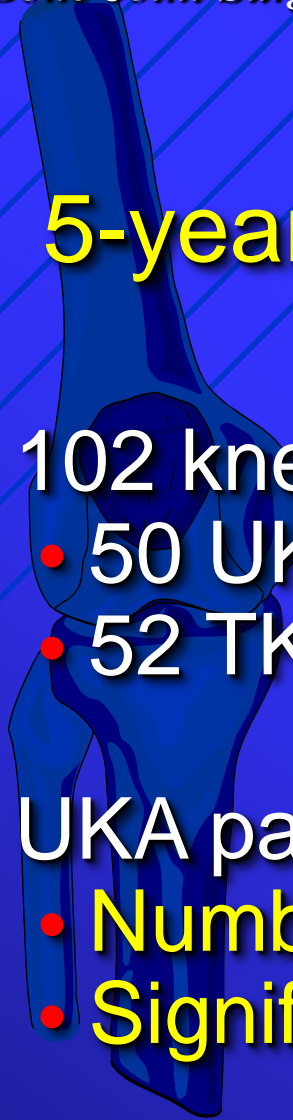
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UKA patients had better range of motion

- Number of knees able to flex $>120^{\circ}$
- Significantly higher in UKA group



UKA or TKA:

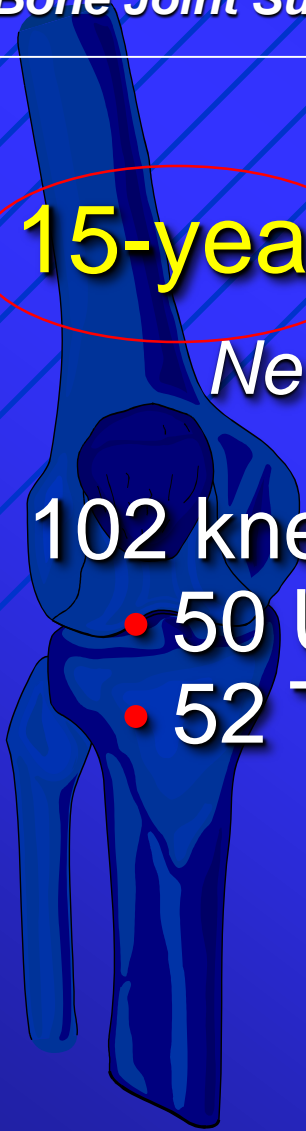
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Bristol knee scores of UKA better than TKA

- UKA (71% excellent scores)
- TKA (53% excellent scores)

15-year survivorship

- UKA (90%)
- TKA (76%)





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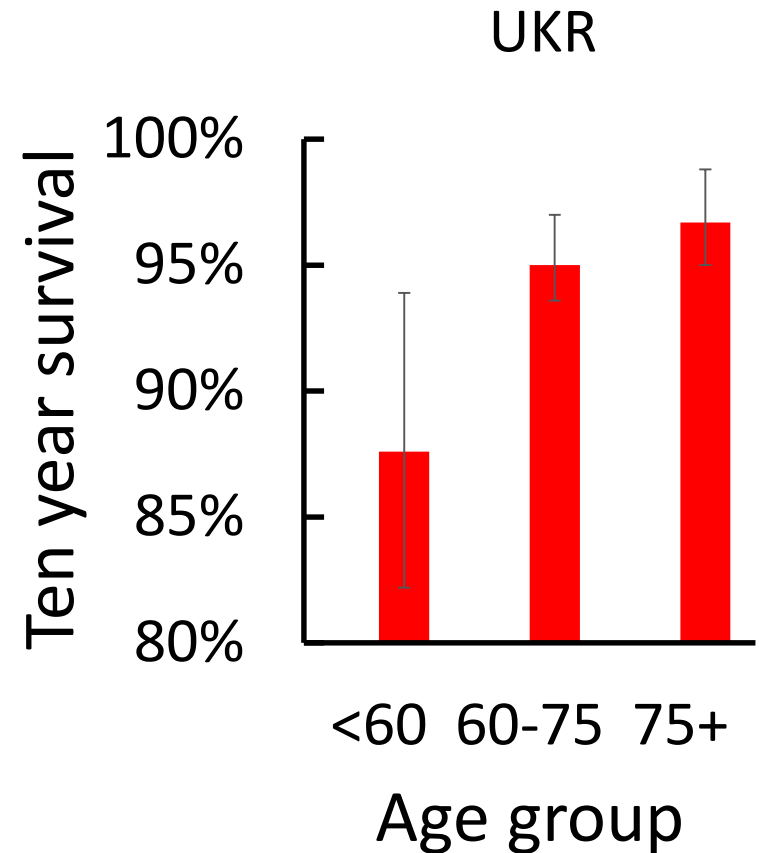
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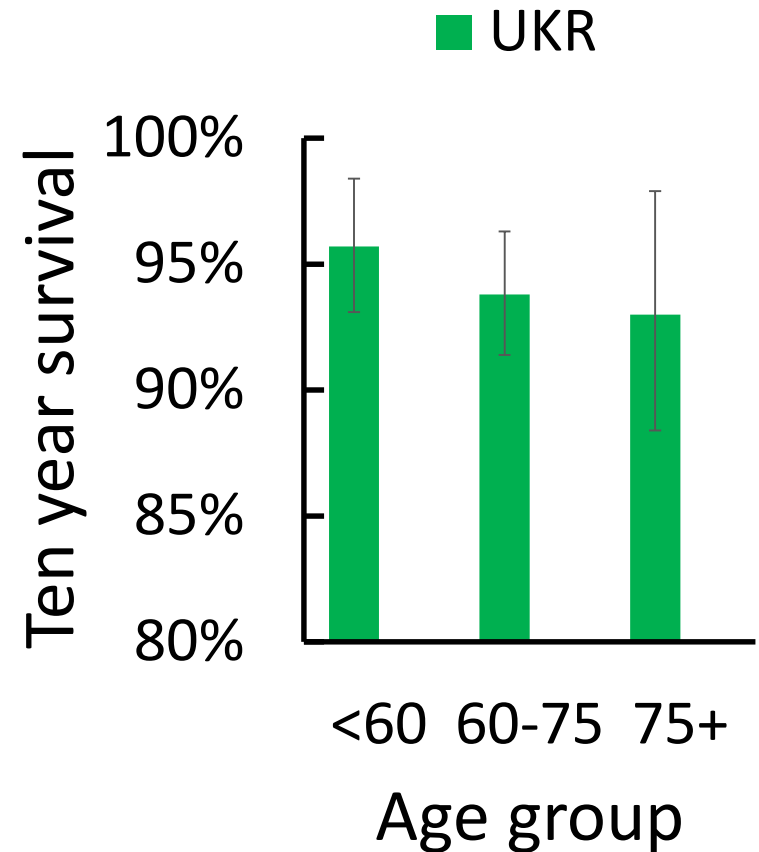
Ten Year Survival TKR

- Lower in young
- As expected
- Young patients
 - More active – destroy implant and fixation
 - Higher expectations – less tolerant of poor outcome.



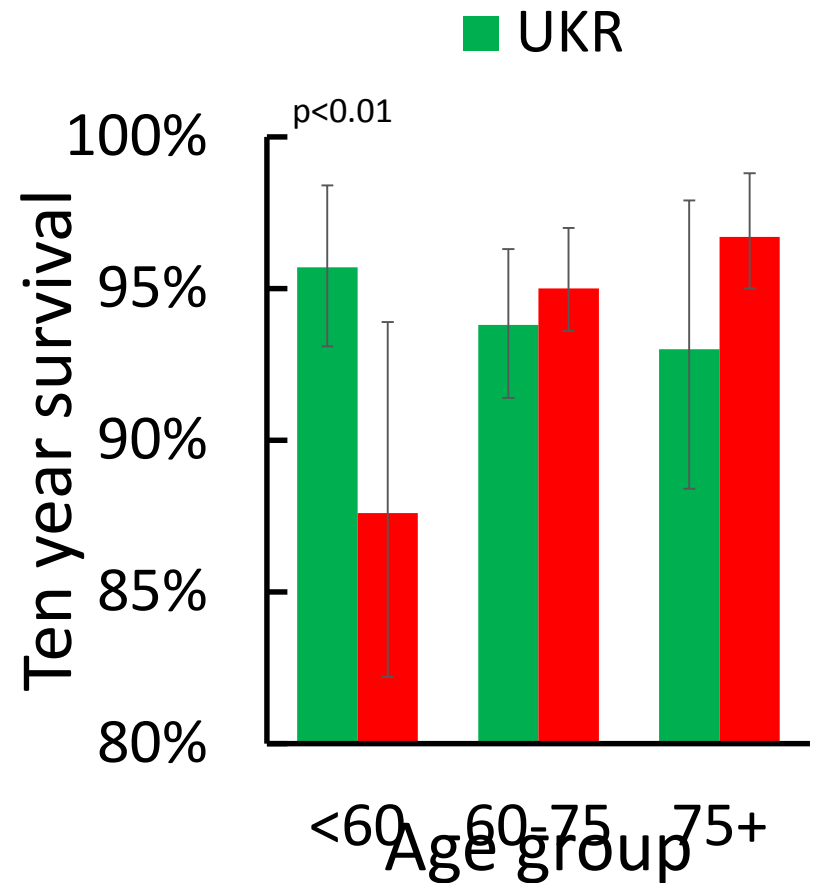
Ten Year Survival

- Higher in young (NSD)
- Not expected
- Mobile bearing resistant to wear and loosening. So no increased failure rate.
- Perhaps young & active have better bone and cartilage so less lateral OA & loosening.

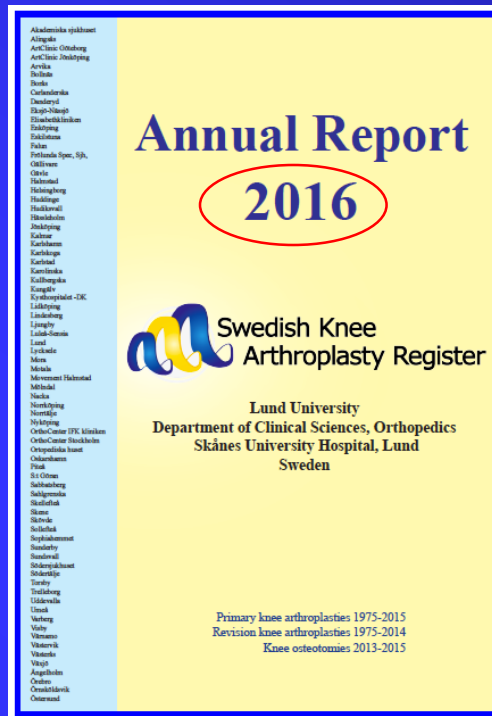
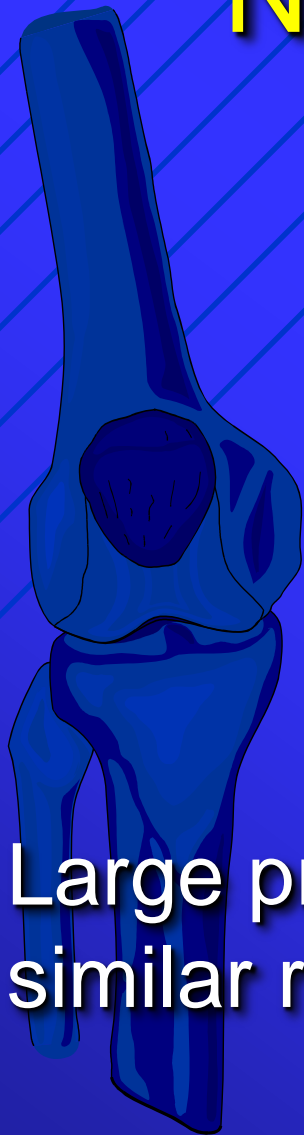


Ten Year Survival

- <60: UKR substantially better than TKR (Revision rate 3x higher $p < 0.01$).
- 60-75: UKR and TKR similar (NSD)
- 75+:TKR better than UKR (NSD), perhaps because TKR not revised at this age.



National Registry Data

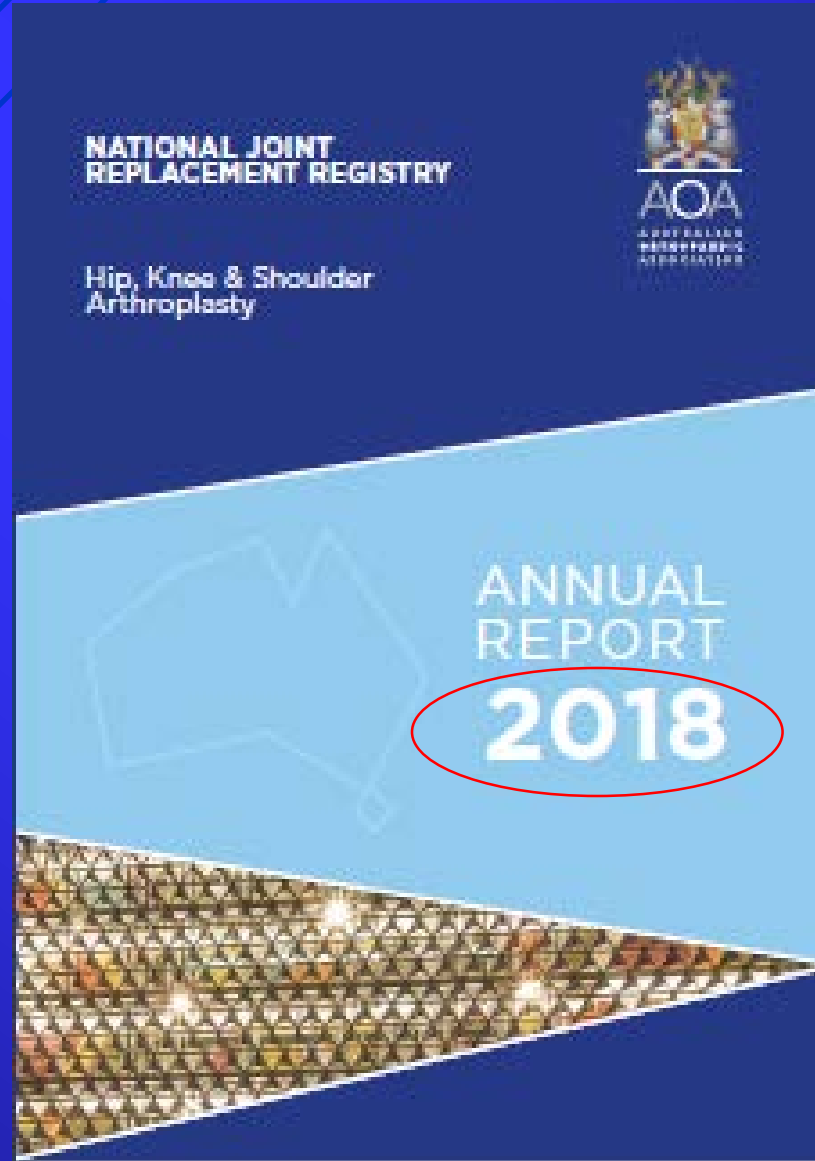


Large prospective observational studies give similar results to a randomized control trial

Benson et al (NEJM,2000)

Concato et al (NEJM, 2000)

AOA National Joint Registry



Survivorship

Table KP16 Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Unicompartmental Knee Replacement (Primary Diagnosis OA)

Knee Type	N Revised	N Total	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs	17 Yrs
Unicompartmental	6548	52285	2.2 (2.1, 2.4)	5.6 (5.4, 5.9)	8.0 (7.8, 8.3)	14.6 (14.3, 15.0)	22.4 (21.8, 23.0)	25.7 (24.5, 26.9)
TOTAL	6548	52285						

Table KT6 Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Knee Replacement by Primary Diagnosis

Primary Diagnosis	N Revised	N Total	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs	17 Yrs
Osteoarthritis	22205	588190	1.0 (1.0, 1.1)	2.7 (2.7, 2.7)	3.6 (3.5, 3.6)	5.3 (5.3, 5.4)	7.5 (7.3, 7.6)	8.4 (8.1, 8.7)
Rheumatoid Arthritis	309	8019	1.0 (0.8, 1.2)	2.2 (1.9, 2.6)	2.9 (2.5, 3.3)	5.1 (4.5, 5.7)	7.0 (6.1, 8.0)	7.2 (6.2, 8.4)
Other Inflammatory Arthritis	133	2993	1.5 (1.1, 2.0)	3.0 (2.4, 3.8)	4.2 (3.4, 5.1)	6.2 (5.2, 7.5)	9.1 (7.1, 11.7)	
Osteonecrosis	99	1928	1.1 (0.7, 1.8)	3.7 (2.9, 4.7)	5.3 (4.3, 6.6)	7.1 (5.7, 8.7)	8.2 (6.5, 10.3)	
Other (5)	134	1319	2.8 (2.0, 3.9)	8.1 (6.5, 10.0)	11.2 (9.2, 13.5)	18.0 (14.8, 21.8)		
TOTAL	22880	602449						

Registry Data

Why is revision rate of UKA higher than that of TKA?



Multiple Designs

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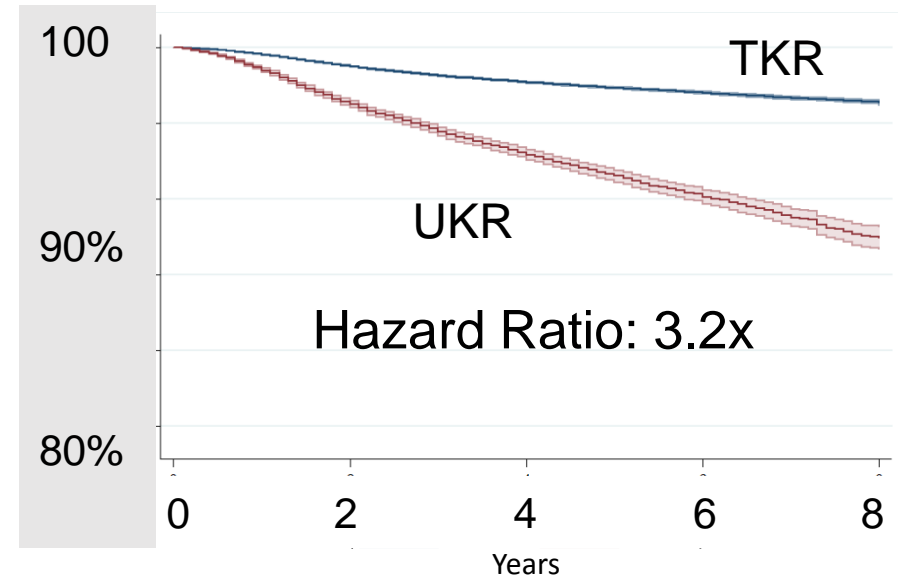
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Registries: primary outcome revision

- Revision rate of UKR three times TKR
- Suggests UKR have more poor results than TKR
- Many therefore recommend: Stop UKR



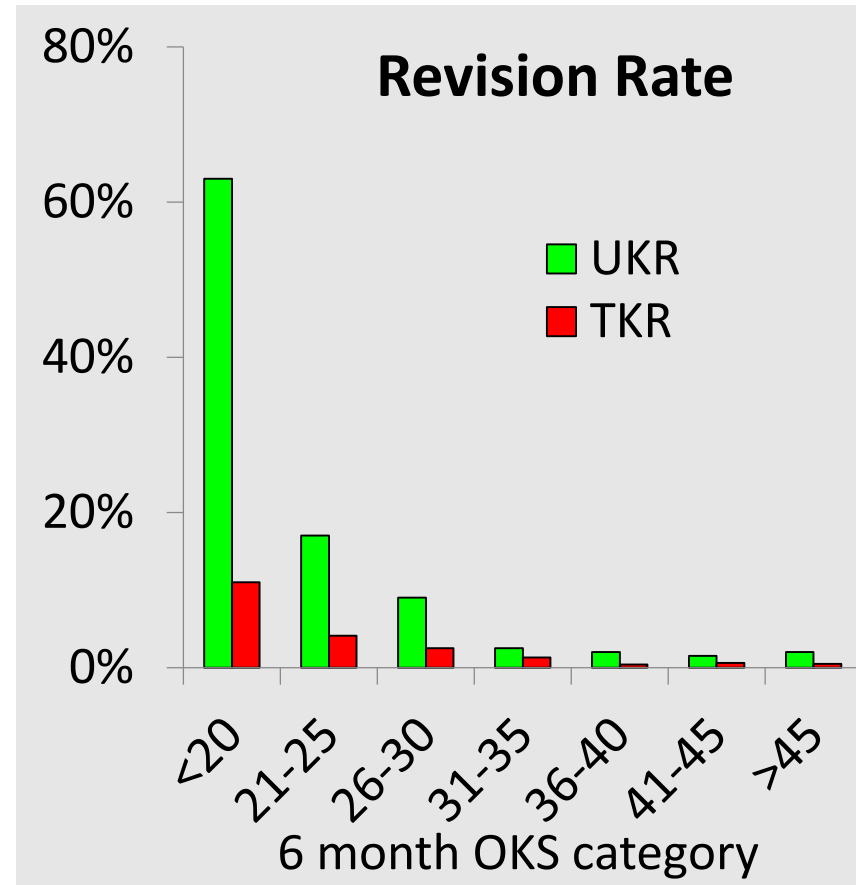
Data from 2012 NJR for England & Wales. Largest in the world (>500,000 KR) 8yr of reliable data

Do UKR have more poor results

- New Zealand Joint Registry² OKS at 6 months
- UKR 39, TKR 37 ($p < 0.0001$, Difference 1.8 (CI 0.3))
- UKR More excellent results (OKS >41) than TKR
- UKR Less poor (OKS <27) results than TKR (1.5x)
- Difference in revision rate not due to poor results

NZJR Clinical outcome and Revision Rate

- Whatever the outcome UKR 5 times more likely to be revised than TKR
- Factor independent of outcome increases revision rate: Revision Threshold
- If worse post-op than pre-op (OKS <20) 60% of UKR & 10% of TKR revised²



Goodfellow, et al. JBJS, 2010²

Revision rate UKR v TKR

- UKR easier to revise than TKR and expected outcome better therefore lower threshold for revision (5x lower)
- Therefore despite fewer poor results UKR have a higher revision rate.
- Most UKR with bad outcome revised. Most TKR with bad outcome not revised, and remain bad
- Higher revision rate not justification to stop UKR

Simple conversion to primary TKR



Complex, using revision TKR



Goals of knee arthroplasty

Patient satisfaction and function

Long-term survivorship

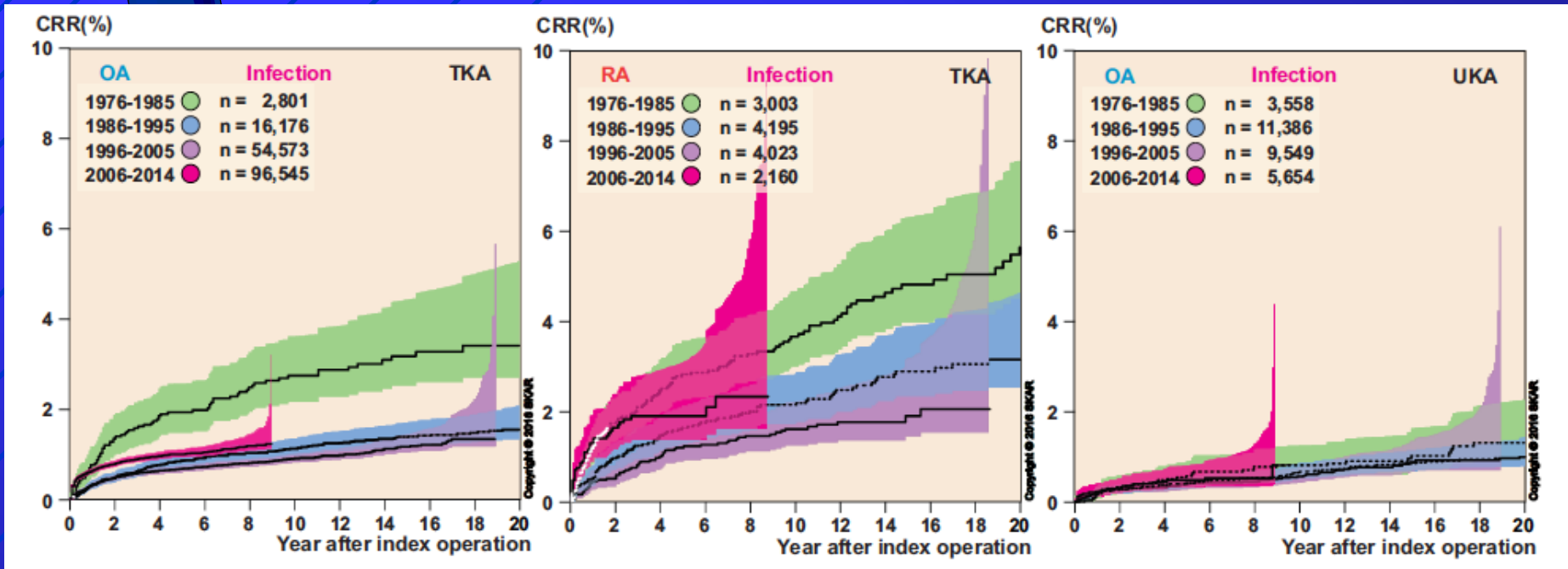
Avoidance of complications

Minimize risks of future surgery

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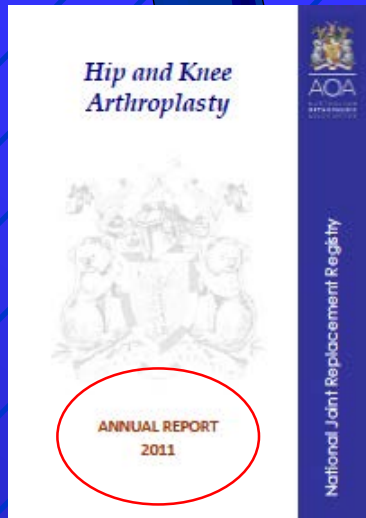


Infection



UKA have significantly lower risk of infection than TKA

Rate of re-revision



The rate of re-revision of a UKA to TKA is less than a TKA to TKA revision

Table R15: Re-revision Rates of Known Primary Knee Replacement (Primary Diagnosis OA, excluding first revision for Infection)

Primary Revisions	N Revised	N Total	Obs. Years	Revisions/100 Obs. Yrs (95% CI)
Prim UKR to TKR	221	2300	7662	2.88 (2.52, 3.29)
Prim TKR to TKR	150	1471	3975	3.77 (3.19, 4.43)
TOTAL	371	3771	11637	3.19 (2.87, 3.53)

Rate of re-revision

Revision of Unicompartamental Arthroplasty to Total Knee Arthroplasty: Not Always a Slam Dunk!

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Re-revision of a failed UKA is **equivalent** to revision rates of primary TKA and **substantially better** than re-revision rates of revision TKA

Rate of re-revision

Outcomes of Unicompartmental Knee Arthroplasty After Aseptic Revision to Total Knee Arthroplasty

A Comparative Study of 768 TKAs and 578 UKAs Revised to TKAs from the Norwegian Arthroplasty Register (1994 to 2011)

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J Bone Joint Surg Am. 2016;98:431-40

In conclusion, the outcomes of UKA → TKA and TKA → TKA in terms of survival, functional outcome, level of pain, patient satisfaction, and change in health-related quality of life were similar. Similarly, the two revision groups had no significant differences in reasons for re-revision, with the exception of a greater percentage of revisions due to deep infection in the TKA → TKA group. However, the surgical procedure of TKA → TKA seems to be more technically complex than UKA → TKA.

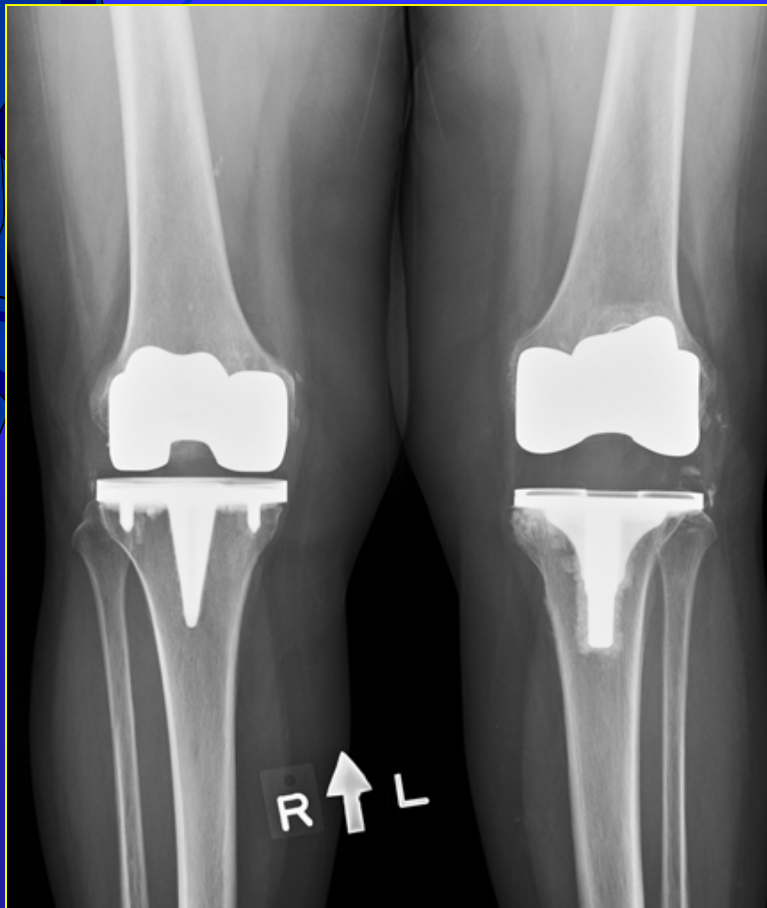
Revision to TKA

72 yo female:
17 years after left medial UKA



Revision to TKA

72 yo female:
8 years s/p conversion to TKA



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Cost-effectiveness

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Acta Orthop Scand 1999; 70 (2): 170–175

Use of unicompartmental instead of tricompartmental prostheses for unicompartmental arthrosis in the knee is a cost-effective alternative

15,437 primary tricompartmental prostheses were compared with 10,624 primary medial or lateral unicompartmental prostheses

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Cost-effectiveness

Cost-effectiveness of unicondylar versus total knee arthroplasty: a Markov model analysis

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The Knee 21 S1 (2014) S37–S42

Conclusion: UKA yields clear advantages in terms of costs and marginal advantages in terms of health effects, in comparison with TKA.

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What is the role of UKA in 2018?

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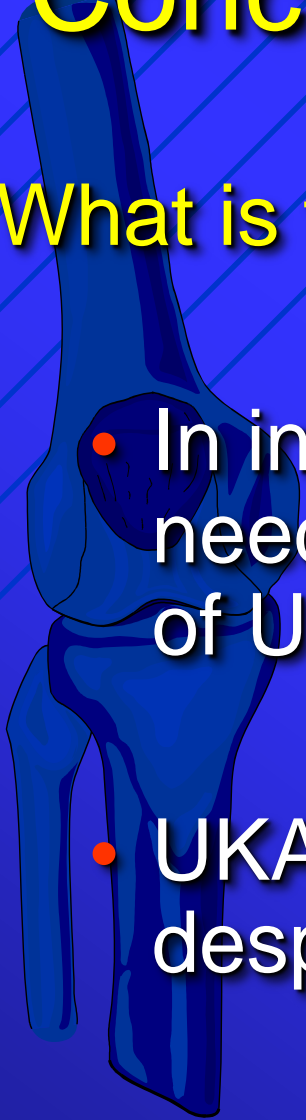
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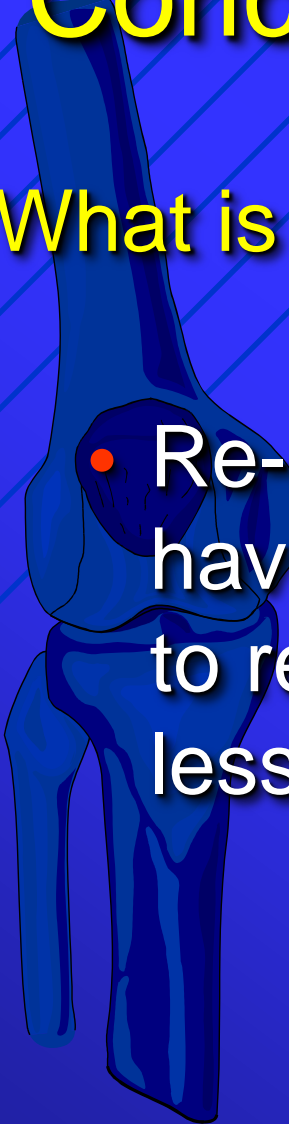
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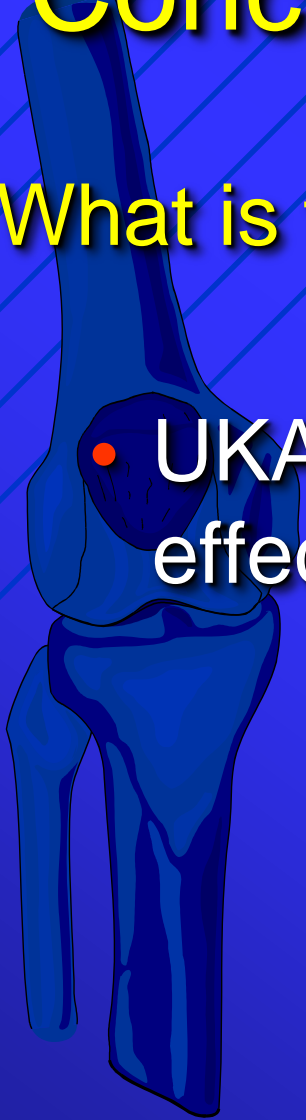
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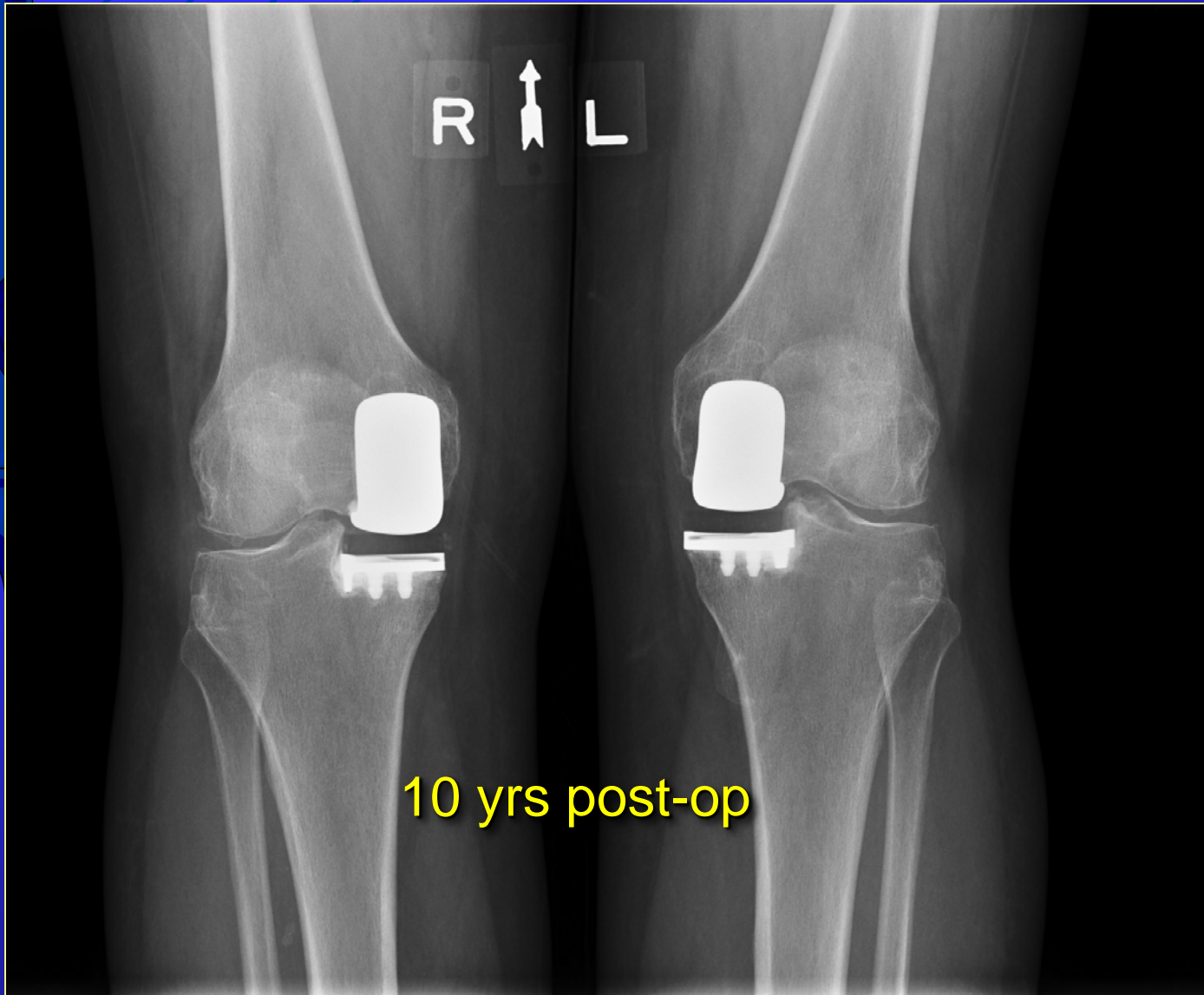
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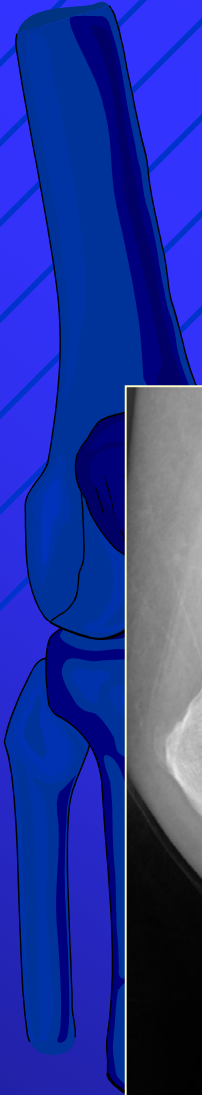
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Objectives



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Does bearing design influence survivorship of UKA?

The Debate

Fixed

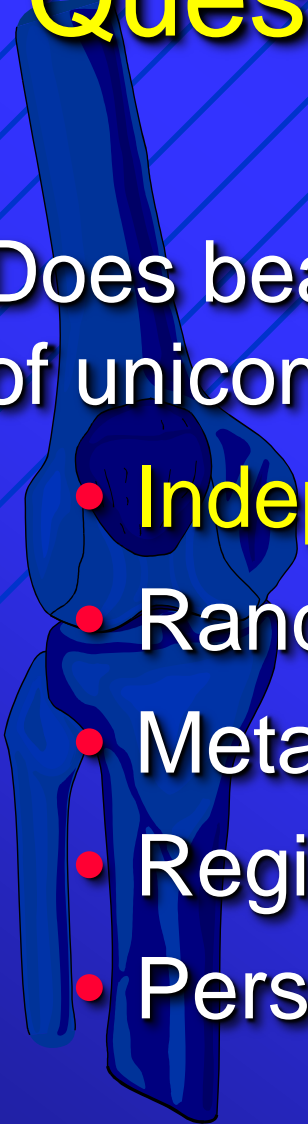
Mobile



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Fixed-Bearing UKA



Author	Design	Cases	F/U	Survival
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Tabor	Marmor	100	15 yrs	86%
Steele	St Georg	203	15 yrs	86%
Berger	M-G	62	13 yrs	96%
Heyse	Genesis	223	10yrs	94%

Mobile-Bearing UKA



Author	Design	Cases	F/U	Survival
Price	Oxford	114	15 yrs	93%
Price	Oxford	682	20 yrs	91%
Emerson	Oxford	55	10 yrs	85%
Zermatten	Oxford	48	10 yrs	78%

Comparison of a Mobile With a Fixed-Bearing Unicompartamental Knee Implant

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51 Bringham vs. 50 Oxford at 11 years

Survivorship

- Oxford (99%)
- Bringham (93%)

No Long-term Difference Between Fixed and Mobile Medial Unicompartmental Arthroplasty

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Retrospective comparison

- 79 fixed-bearing UKA
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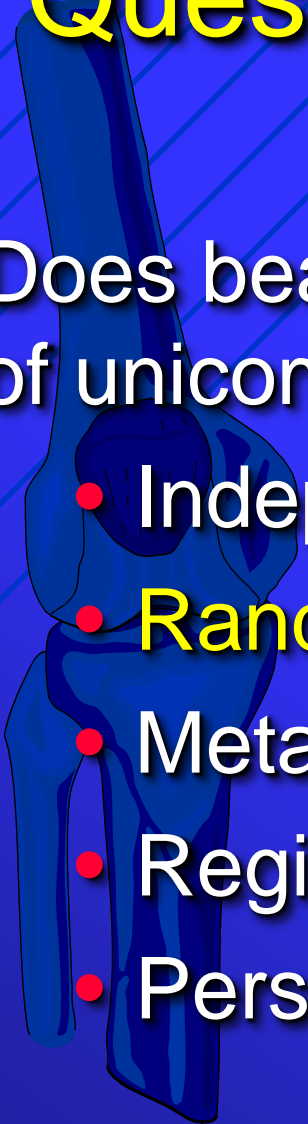
15-year minimum follow-up

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56 patients

- 28 fixed-bearing UKA (M-G)
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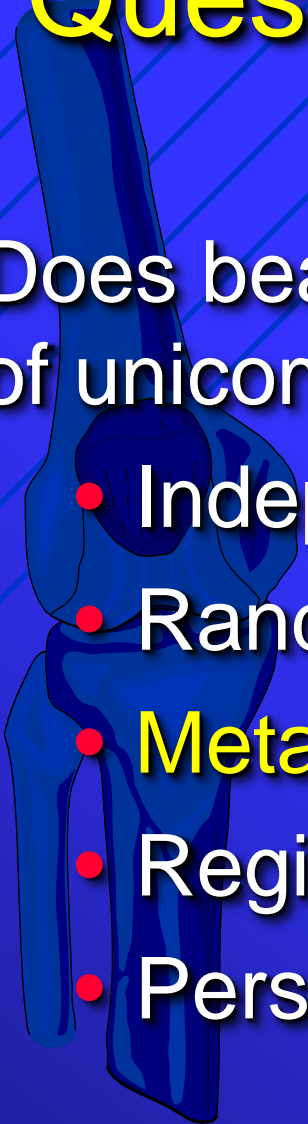
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5 studies identified

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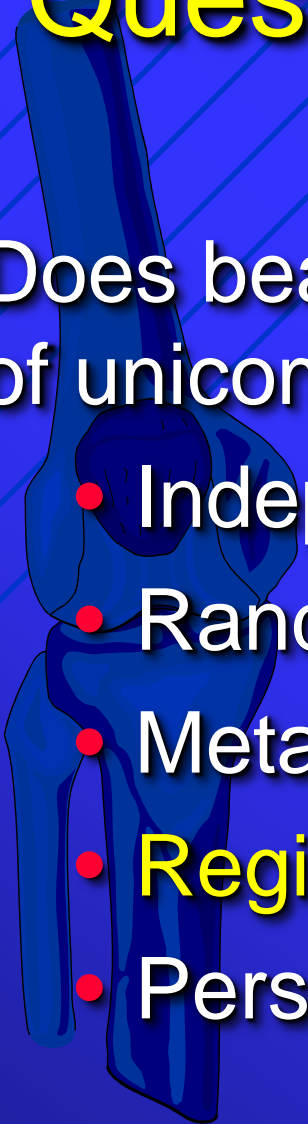
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Australian Registry 2018

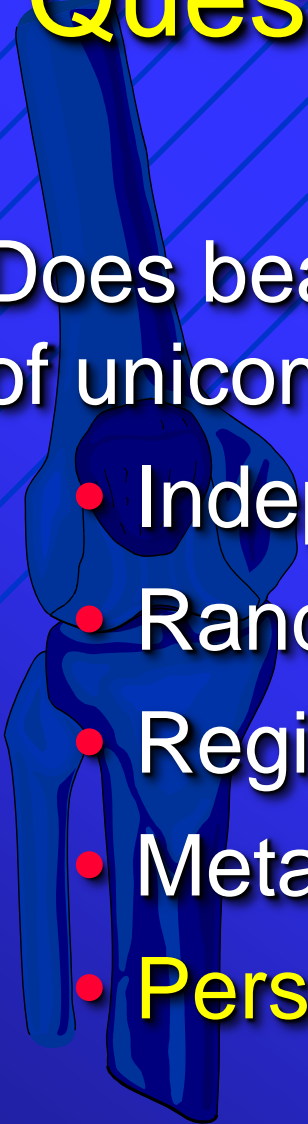
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Journey Uni	Journey Uni (v2)	18	496	3.8 (2.3, 6.3)	5.1 (3.2, 8.2)	5.1 (3.2, 8.2)			
Journey Uni	Journey Uni All Poly	19	270	1.2 (0.4, 3.6)	6.0 (3.6, 9.9)	8.0 (5.1, 12.5)			
M/G	M/G*	290	2135	1.6 (1.1, 2.2)	4.2 (3.4, 5.1)	6.4 (5.5, 7.6)	10.8 (9.5, 12.3)	17.0 (15.1, 19.1)	
Oxford (class)	Oxford (class)	297	5101	3.1 (2.6, 3.6)	5.1 (4.4, 5.8)	6.6 (5.8, 7.5)	13.5 (11.0, 16.6)		
Oxford (class)	Oxford (ctd)	28	401	3.0 (1.7, 5.3)	6.9 (4.4, 10.7)	12.8 (8.3, 19.4)			
Oxford (ctd)	Oxford (ctd)	1979	13000	2.2 (2.0, 2.5)	5.8 (5.4, 6.2)	8.4 (7.9, 8.9)	14.8 (14.2, 15.5)	22.6 (21.5, 23.7)	26.0 (24.3, 27.9)
Preservation	Preservation Fixed*	413	2318	2.5 (1.9, 3.2)	7.1 (6.1, 8.2)	9.5 (8.4, 10.8)	15.6 (14.1, 17.2)	23.4 (21.1, 26.0)	
Preservation	Preservation Mobile*	131	400	5.3 (3.5, 7.9)	15.5 (12.3, 19.5)	19.1 (15.6, 23.3)	27.2 (23.1, 31.9)	35.2 (30.5, 40.5)	
Repicci II	Repicci II	635	3072	1.7 (1.3, 2.2)	4.8 (4.0, 5.6)	7.9 (7.0, 8.9)	17.9 (16.5, 19.5)	29.3 (27.2, 31.6)	
Restoris MCK	Restoris MCK	17	1771	1.2 (0.7, 1.9)					
Sigma HP	Sigma HP	31	994	0.8 (0.4, 1.6)	2.8 (1.8, 4.2)	4.3 (3.0, 6.3)			
Triathlon PKR	Triathlon PKR	19	284	3.2 (1.6, 6.3)	7.7 (4.7, 12.4)	8.8 (5.4, 14.2)			
Uniglides	Uniglides	147	754	4.8 (3.5, 6.6)	10.7 (8.6, 13.1)	12.8 (10.6, 15.4)	19.8 (16.9, 23.0)		
Unix	Unix	448	3883	2.4 (2.0, 2.9)	5.3 (4.6, 6.0)	7.0 (6.2, 7.8)	12.0 (10.8, 13.2)	18.2 (16.2, 20.5)	
ZUK	ZUK	327	6785	1.5 (1.2, 1.8)	3.6 (3.2, 4.2)	4.9 (4.3, 5.5)	8.6 (7.5, 9.7)		
Other (37)		338	2012	3.7 (2.9, 4.6)	8.7 (7.5, 10.0)	11.3 (9.9, 12.8)	19.5 (17.5, 21.6)	25.3 (22.5, 28.5)	

Question

Does bearing design influence survivorship of unicompartmental knee arthroplasty?

- Independent, unblinded series
- Randomized clinical trials
- Registry data
- Meta-analyses
- **Personal experience**



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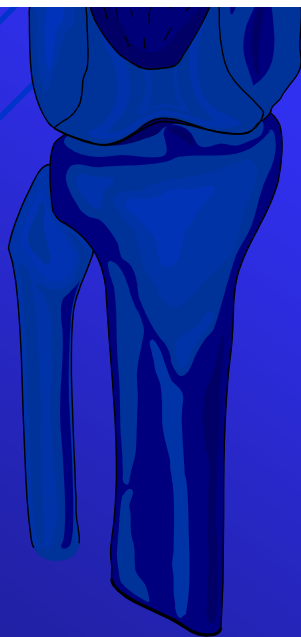


Table 1. Patient demographics

Demographic	Miller Galante	Oxford
Total number UKA	150	79
Surgical date	1990–2007	1993–2007
Bilateral procedures	28%	27%
Median age (years)	68	63
Age range (years)	45–79	49–87
Gender (male:female)	71:79	41:38
BMI	28.7 (16.8–44)	30.7 (19.3–43.1)
Etiology OA: AVN	143:7	78:1
Followup in years, mean (range)	8.1 (1–17.8)	3.6 (1–11.3)
Lost to followup	5	1
Deaths	35	3

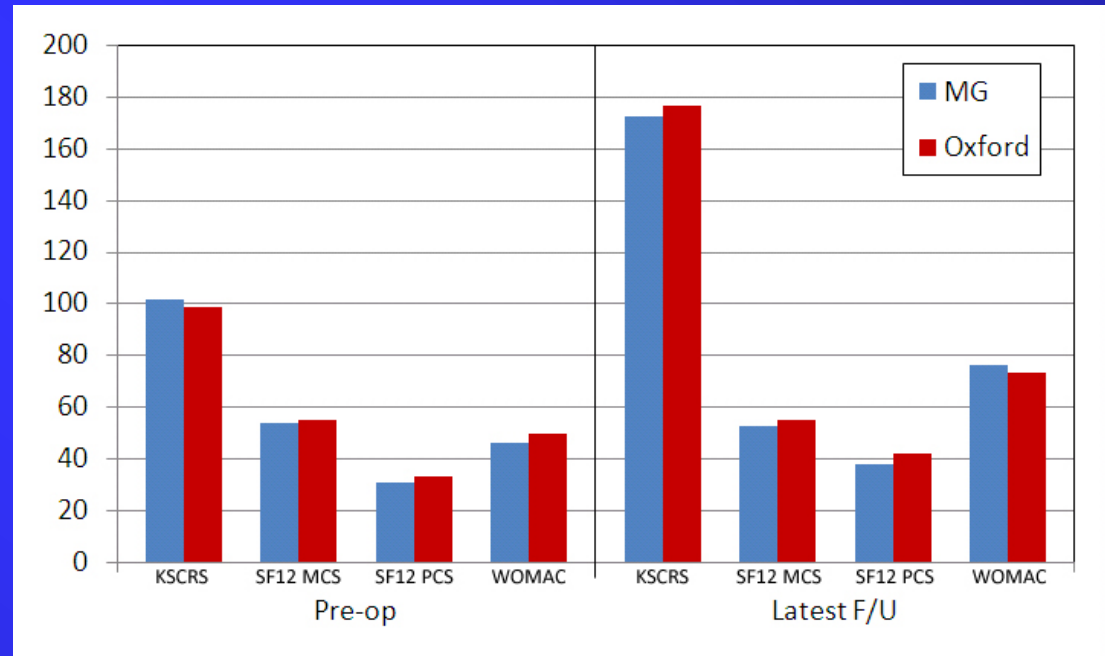
UKA = unicompartmental knee arthroplasty; BMI = body mass index; OA = osteoarthritis; AVN = avascular necrosis.

Fixed vs. Mobile Bearing UKA

Table 2. Outcome scores for both groups, preoperatively and at the latest followup

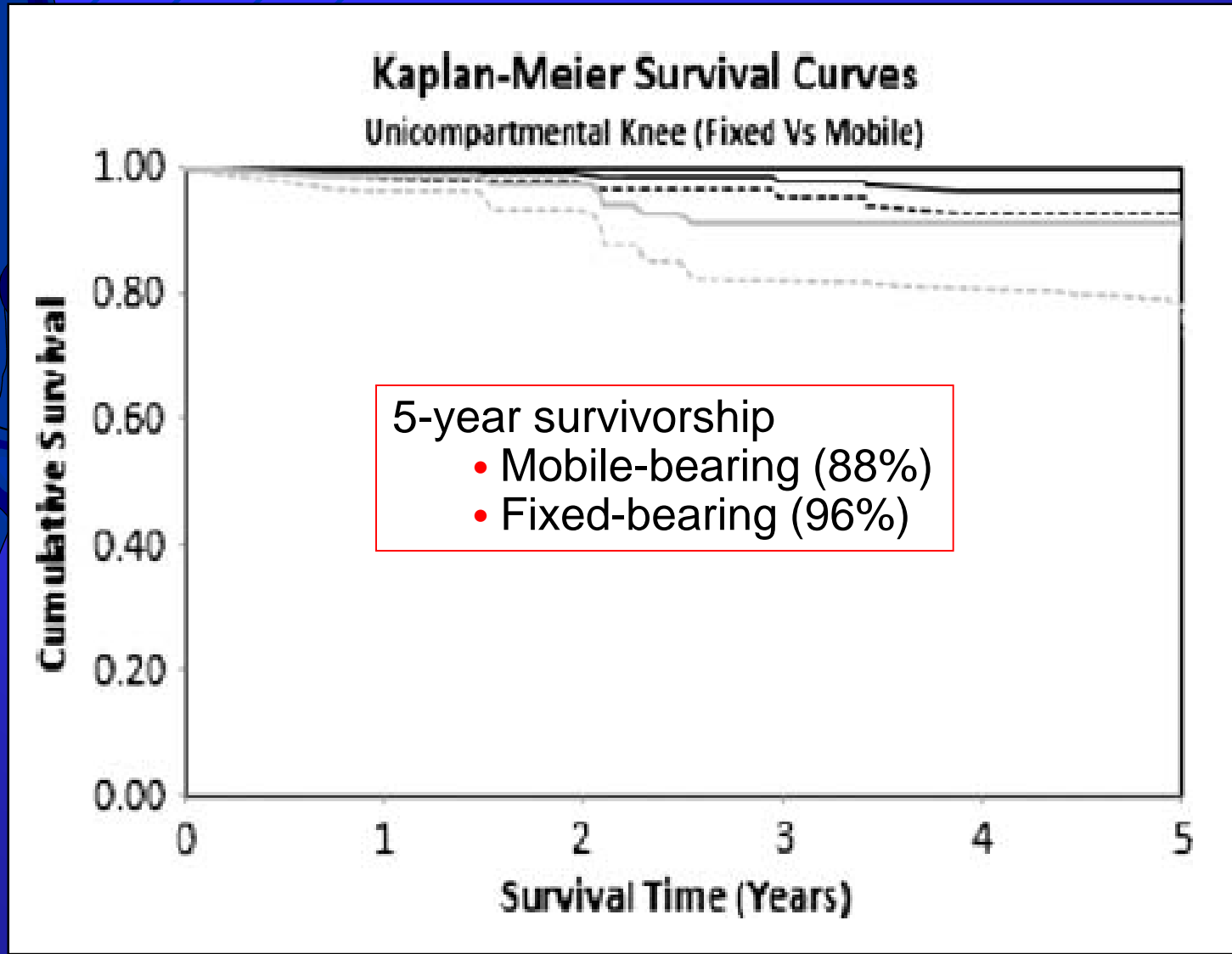
Outcome score	Group	Mean	Standard deviation	p Value
Preoperative KSCRS	Mobile	98.81	18.113	0.331
	Fixed	101.69	24.693	
Latest KSCRS	Mobile	173.98	30.7	0.299
	Fixed	169.51	29.953	
Preoperative SF12 MCS	Mobile	54.52	10.424	0.751
	Fixed	53.91	9.36	
Latest SF12 MCS	Mobile	54.84	8.849	0.041
	Fixed	51.62	13.096	
Preoperative SF12 PCS	Mobile	33.05	9.116	0.136
	Fixed	30.58	7.871	
Latest SF12 PCS	Mobile	41.34	9.922	0.04
	Fixed	36.48	13.665	
Preoperative WOMAC	Mobile	49.20	17.623	0.331
	Fixed	46.03	16.467	
Latest WOMAC	Mobile	72.28	20.671	0.676
	Fixed	73.68	24.372	

KSCRS = Knee Society clinical rating score; SF12 MCS = Short Form 12 mental component score; SF12 PCS = Short Form 12 physical component score; Latest = latest followup.



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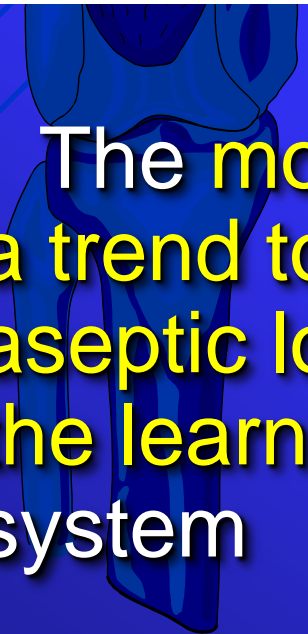
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The mobile-bearing design demonstrated a trend towards an earlier occurrence of aseptic loosening, which may be related to the learning curve of the mobile-bearing system

Question

Are there any advantages to the use of a mobile- or fixed-bearing implant?

- Kinematics
- Wear
- Function





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Kinematics of both designs were similar

Advantages of a mobile-bearing over a fixed-bearing could not be confirmed

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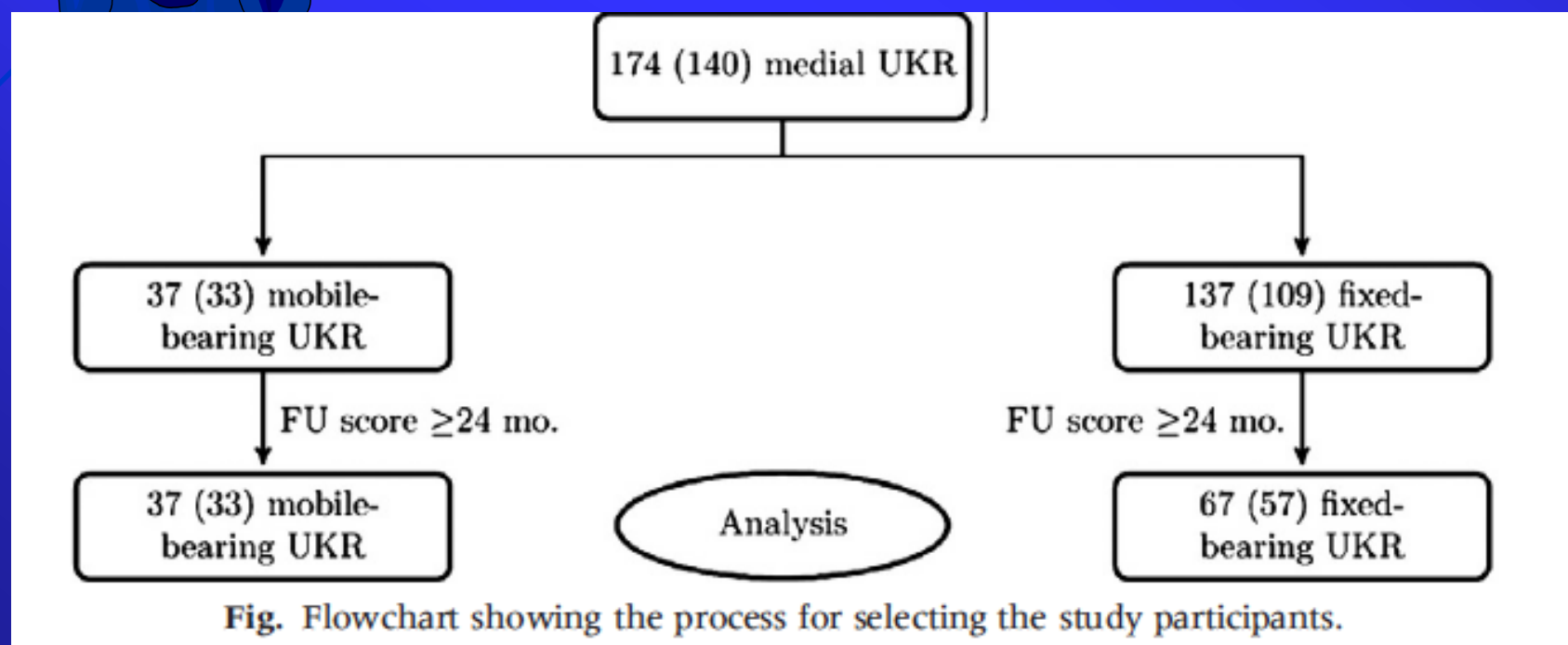



Fig. Flowchart showing the process for selecting the study participants.

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Outcomes

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- SF-12
 - WOMAC
 - Oxford-12
 - Self-administered satisfaction scale
 - UCLA activity level score

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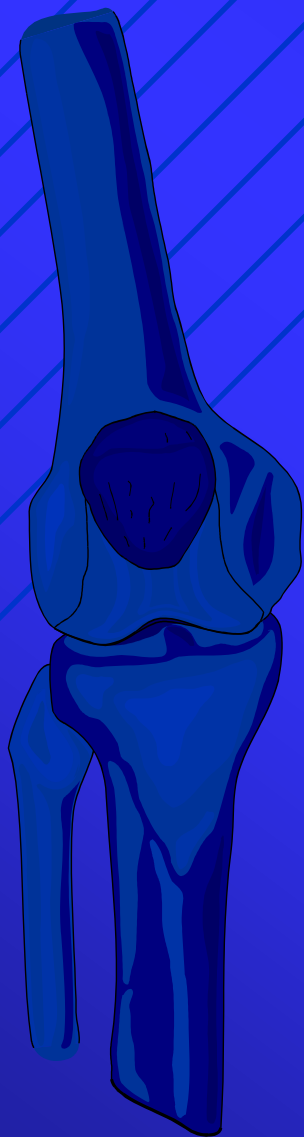
There was no difference in outcomes between mobile and fixed unicompartmental knee replacements

Conclusion

There appears to be no major survival advantage to a mobile-bearing design

The declared advantages of a mobile-bearing implant (including kinematics, wear, and function) cannot be confirmed





Thank You