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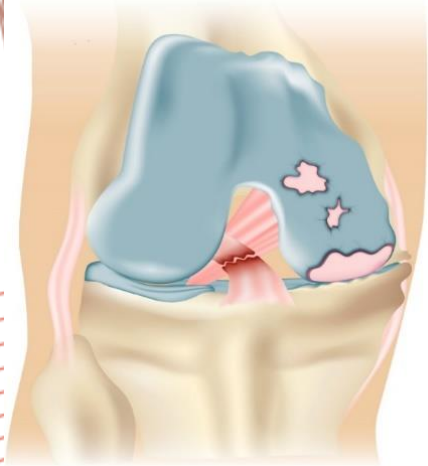
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INTRODUCTION

A treatment option combining medial UKR and ACL reconstruction has been developed in order to reduce invasiveness and blood loss, improve recovery time, and restore knee kinematics in patients affected by osteoarthritis of the medial femorotibial compartment in conjunction with anterior knee laxity



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Combined treatment with medial unicompartmental knee arthroplasty and anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction is effective on long-term follow-up

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Combined unicompartmental knee arthroplasty and anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction

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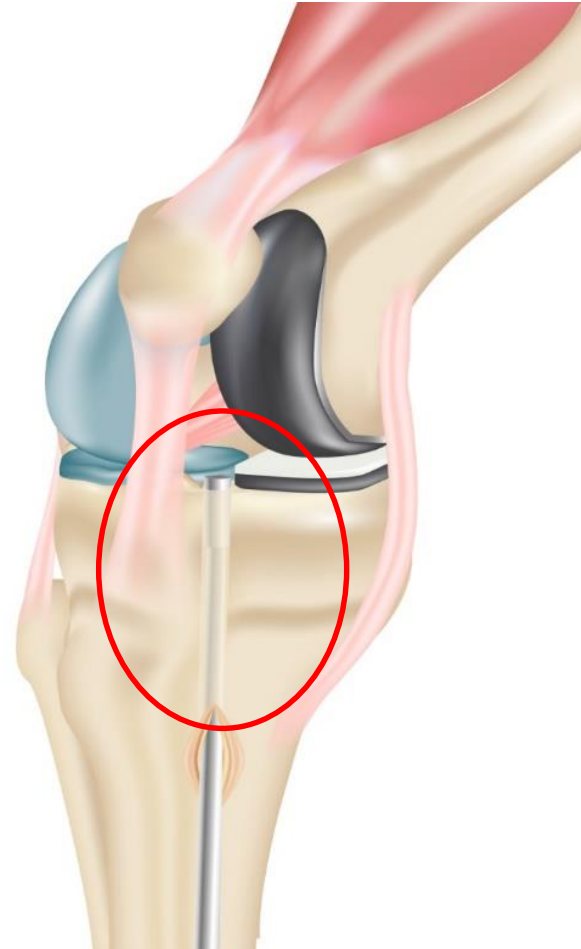


Excellent outcomes with combined single stage Physica ZUK medial unicompartment knee replacement and anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction results in young, active patients with instability and osteoarthritis with a mean follow up of 5 years

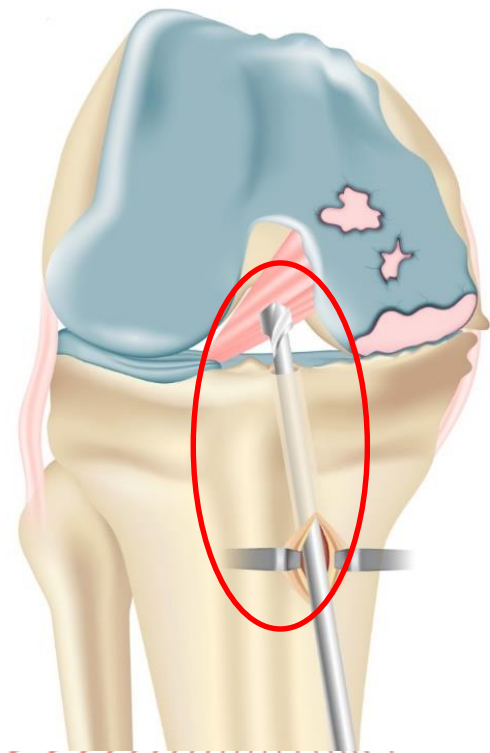
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SURGICAL TECHNIQUE

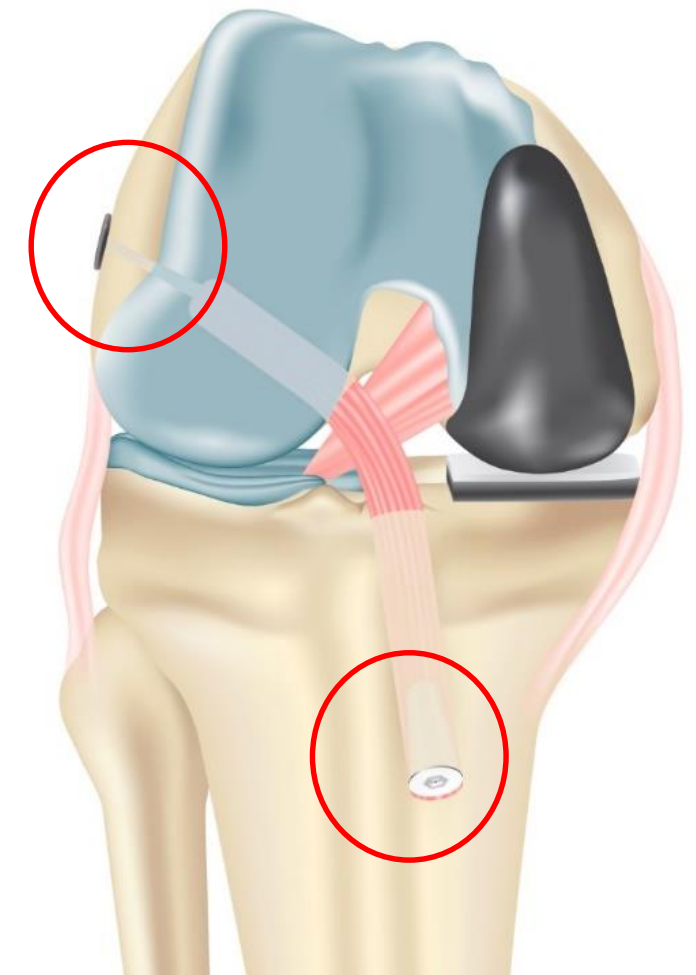
To avoid the role of a stress riser, the tibial tunnel has to be drilled **more vertically** to prevent the risk of proximal tibia fracture and **slightly more laterally** to avoid weakening of the tibial medial plateau or impingement on the tibial component with the distal insertion of the graft.



It is important to ensure that the graft is fixated **at the end** of the surgical procedure, because of the knee valgus effect on the length of the ACL



Before implantation of the components, **tibial tunnel should be filled with an impactor** to avoid accidental penetration of the cement into tunnel.



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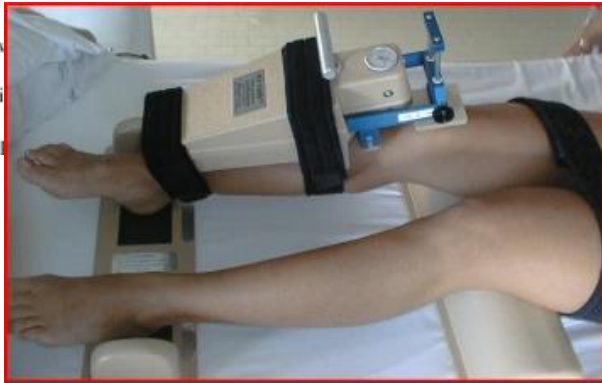


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METHODS

Please indicate below the **HIGHEST** level of activity that you are able to participate in **CURRENTLY**.

- ☐ Level 10 Competitive sports-soccer, football, rugby (national elite)
- ☐ Level 9 Competitive sports-soccer, football, rugby (lower divisions), ice hockey, wrestling, gymnastics, basketball
- ☐ Level 8 Competitive sports-racquetball, squash or badminton, track and field athletics (jumping, etc.), downhill skiing
- ☐ Level 7 Competitive sports-tennis, running, motorcars speedway, handball
Recreational sports-soccer, football, rugby, ice-hockey, basketball, squash, racquetball, running
- ☐ Level 6 Recreational sports-tennis and badminton, handball, racquetball, downhill skiing, jogging at least 5 x per week
- ☐ Level 5 Work-heavy labor (construction, etc.)
Competitive sports-cycling, cross-country skiing
- ☐ Level 4 Recreational sports-jogging on uneven ground at least twice weekly
Work-moderately heavy labor (e.g. truck driving, etc.)
Recreational sports-cycling, cross-country skiing, jogging on even ground at least twice weekly
- ☐ Level 3 Work-light labor (nursing, etc.)
Competitive and recreational sports-swimming, etc. possible
- ☐ Level 2 Walking on uneven ground possible, but impossible on level ground
- ☐ Level 1 Work-sedentary (secretarial, etc.)
- ☐ Level 0 Sick leave or disability pension because of knee problem



Twelve patients with ACL deficiency and concomitant medial compartment symptomatic osteoarthritis were followed up for an average time of 7.8 years (range 6-10 years).

Assessment included KOOS score, Oxford Knee score, AKSS score, WOMAC index of osteoarthritis, Tegner activity level, objective examination including instrumented laxity test with KT-1000 arthrometer and standard X-rays.



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RESULTS

The mean overall point scales increased from preoperative status, showing a statistically significant difference ($P<.001$).

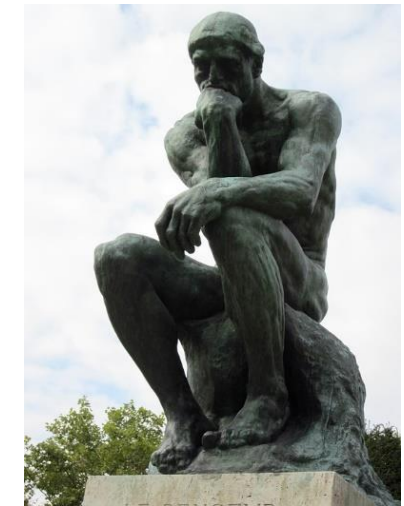
No clinical evidence of instability nor arthrofibrosis in any of the knees was reported.

	Pre-operative	Post-operative	p value
KOOS score (mean, SD)	62.4 (8.1)	80.2 (11.7)	$p<0.001$
Oxford knee score (mean, SD	28.8 (10.1)	42.4 (8.9)	$p<0.001$
WOMAC index (mean, SD)	71.9 (11.5)	84.9 (9.3)	$p<0.001$
AKSS objective score (mean, SD)	45 (12.9)	75 (13.5)	$p<0.001$
AKSS functional score (mean, SD)	80 (14.2)	88 (16.2)	$p<0.001$
Mean side-to-side anterior laxity (mean, SD)	5.7 (SD: 1.4)	2.8 (0.9)	$p<0.001$



RESULTS

At the time of radiographic follow-up, no evidence of component subsidence or pathologic radiolucent lines was observed around the components



Due to pain persistence and osteoarthritis progression in the lateral compartment, 3 years after surgery one female patient underwent revision surgery with total knee arthroplasty with relieving of the symptoms.

DISCUSSION

Favorable results for UKR combined with ACL reconstruction

reduced invasiveness
and blood loss

better knee kinematics

fewer and less
severe complications

technically demanding
procedures

graft impingement

tibial plate undersizing



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DISCUSSION

TECHNICAL FACTORS!

Fixed Vs. Mobile Bearing



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KNEE

Satisfactory outcomes following combined unicompartmental knee replacement and anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction

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Technical factors such as proper tensioning of either collateral ligaments or ACL are key factors to successful outcomes following mobile-bearing UKA, and its implantation relies on the integrity of both ACL and medial collateral ligament.



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No graft failures were reported. This may be related to the fact that most of middle-aged patients do not return to sports involving pivoting, cutting, and jumping, thus preventing the risk of re-injury. In addition, the osteoarthritic process as well as the impact of the surgical operation could have increased joint stiffness.

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REVIEW



Anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction combined to partial knee replacement in active patients with ACL deficiency and knee osteoarthritis

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Only in two papers [9,12], a total of 29 patients underwent a two-staged procedure while in all other patients ACL reconstruction and UKR were performed in the same sitting. Authors who performed two-staged procedures reserved this approach to patients for whom the main complaint was knee instability and performed ACL reconstruction first followed by UKR for persistent pain; conversely, a one-staged procedure was chosen for patients complaining about medial knee pain.

Autologous Vs. Allograft Tendon

One Vs. Two Stage

CONCLUSIONS & TAKE-HOME MESSAGES

UKR combined with ACL reconstruction is a valid therapeutic option for **young and active patients** with a **primary ACL injury** who develop secondary OA and confirms subjective and objective clinical improvement up to 8 years after surgery

Suitable for **primary ACL deficiency** followed by **secondary osteoarthritis**

Increased risk of early prosthetic failure due to **younger** and **more active** patients

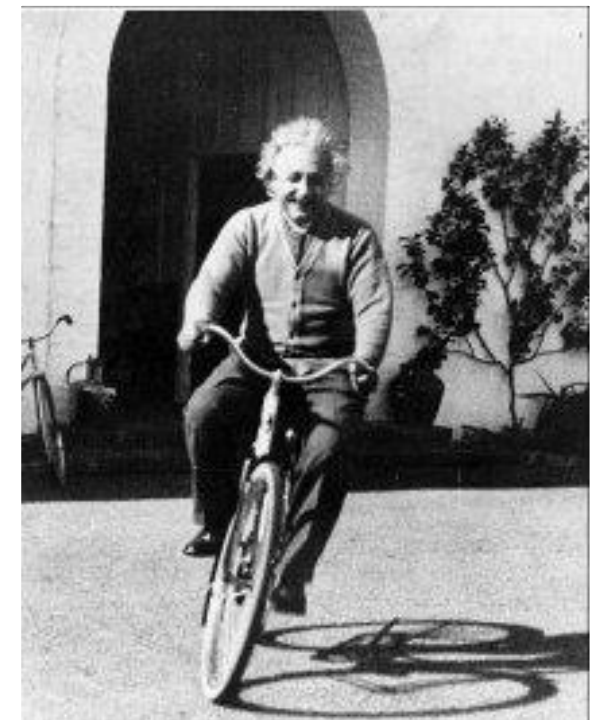
Longer post-operative period compared to TKA



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