

Newer designs in Knee replacement
The good ,bad & ugly!

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Fresh face evokes excitement!



How do we pick our implants?

Training/fellowship experience

Wise colleagues influence

Literature review

Trade influences

By our hospital

CME



Yet ..Good, Bad, Ugly!



Technological advances are trying to meet demands of today's genre.





Good--technological innovation

Bad--- conflicting report about
its reflection in clinical
practice

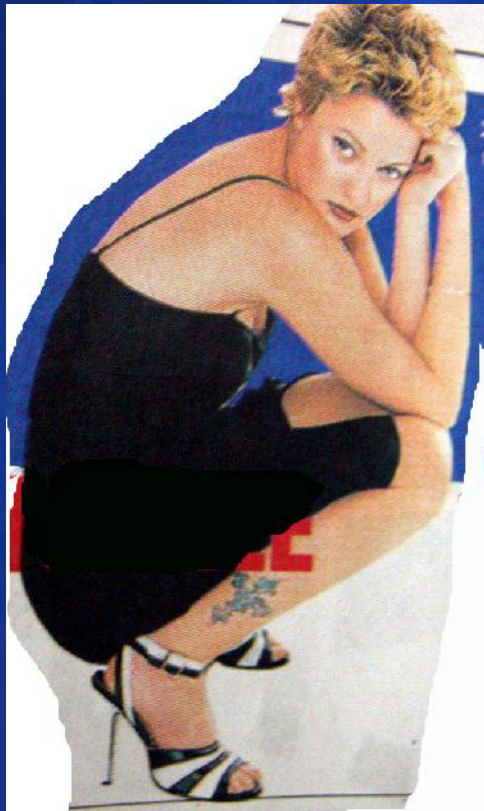
Ugly---Disastrous effects if any!



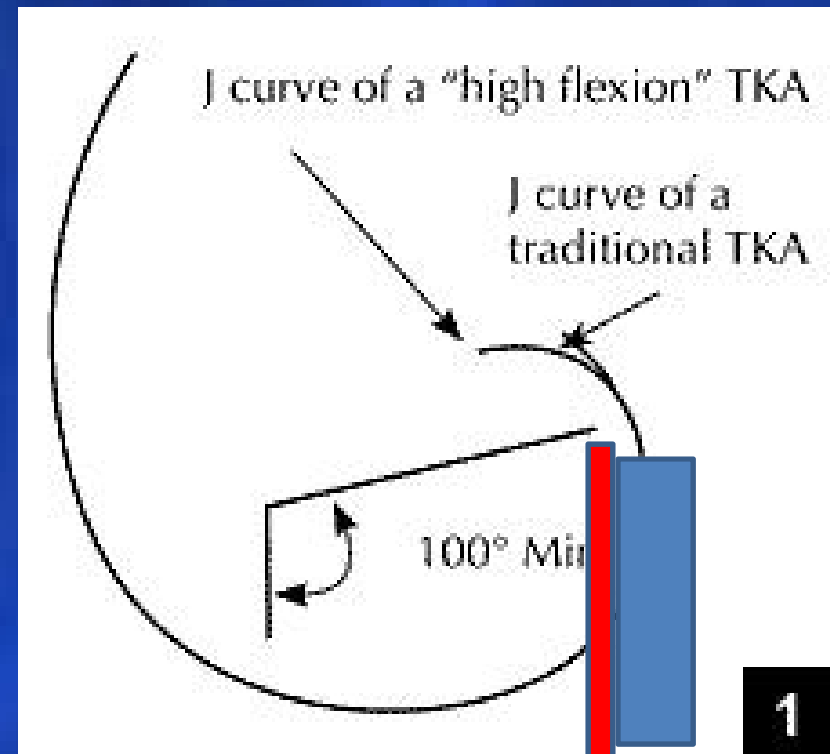
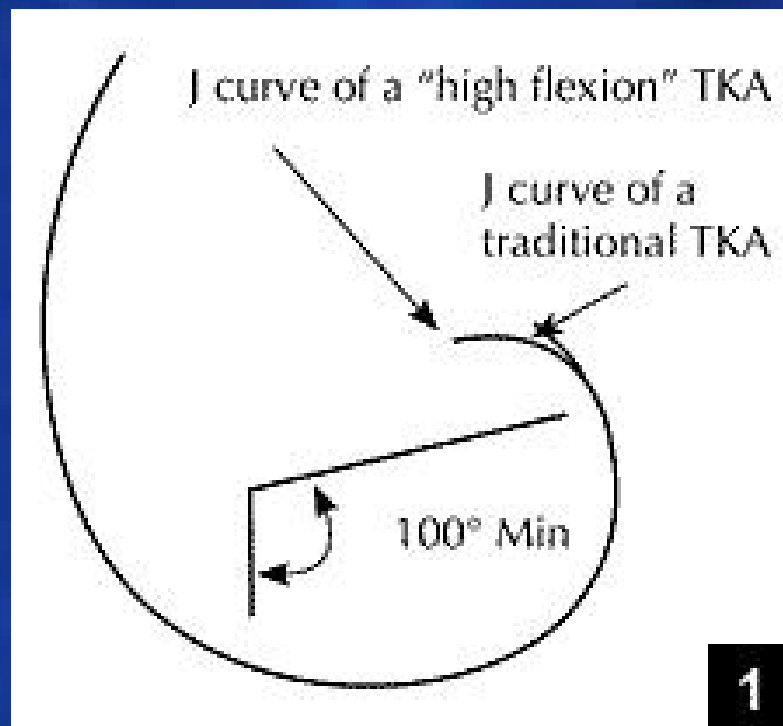
Points For Discussion

- Hi flex knee
- Single Radius Implants
- Gender specific implants
- Mobile bearing knee
- Oxinium Interface
- Uncemented Fixation
- Computer navigation
- Debutant – *'Fresh Off the Boat'*

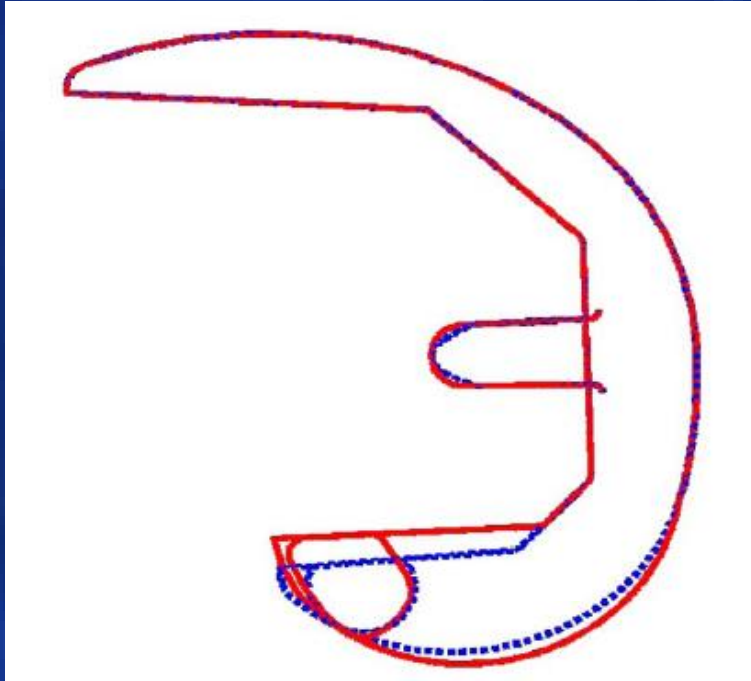
Hi Flexion Designs



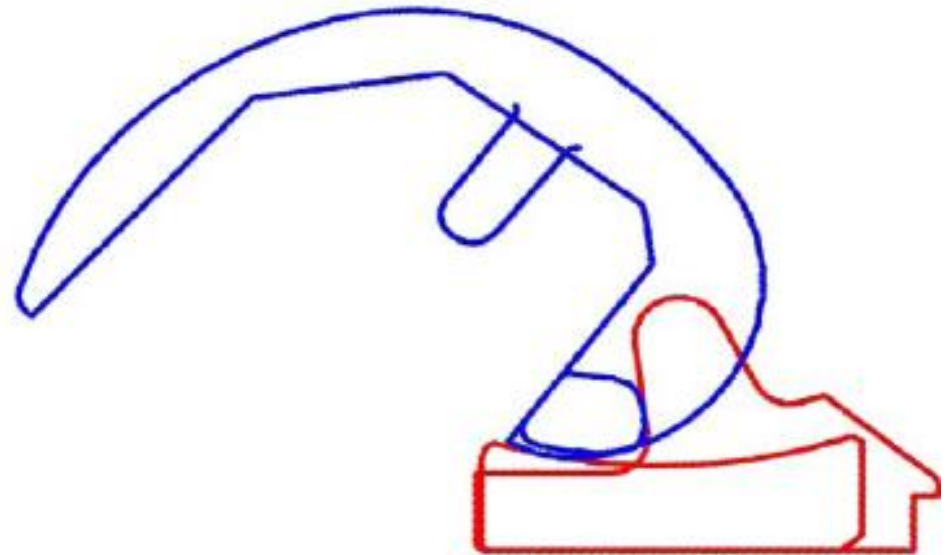
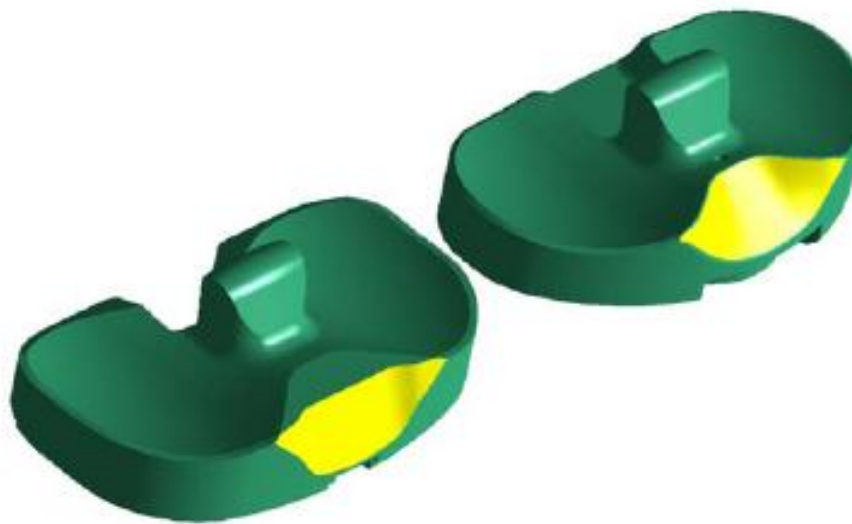
High flexion/high performance joints



Extra bone cut reqd.



Design modifications:
P condyle offset, Poly
shape, Tibial slope



Posterior stabilized
(non high flex)



High flexion design-
Post. condylar
offset



VERDICT

- Preoperative ROM remains the best guide
- Huang: Significantly better Flexion Esp – Preop < 90.
- Laskin, Bin et al: Better than Standard

Good

Hi Flexion Knee

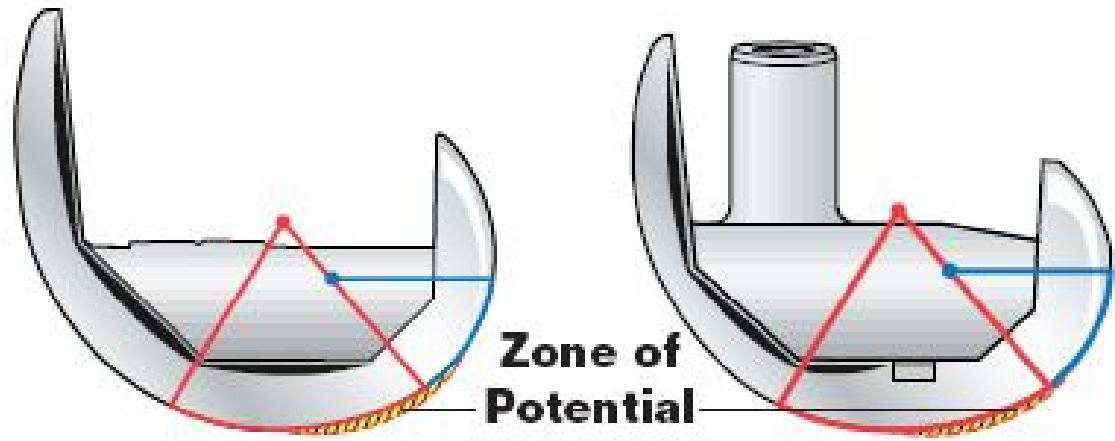
- Kim YH 2005; 2008: no benefit
- Meta Analysis: No benefit (Int Orth)
- Down side: Extra Bone Cut, ? Femoral loosening – earlier, Cost
- Long term results awaited

Bad

SINGLE RADIUS IMPLANTS



Scorpio® TS
has a single FE axis

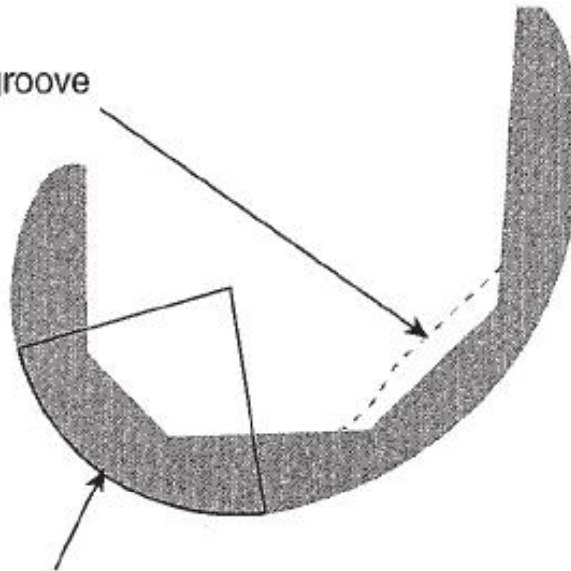


Zone of Potential Instability
Competitive designs have multiple FE axes

Single radius implants-in vitro studies

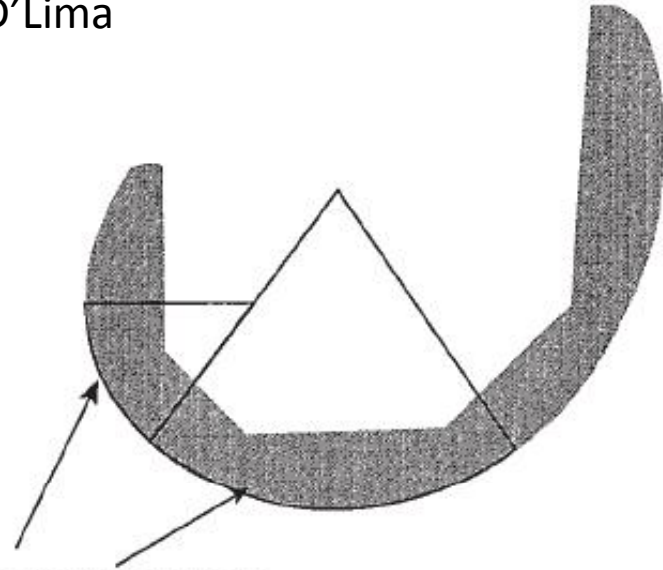
Trochlear groove

A
Single distal femoral radius



Darryl D'Lima

B
Two distal femoral radii

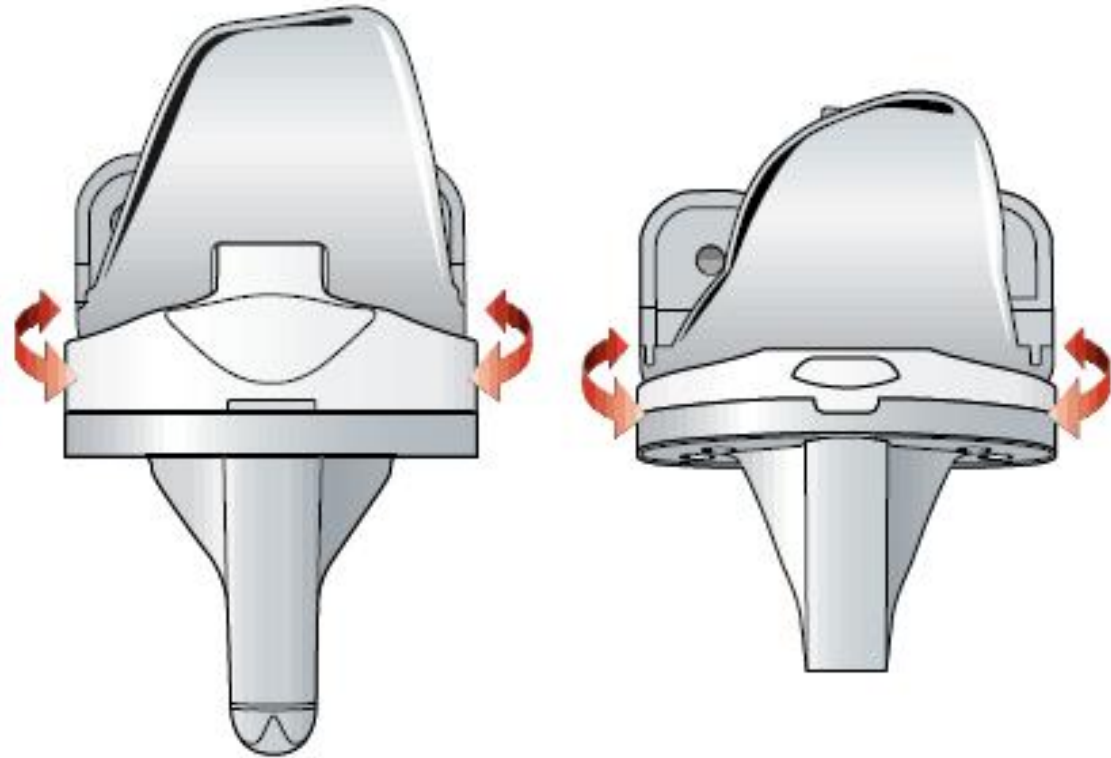


Reduced Q forces →
reduced P-F forces →
↓ed anterior knee pain

Good!

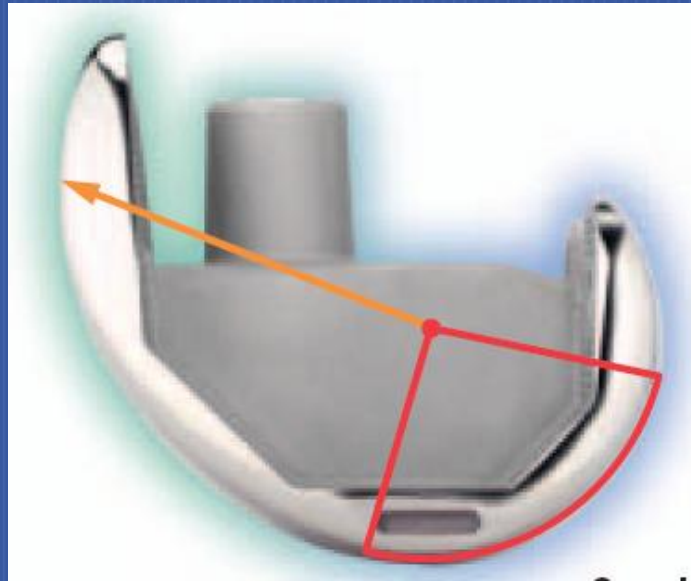


Scorpio® TS
allows up to $\pm 10^\circ$ of
internal/external
rotation



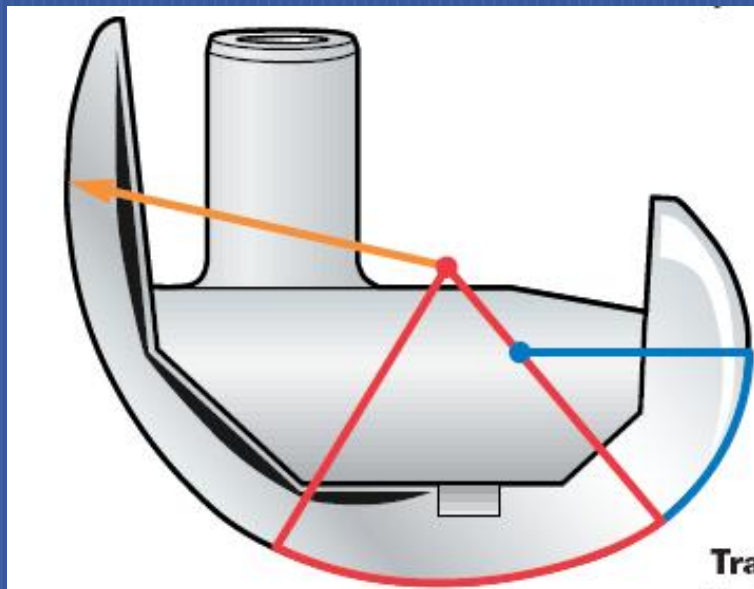
Competitive designs
allow only $\pm 4^\circ$ of internal/external rotation

Good!



Scorpio® Knee Design

Single axis patello-femoral moment arm is longer than that of traditional designs and Scorpio® has a single distal/posterior radius, providing smooth rotation.



Traditional Design

Traditional multiple axis patello-femoral moment arm and multiple radius distal/posterior condyles has transition points in rotation.

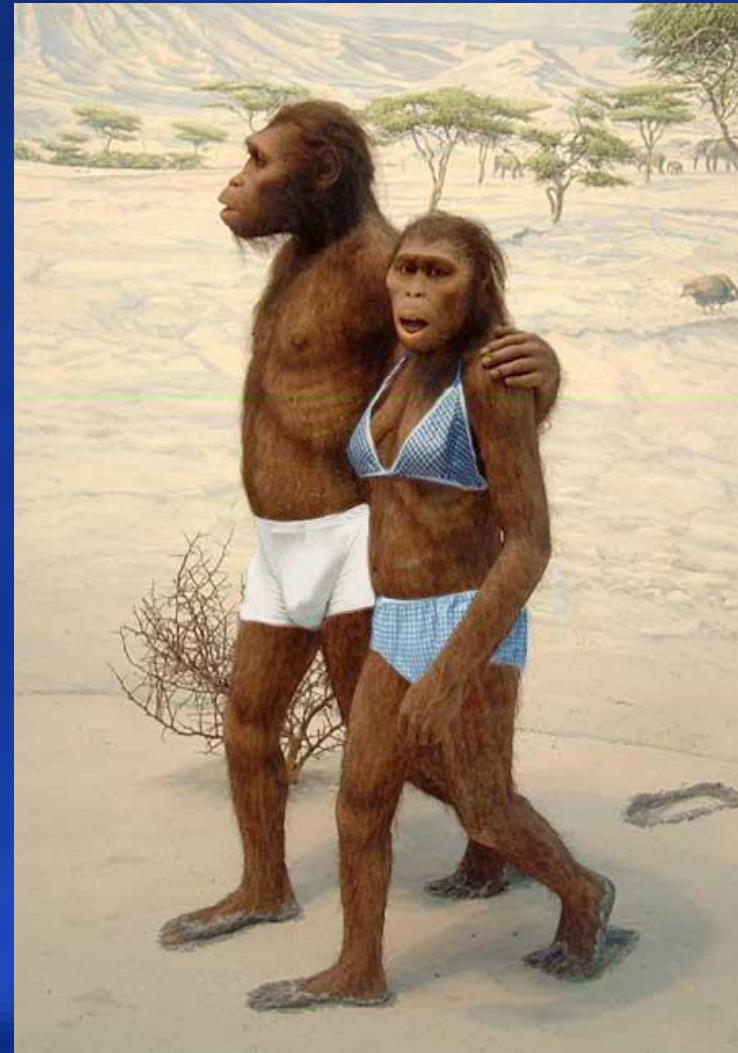
- Authors(Darryl D'Lima et al) found equal extensor mechanism function in subsequent publication between both knees in clinical study.
- Extensor mech. function in single radius Vs multiple radiusJOA February 2008
- Compared Scorpio with PFC sigma CR knees.
- 50 knee in either group.

Bad!

- Increasing the collateral ligament tension in flexion----due to posteriorly displaced axis of rotation---may decrease the actual flexion occurring in the knee.

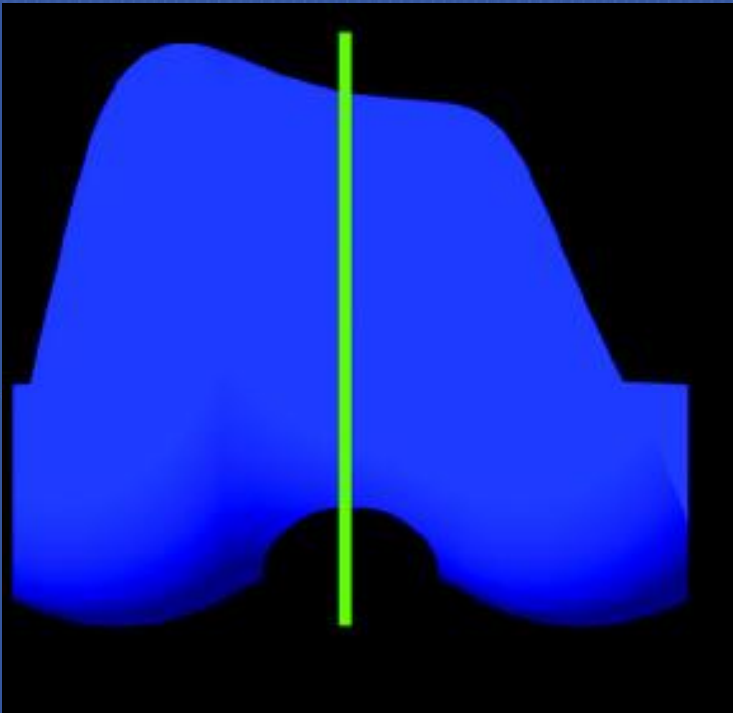
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Gender Specific Implants

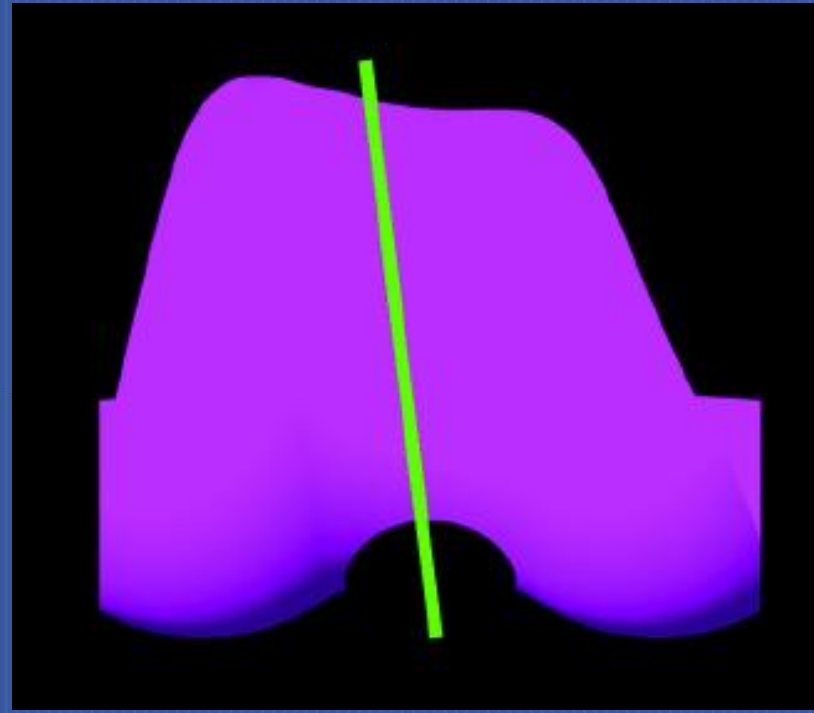




Do we really need the separate knees for males & females?

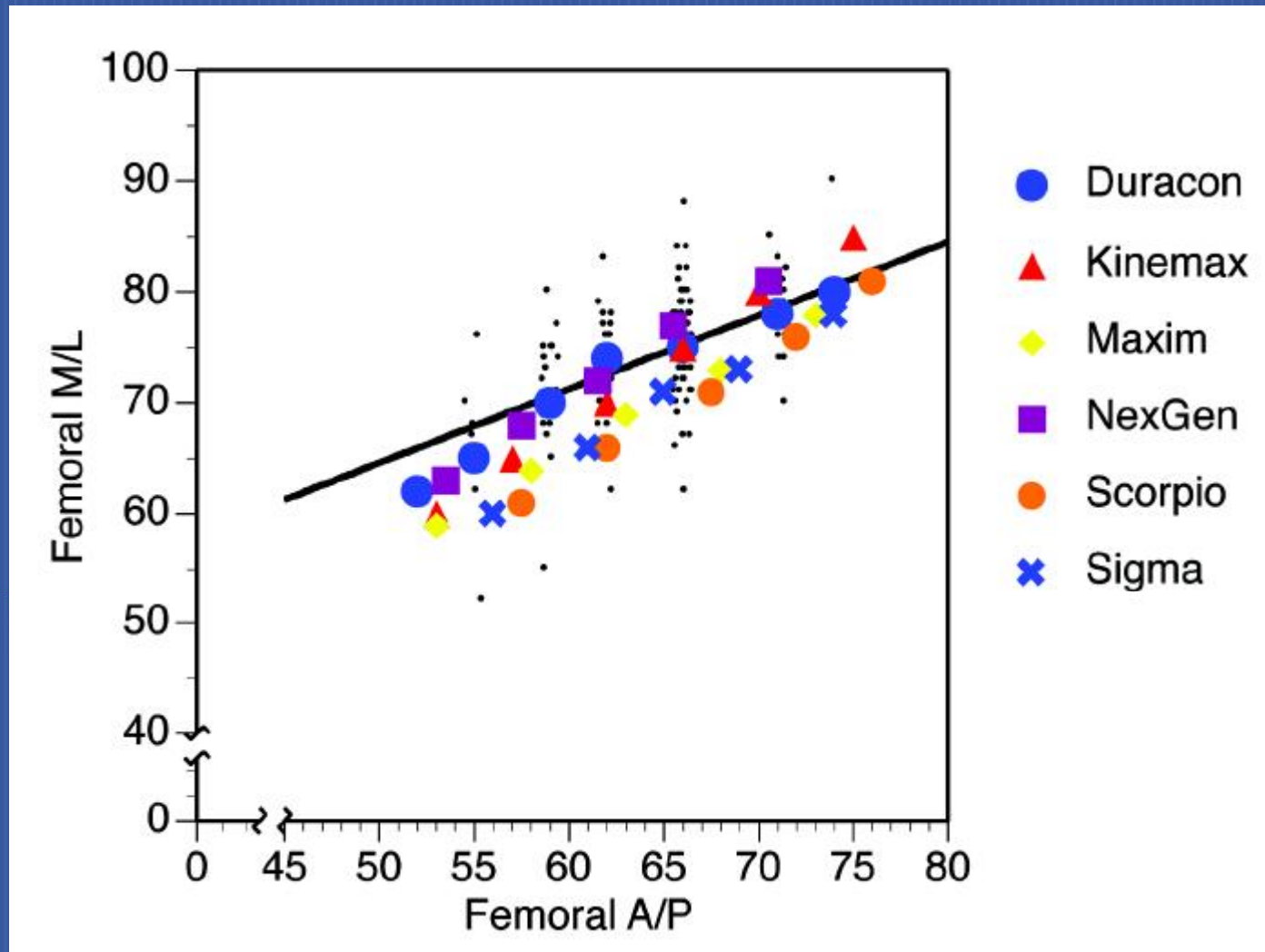


No Valgus Alignment



: 7 degrees Valgus Alignment

Males

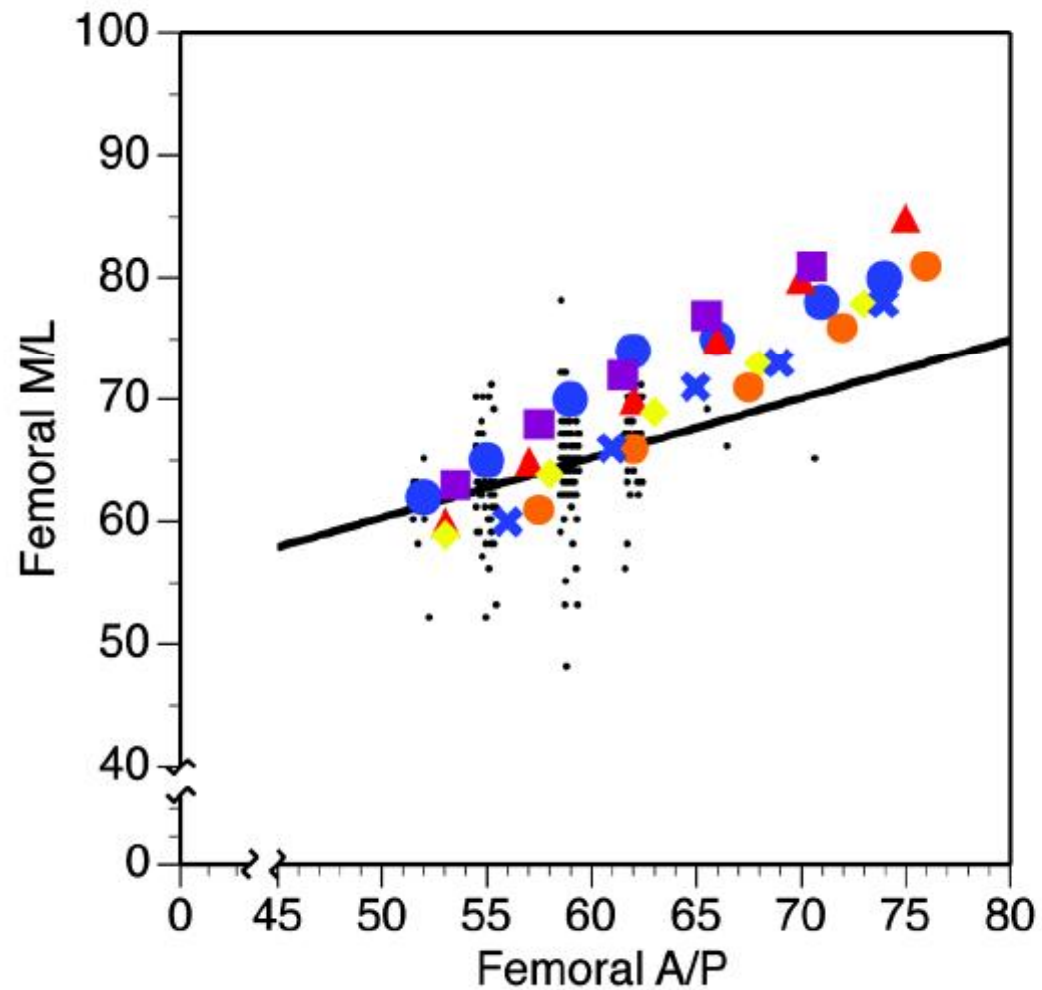


Femoral Aspect ratio=

Femoral ML dimensions ÷ femoral AP dimensions x 100

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Females

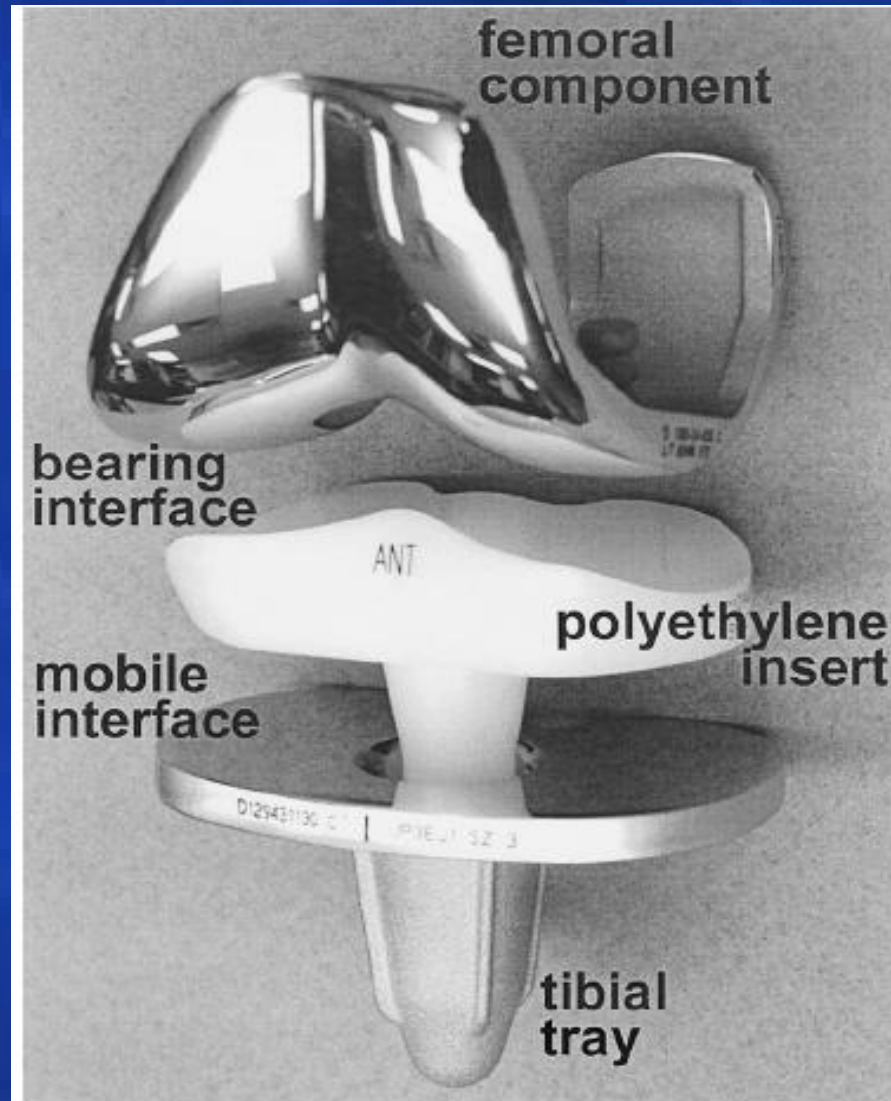
- Duracon
- ▲ Kinemax
- ◆ Maxim
- NexGen
- Scorpio
- × Sigma

J Arthrolasty -2008-Merrill Ritter

- Improvement after TKA is similar for men and women, with few clinically significant differences.
- Sex-specific implants would appear to offer no clinical advantage
- 7326 AGC (Biomet)cruciate-retaining TKAs performed from 1987 to 2004

Bad!

Mobile bearings

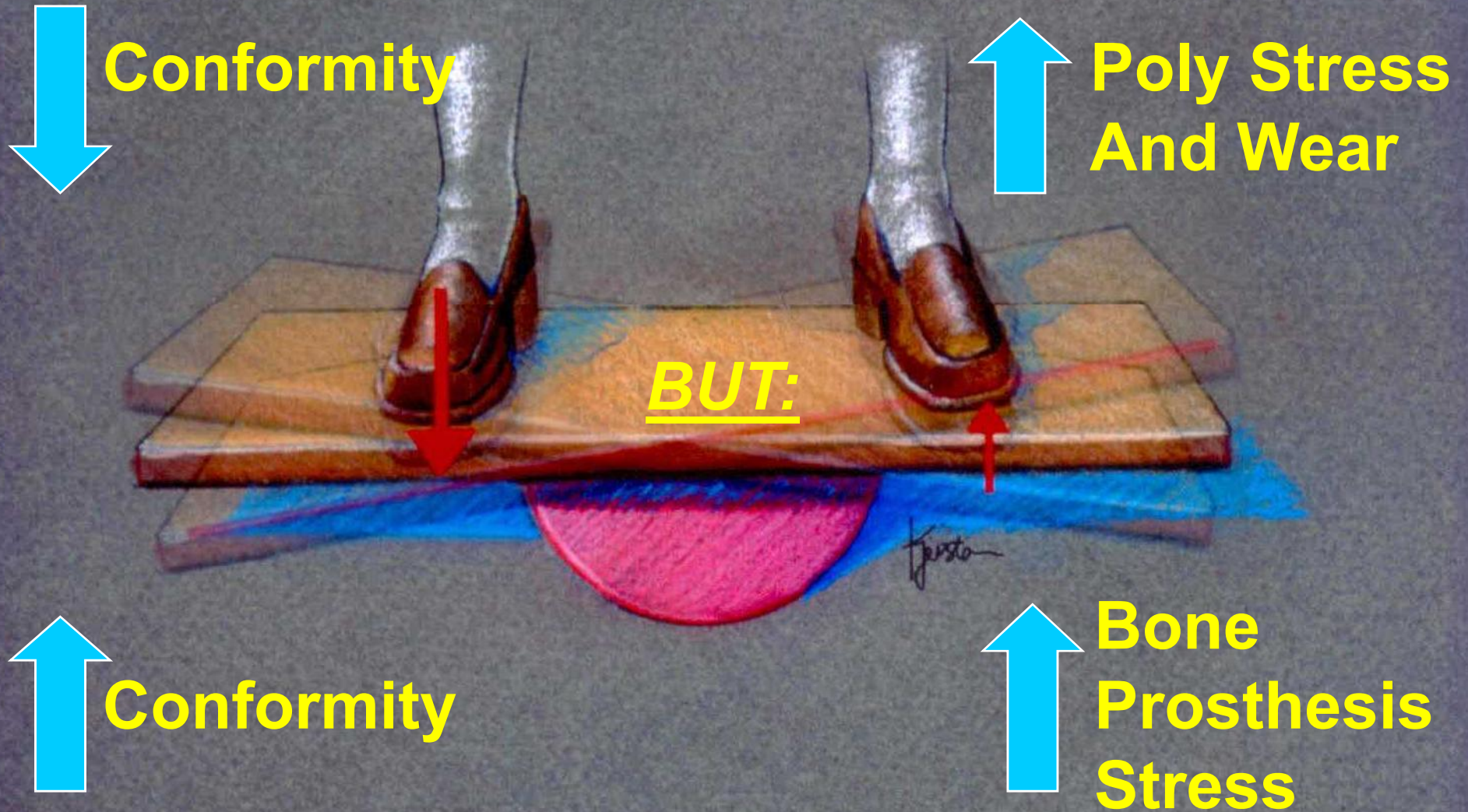


Normal knee kinematics

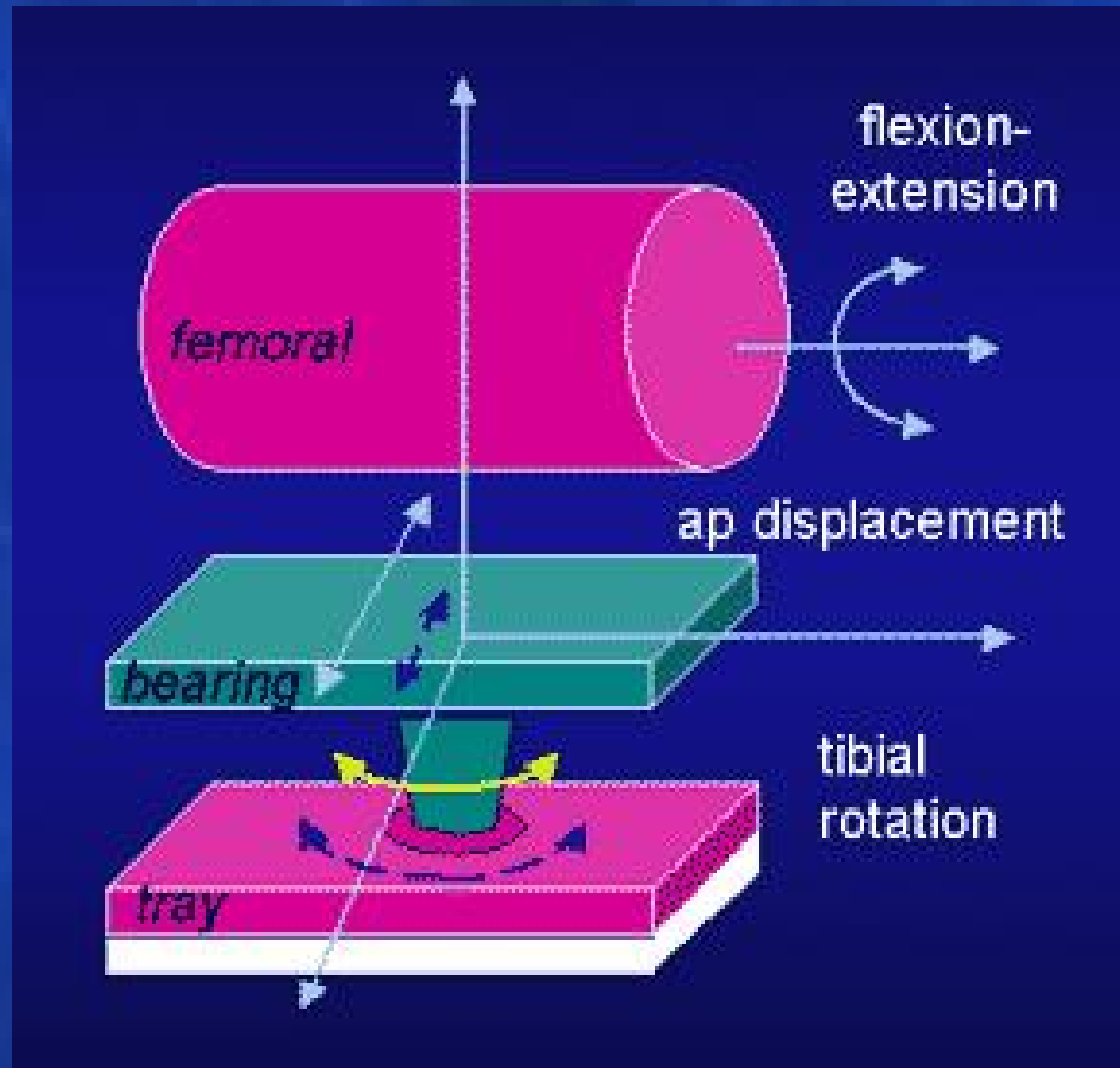
- Most knee (80%)-have medial pivot axial rotation pattern-i.e. lateral femoral condyle rotates around relatively stationary medial femoral condyle.
- Under wt. bearing conditions. $16.5-16.8^{\circ}$ tibial rotation occurs.
- Screw home mechanism- IR of tibia in flex, ER of tibia in ex

BALANCE

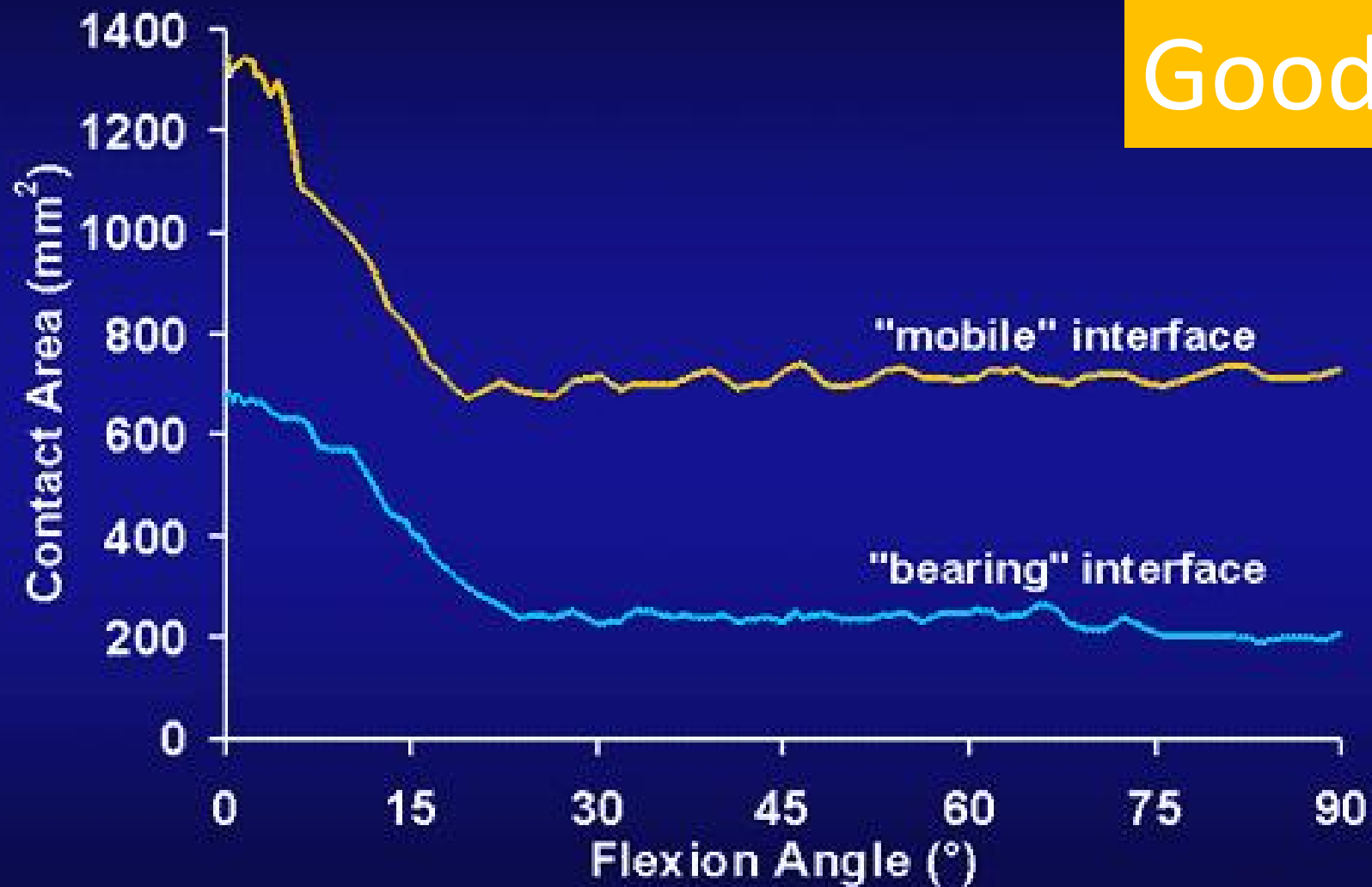
J. Black; Am. Clinics, N.A., 1989



Mobile bearing



Results - Contact Area vs Flexion Angle - 50-50, 3 BW



Callaghan, et al, CORR, 2001

Mobile bearing

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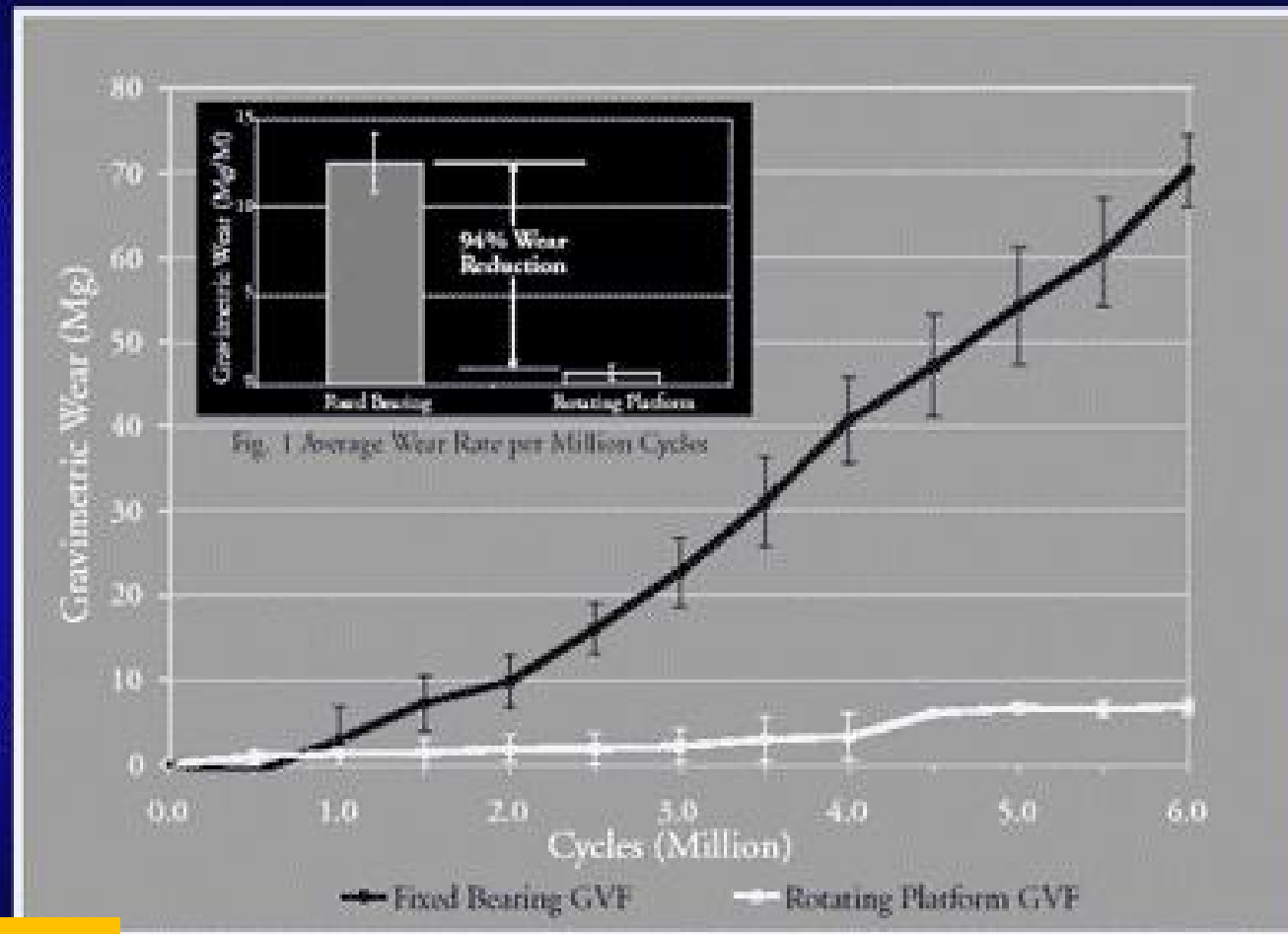
- In vitro- Improved kinematics-closely resembling that of natural knee.
- Reverse axial rotation, paradoxical anterior femoral translation & femoral condylar lift off is minimised

A.Seth Greenwald

Good!

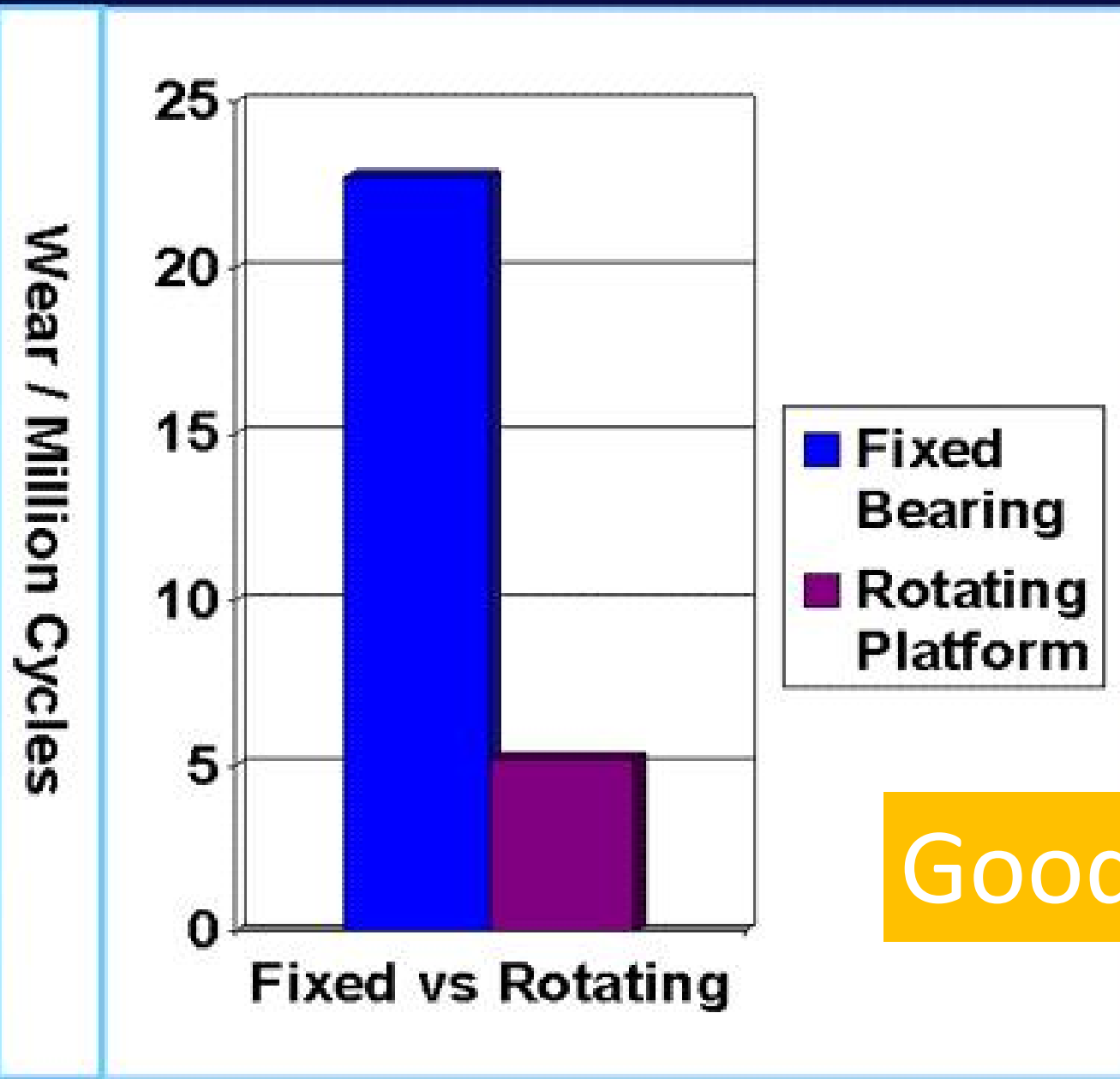
- Knee simulator-5 million cycles-meniscal bearing knee
- FEA(finite element analysis)
- Superior & inf. Surface of mobile bearing
Stresses 6 mPa
- Fixed bearing-----14 mPa
- Yield strength of polyethylene---20-22 mPa

FIXED VS. MOBILE BEARING WEAR



Good!

McNulty, et al, ASTM, 2002



Good!

Bad!

- Mobile bearing were introduced to improve wear & knee kinematics
- By uncoupling forces generated at articulation of implant bone interface it should improve fixation.
- However when MBK Zimmer was compared with Nextgen (CR-fixed bearing) MBK showed more subsidence whereas Nextgen had larger condylar lift off.

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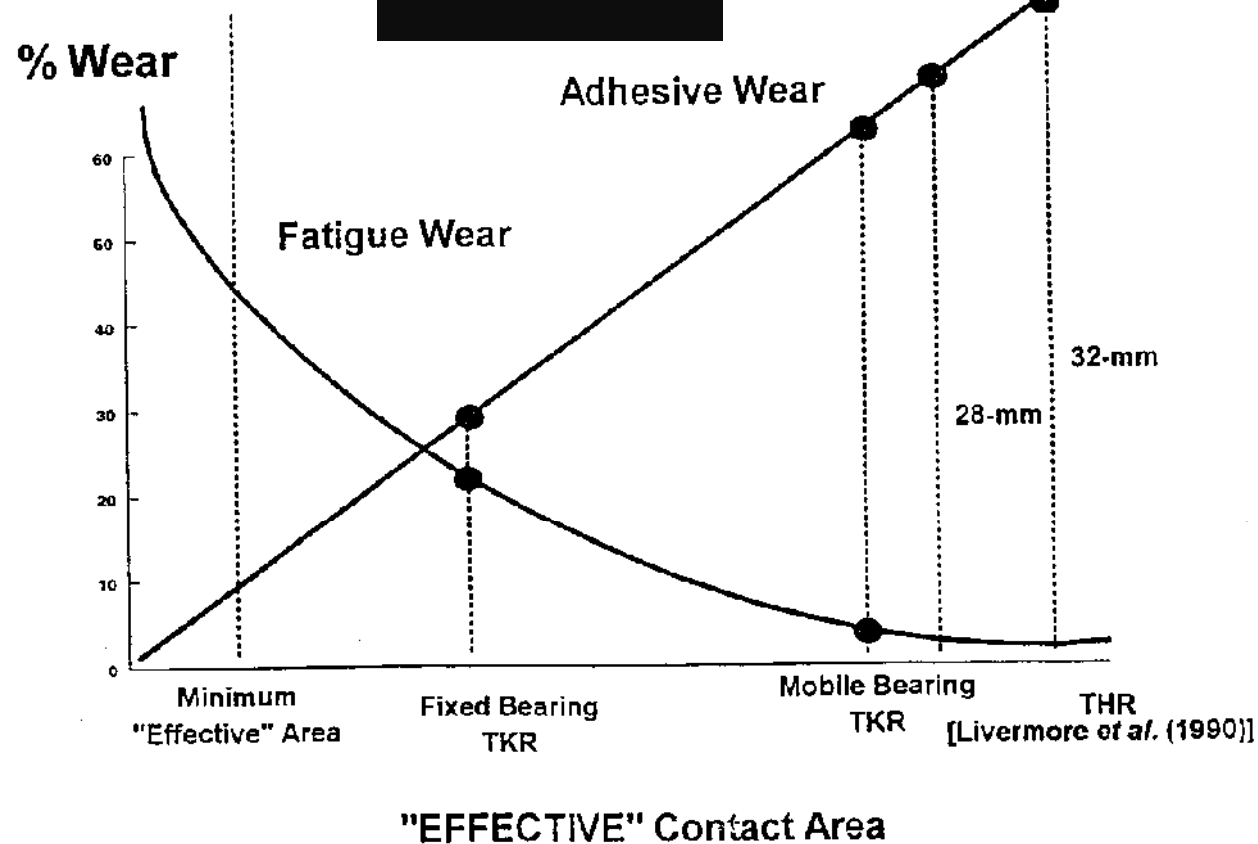
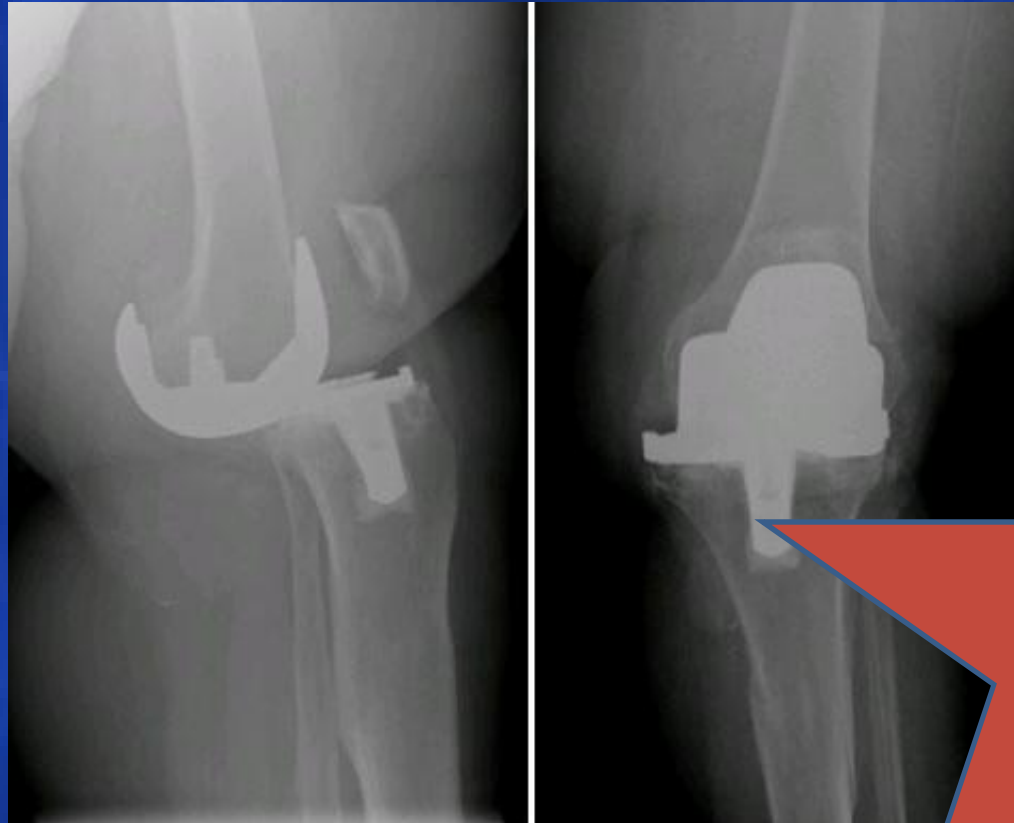


Figure 7.5 A conceptual model of the relationship between fatigue and adhesive wear mechanisms.

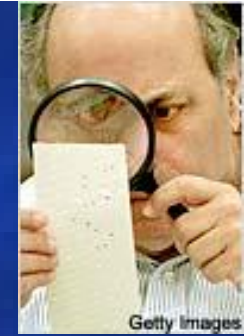
KINEMATIC CONDITIONS OF CONTACT AND WEAR OF ULTRA HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE IN TOTAL JOINT REPLACEMENTS

Mobile Bearing



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Cochrane Review abstracts



- Conclusion: No superiority of any one prosthesis over other as regards ROM & functional performance.
- Up to 30 % of mobile bearing total knees have developed "radiolucent lines" around the total knee components. (Hartford 2001)

Bad!

CERAMIC KNEES

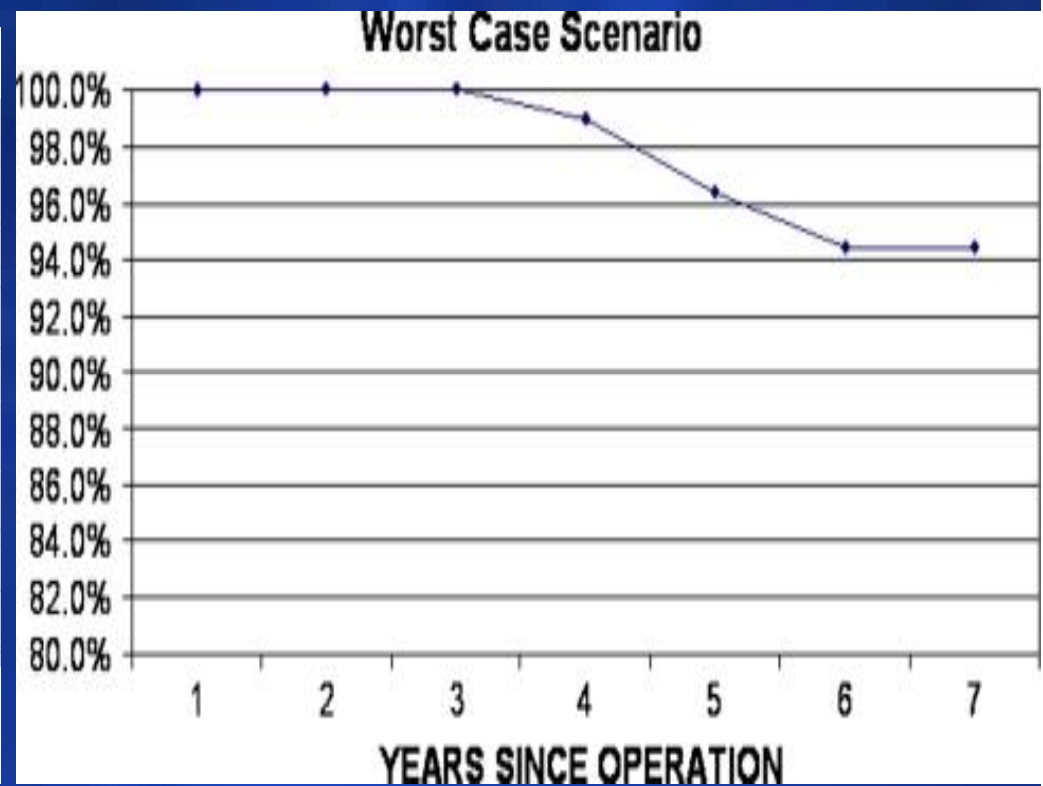


Oxinium Knees

Compared to cobalt chrome, oxinium has

- Superior hardness
- Superior smoothness
- Increased resistance to scratching or abrasions
- No detectable nickel content (the leading cause of adverse reactions in patients with a metal allergy)
- Supposedly Less Wear

CERAMIC KNEE



Clin Orthop Relat Res. 2010 May; 468(5): 1258–1263.

Good!

UNCEMENTED KNEE

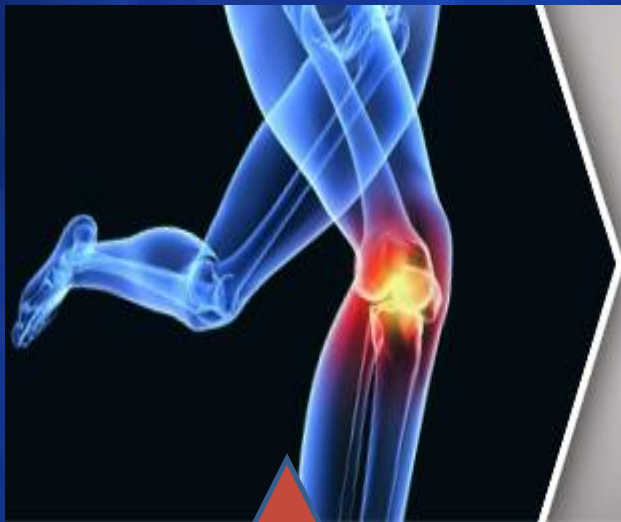


UNCEMENTED KNEE

- Introduced in 1980's, yet use not wide spread
- Concern over DVT with cemented use
- Improved survival of the cemented compared to uncemented implants – JBJS 2009 Gandhi et al.
- Trabecular metal (TM) and other augmentative agents used to improve the results.

ZIMMER UNCEMETED RECALL

New York Times Advt...



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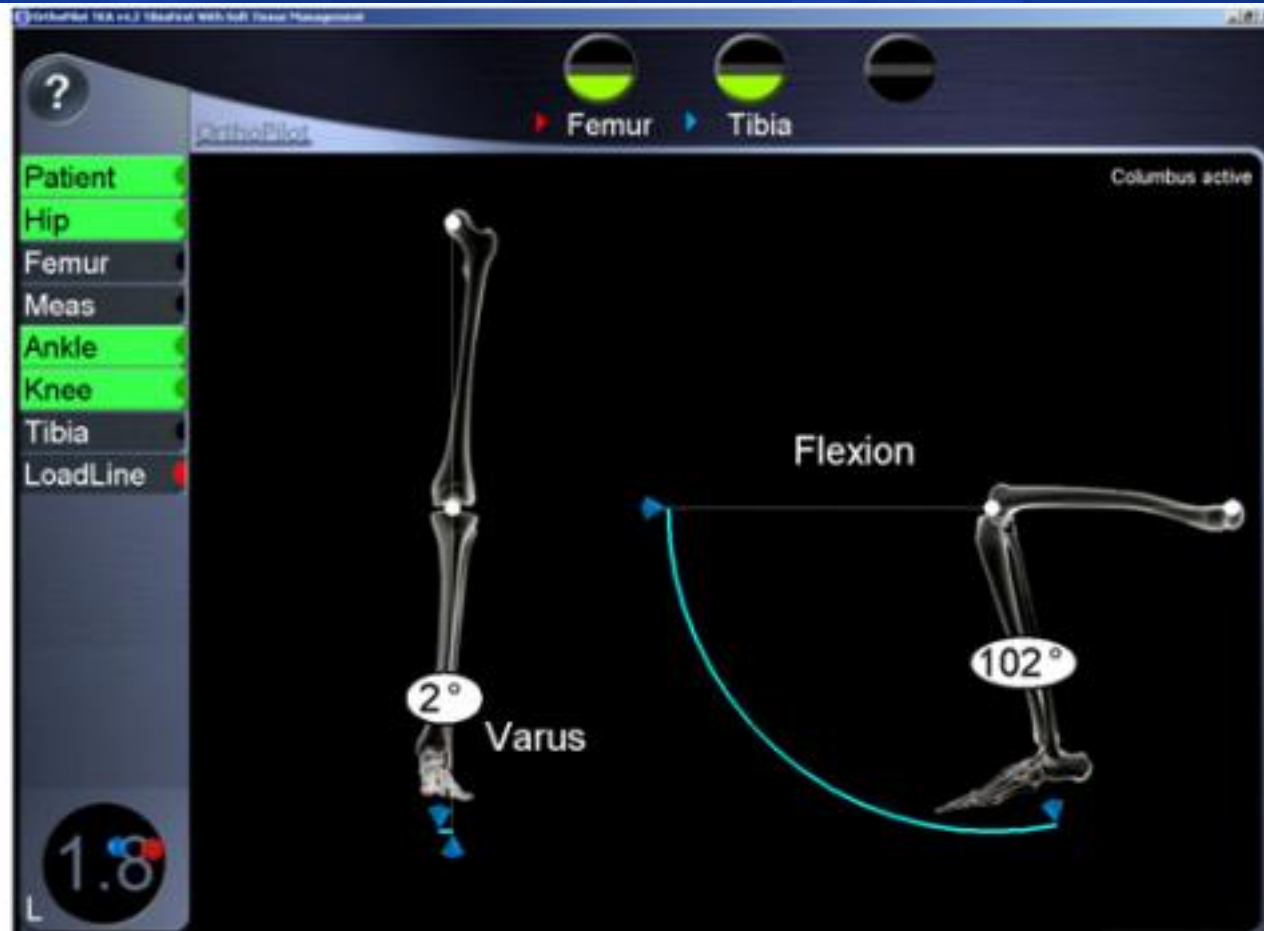
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Zimmer knee failure in more than 8.3% percent of 108 recipients within 5 years of primary knee replacement surgery.

COMPUTER NAVIGATION



COMPUTER NAVIGATION

- Restored Alignment within +/- 3 degrees.
- Alignment would improve the results was the premise of its wide spread use world over.
- It also attracted patients as the its use would suggest technological innovation and superiority.

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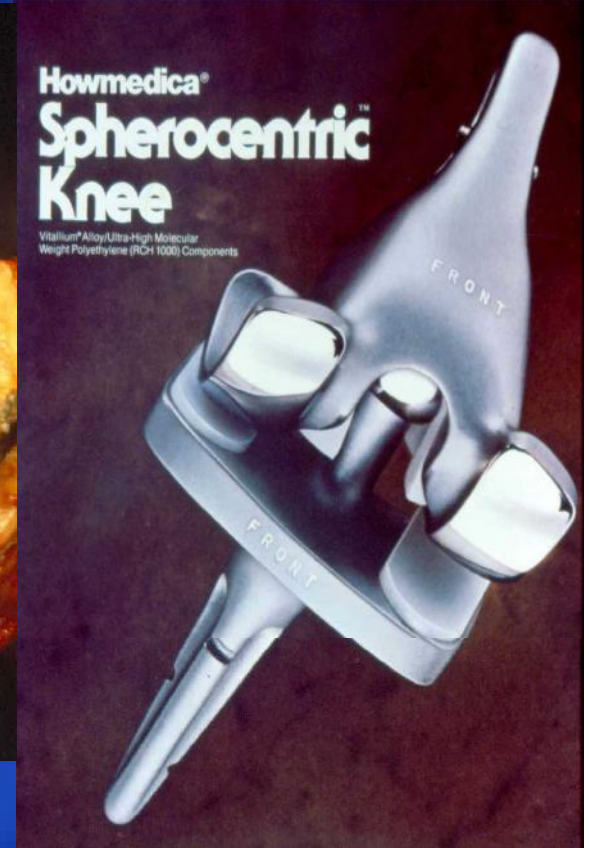
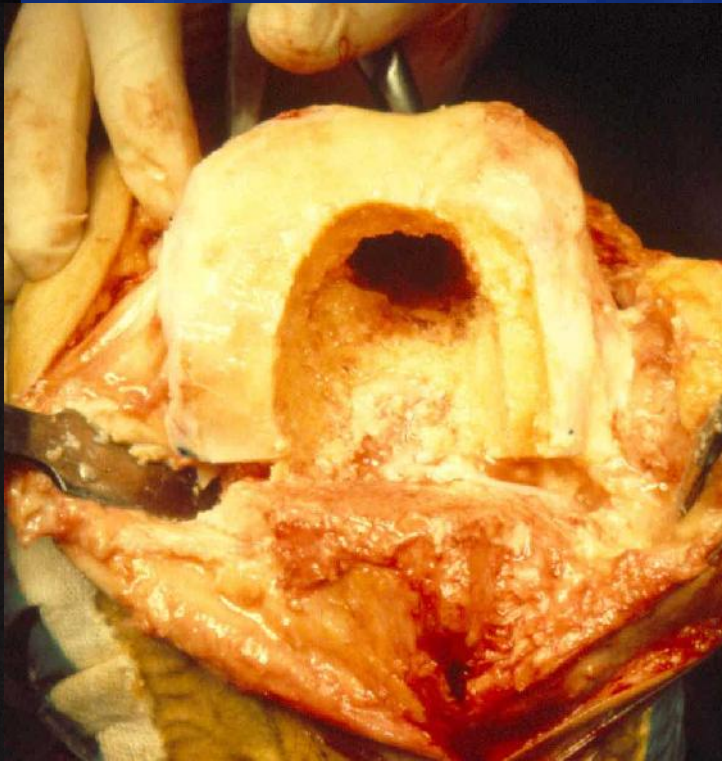
Computer Navigation

- “Navigation in 2008 remains a cumbersome, time-consuming, expensive tool with no proven clinical benefit.” - Pagano-
- Computer-assisted Surgery: A Wine Before Its Time”
- The mechanical axis may be the wrong target in computer assisted TKA

Computer Navigation

- factors other than alignment were more important than alignment along a neutral mechanical axis for 15-year survival.
- Parratte S, Pagnano MW, Trousdale RT, Berry
- Mean operative time 15 – 23 min more
- Cost is huge drawback
- No improvement in outcome.

Bad!



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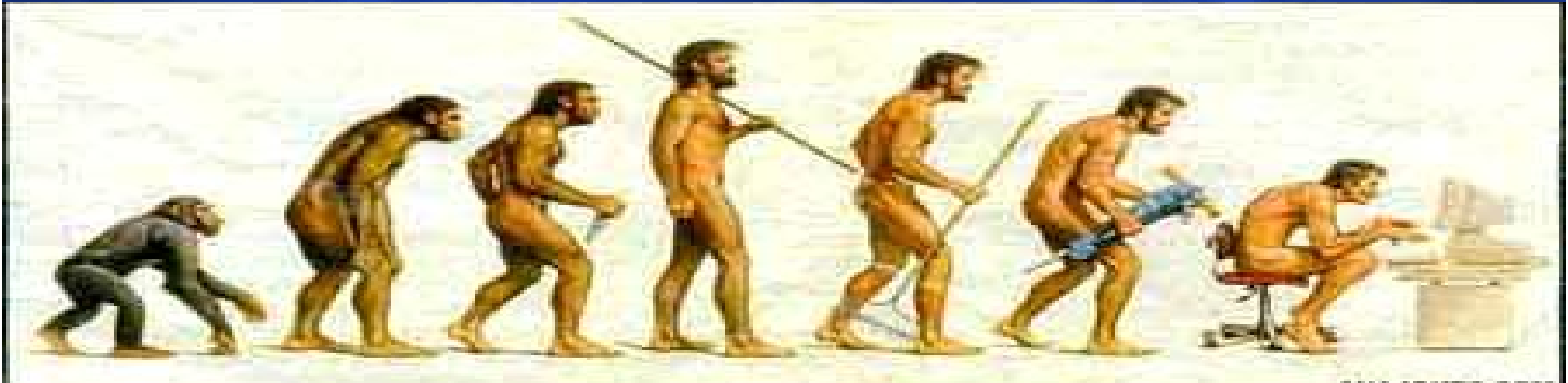
SPACERS



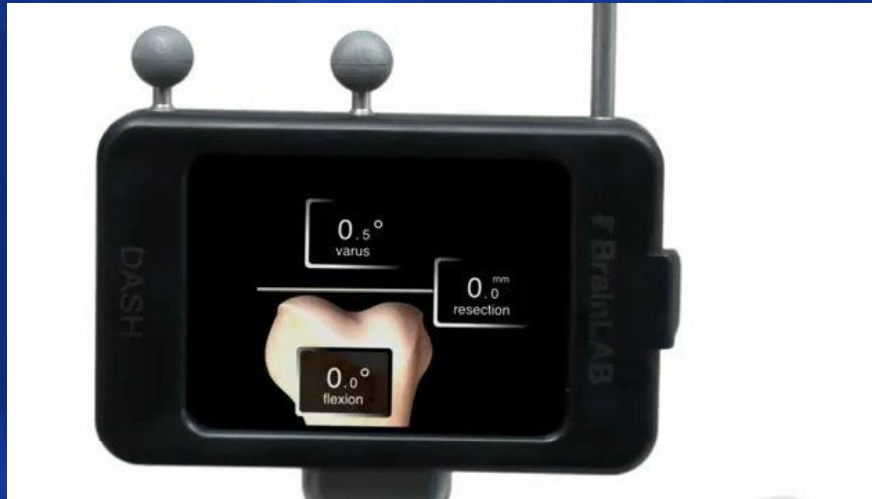
66% REVISIONS AT 3.5 YEARS

The
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Newer Developments



DASH SYSTEM



Report awaited

PATIENT SPECIFIC INSTRUMENTATION



Pin positioning guides - a conforming fit you can feel with intra-op flexibility



3-D Modeling from MRI captures true patient anatomy



Pre-op Planner - Simple. Efficient, Control.



Report awaited

GOOD KNEE

- **Minimize Bone Resection**
- **Increase Surface Area for Support and Dissipation of Forces**
- **Protect Bone/Prosthesis Interfaces**
 - **Freedom**
- **Proper Conformity**
- **Optimal Surgical Technique**
- **(Revision Options)**

Still Elusive

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