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Introduction

Specialist Orthopaedic and Robotic Centre, we offer highly specialized orthopaedic surgery led by the team of expert doctors with internationally recognized fellowships, who provide treatment for patients suffering from all types of orthopaedic and spinal conditions.

THE CENTRE IS RENOWED FOR THE FOLLOWING SERVICES AND FACILITIES.

- Extreme surgical expertise in **Robotic assisted Knee replacement** including complex primary and revision knee and Hip surgery, Elbow and Shoulder surgery.
- Complex Trauma, Tumor Surgeries of Bones and Deformity correction.
- Spinal surgeries using minimally Invasive Procedures.
- Arthroscopic surgery of various Joints including shoulder, Knee and Ankle.
- Pediatric and Geriatric Orthopaedics.

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The knee and osteoarthritis

The knee is a hinge-like joint made up of the femur (thighbone), tibia (shinbone), and patella (kneecap) held together by muscles, ligaments and other important soft tissue. In between the knee is a natural cushioning called meniscus that is made up of cartilage. This material provides shock absorption during weight bearing activities such as walking or climbing stairs. Through wear and tear, the cartilage in your knee can break down causing a disease known as osteoarthritis. Age, obesity, heredity, gender and other factors can lead to the progression of osteoarthritis. Common symptoms include pain, swelling and stiffness.





Treatment for knee osteoarthritis

While there is no cure for osteoarthritis, there are multiple treatment options to manage the pain and potentially delay progression of the disease.

Non surgical treatment options:

- Lifestyle changes: lose weight and avoid aggravating activities to reduce the stress on your knee
- Exercises: physician prescribed low impact exercises designed to improve strength and flexibility
- · Anti-inflammatory medications: intended to decrease swelling in the joint and provide temporary pain relief
- Cortisone/steroid injection: powerful anti-inflammatory agent injected directly into the joint
- **Joint fluid therapy:** a series of injections directly into your knee, designed to improve lubrication in the joint
- Glucosamine/chondroitin: dietary supplements intended to support joint health Bracing: used to provide external stability to the knee

Surgical treatment options:

- Arthroscopic surgery: a minimally invasive procedure that removes debris or repairs torn cartilage. Arthroscopic surgery is often less effective as osteoarthritis progresses. • Partial knee replacement surgery: a procedure that replaces the single damaged compartment of the knee, generally reserved for early to mid-stage osteoarthritis.
- Total knee replacement surgery: a procedure that replaces all three compartments of the knee, when osteoarthritis reaches an advanced stage.



Reasons for surgery

Knee replacement surgery should be considered when all conservative measures fail to provide relief. Surgery may be performed for the following reasons:

- Relieve pain •
- Improve joint stability
- Improve alignment and correct bone deformity
- Maximize quality of life
- Optimize activities of daily living





Total knee replacement

Total knee replacement is one of the most common surgical procedures performed in all of medicine; there are over 600,000 performed every year in the United States. More than 90% of people who undergo total knee replacement experience dramatic relief in knee pain and are better able to perform common activities.2

Total knee replacement removes and replaces the damaged knee surface with an implant. A total knee implant is made up three parts: a metal femoral component (thighbone), a metal tibial component (shinbone), and a plastic spacer that is placed in between. A forth component made of plastic is sometimes used to cover the back of the patella (knee cap).



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Total knee replacement with Robotics

The NAVIO Surgical System is a tool your surgeon uses to correctly size and position the total knee implant with computer and robotic assistance.

Computer assistance is used to collect the unique shape and motion of your knee to virtually plan the procedure. Robotic assistance is used to accurately perform the procedure. The extra layer of planning and precision provided by the NAVIO system aims to ensure the procedure is performed exactly as your surgeon intends. The NAVIO system does not perform the procedure; rather it assists your surgeon by providing accuracy and precision3 – crucial to the success of the surgery.





Advanced planning software allows the surgeon to tailor the procedure to the unique shape and motion of your knee.

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The Implants

The implants used is a next-generation knee implant that combines the stability and natural motion of the human knee with low-friction materials, that have the potential to last significantly longer than traditional knee implants.

This Implant combines the wear reducing properties of a one-of-a-kind, bio-friendly metal called OXINIUM[™] Oxidized Zirconium, with a proprietary, highly cross-linked polyethylene. It is the only such combination on the market today and has more than a decade of clinical data behind it.

Total Knee System Implant is designed with the same shapes and profiles of your real knee. Because of this, the soft tissues in your knee may not have to readjust to the new shapes and forces after surgery like in traditional designs. This is intended to make your rehabilitation and recovery shorter.



Total Knee Surgical System allows your surgeon to position the implant with robotics-assisted accuracy and precision.





Preparation for surgery

There are several activities that you should plan for once you decide to have surgery.

- Initial surgical consultation: Preoperative x-rays, complete past medical history, complete past surgical history, complete list of all medications and allergies (prescription, over-the-counter, vitamin supplements).
- **Complete physical examination:** Your internist or family physician may determine if you are in the best possible condition to undergo surgery.
- Blood donation: A transfusion may be necessary after surgery, therefore you may wish to donate blood prior to surgery. (In very rare case)

• **Physical therapy:** Instruction in an exercise program to begin prior to surgery and an overview of the rehabilitation process after surgery will better prepare you for post-operative care.

Preparation for the hospital:

- You may want to bring the following items:
- Clothing
- Footwear : slippers for hospital room
- Walking Aids: walker, cane, wheelchair or crutches if used prior to surgery
- Insurance Information



- Follow your surgeon's instructions for preparation the evening before surgery.
- You may be advised not eat or drink after midnight.
- Shower (with five minute scrub to surgical area with special soap provided).

Preparation for after surgery:

- Move items and furniture in your home so they are easier to access while your mobility is limited.
- Remove clutter and obstacles that could be tripping hazards



Follow your surgeon's complete instructions leading up to surgery.





What to expect in surgery

You will first be placed under anesthesia to relax your body for surgery and block pain. The correct form of anesthesia will be discussed and determined prior to surgery with your surgeon and anesthesiologist.

Your surgeon will then make an incision that extends several inches above the knee cap to several inches below the knee cap. Using the NAVIO[™] system, special trackers are secured to both the thigh bone (femur) and shin bone (tibia) with four small surgical pins placed through tiny incisions in the skin. These trackers are crucial to the precision of the system as they provide a constant reference point to the surgeon throughout the procedure.

Using computer assistance, the unique shape and motion of your knee are collected by the surgeon. This allows for a three-dimensional model of your knee to be generated and used by the surgeon to plan the procedure. Proper implant size and position will be determined at this time. Once your surgeon virtually determines the correct implant size and positioning, a handheld robotics-assisted tool (the NAVIO[™] hand piece) is used to accurately position bone removal cut guides. These cut guides enable the surgeon to use a surgical saw to remove your damaged knee bone, making room for the implant. The extra layer of precision provided by the NAVIO system is designed to enable accurate cut guide placement. The NAVIO system does not perform the procedure; rather it assists your surgeon by providing accuracy and precision₃ – crucial to the success of the surgery.

Once the implant is in the final position, the incision is thoroughly cleaned and closed, completing the procedure.



Incision made on knee



Total Knee System implant is positioned virtually using advanced NAVIO planning software









Bone surface prepared for the Implant



Implant in final position

Postoperative

Immediately after surgery you will be monitored as you awake from anesthesia. Once awake, you will be taken to your hospital room. Plan to stay in the hospital for several days.

In addition to the incision along your knee there will be two small incisions on both your thigh and lower leg where the tracker pins were placed. Expect to feel some pain. This is a natural part of the healing process. Your doctor and nurses will work to reduce your pain.

Most patients begin exercising their knee the day after surgery, although each patient's postoperative care will vary.

A physical therapist will prescribe exercises to help restore knee strength and function, and increase range of motion in your knee. It is common to experience swelling, stiffness and tightness at this time.



Rehabilitation following surgery

The success of your surgery will largely depend on how well you follow your surgeon's instructions the first few weeks following surgery. How quickly you recover depends on factors such as knee pain, flexibility, strength and balance. Follow up visits will likely be scheduled to check up on your condition and progress as you recover. In order for you to meet the goals of knee replacement surgery, you must take ownership of the rehab process and work diligently on your own as well as with your physical therapist. The rehabilitation process can be quite painful at times. However, if you commit to following your program and overcome the challenges in rehab, you will succeed in meeting the goals you set when deciding on surgery.







Complications

As with any surgical procedure, there are risks involved with total knee replacement surgery. Every patient's case is unique. You should consult with your physician on the specific complications you may encounter. Complications may include, but are not limited to:

- **Blood clots.** Your physician may prescribe medication to help prevent blood clots.
- Infection. Antibiotics may be given before the surgery and continued afterward to help prevent infection.
- **Injury to nerves or vessels.** While rare, nerve and blood vessel damage may occur during the procedure.2
- Other risks. Individual patient risks should be discussed with your surgeon.



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Patient guide

Notes



