

Different types of prosthesis for patellofemoral joint arthroplasty



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Isolated PF arthritis

- PFJ arthroplasty since more than 20years
- More than 15 different devices on the market



Strict Indications for PF arthroplasty

- Radiographically proven severe osteoarthritis PFJ
- No significant axial deformity
- "Normal" tibiofemoral joint
- Extended Indications



- Final decision at arthrotomy?

Extended Indications

- Failed Realignment - Fulkerson/Elmslie
- Younger Patient with Early Disease
- Dislocation / Subluxation
- Failed Patellectomy



- Post - trauma (fracture)

Relative Contra-indications

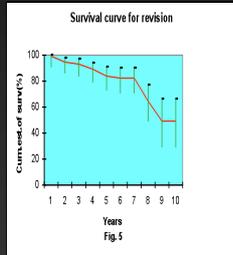
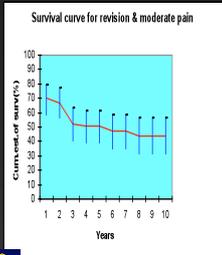
- Early Chondral Disease
- Patella Baja
- True Algodystrophy
- Pain Enhancement Syndrome



Lubinus



Lubinus: Survivorship @ 8years



Avon



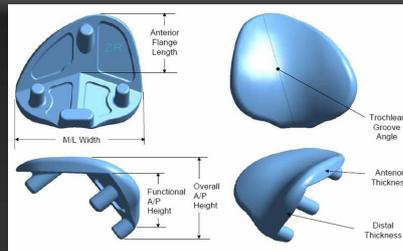
The Avon™ PF Arthroplasty

□ Design Criteria: 1994

- Surface replacement (minimal bone resection)
- External rotation of femoral component
- Broad trochlea surface, unconstrained in extension
- Patella captured and stable in flexion
- Congruous articulation throughout range
- Improved patello-femoral tracking in mechanical axis
- 4 (today 5) component sizes



Zimmer Gender Specific



Avon

Vanguard



Fig. 3-1 Fig. 3-2
 Fig. 3-3 through 3-5 Examples of current patellofemoral arthroplasty designs. Fig. 3-4 The Avon Implant (Styker Orthopaedics, Mahwah, New Jersey). Fig. 3-3 The Vanguard Implant (Bristol, Warsaw, Indiana).



LCS Depuy

Natural Zimmer

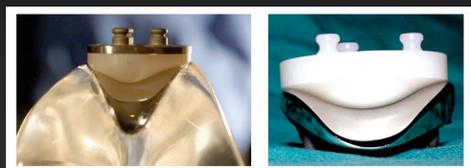


Fig. 3-4 Fig. 3-5
 Fig. 3-4 The Low Contact Stress (LCS) Implant (DePuy, Warsaw, Indiana). Fig. 3-5 The Natural Knee II system (Zimmer, Warsaw, Indiana).



Sigma DePuy

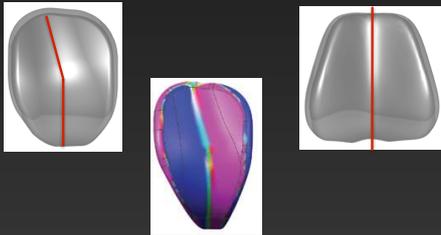


Sizing Considerations

- How much flexibility does the implant allow for proper restoration of natural anatomy?
- Is the implant sized to potentially be compatible with a unicondylar knee replacement if the indications are appropriate?
- Are there any tracking, balancing, or overhang issues that must be considered?



Symmetric or Anatomic?

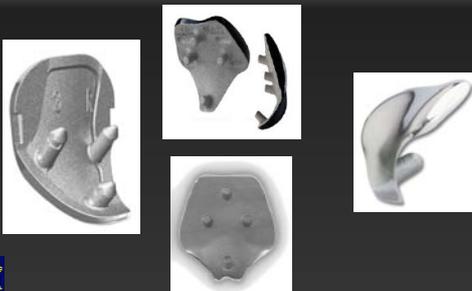


Symmetry Considerations

- Is the objective of PFA to restore natural trochlear anatomy or to be a staging treatment leading to TKA? Is a symmetric device more likely to ensure a TKA-like placement mentality to ensure repeatability?
- What is the effect of properly establishing correct and repeatable patella tracking on the kinematics of the knee, and does an anatomic implant support this objective better?



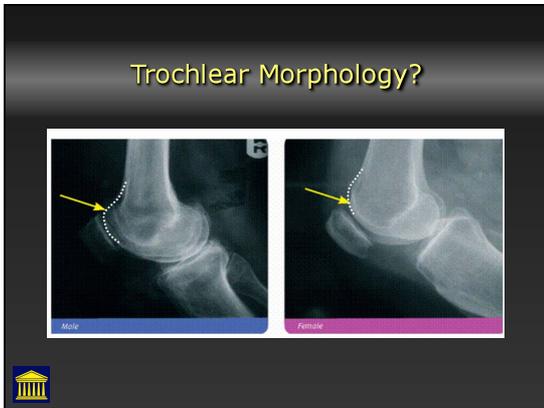
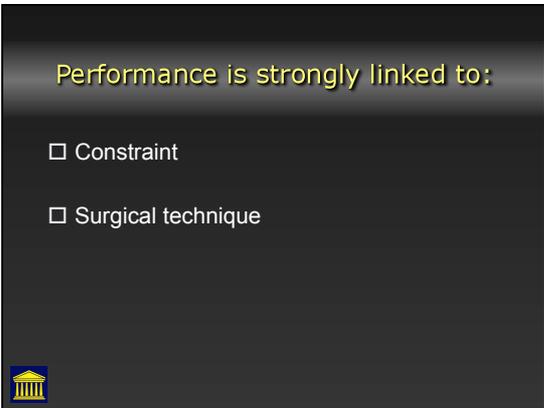
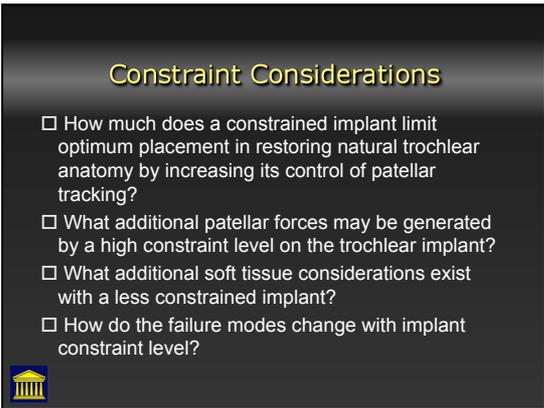
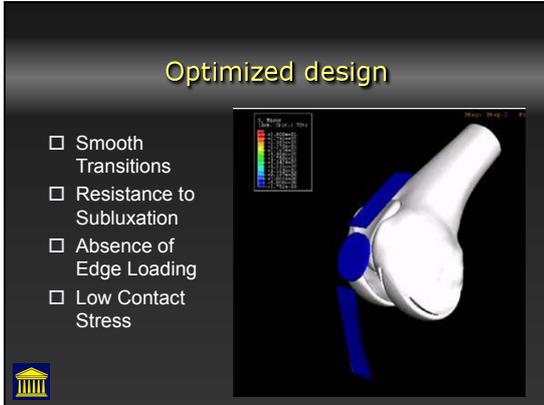
Fixation: single or multiple pegs



Fixation Considerations

- What is the optimum distribution and number of pins to ensure both fixation and proper distribution of forces at the bone to implant interface?
- Which surface is the key priority for fixation (anterior or distal)?





Limited resurfacing of the trochlea?



Conclusion

- Good indication for a well-selected patient population: very few indications!
- New anxiability for better and more reproducible positioning (ML and rotational)
- Careful analysis of anatomy and alignment

- Surgical technique & experience!!



Thank you for your attention!!!

