

Distal Femoral Osteotomy : Closing Wedge

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Knee Osteotomies

- Femoral (usually for valgus deformity)
 - Lateral opening wedge
 - Medial closing wedge
- Tibial (usually for varus OA)
 - Medial opening wedge
 - Lateral closing wedge
 - Dome osteotomy
 - Gradual correction (fixator)
- Tibial (for slope correction)
 - decrease tibial slope (anterior instability)
 - Increase tibial slope (posterior instability)

DFO: Open or Closing Wedge

Consider leg lengths

<u>OPEN</u>

- Simple approach
- Single Cut
- accurate correction
- More instability with larger corrections

<u>CLOSING</u>

- Simple approach
- Two cuts
- More stable/ rehab
- Healing Potential

Distal Femoral Osteotomy

Medial closing wedge

Indications:

- -Valgus femoral deformity
 - Large corrections
 - Moderate to severe OA
 - Large Lateral condyle cartilage lesions (OATS)
 - smokers, obese, large corrections

Technique DFO valgus deformity





Medial closing DFO



90 deg Blade Plate

Medial CW DFO: Technique





21 yo M, spina bifida, Charcot knee valgus deformity









56 54

52 -50 -48 -46 -44 -42 -

> 40 -38 -36 -34 -

45 yo F congenital valgus





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Post op 6 mos





Synthes medial plate

DFO CW Technique





Courtesy of Alan Getgood; R Litchfield



Eight respectively nine out of ten patients return to sport and work after distal femoral osteotomy

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100 patients3.4 year follow-up77% return to sport (71% within 6 months)91% return to work



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Medial tibial closing wedge and lateral meniscal transplant





6 mos





Distal Femoral Osteotomy

Summary

- Osteotomy is a necessity
 - Valgus deformity
- Open or closing wedge are useful
- Assess limb length
- CWO for high risk, large corrections
- DF OWO or Tibial CWO for smaller , low risk