

A NEW DESIGN FOR THE LATERAL OXFORD UNICOMPARTMENT KNEE REPLACEMENT

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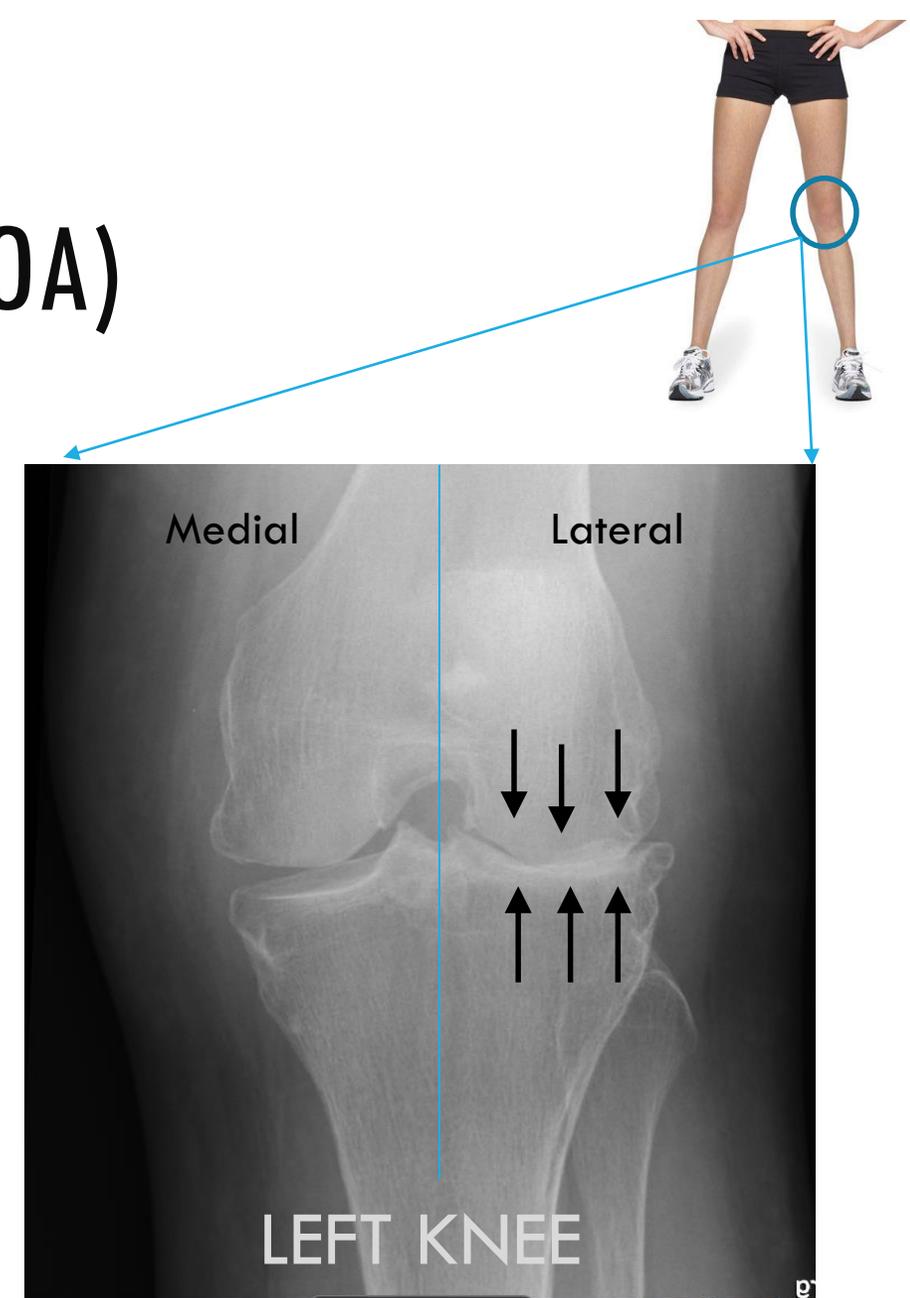
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LATERAL KNEE OSTEOARTHRITIS (OA)

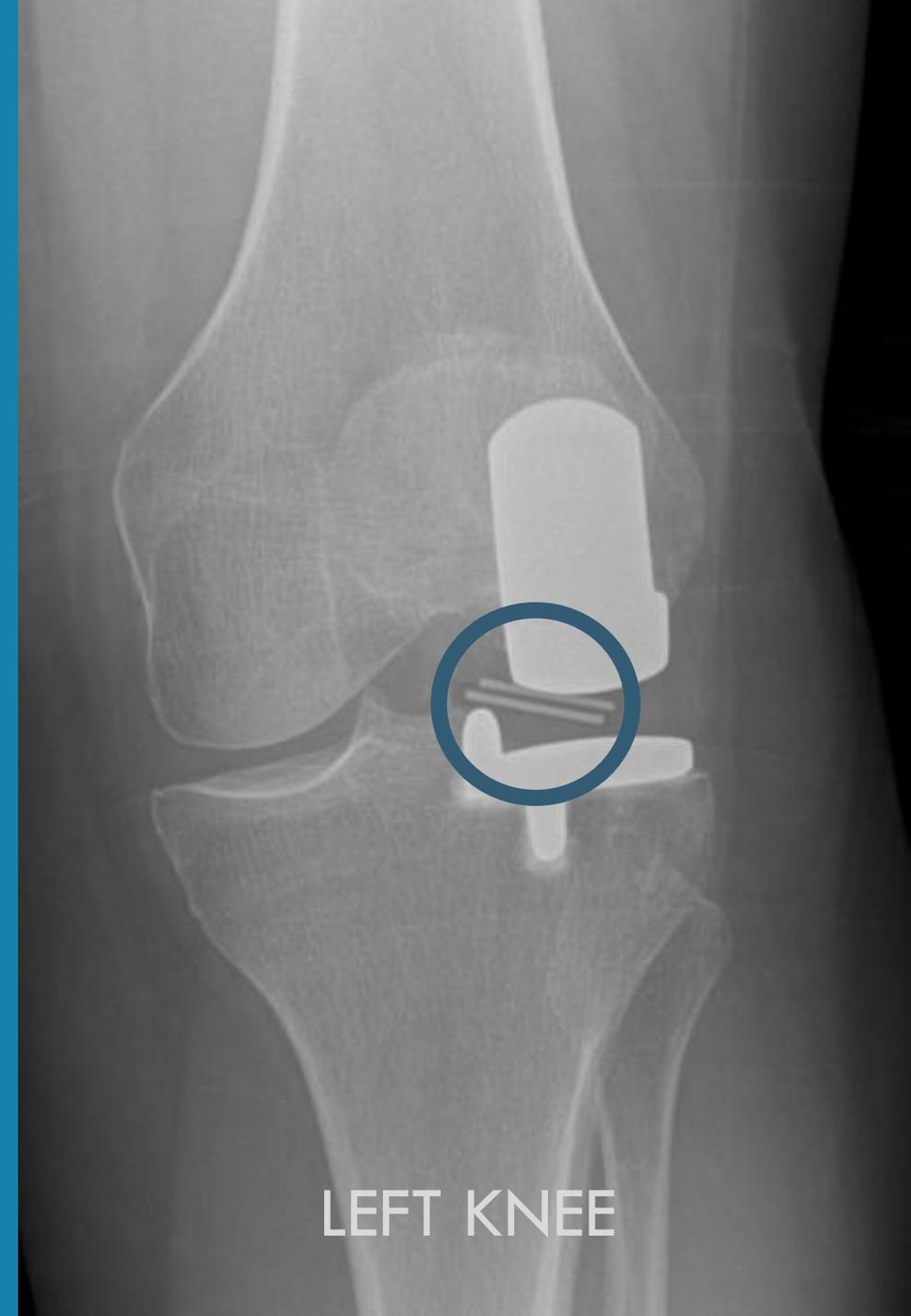
- *Loss of articular cartilage → pain.*
- *By 2035: 8.3mill 45/older could have Knee OA (UK)⁽¹⁾.*
 - *→ n~31k lateral UKRs.*
- *Gold Standard treatment → surgery*
 - *UKR is superior to Total Knee Replacement (TKR)^(2,3,4).*



PROBLEM

Dislocation of the mobile bearing

- Higher in the lateral (outer) than medial (inner)
- → Revision surgery
- Medial dislocation most common clinically
- Occurs with the knee in flexion



LEFT KNEE

NEED STATEMENT

A way to reduce or eliminate bearing dislocation in adult patients suffering from end-stage lateral compartment knee osteoarthritis requiring a knee replacement to prevent revision surgery.



SOLUTION

- A new UKR implant for lateral compartment disease that satisfies the following user needs:
 - Retains functionality and performance of current design
 - Retains safety profile of the current design
 - Must be made from biocompatible material
 - Must be possible to manufacture
 - Must be sterilisable
 - Must not alter surgical technique significantly
 - Must reduce dislocation of the mobile bearing

PROJECT PROGRESS



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Computational model



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Brainstorming solutions



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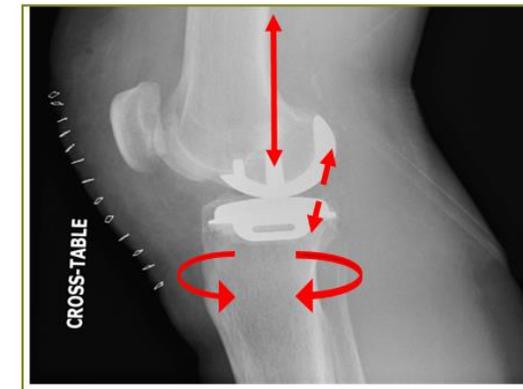
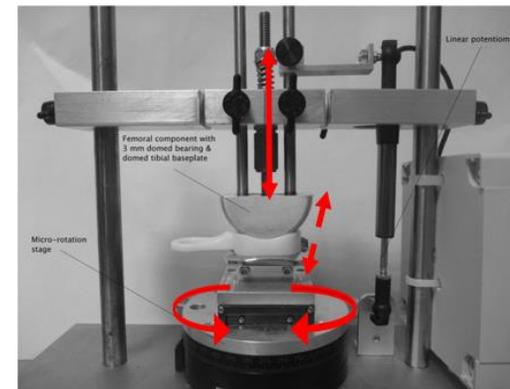
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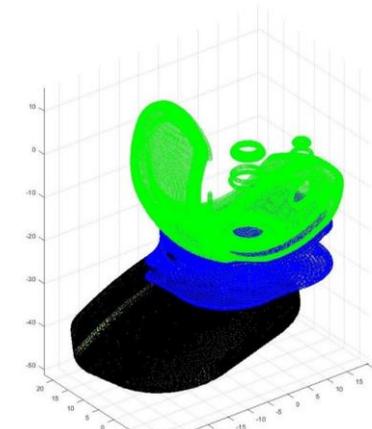
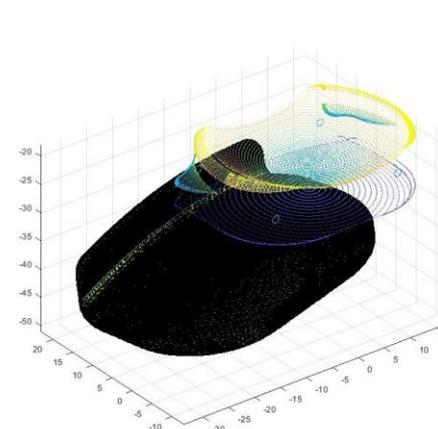
- **Understand bearing dislocation further**
 - ✓ **Bearing dislocation characterised**
Medial most likely
 - ✓ **Risk of dislocation**
Risk increases with vertical distraction and mediolateral translation
 - ✓ **Method of testing new solutions**
- **Brainstormed implant design ideas**
 - ✓ **23 new implant ideas**
 - ✓ **Iterated: 4 designs**

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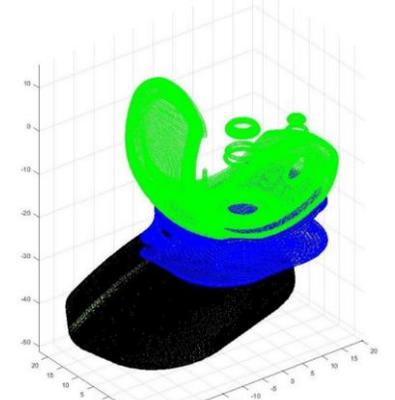
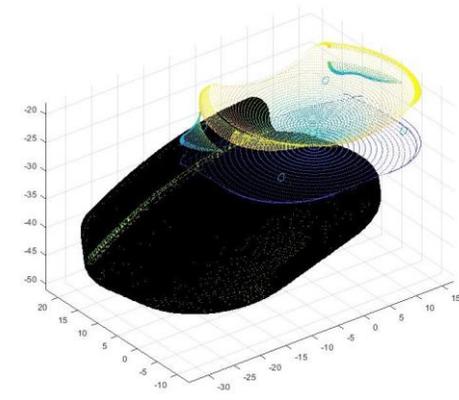
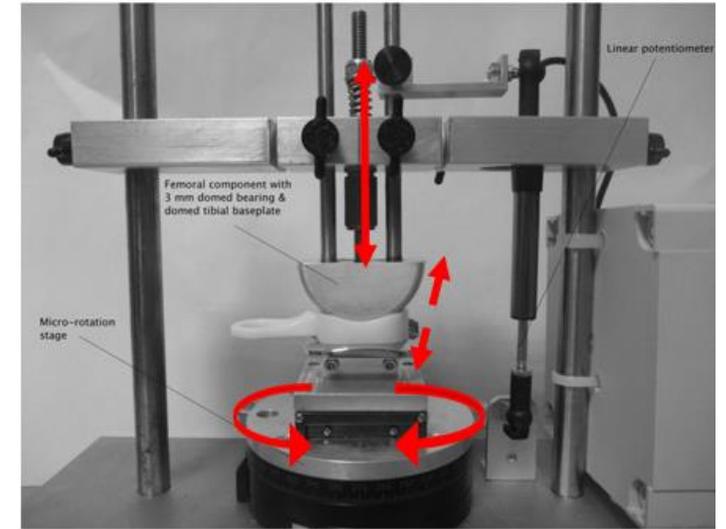
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- *4 ideas require testing:*
 - ✓ *Prototyping in plastic & metal*
 - ✓ *Testing dislocation performance in the mechanical rig and computational model*



PLANNED TESTING

- *Cadaveric testing*
- *Temporary intra-op testing: 10-20 people*
- *Pilot cohort study in at least 200 patients.*
 - *1-3 centres*
 - *Goal: prove dislocation rate <1%*
- *No in patient RCT unless geometrical changes are expected to impact functionality and performance of the device.*

QUESTIONS FOR THE PANEL

- Does this seem like a reasonable plan?
- What problems can you foresee that I can potentially mitigate?
- Any advice on how to implement the IDEAL model in my project?

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