

UNICOMPARTMENTAL KNEE REPLACEMENT



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In approximately one quarter of cases of symptomatic osteoarthritis of the knee the wear and tear is confined to one compartment of the knee (either medial or lateral). In these cases a unicompartmental knee replacement can be performed. It has the following advantage

The decision to perform a unicompartmental or total knee replacement is based on the localisation of the pain, the severity of the disease process and the degree of any knee deformity.

- A smaller incision
- Quicker recovery
- No need for transfusion
- Lower risk of complications and death
- Better range of movement than with total knee replacement

The Australian Joint Registry has shown that there is a higher revision rate for UKR's compared with TKR's at 10 years. However, at 10 years 85% of patients will still have a well functioning unicompartmental knee replacement. Mr Dunin is happy to discuss with you the pros and cons of unicompartmental knee replacement versus total knee replacement in more detail at the time of the consultation.

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