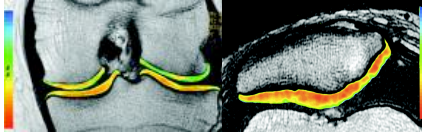


Imaging of the Knee: Current Concept



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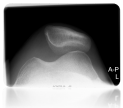


....considering the fact that imaging of the knee is, for the most, focused to one quadrant of the joint based on clinical findings.



Routine Radiographic examination

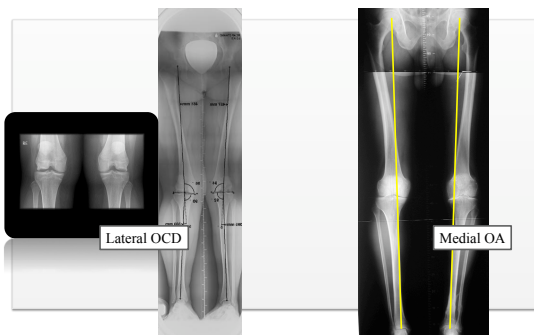
- Standard AP/lat view
- Axial patella view
- Flexed (45°) WB PA view
- Tunnel view



WB or non WB X-ray



Long standing X-rays



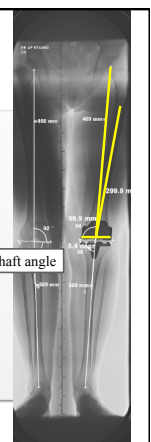
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- Preop TKA

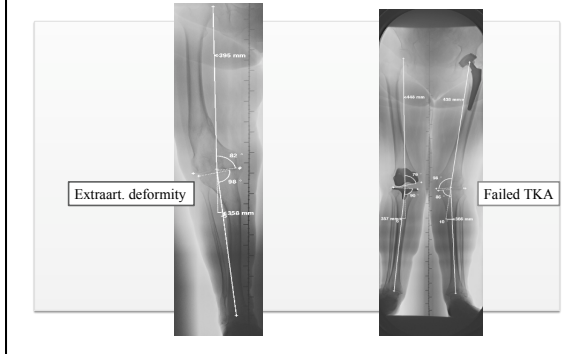
Intra / extramedullary device?



Hip-Knee shaft angle



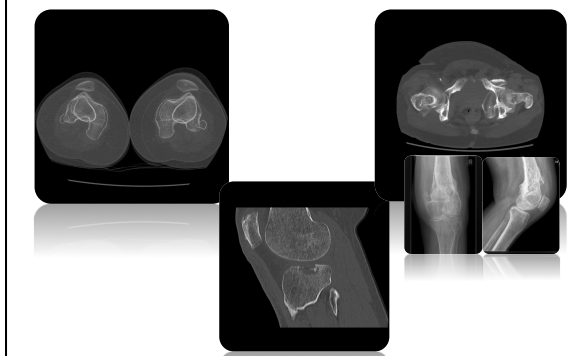
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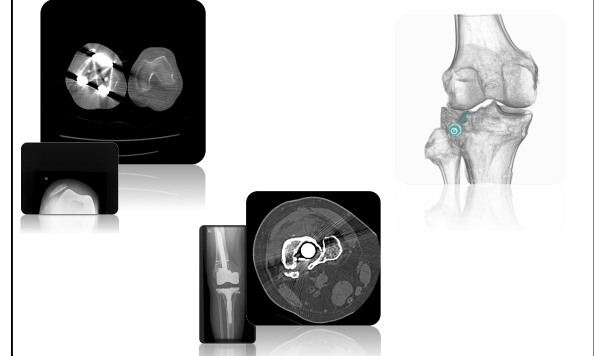
Stress X-rays / Fluoroscopy



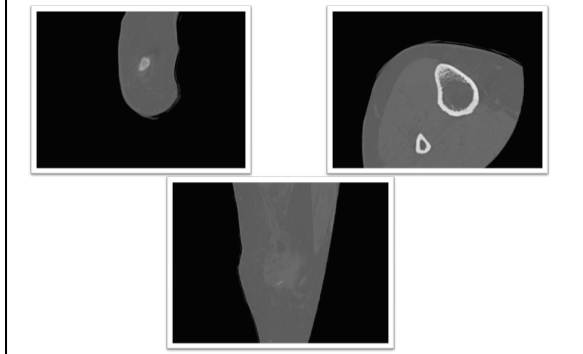
CT-scan



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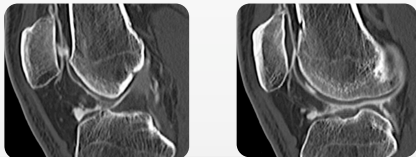


3-D reconstruction CT



Arthro CT scan

- Visualisation of cartilage is possible with CT
- Information on deliniation, less of quality of cartilage

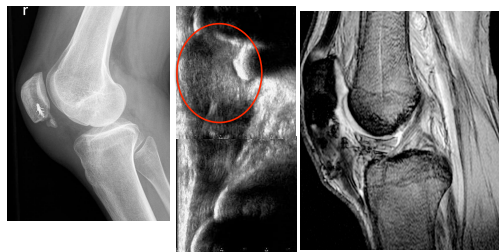


Sonography

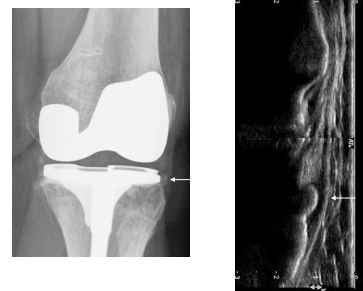


Quadriceps Tendon
Extension/Flexion

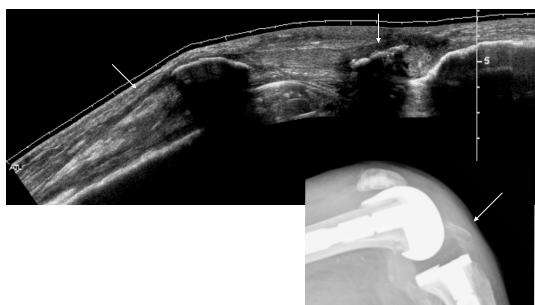
Post-Traumatic Tear



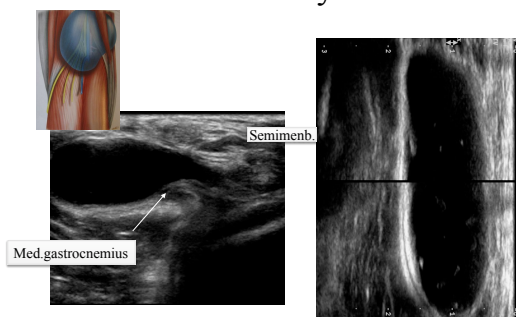
Iliotibial Band



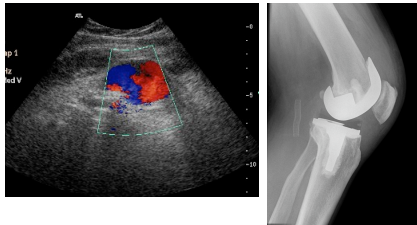
Avulsion # Tuberositas Tibiae



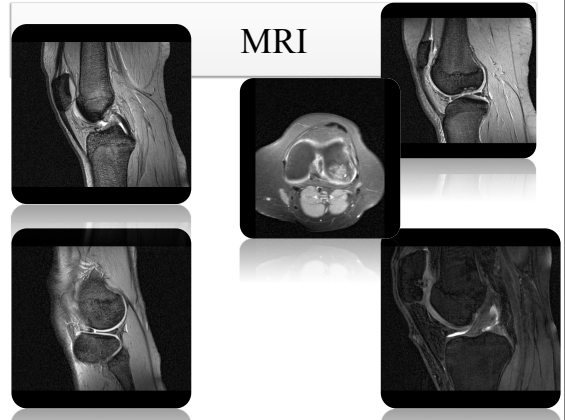
Baker's Cyst



(Pseudo)aneurysma A. Poplitea



MRI



MRI

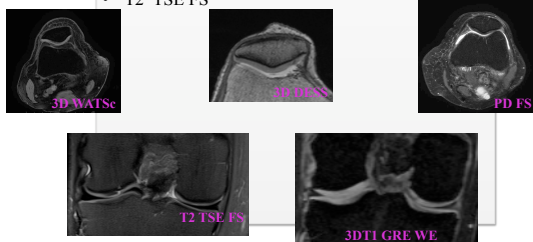


MRI

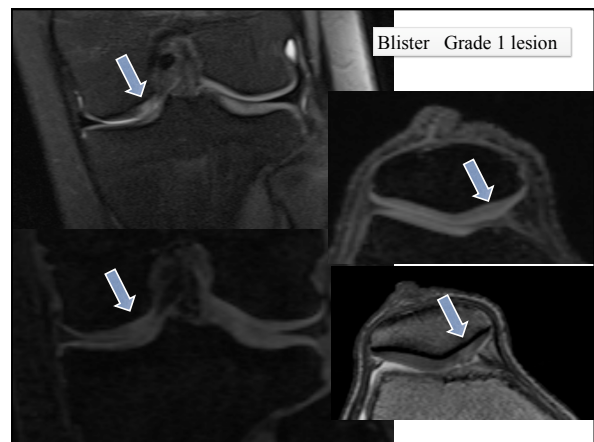


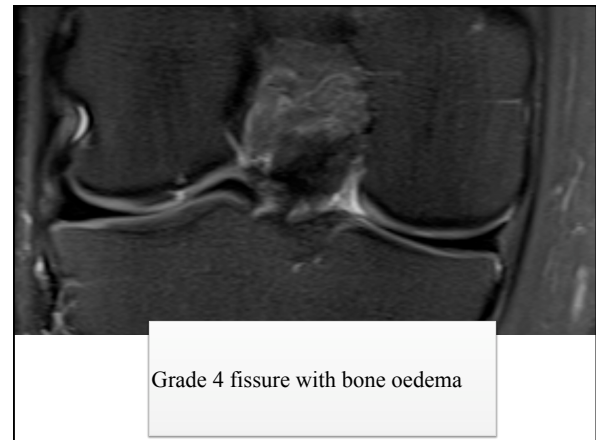
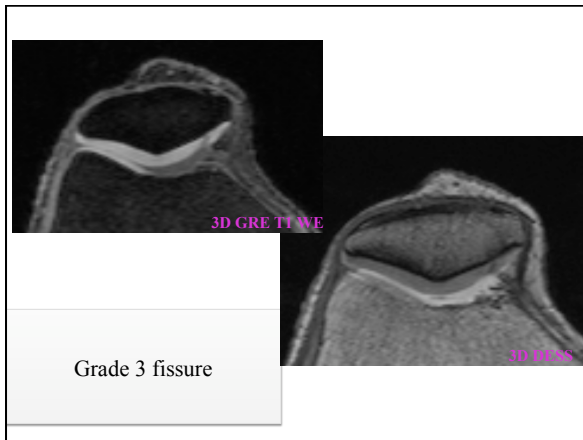
Sequences

- 3D DESS Dual Echo Steady State
- 3D T1 GRE WE Gradient Echo Water excitation
- Philips: 3D WATSc or WATScf
- PD FS
- T2 TSE FS



Blister Grade 1 lesion





Future

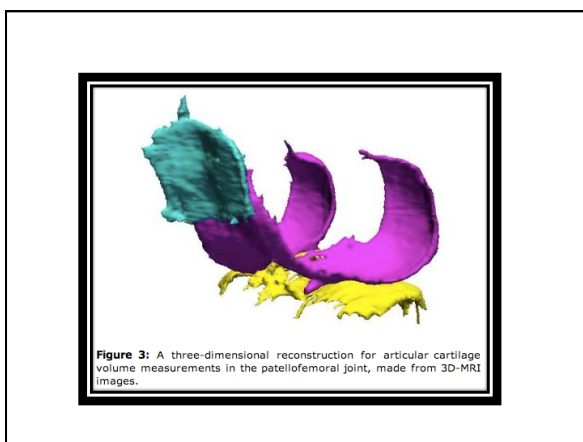
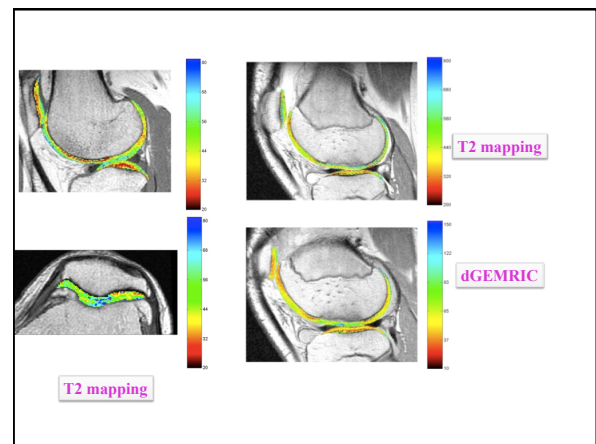
- 3D isotropic voxels high resolution 1 acquisition : viewwing in all planes possible.
- 3 Tesla: more detail.
- T2 mapping T2 values in cartilage. Tissue characteristics.
- dGEMRIC: delayed Gadolinium enhanced MRI of cartilage
- T1 Rho (spin lock)

T2 mapping

dGEMRIC

T2 FS TSE

T1 rho



MRI

- Functional cartilage MRI T2 mapping: evaluating the effect of age and training on knee cartilage response to running (*Mosher et al, osteoarthritis cartilage 2009*)

MRI in TKA

- MRI in vivo PF kinematics after TKA
(Carpenter *et al* , *Knee* 2009)
- MRI with metal suppression for evaluation of periprosthetic osteolysis after TKA
(Vessely *et al J arthroplasty* 2006 / Mosher *et al J Arthroplasty* 2006)
- Several reports describing soft tissue pathology after TKA diagnosed with MRI

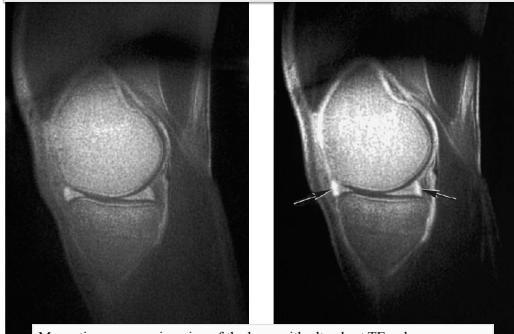
- MRI with same image quality as CT



Tibial plateau fracture

Magnetic resonance imaging of cortical bone with ultrashort TE pulse sequences *Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Volume 23, Issue 5, Pages 611-618* Reichert, M. Robson, P. Gatehouse, T. He, K. Chappell, J. Holmes, S. Girgis, G. Bydder

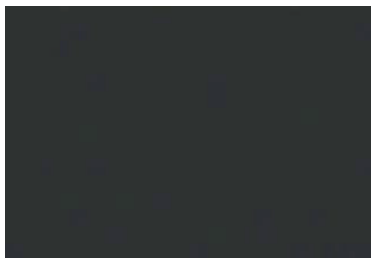
Contrast enhanced UTE: Menisci: visualisation of the white/red zone



Magnetic resonance imaging of the knee with ultrashort TE pulse sequences
Peter D. Gatehouse, Rhidian W. Thomas, Matthew D. Robson,
Gavin Hamilton, Amy H. Herlihy, Graeme M. Bydder, *BJR 2004

- Very high sensitivity and specificity of abnormalities of menisci and cartilage using findings at surgery as reference standard

Synthetic-echo time postprocessing technique for generating images with variable T2 – weighted contrast: Diagnose of meniscal and cartilage abnormalities of the knee
Andreisek *et al Radiology* 2010



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