# 'User-friendly' knee distraction for treatment of osteoarthritis compared to conventional 'proof-of-concept' knee distraction treatment

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# **Summary**

#### ID

NL-OMON43216

#### **Source**

ToetsingOnline

#### **Brief title**

User-friendly knee distraction

#### **Condition**

• Joint disorders

#### Synonym

knee osteoarthritis

#### Research involving

Human

## **Sponsors and support**

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht

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#### Intervention

**Keyword:** distraction, knee, osteoarthritis, user-friendliness

#### **Outcome measures**

#### **Primary outcome**

A: surgery time needed to place the knee joint distractor

B: clinical efficacy by KOOS/WOMAC questionaire based on pain, function and

stifness after 2 years

#### **Secondary outcome**

A: convienence/burden of wearing the device for 6-7 weeks of the knee

distractor (questionnaire)

B: joint space width (cartilage thickness) on radiographs after 2 years

# **Study description**

### **Background summary**

Severe knee osteoarthritis below the age of 65 years can effectively be treated with 'knee joint distraction' being a joint saving surgery.

The UMC Utrecht has gathered ample evidence that knee joint distraction using a 'proof-of-concept' (experimental) knee joint distractor is very (cost)effective. Recently the UMC Utrecht has developed a CE certified 'user friendly' knee distractor with similar mechanical properties and making use of the same bone pin locations, but more easy (quicker) to install for the orthopaedic surgeon and more easy (less burdensome) to wear for the patient.

#### **Study objective**

The present study aims at a small randomised study demonstrating user friendliness of the 'user friendly' knee joint distractor compared to the experimental 'proof of concept' device (2\*15 patiënten). Additionally the study aims in a large patient group (n=+60) to confirm clinical efficacy of the novel 'user friendly' knee joint distractor by demonstrating non-inferiority compared

to retrospective data obtained from clinical studies with the 'proof-of-concept' device.

#### Study design

A: user friendliness: multi centre open randomised study B: efficacy: multi centre open observational study with retrospective comparison

#### Intervention

'user friendly' knee joint distraction (vs. 'proof-of-concept' knee distraction)

#### Study burden and risks

- limited unexpected risk of failure of the new 'user friendly'knee joint distractor
- limited extra time needed to fill in questionnaires
- minimal risk because of increased radiation exposure due to two extra knee x-rays

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## **Trial sites**

#### **Listed location countries**

**Netherlands** 

# **Eligibility criteria**

#### Age

Adults (18-64 years) Elderly (65 years and older)

#### Inclusion criteria

Patients with severe knee osteoarthritis (persisting conventional treatment resistant pain and cartilage tissue damage) considered for total (or uni) knee arthroplasty or high tibial osteotomy (with limited axis deviation), in general practice by the orthopaedic surgeon offered knee joint distraction as alternative treatment.

In order to be eligible to participate in this study, a subject must meet all of the following criteria:

- adults \*65 years of age (at higher ages cost-benefit is becoming less; 15)
- BMI < 35 kg/m2 (mechanical safety limit of device) (max 110 kg body weight)
- Normal-good physical condition (arbitrary defined by orthopaedic surgeons)
- Sufficient knee joint stability (arbitrary defined by orthopaedic surgeons)
- Sufficient range of motion (arbitrary defined by orthopaedic surgeons)
- Radiographic signs of joint damage (KL grade 2-4)
- VAS (visual analogue scale) pain >40/100 (conservative treatment resistant)

#### **Exclusion criteria**

General: Patients that would not be considered for arthroplasty or osteotomy because of psychosocial condition (e.g. pain syndroms); or who meet any of the following criteria will be excluded from participation in this study:

- Comorbidities that would compromise the efficacy of knee joint distraction (arbitrary defined by orthopaedic surgeons)
- History of inflammatory or septic arthritis
- Knee mal-alignment of more than 10 degrees
- Previous surgical interventions of the index knee < 6 months ago
- Absence of any joint space width on both sides (medial and lateral) of X-ray
- presence of an endo-prostheses elsewhere

# Study design

## **Design**

Study type: Interventional

Intervention model: Parallel

Allocation: Randomized controlled trial

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Active

Primary purpose: Treatment

#### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Will not start

Enrollment: 90

Type: Anticipated

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: knee distractor

Registration: Yes - CE intended use

# **Ethics review**

Not approved

Date: 01-12-2016

Application type: First submission

Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Utrecht (Utrecht)

# Study registrations

# Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

# Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

# In other registers

Register ID

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