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- Altered tibial slope and patella height
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### Objective:

- Underload medial side
- Move the alignment to the lateral side (normal or over-correction)
- Open medial tibial osteotomy
- Close lateral tibial osteotomy

Extra-articular correction of the deformity





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Under-correction of the deformity MUST be done

- VARUS = VARUS
- VALGUS = VALGUS

Intra-articular under-correction of the deformity





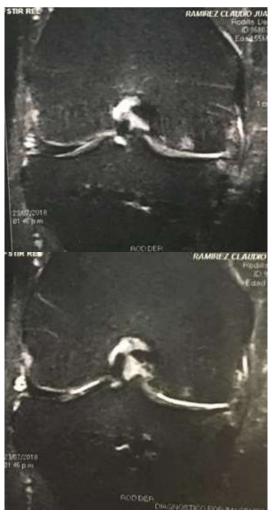
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# Usually done after failed HTO

- Residual varus
- Under-correction
- Hardware failure
- Non-union





Medial osteoarthritis progression









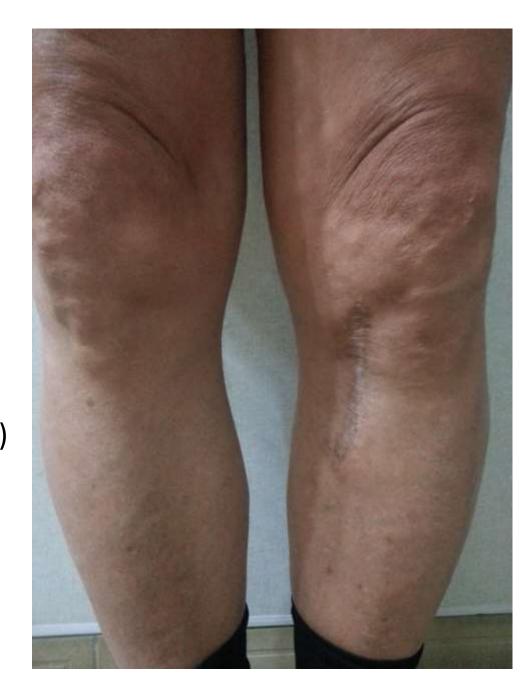
#### Indications:

- Unicompartmental osteoarthritis
- Residual varus
- Functional ACL
- NO lateral instability (varus thrust)
- Functional MCL
- Flexion = or +90
- Extension contracture 10 or less
- Reductible deformity

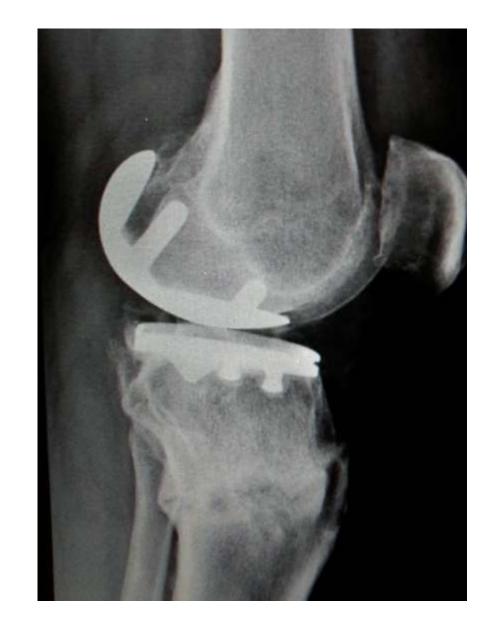


# How I do it?

- Mini mid-vastus approach
- Deformity correction with tibial cut
- Tibial cut 2 degrees of varus
- Under-correction the deformity
- Preserve the HTO hardware if I can
- Security laxity of 2-3mm at 20 degrees of flexion (MCL)
- Avoid soft tissue release
- Fixed bearing implant







#### **SLOPE**

- Should be less than 10 degrees (if more, overload ACL)

#### **HTO** hardware

- Removal could increase fracture and bone weakness
- Wound complications (diferent location)
- Two stage? Increase hospital stay
- UKA without hardware removal

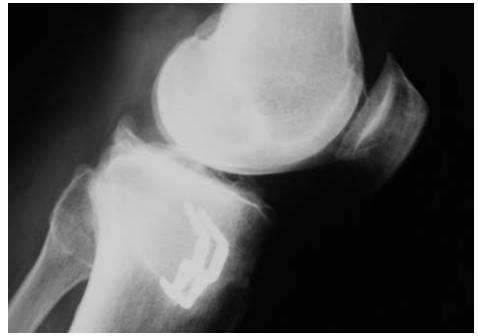
# Patella baja

- Unfrecuent. Usually after closing osteotomy











#### UKA vs TKA after HTO

- Most surgeons perform TKA after HTO
- Usually younger patients
- Active and sportist patients
- UKA is associated with better functional results
- Less complications and hospital stay
- Faster rehabilitation and job return
- Fewer dissatisfaction rates
- Return to normal life with a forgoten knee



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**TKA** 

# Many thanks



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