



# Knee deep in kinematics: unique approaches for understanding joint motion *in vivo*

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52% of the patients who had total knee arthroplasties reported some degree of limitation in performing functional activities



#### Understanding dynamic knee function in vivo



[Freeman & Pinskerova. JBiomech 2005]

- Strain in the collateral ligaments
- Postoperative joint stiffness [Asano et al. 2008]
- Degeneration of cartilage [Favre et al. 2016]
- Pain [Becker et al. 2017]
- Accelerated implant wear [Massin 2017]
- Implant design, success and functionality





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# $2D \rightarrow 3D$ registration





### Impact of implant design on in vivo motion



[Schütz et al. J Orthop Res. 2019]

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#### Limitations of the current device

- Limited to slow walking [Hitz et al. 2018]
- Single plane fluoroscopy
- Knee tracking using wire sensor
- C-arm and construction restrict the choice of activities



[List et al. PLoS One 2017]









#### Take home message

The new dual-plane tracking fluoroscope will allow access to:

- Accurate knee joint kinematics during highly dynamic activities in all 6 degress of freedom
- Evaluation of implant functionality
- Evaluation of prosthetics
- Accurate input data for computational modeling
- Wear simulation
- Sports injury mechanisms







