



# CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System clinical evidence

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# CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System: Personalised knee and hip arthroplasty

CORI Surgical System uses RI.KNEE<sup>◊</sup> ROBOTICS software for knee arthroplasty and RI.HIP<sup>◊</sup> NAVIGATION for hip arthroplasty. The NAVIO<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System is the predecessor to the CORI Surgical System. Because both surgical systems share the same core functionality, clinical evidence generated with NAVIO is relevant to the clinical profile of CORI. Throughout this document, evidence relating to NAVIO Surgical System – or studies evaluating both systems – is referred to as evidence for Smith+Nephew handheld robotics.



## Versatility with CORI Surgical System

- Enables personalisation across **unicondylar, total and revision knee arthroplasty, and total hip arthroplasty procedures**
- Accommodates a broad range of cases through **image-free or image-based pre-operative planning**
- More **compact footprint** than Mako<sup>™</sup> (Stryker) and ROSA<sup>®</sup> Robotics (Zimmer Biomet),<sup>1</sup> making it easy to transport between operating rooms



## CORI Surgical System is redefining revision TKA: From canal-based to anatomical joint line-based reconstruction

- The **first robotics platform indicated for use in revision knee arthroplasty in the US and Europe<sup>2</sup>**
- Enabling surgeons to prioritise joint-line reconstruction** in revision TKA rather than being constrained by diaphyseal anatomy when using conventional methods<sup>2</sup>



## Enabling consistent gap balancing with CORI Digital Tensioner

- An objective tool to support **consistent and repeatable** gap balancing and alignment in TKA<sup>3,4</sup>



**56**  
publications\*



**>49,000**  
total patients studied†



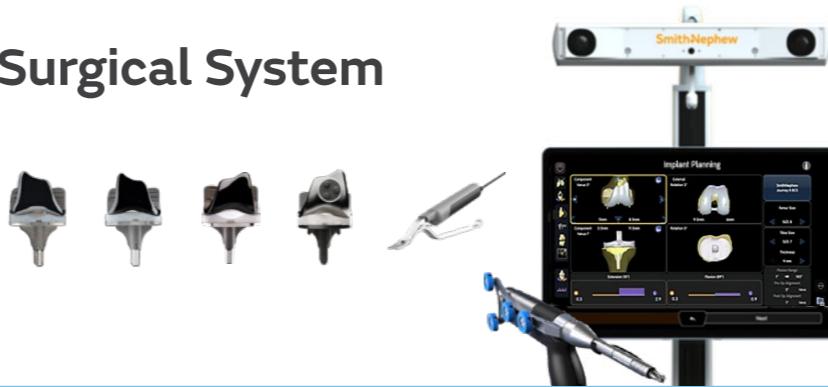
10 randomised controlled trials (RCTs)<sup>‡</sup>  
1 systematic literature review (SLR) and meta-analysis  
3 prospective comparative  
2 registry analyses  
24 retrospective comparative  
10 case series/single-arm cohort  
3 cost/efficiency analyses  
1 modelling study

Publication counts may be higher than study counts, as individual study cohorts may have resulted in more than one publication.



## Personalised TKA with RI.KNEE<sup>◊</sup> on CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System

CORI Surgical System enables surgeons to execute personalised alignment TKA, including functional and kinematic alignment. Both the anatomically designed JOURNEY<sup>◊</sup> II TKA and the LEGION<sup>◊</sup> Total Knee System, which offers both cementless and cemented options, can be accurately positioned using CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System.<sup>5,11</sup> Soft tissue tension can then be assessed in real time.



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publications

In RCTs, Smith+Nephew handheld robotic-assisted (RA) functional alignment TKA has outperformed conventional TKA (cTKA) for accuracy of implant and limb alignment, soft-tissue preservation, natural joint feeling and patient satisfaction, with no clinically relevant differences in procedure time.<sup>5,6</sup> Real-world analyses have demonstrated OR efficiencies related to reduced instrument requirements<sup>7</sup> and reduced 90-day episode of care costs versus cTKA.<sup>8</sup>

Compared with cTKA, Smith+Nephew RA TKA has been shown to result in:

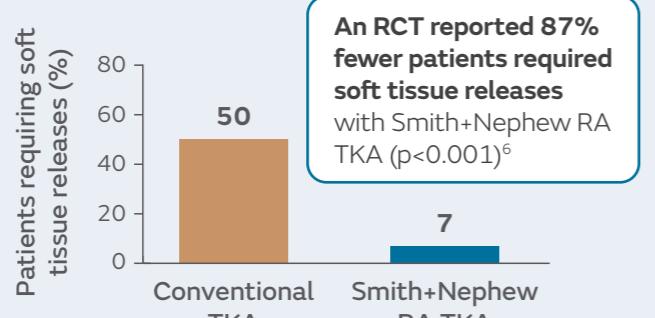
**Intra-operative and immediately post-op**

**More accurate bone resection and improved soft tissue preservation<sup>5,6,9-13</sup>**

**Improved accuracy of limb and implant alignment** has been demonstrated in five RCTs<sup>5,9-12</sup>

RCTs have also shown significantly **improved gap balancing<sup>6</sup>** and reduced local trauma<sup>5,13</sup>





Procedure	Patients requiring soft tissue releases (%)
Conventional TKA	50
Smith+Nephew RA TKA	7

An RCT reported 87% fewer patients required soft tissue releases with Smith+Nephew RA TKA ( $p<0.001$ )<sup>6</sup>

**Post-operative**

**Improved natural joint feeling and patient-reported satisfaction at 1 year<sup>6</sup>**

At 1 year, an RCT has shown significantly<sup>6</sup>

- More natural joint feeling (better 12-item Forgotten Joint Score)<sup>6</sup>
- Improved patient-reported function, pain, satisfaction and health-related quality of life<sup>16</sup>

( $p\leq0.029$  for all)



**Health economic**

**OR efficiencies and reduced costs, without a meaningful increase in procedure time<sup>6-8,11,13</sup>**

 RCTs have reported **no clinically relevant difference in procedure time** after an initial learning curve<sup>6,11,13</sup>

**OR efficiencies**  
In a real-world study of 9 centres:  
On average, **45 fewer instruments** used per TKA, resulting in an estimated **cost saving of \$286 per procedure** ( $p<0.001$ )<sup>7</sup>



Procedure	Instruments (mean)
Conventional TKA	159
Smith+Nephew RA TKA	115

**Cost analysis**  
An analysis of >1000 propensity-matched patients from the Premier PINC AI™ Healthcare Database reported:

 **Lower 90-day episode of care costs** (\$14,725 vs \$15,670;  $p<0.0001$ )<sup>8</sup>

<sup>\*</sup>Surgery duration in Dollars (2025)<sup>6</sup> was 76 minutes in the Smith+Nephew RA TKA group and 73 minutes in the conventional TKA group ( $p=0.001$ ), authors did not consider the 3 minutes difference to be clinically relevant. <sup>†</sup> $p\leq0.038$  for all. <sup>‡</sup>Improved gap balancing defined as fewer patients required soft tissue releases and inserts >10mm thick ( $p\leq0.004$ ). <sup>§</sup>Lower inflammatory marker c-reactive protein at post-op days 1 and 5;  $p\leq0.0003$  in a quasi-RCT. <sup>¶</sup>OKS, KSS [function and satisfaction], EQ-5D index score, VAS pain and satisfaction. <sup>||</sup>Two RCTs have found no clinically relevant difference in procedure time (1.6–3mins between groups;  $p\leq0.04$ ). <sup>\*\*</sup>Most patients (80%) in the analysis had a TKA and 20% had a UKA.

**Abbreviations:** cTKA = conventional TKA, OR = operating room, RA TKA = robotic-assisted TKA, RCT = randomised controlled trial, TKA = total knee arthroplasty.

## Accurate UKA with RI.KNEE<sup>◊</sup> on CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System

Despite the benefits of UKA over TKA and that considerable numbers (25–47%)<sup>14</sup> of TKA patients are eligible for the procedure, only 8–15% of all knee arthroplasties are UKA.<sup>15</sup> Low utilisation is partly due to surgical complexity and reduced threshold for revision,<sup>16</sup> which it may be possible to overcome using robotic-assistance to help correctly position the implant.<sup>16–19</sup> CORI Surgical System assists with implantation of JOURNEY<sup>◊</sup> II UK with OXINIUM<sup>◊</sup> Technology, which has shown excellent early survivorship<sup>\*20,21</sup> and has a 5A ODEP rating.<sup>22</sup>



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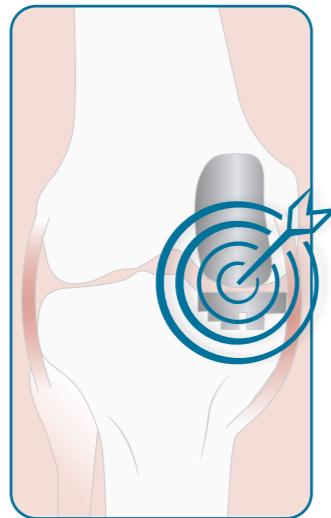


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**Clinical studies have shown implant placement and knee alignment is more accurate with Smith+Nephew robotic-assisted (RA) UKA than conventional UKA (cUKA),<sup>16–19</sup> irrespective of surgeon experience.<sup>†23</sup> The accuracy afforded by robotic-assistance is thought to contribute to the significantly lower revision risk with RA UKA versus cUKA.<sup>24,25</sup> Increasing UKA utilisation results in several patient benefits which have been linked to improved cost efficiency versus TKA, including quicker discharge.<sup>26</sup>**

Versus cUKA, Smith+Nephew RA UKA has resulted in:

**Improved accuracy,<sup>16–19</sup> irrespective of surgeon experience<sup>†23</sup>**



Intra-operative

**Improved accuracy** of implant placement and knee alignment,<sup>16–19</sup> irrespective of individual surgeon experience with cUKA<sup>†23</sup>

Post-operative

**Improved survivorship and patient-reported outcomes (PROMs) with fewer bed days<sup>24,25,27–31</sup>**

Versus cUKA, RA UKA has resulted in:

 **Up to 58% lower revision risk** (two independent meta-analyses)<sup>24,25</sup>

Versus cUKA, Smith+Nephew RA UKA:

**100% survivorship** with JOURNEY II UK in the NJR at 1 year<sup>‡27</sup> n=122



**Significantly earlier discharge** from hospital and physical therapy<sup>28</sup> and higher PROMs<sup>§</sup> (p≤0.02)<sup>29–31</sup>

Health economic

**Increasing UKA utilisation may lower episode of care costs**

Increasing UKA utilisation results in several benefits which have been linked to improved cost efficiency versus TKA:



**Lower early complication rates**

Lower risk of early complications including cardiac events, venous thromboembolism and deep infections<sup>32</sup>



**Shorter length of stay and lower costs**

Typically, UKA procedures are lower cost<sup>33</sup> and patients are discharged >1 day earlier<sup>32</sup>



**Quicker recovery**

Patients may regain knee function, and return to sports and work sooner<sup>32</sup>



Using CORI Surgical System to implant JOURNEY II UK may only require a **single tray** (versus 2–3 with cUKA)<sup>34</sup>

\*Up to 99.6% survivorship at 2 years; <sup>†</sup>Study conducted on dry bone models; <sup>‡</sup>The data used for this analysis was obtained from the National Joint Registry ("NJR"), part of the Hqip, the NJR and/or its contractor, NEC Software Solutions (UK) Limited ("NEC") take no responsibility (except as prohibited by law) for the accuracy, currency, reliability and correctness of any data used or referred to in this report, nor for the accuracy, currency, reliability and correctness of links or references to other information sources and disclaims all warranties in relation to such data, links and references to the maximum extent permitted by legislation including any duty of care to third party readers of the data analysis. <sup>§</sup>KOOS-JR at 6 months post-UKA (p=0.037)<sup>30</sup> and IKSS-O (p<0.05)<sup>29</sup> and KSS-F (p=0.01)<sup>31</sup> at ≥1-year post-UKA.

**Abbreviations:** cUKA = conventional UKA, RA UKA = robotic-assisted unicompartmental knee arthroplasty, ODEP = Orthopaedic Data Evaluation Panel, QALY = Quality-Adjusted Life Year, TKA = total knee arthroplasty, UKA = unicompartmental knee arthroplasty.

# Redefined revision TKA with RI.KNEE<sup>◊</sup> on CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System: Restoring the anatomical joint line

CORI Surgical System enables real-time visualisation of anatomical landmarks to help with augment planning and to allow old and new joint line parameters to be established. To ease transitions from primary to revision, LEGION<sup>◊</sup> Primary and Revision Knee Systems share the same bone conserving\* femoral resections<sup>35</sup> and include a full continuum of revision dedicated instrumentation.



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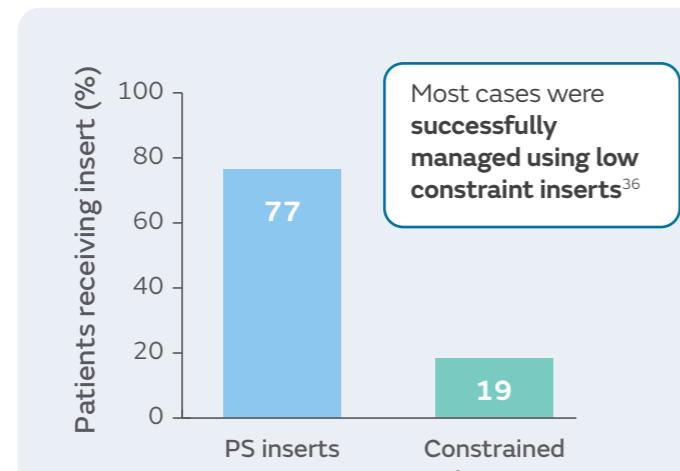
As the first robotics platform indicated for use in revision TKA (rTKA), CORI Surgical System has enabled a shift toward reconstructing the joint based on native anatomy, rather than conforming to the geometry of the diaphyseal canal.<sup>2</sup> This approach facilitates precise restoration of joint line height and orientation.<sup>2</sup> A clinical study of CORI Surgical System with LEGION Revision Knee System reported 93% of rTKA patients' joint line was restored to that of the contralateral knee.<sup>36</sup>

## Achieving joint line restoration

In a retrospective case series of CORI Surgical System with LEGION RK System for 115 rTKA patients:<sup>36</sup>

**93%** achieved joint line restoration<sup>†</sup>  
(across a wide range of cases)<sup>36</sup>

Intra-operative



Post-operative

## Early evidence suggests improved PROMs<sup>‡</sup> and high home discharge rates

In a retrospective case series of CORI Surgical System with LEGION RK System for 115 rTKA patients:<sup>36</sup>



Significantly improved pain and PROMIS depression scores (versus pre-op scores at 90 days post-op;  $p \leq 0.013$ )<sup>36</sup>



Low readmissions at 30 (1%) and 90 days (3%) post-op<sup>36</sup>



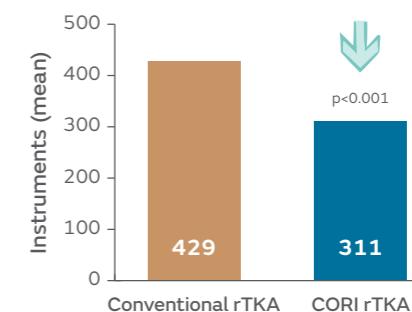
87% patients discharged home<sup>36</sup>

Health economic

## OR efficiencies and reduced costs versus conventional rTKA

In a real-world study of CORI Surgical System in 9 centres:

On average, **118 fewer instruments** used per rTKA, resulting in an estimated **cost saving of \$753 per procedure** ( $p < 0.001$ )<sup>7</sup>



\*Bone conserving versus Insall-Burstein<sup>TM</sup> II, PFC<sup>TM</sup> Sigma<sup>TM</sup>, Optitrak<sup>TM</sup>, and Nex-Gen<sup>TM</sup> Legacy<sup>TM</sup>; <sup>†</sup>Within 5mm of the native contralateral knee; <sup>‡</sup>at 30 and 90 days post-op, versus pre-op scores.

Abbreviations: PS = Posterior Stabilised; rTKA = revision total knee arthroplasty.

## Personalised THA with RI.HIP<sup>◊</sup> on CORI<sup>◊</sup> Surgical System

Although THA is a highly successful surgery, dislocation remains a leading cause of revision and is often caused by impingement.<sup>37</sup> Implant malpositioning and reduced spinopelvic mobility have been shown to increase impingement risk and dislocation,<sup>38-39</sup> highlighting the importance of accounting for spinopelvic mobility and optimal implant positioning for THA success.



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**CORIOGRAPH<sup>◊</sup> Pre-Op Planning and Modeling services enables personalised pre-operative planning based on patient spinopelvic mobility in the context of activities of daily living (ADLs) to help minimise impingement risk.<sup>40</sup> Clinical studies have shown, versus conventional THA, navigated THA with RI.HIP supports optimal implant placement<sup>41</sup> and significantly improves impingement-free range of motion<sup>42-44</sup> and revision risk at 10 years.<sup>45</sup>**

**Pre-operative**

**CORIOGRAPH Pre-Op Planning and Modelling services for hips**

Personalised THA pre-op planning that operates with 2D (X-ray) and/or 3D (CT) images

**Advanced modeling capabilities** that go beyond the mechanics of range of motion to **offer 12 ADLs**

Allows pre-operative **assessment of spinopelvic condition with ADLs** to help mitigate impingement risk<sup>40</sup>



**Intra-operative**

**Optimised implant placement and accuracy**

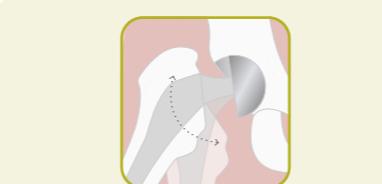
Significantly **reduced deviation from target** component positioning ( $p<0.001$ )<sup>41</sup>



**Post-operative**

**Improved impingement-free ROM, revision risk and patient satisfaction**

When used with Smith+Nephew acetabular components:



Significantly **improved impingement-free ROM** ( $p\leq 0.05$ )<sup>42-44</sup>



Significantly **lower revision risk at 10 years** (1.06 vs 3.88%;  $p=0.005$ )<sup>45</sup>



Significantly **higher patient satisfaction** ( $p=0.003$ )<sup>45</sup>

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