

Osteoarthritis (OA) Degenerative Joint Disease



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Objectives

- Identify OA and its predisposing factors
- Identify the signs and symptoms of OA
- Assess patients with OA with appropriate investigations
- Identify radiological signs of OA
- Outline the principles of management of a patient with OA

Definition

- (wear & tear)
- Degeneration (non-inflammatory) of synovial joints that causes slow progressive loss of articular cartilage and proliferation of surrounding bones *→ cause osteophytes*
- Known by different names:
 - Degenerative Joint Disease, Osteoarthritis, Osteoarthrosis, Hypertrophic Arthritis and Degenerative Arthritis

Epidemiology

- Most commonly affected OA joints:
 - 1st CMCJ
 - IPJ
 - Cervical spine *use of mobile*
 - Lumbar spine
 - Hips
 - Knees
 - found in 70% of population >60 yrs
 - 1st MTPJ



Classification

most Common

Primary

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Unknown
Etiology

Secondary

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Known
Etiology

Classification

- Risk factors for **Primary OA:**
 - Age
 - Sex
 - Genetics

Causes of Secondary OA

- **↑ Mechanical stress:** Deformity. Malalignment. Obesity
- **Joint injury/Trauma:** Occupation daily repetitive trauma. Osteochondral defect, Sport injury
- **Hematological:** Sickle Cell Disease, Hemophilia
- **Infection:** Septic arthritis, Brucella, TB
- **Inflammatory joint disease**
- **Metabolic:** Gout, Pseudo gout, Paget's disease
- **Necrosis:** Perth's disease, AVN, Steroids
- **Neuropathic:** DM, syphilis

limited ROM = stiffness

Pathophysiology

- Hyaline cartilage is Avascular, aneural and alymphatic
any cartilage in world has no blood vessels and lymphatics
 - Receives nutrients and oxygen from synovial fluid via diffusion
- Composition of cartilage:
 - Water (75% of wet weight) *that's why it's black in x-ray*
 - for nutrition and lubrication
 - Collagen esp. type II (15% of wet weight)
 - Provides tensile strength and stiffness
 - Proteoglycans (10%) *elastic*
 - Provides compressive and elastic strength
 - Chondrocytes (1-5%): the only cell of cartilage
 - Non-collagenous proteins

Pathophysiology

Histologic & Macroscopic Changes:

1. Early

- Fibrillation & softening on weight bearing surfaces
- Reduced cartilage height → ↓ joint space → bone exposed
- Remolding → Subchondral Sclerosis & eburnation *bone Reaction trying to resist bone forming*

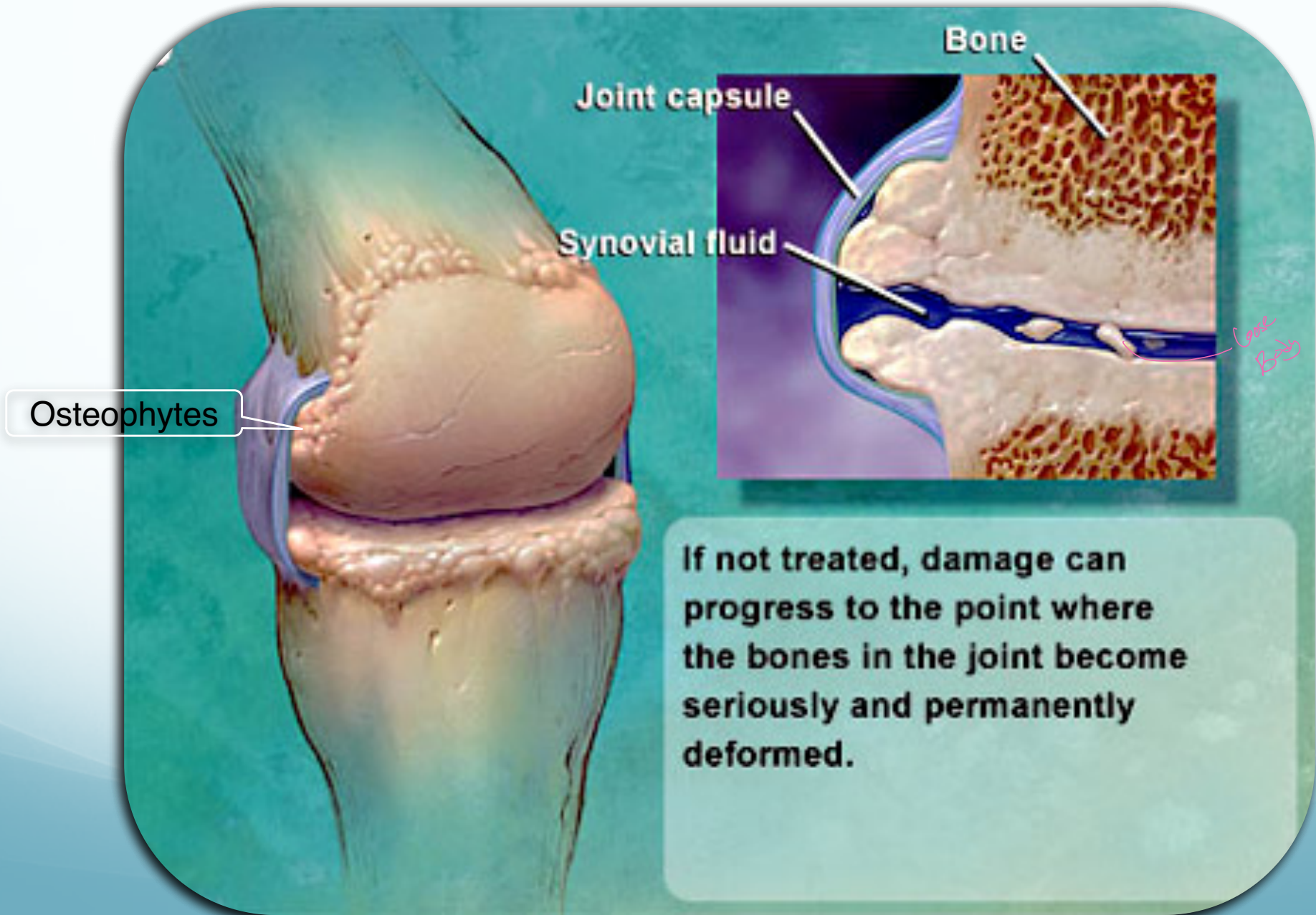
2. Moderate

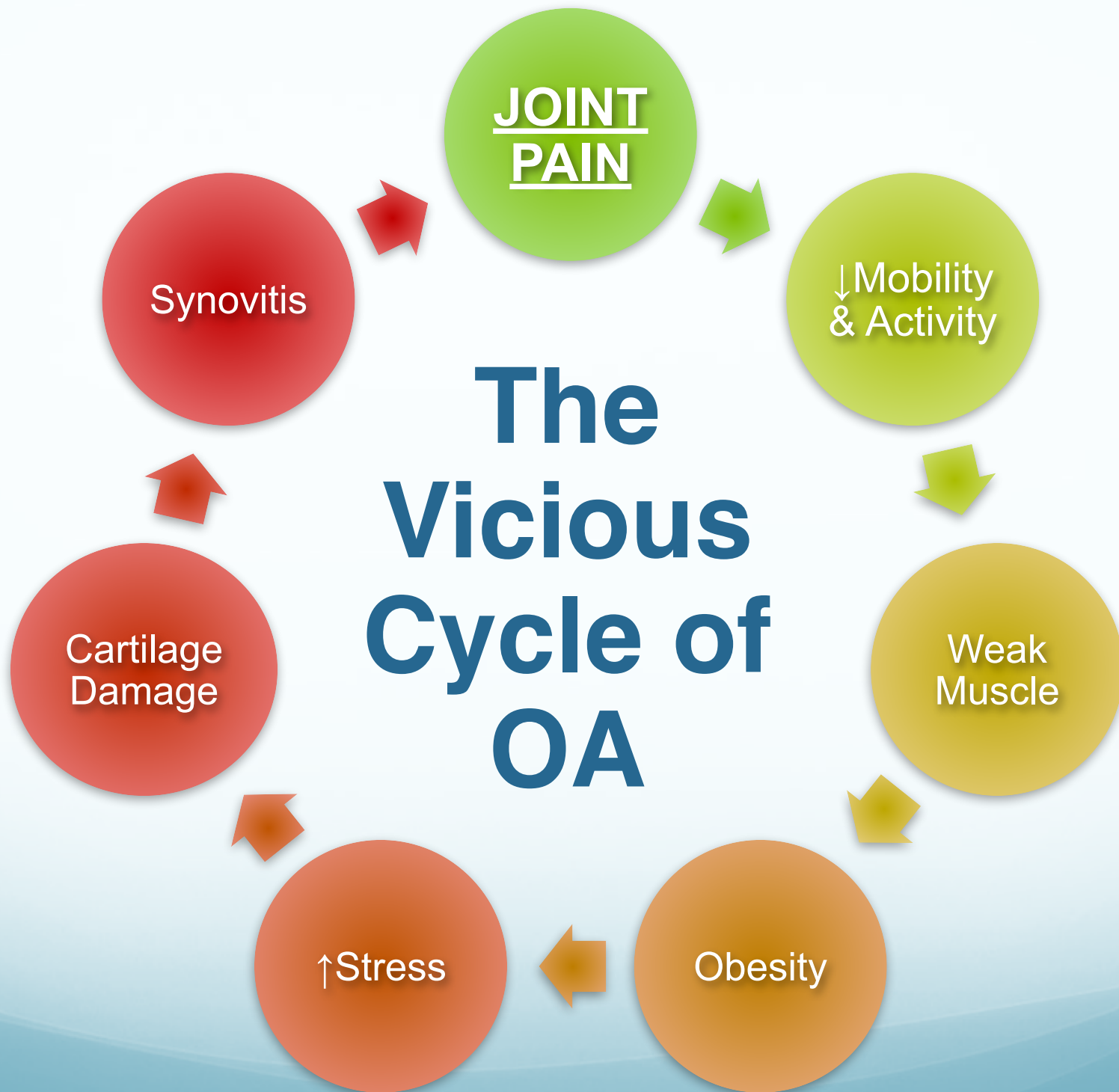
- Fissuring → synovial fluid into subchondral bone → Subchondral Cyst
- Hypervascular synovium & subchondral bone → proliferation of adjacent cartilage → enchondral ossification → Osteophyte
- Synovial & capsular thickening

3. Advanced

- Progressive bone erosion → Bone collapse
- Loss of height & ligamentous laxity → Malalignment
- Fragmented osteophyte → Loose Bodies
↳ when it's destructed →

Pathophysiology





Presentation - History

- **Age & Gender**
- **Pain: (SOCRATERS)**
- **Functional affection:** Stiffness & Limited motion
- **Swelling**
- Crepitation
- **Deformity**
- **Mechanical:** instability, locking, catching
- **Previous History of Treatment**

Presentation - History

** Important to know how it affect the Pt life*

- Knee:
 - Pain
 - when taking the Stairs
 - or getting up from sitting position
 - or when attempting full flexion (sitting in prayer)
- Hip:
 - Start-up
 - or Groin pain
 - Referred Pain in Knee and side of Thigh
- Shoulder:
 - Pain when reaching for high objects or combing hair

↳ with overhead activity

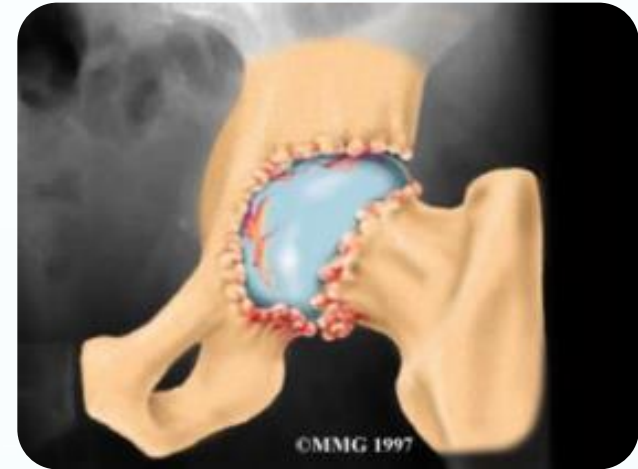
Presentation - Signs

- Knee:
 - Deformity: usually genovarus
 - Wasting of thigh muscles (Disuse atrophy due to pain)
 - Warm
 - Joint-line tenderness
 - Swelling: May have swelling at back of knee (Baker's— popliteal cyst)
 - Crepitus
 - Limited range of motion,
 - Effusion



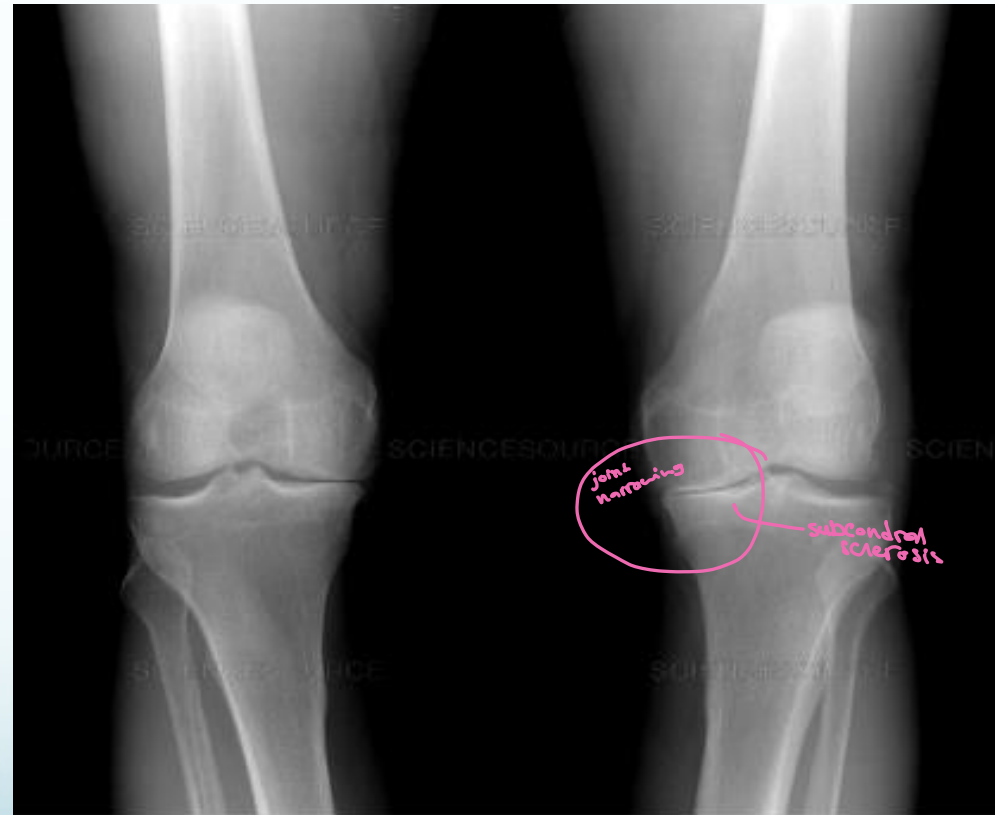
Presentation - Signs

- Hip:
 - Reduced ROM(painful)
 - Antalgic or Trendelenburg gait
- Shoulder:
 - Swelling
 - Reduced range of motion



Investigations

- X-ray:
 - AP Bilateral Weight-bearing view and lateral
 - Findings:
 - Joint space narrowing
 - Subchondral sclerosis
 - Subchondral cysts
 - Osteophytes formation
 - Loose bodies
 - Deformity



X-ray

Normal Knee



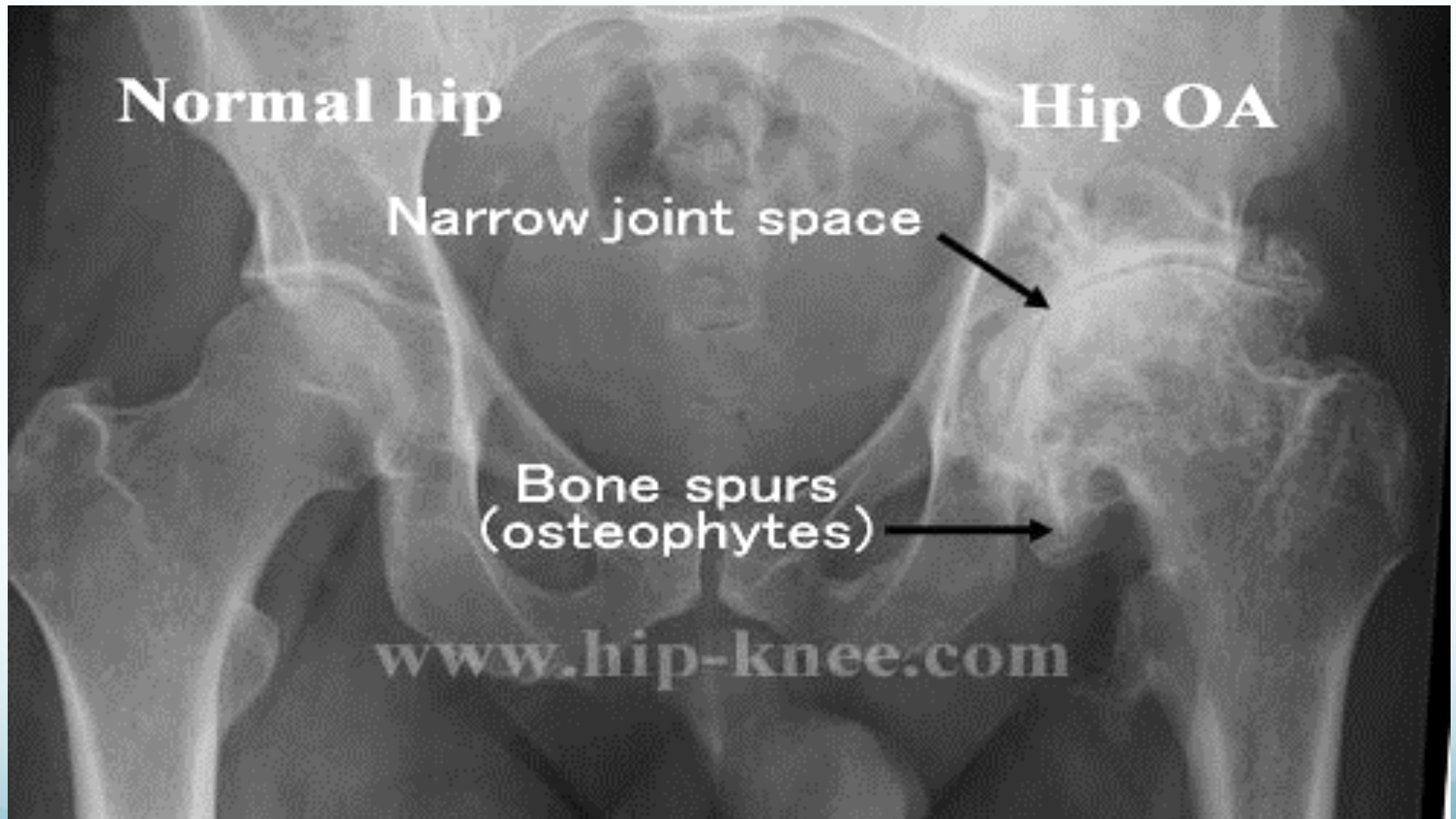
OA Knee



X-rays



X-rays



X-rays



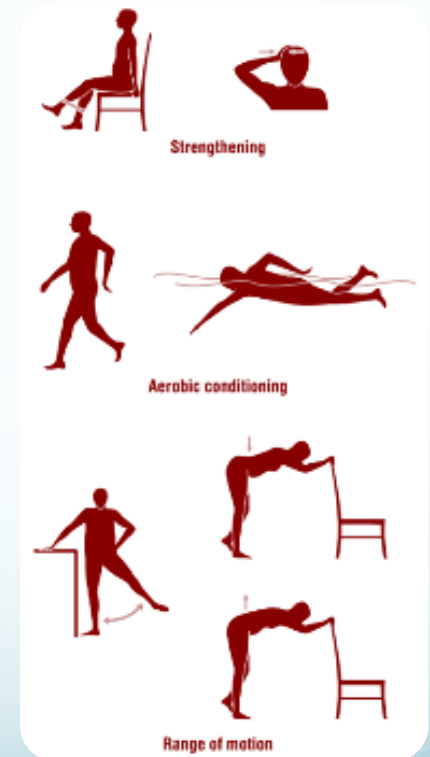
Treatment

- No known cure for OA
- Aims of Treatment: *if the pt said that it dose not affect his life so leave it.*
 - ✓ • Control Pain
 - ✓ • Improve joint function
 - ✓ • Maintain normal body weight
 - ✓ • Restore lifestyle
 - ✓ • Slow disease progression

Conservative Treatment

- **Non-Pharmacological:**

1. Adjust daily activities
2. Walking Aids
3. Warm / Cold packs
 - ↳ stiffness to restore the ROM
 - ↳ swelling or acute
4. Weight loss programs, BMI > 25
 1. Diet & low-impact aerobic
5. Physical Therapy
 1. Improve ROM
 2. Supervised strengthening exercise



Conservative Treatment

- Pharmacological
 - NSAIDs
 - Topical analgesics
 - Glucosamine and chondroitin *no strong evidence*
 - Placebo effect (30%)
 - Injections:
 - Hyaluronic acid to improve viscosity of joint in early stages?
this is a strong evidence on it
 - Corticosteroid injections
 - In advanced cases, may increase rate of degeneration
"but it affect cartilage so we don't use it only if the pt doesn't fit for the surgery" for longtime it destructs the joint.
 - Platelet Rich Plasma (PRP) injection??
 - Stem-cell injections???

Operative Treatment

- Indications:

- Severe joint pain
- Functional Disabilities
- Deformity, angular deviations or instability

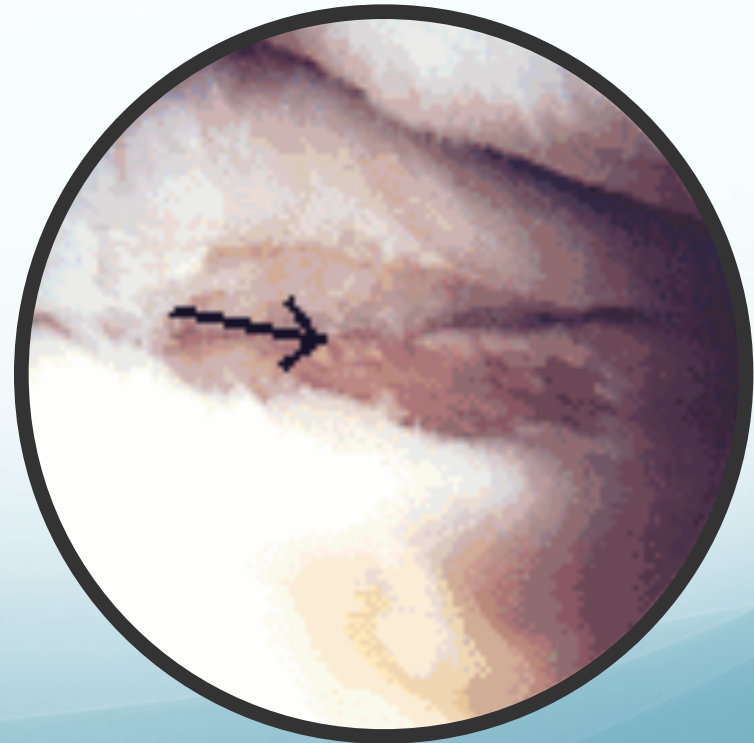
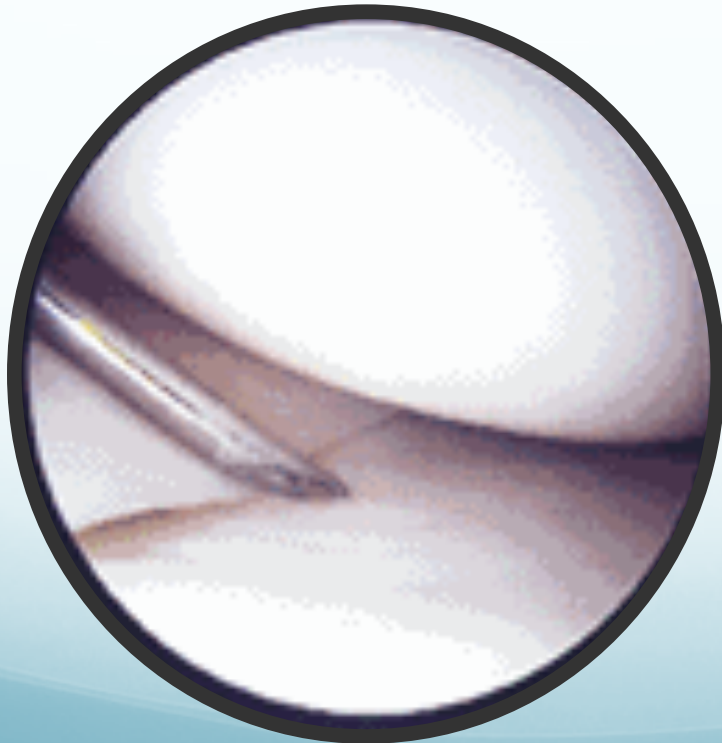
- Types:

- Arthroscopy debridement *remove osteophyte*
- Corrective Osteotomy *to offload the area "usually we do it in gouge pit"*
- Arthroplasty *partial or total knee replacement*
- Arthrodesis (in small joints)
"fusion"
no joint anymore "we stop the movement to prevent the pain"

Treatment

- **Arthroscopy debridement:**

- ✓ Controversial
- ✓ ^{we do it specially in} Evidence of meniscus & labral ^{injury} degenerative tear
- ✓ No deformity



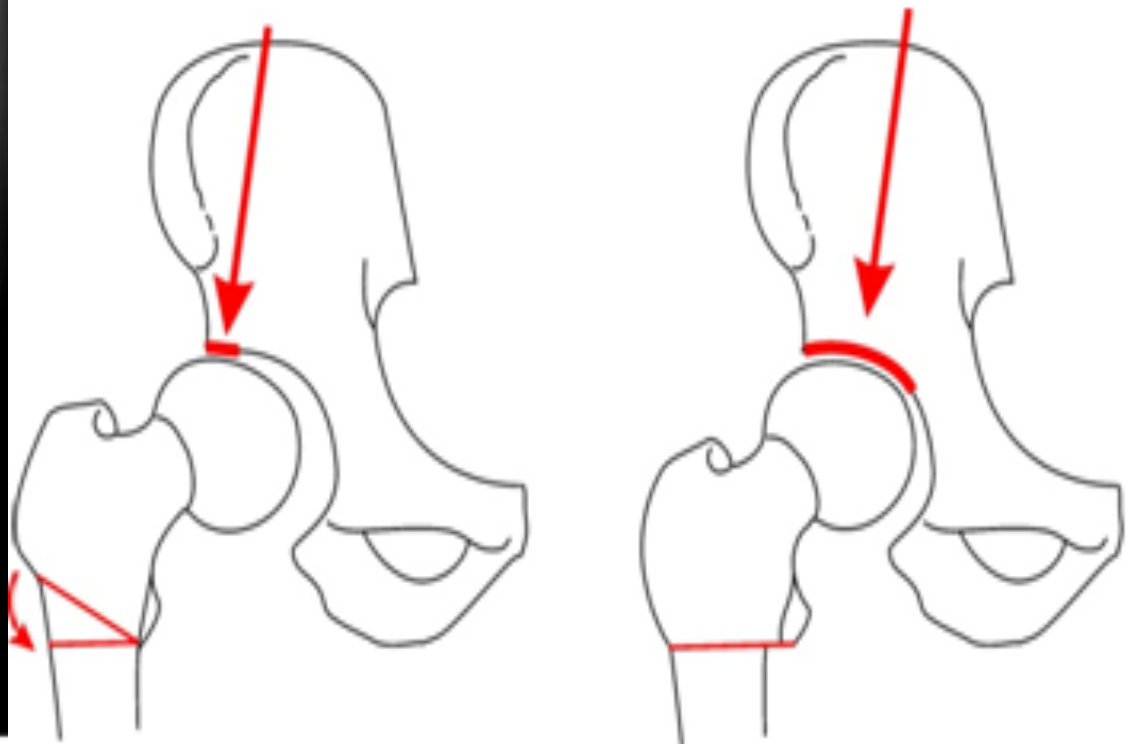
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- **Corrective Osteotomy**
 - Realign to normal anatomical axis
 - Redistribute the stress (mechanical Wt) across joint
 - In younger thin active patients with mobile joint & mild to moderate OA



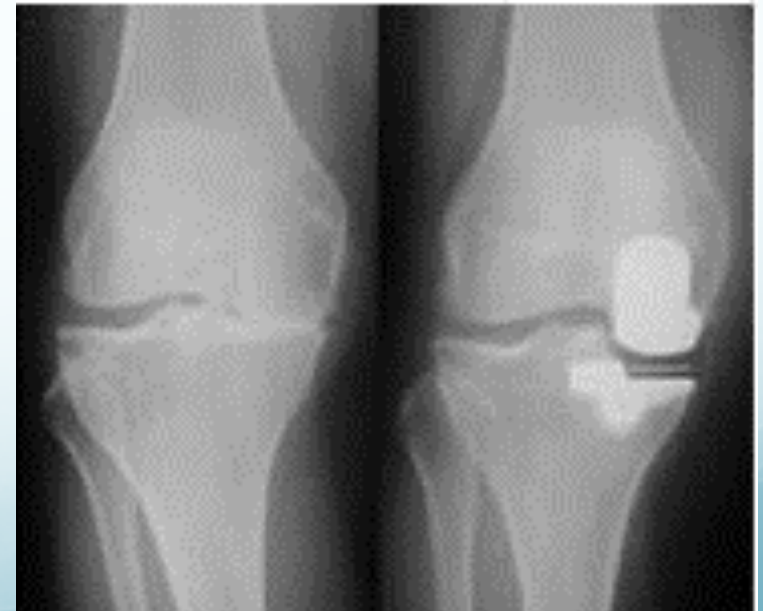
Preop

1 Month postop



Treatment

- Partial Arthroplasty
 - Replacing part of the joint with prosthesis
 - Indication
 - ^{lateral or medially} Uni-compartmental OA only in Lower-demand old thin patients
 - Contraindications
 - Abnormal geometry
 - Bone stock deficiency
 - Infected joint
 - Inflammatory arthritis
 - Stiff joint because I treated one are if the whole joint is stiff so I did nothing.

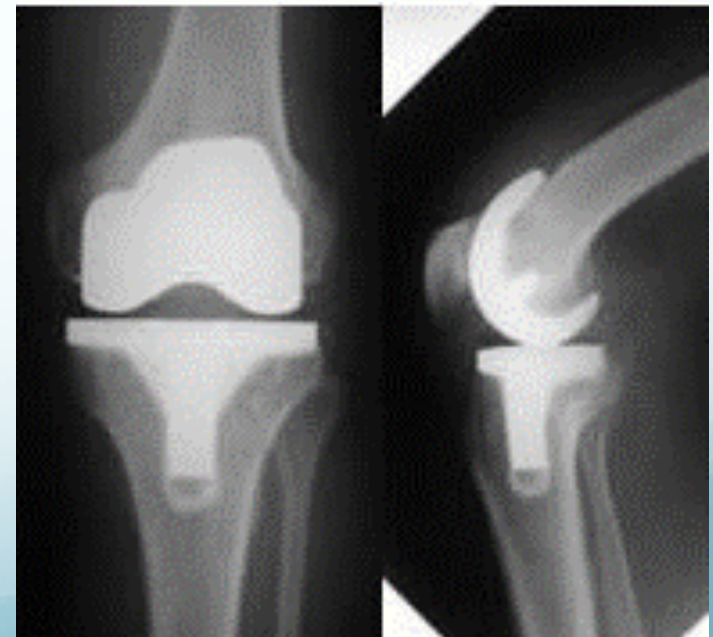


most of pt we do
for them%

Treatment

- **Total joint Arthroplasty**

- Indicated:
 - All compartments affected with painful deformed stiff joint
- Contraindication:
 - Infected joint
 - Neuropathic joint



Treatment

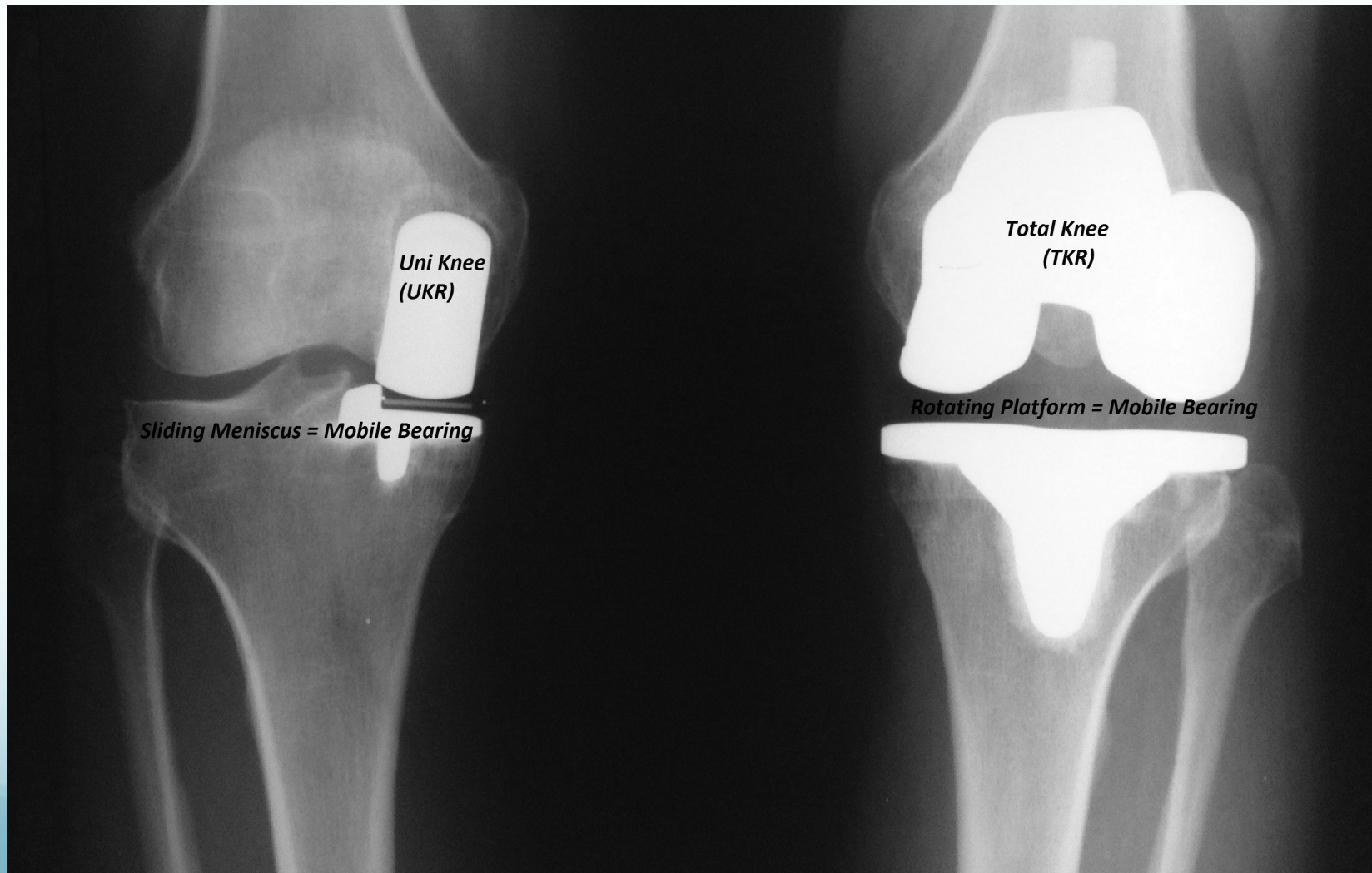
- Total joint Arthroplasty (Knee):



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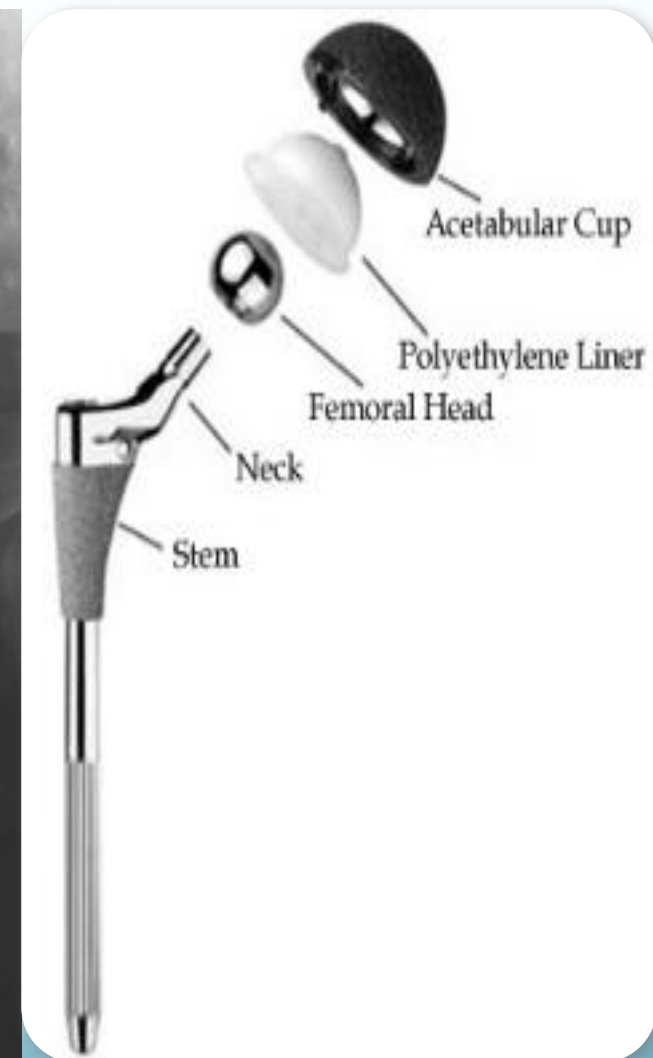
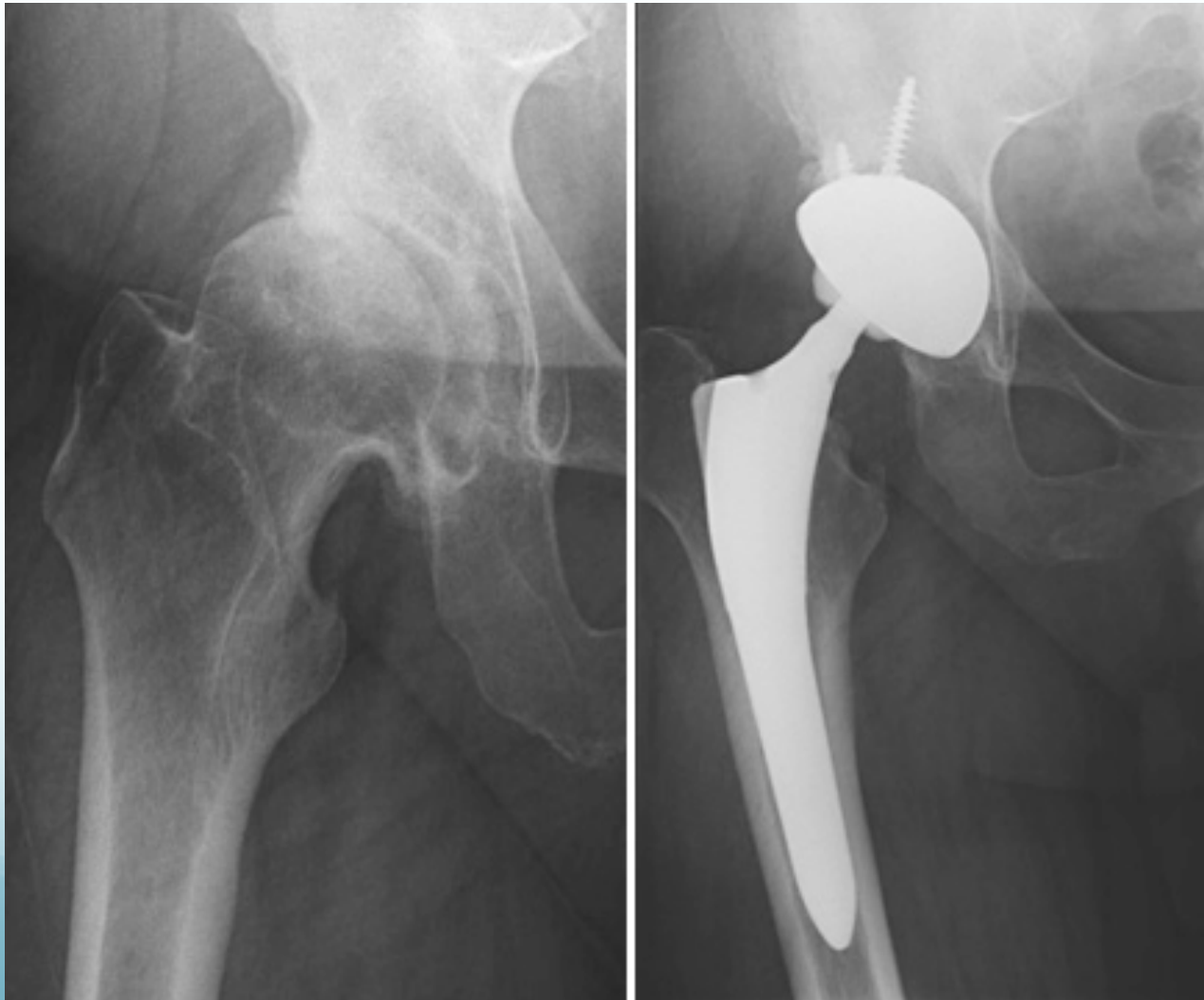
Treatment

- Total joint Vs Partial joint Arthroplasty:



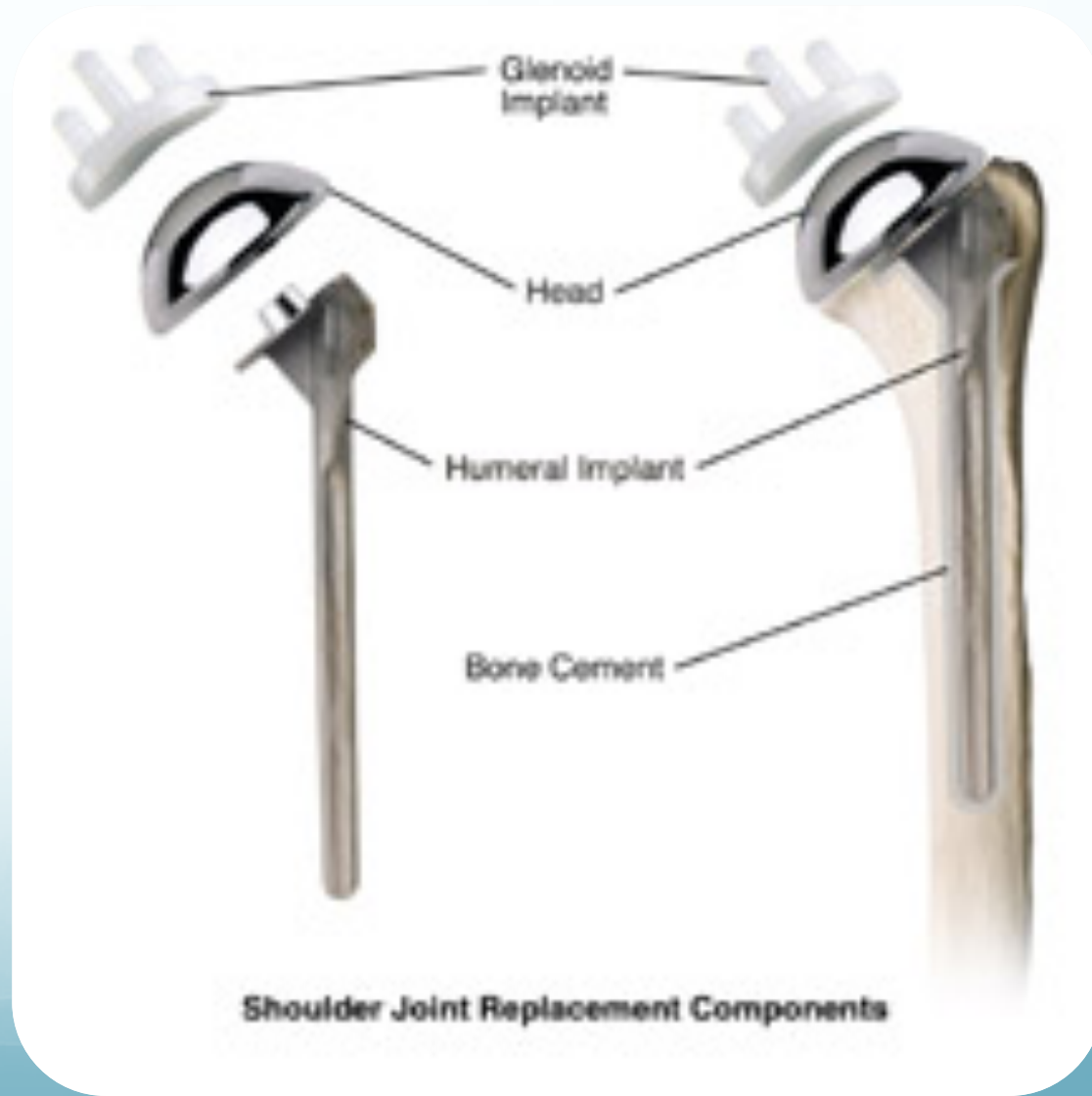
Treatment

- Total hip Arthroplasty:



Treatment

- Total shoulder Arthroplasty:



Treatment

- **Arthrodesis / Fusion**
 - Indicated more in small joints:
 - Metatarso/ Metacropo-phalangeal
 - Interphalangeal
 - Contraindication:
 - Adjacent or contralateral OA joint
because the load is increased in the other joint



<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/390194755200981592/>

Summary

- Osteoarthritis is a degenerative progressive disabling disease
- Any joint can be affected
- Weight control & Change lifestyle & Early treatment delays its deterioration
- Joint replacement provides pain-free improved function