

The power to protect in orthopaedic surgery.

Enabling low-touch post-operative care to protect patients, clinicians and hospitals from the consequences of surgical site complications.

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We understand things have changed recently.

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in consequences which have rippled across the health care setting and beyond.

As we resume elective surgery, clinicians are redefining postoperative care and adopting their approaches to achieve:



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Surgical Site Complications are a major source of morbidity after hip and knee arthroplasty procedures.

THA and TKA* revision surgery is associated with



SSIs are associated with an increased median length of hospital stay following THA and TKA.^2 $\,$



18.8% Unplanned 30-day readmission following THA and TKA due

to SSI.³

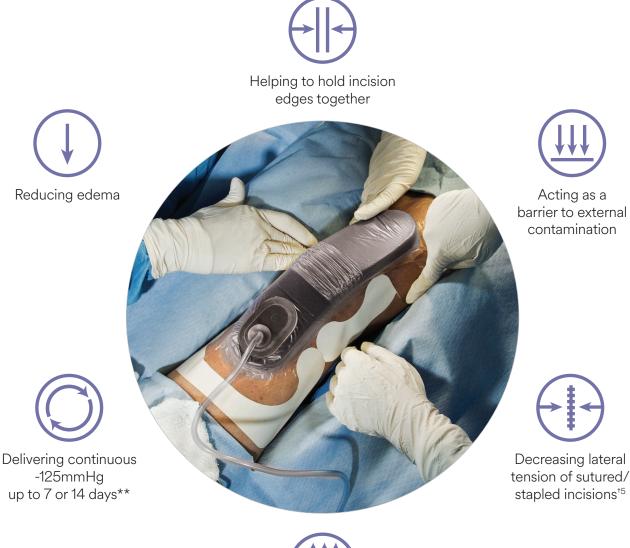
€9,560

Additional average costs due to SSI following orthopedic and trauma surgery.⁴



By working to protect incisions from postoperative complications, PREVENA[™] Therapy works to help stop the ripple effect before it begins, protecting patients, surgeons, staff, practices, and hospitals from potential consequences through low touch care. 3

PREVENA[™] Therapy manages and protects surgical incisions by:



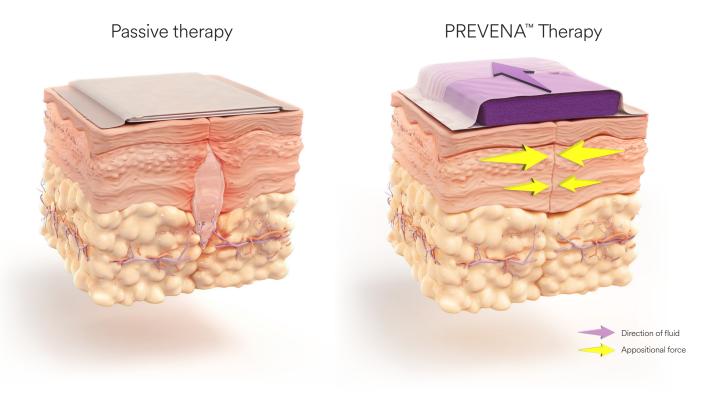


⁶⁶NICE advice,,

Did you know?

NICE have published a medical innovation briefing on the use of "Prevena Incision Management for Closed Surgical Incisions". Access the full document at https://www.nice.org.uk/advice/mib173

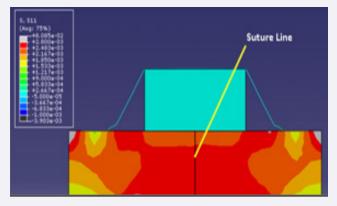
PREVENA[™] Therapy utilizes reticulated open cell foam technology and -125mmHg negative pressure.



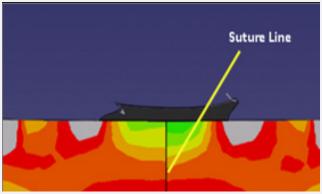
Under -125mmHg of negative pressure, the reticulated open cell foam dressing collapses to it's geometric center. This brings the incision edges together, reduces lateral tension, and also allows for improved fluid management.^{5–7}

Delivering a 50% reduction in lateral tension.⁵

Reducing lateral strain is important to maintain the integrity of closed surgical incision. Using a finite computer model on a simulated incision, PREVENA[™] has been shown to reduce lateral strain by approximately 50% (0.9 to 1.2kPa) along the incision.



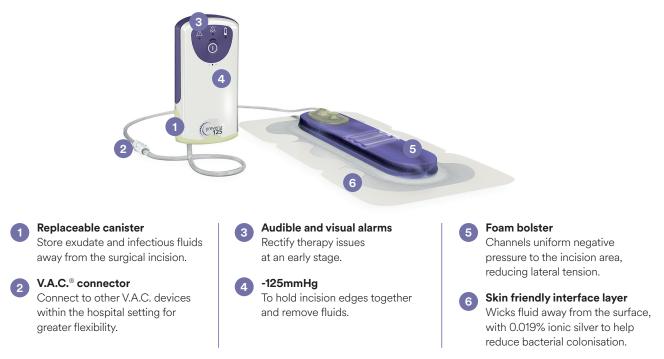
A Lateral strain on simulated incision without application of PREVENA[™] therapy. Orange and red colours indicate high lateral strain.



B Lateral strain on simulated incision with application of PREVENA[™] therapy. Yellow and green colours indicate low lateral strain.

The power of PREVENA[™] Therapy.

PREVENA[™] Therapy is packed with features specifically designed to help reduce the risk of surgical site complications.



Both the PREVENA[™] and PREVENA PLUS[™] Therapy units can support clinicians with early discharge into a home setting:

- Portable, singe use therapy
- No additional dressing changes for up to 7 days
- Shower friendly

(Prevent 125

PREVENA[™] 125 Therapy Unit (7 days)

Included with: PREVENA[™] 13cm, PREVENA[™] 20cm and PREVENA DUO[™] System Kits.



PREVENA PLUS[™] 125 Therapy Unit (7 days)

Included with: PREVENA[™] 35cm and PREVENA CUSTOMIZABLE[™] System Kits. PREVENA PLUS[™] 125 Therapy Unit (14 days) can be purchased separately.

Multiple dressing sizes and configurations. With easy to use PEEL & PLACE[™] dressings for linear incisions up to 35cm and CUSTOMIZABLE[™] dressings for non-linear and intersecting incisions up to 90cm in length.





Designed to be flexible.

PREVENA[™] Dressings are designed to allow for movement, enhancing the post-operative rehabilitation process.

Clinically proven. Across specialities.^{8*}

A systematic literature review and associated meta-analysis supports the safety and effectiveness of PREVENA[™] Therapy over closed incisions in reducing the incidence of surgical site infections (SSIs) and seromas versus conventional wound dressings.

Study overview

- Out of 426 studies in the initial search, ultimately, sixteen (16) prospective studies were included in this meta-analysis for SSI characterisation
- ► A total of up to 6,187 evaluable patients were included in this meta-analysis for SSI with 1,264 in the PREVENA[™] Therapy (treatment) group and 4,923 in the conventional wound dressing (control) group
- ► A total of up to 952 evaluable patients were included in this meta-analysis for seroma with 366 in the PREVENA[™] Therapy (treatment) group and 586 in the conventional wound dressing (control) group

Findings

- PREVENA[™] Therapy aids in reducing the incidence of seroma and surgical site infections in Class I and Class II wounds.
- ▶ PREVENA[™] Therapy demonstrated the greatest benefit in reducing SSIs in high risk patients

	Т	reatmen	it		Control							
Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	%	Events	Total	%	Odds Ratio (95% Cl))	Odd	s Ratio (95%	6 CI)	
Cantero 2016	0	17	(0.0)	9	43	(20.9)	0.10 (0.01, 1.89)		-			
Dimuzio P 2017	6	59	(10.2)	15	60	(25.0)	0.34 (0.12, 0.95)			—		
Grauhan O 2013	3	75	(4.0)	12	75	(16.0)	0.22 (0.06, 0.81)					
Grauhan O 2014	3	237	(1.3)	119	3508	(3.4)	0.37 (0.12, 1.16)		- I			
Gunatiliake RP 2017	1	39	(2.6)	4	43	(9.3)	0.26 (0.03, 2.40)	⊢				
Lavryk O 2016	7	55	(12.7)	21	101	(20.8)	0.56 (0.22, 1.40)		⊢			
Lee AJ 2016	0	27	(0.0)	0	17	(0.0)	Not estimable					
Lee K 2017	6	53	(11.3)	9	49	(18.4)	0.57 (0.19, 1.73)		⊢			
Matatov T 2013	3	52	(5.8)	19	63	(30.2)	0.14 (0.04, 0.51)	F		-		
NCT01341444	0	28	(0.0)	2	30	(6.7)	0.20 (0.01, 4.35)				-	
NCT02196310	13	145	(9.0)	16	154	(10.4)	0.85 (0.39, 1.83)					
NEWMAN JM 2017	2	80	(2.5)	12	80	(15.0)	0.15 (0.03, 0.67)			_		
Redfern RE 2017	2	196	(1.0)	14	400	(3.5)	0.28 (0.06, 1.26)					
Ruhstaller K 2017	2	61	(3.3)	4	58	(6.9)	0.46 (0.08, 2.60)		·			
Sabat J 2016	2	ЗD	(6.7)	7	33	(21.2)	0.27 (0.05, 1.39)					
Swift SH 2015	3	110	(2.7)	24	209	(11.5)	0.22 (0.06, 0.73)					
Total		1264			4923		0.37 (0.27, 0.52)			H I		
								0.01	0.1	1	10	100

Forest plot of meta-analysis on surgical site infection

Favours [experimental]

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Forest plot of meta-analysis on Seroma

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Study or Subgroup	Events	Total	%	Events	Total	%	Odds Ratio (95% CI)		Odd	ds Ratio (959	% CI)	
Ferrando PM 2017	1	25	(4.0)	5	22	(22.7))	0.14 (0.02, 1.32)					
Gunatiliake RP 2017	1	39	(2.6)	2	43	(4.7)	0.54 (0.05, 6.19)		— —	_	—	
NCT01341444	3	28	(10.7)	3	30	(10.0)	1.08 (0.20, 5.85)		⊢			
Pachowsky M 2012	4	9	(44.4)	9	10	(90.0)	0.09 (0.01, 1.03)	H				
Pauser J 2014	4	11	(36.4)	8	10	(80.0)	0.14 (0.02, 1.03)					
Pleger SP 2017	0	58	(0.0)	1	71	(1.4)	0.40 (0.02, 10.05)			-		
Refern RE 2017	0	196	(0.0)	2	400	(0.5)	0.41 (0.02, 8.49)					
Total		366			586		0.31 (0.13, 0.75)					
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								0.01	0.1	1	10	100

*The effectiveness of PREVENA[™] Therapy in reducing the incidence of SSIs and seroma in all surgical procedures and populations has not been demonstrated. See full indications for use and limitations at myKCl.com.

Use of closed incisional negative pressure wound therapy after revision total hip and knee arthroplasty in patients at high risk for infection: a prospective, randomized clinical trial.⁹

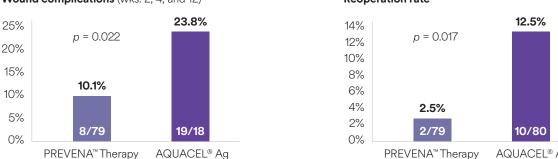
Newman JM, Sigueira MBP, Klika AK, Molloy RM, Barsoum WK, Higuera CA. Journal of Arthroplasty. 2018.

Study overview

- Prospective randomised study to compare the use of PREVENA[™] Therapy to a sterile antimicrobial dressing (AQUACEL[®] Ag) in revision arthroplasty patients, at high risk of wound complications
- 160 patients undergoing elective revision arthroplasty were prospectively randomised to receive either PREVENA[™] Therapy or AQUACEL® Ag in a single institution
- Patients were included if they had at least 1 risk factor for developing wound complication
- Study endpoints included wound complications (such as SSI, drainage, and cellulitis) readmission, and reoperation rates were collected at 2, 4, and 12 weeks postoperatively

Findings

- ► The postoperative wound complication rate was significantly higher in the AQUACEL® Ag compared to the PREVENA™ Therapy group (19 [23.8%] vs 8 [10.1%], p = 0.022).
- There was no significant difference between the AQUACEL[®] Ag and PREVENA[™] Therapy cohorts in terms of readmissions (19 [23.8%] vs 16 [20.3%], p = 0.595).
- ▶ Reoperation rate was higher in AQUACEL® Ag patients compared to PREVENA[™] Therapy patients (10 [12.5%] vs 2 [2.5%], p = 0.017).
- After adjusting for the history of a prior periprosthetic joint infection and inflammatory arthritis, the PREVENA[™] Therapy cohort had a significantly decreased wound complication rate (OR 0.28, 95% CI 0.11 to 0.68).



*Although the authors reported use of PREVENA[™] Therapy for a mean of 3.6 days (ranging from 2 to 15 days), this mean time of application is outside the ecommendations for Optimum Use as stated in the PREVENA[™] Incision Management System Clinician Guide Instructions for Use: 'The PREVENA[™] Incision Management System is to be continuously applied for a minimum of two days up to a maximum of seven days.' Use for greater than 7 days is not recommended or promoted by KCI.

Cost model

A hypothetical cost model applied to the clinical results of the Newman study shows potential cost savings of €1,381 per patient with the use of PREVENA[™] Therapy.

Revision hip (THA) and knee (TKA) surgery hypothetical economic model	PREVENA [™] Therapy (n = 79)	AQUACEL® Ag (n = 80)
Number of reoperations at 2, 4, and 12 weeks (a)	2	10
Average estimated cost of reoperation* (b)	€17,528	€17,528
Total reoperation cost (a*b)	€35,056	€175,280
Per patient cost of reoperation (a*b)/n)	€406	€2,191
Per patient cost of therapy [◊]	€442	€38
Total cost per patient	€848	€2,229

*Kallala RF, Ibrahim MS, Sarmah S, Haddad FS, Vanhegan IS. Financial analysis of revision knee surgery based on NHS tariffs and hospital costs. Does it pay to provide a revision service? Bone Joint J 2015;97B:197e201. Exchange rate from GBP to EUR correct as of Jun 2020.

◊KCI estimate based on price of PREVENA™ PEEL & PLACE™ Dressing System and AQUACEL® Ag; individual prices may vary.

The hypothetical economic model uses select study data to provide an illustration of estimates of costs for use of PREVENA[™] Therapy or AQUACEL® Ag. This model is an illustration and not a guarantee of actual individual costs, savings, outcomes or results. The hospital is advised to use this model as an illustration only to assist in an overall assessment of products and pricing.

Wound complications (wks. 2, 4, and 12)

Reoperation rate

PREVENA[™] Therapy AQUACEL® Ag

Closed-incision negative pressure therapy versus antimicrobial dressings after revision hip and knee surgery: a comparative study.¹⁰

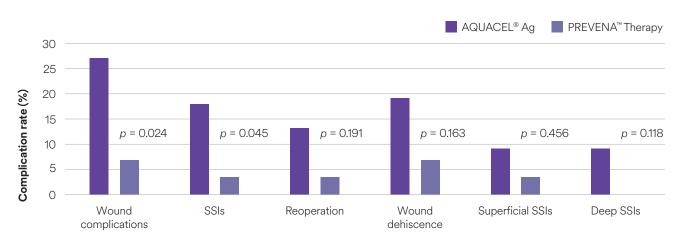
Cooper HJ, Bas MA. J Arthroplasty. 2016;31(5):1047-1052

Study overview

- Retrospective quality improvement analysis of 138 consecutive revision hip and knee operations performed by a single surgeon over a 34-month period
- ► PREVENA[™] Therapy was used selectively in higher risk patients with multiple risk factors for SSIs over the last 15 months of the study period
- Rates of wound complications, SSIs and reoperation were compared with patients treated with a sterile antimicrobial dressing. (AQUACEL[®] Ag)
- ► AQUACEL[®] Ag dressings were used in 108 patients, where as PREVENA[™] Therapy was used in 30 patients

Findings

- Patients treated with PREVENA[™] Therapy developed fewer overall wound complications (6.7% vs 26.9%, p = 0.024) and fewer total SSIs (3.3% vs 18.5%, p = 0.045) than patients treated with AQUACEL[®] Ag
- ► There were trends toward a lower rate of superficial wound dehiscence (6.7% vs 19.4%, p = 0.163), fewer deep periprosthetic joint infections (0.0% vs 9.3%, p = 0.118), and fewer reoperations (3.3% vs 13.0%, p = 0.191) among patients treated with PREVENA[™] Therapy
- The authors from the study concluded that ciNPT may reduce wound complications, SSIs and reoperations in patients undergoing lower extremity periprosthetic fracture surgery



	PREVENA [™] Therapy N = 30 n (%)	AQUACEL◎ Ag N = 108 n (%)	<i>p</i> -value
Overall wound complications	2 (6.7%)	29 (26.9%)	p = 0.024
Total SSIs	1 (3.3%)	20 (18.5%)	p = 0.045
Reoperation rate	1 (3.3%)	14 (13.0%)	p = 0.191

A risk-stratification algorithm to reduce superficial surgical site complications in primary hip and knee arthroplasty.¹¹

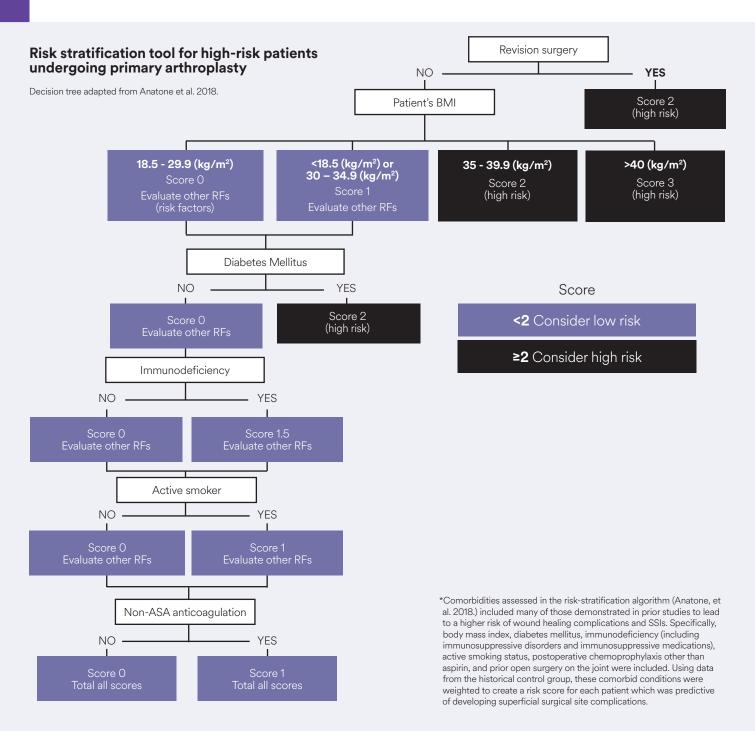
Anatone AJ, Shah RP, Jennings EL, Geller JA, Cooper J. Arthroplasty Today. 2018;4(4):493-498.

Study overview

► Develop a risk stratification algorithm to guide the use of PREVENA[™] Therapy and test its use in normalising the rate of superficial surgical site complications (SSCs) among high risk patients

Findings

- Compared with historical controls, a modest but significant improvement in superficial SSCs was observed after implementation of risk-stratification (12.0% vs 6.8%; p=0.013)
- Among high-risk patients, there was a marked improvement in SSCs when treated prophylactically with PREVENA[™] dressings as compared with historical controls receiving AQUACEL Ag[®] (26.2% vs 7.3%; p < 0.001)</p>
- Low-risk patients, who continued to be treated with standard postoperative dressings, demonstrated no significant improvement (8.6% vs 6.5%; p = 0.344)



Left tibial plafond fracture.

Animesh Agarwal, MD, Director of Orthopaedic Trauma and Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, USA.

Patient information

Patient, a 40-year-old male who fell from a height of 20 feet, was transferred from an outside facility. He sustained an open tibial plafond fracture that was open on the medial side. Patient also had an open distal femur fracture, right closed ankle fracture, and right calcaneus fracture. Patient had a history of hypertension and a 1 pack-per day smoking habit.

Diagnosis

Patient was diagnosed with a left Grade 3 open tibial plafond fracture with an open wound on the medial side. He had extensive comminution and was originally treated with irrigation and debridement of the open fracture with placement of a bridging external fixation. There was significant swelling at the time of the injury without evidence of compartment syndrome. Due to the soft tissue injury on the medial side and the amount of fracture comminution, it was felt that a lateral extensile approach would be best warranted.

Initial incision treatment/application of $\textbf{PREVENA}^{\scriptscriptstyle{M}}$ Therapy

Following surgery (Figure A), the PREVENA[™] Incision Management System with the PREVENA[™] PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing (KCI, a 3M company, San Antonio, TX) was applied over the closed incision at -125 mmHg (Figure B).

Discharge and follow-up

PREVENA[™] Therapy was discontinued after 7 days (Figure C). Enlargement of sections of the incision at this time showed excellent approximation of wound edges and what clinically appeared to be a much more mature incision at seven days than usually observed (Figure D). Due to his multiple injuries, the patient remained in the hospital and was discharged from the hospital on Day 9, which was 2 days after PREVENA[™] Therapy was discontinued. The patient returned to his hometown and unfortunately was lost to further follow-up.







B. Application of PREVENA[™] Therapy with the PREVENA[™] PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing over closed incision.



C. Incision after 7 days of PREVENA[™] Therapy.



D. Enlargement of incision sections after 7 days of $PREVENA^{**}$ Therapy, from the ankle (1) up through the length of the incision (2–3) to the top (4).

Revision Total Knee Arthroplasy (TKA).

H. John Cooper, M.D. Assistant Professor Columbia University, New York, New York.

Patient information

A 74-year-old woman with a past surgical history of bilateral knee replacement (Figure 1), complicated by a posterior dislocation of her right knee in 2013 that resulted in vascular compromise to her lower leg due to ruptured popliteal vessels. This was treated with reduction of the dislocation, right lower extremity vascular bypass, a needed a subsequent evacuation of a postoperative right leg hematoma. The patient's medical history was significant for morbid obesity (body mass index 40.5kg/m2), lymphedema, peripheral vascular disease, recurrent venous thromboembolic disease, hypertension, dyslipidemia, and hypothyroidism.

Diagnosis

The patient suffered a second posterior dislocation of the right knee (Figure 2). The second posterior dislocation was reduced in the emergency department (Figure 3), and limb was placed in an immobilizer. The patient was referred for revision surgery. The patient underwent a right TKA revision in which the knee joint was revised to a hinge (Figure 4). The procedure was performed without pneumatic tourniquet placement, and the patient was prescribed the anticoagulant, rivaroxaban (Xarelto®; Janssen Pharmaceutica NV, Beerse, Belgium) immediately postoperatively.¹

Initial incision treatment/application of PREVENA[™] Therapy

Following the revision TKA procedure, the PREVENA PLUS[™] Incision Management System with PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm (KCI, an 3M Company, San Antonio, TX) was applied over the closed incision at -125mmHg of subatmospheric pressure to reconstitute the integumentary integrity (Figure 5). The PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm remained over the closed incision until removal on postoperative Day 7.

Discharge and follow-up

On postoperative Day 7, the patient returned to the physician's office for dressing removal (Figure 6). After 7 days of PREVENA PLUS[™] Incision Management System usage, the incision was intact, and no postoperative complications, infection or dehiscence were noted.

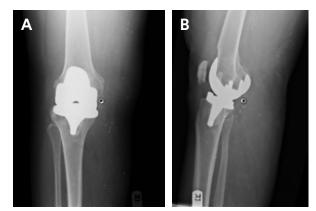


Figure 1. TKA of the right knee.A. Radiographic image depicting frontal view of right knee following TKA.B. Radiographic image depicting sagittal view of right knee following TKA.

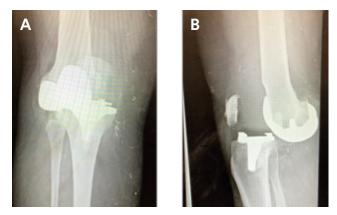


Figure 2. Right TKA after second posterior dislocation.A. Frontal view of radiographic image depicting dislocated TKA.B. Sagittal view of radiographic image depicting dislocated TKA.



Figure 3. Right knee underwent closed reduction and was referred for revision surgery.



Figure 4. Right knee after TKA revision procedure.A. Radiographic image depicting frontal view of knee following TKA revision with a hinge joint.B. Radiographic image depicting sagittal view of knee following TKA revision with a hinge joint.

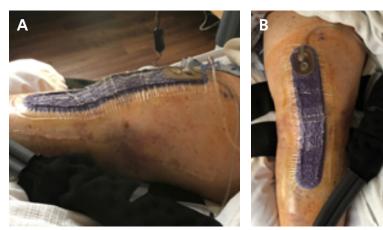


Figure 5. PREVENA PLUS[™] Incision Management System with PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm was applied postoperatively to the incision.
A. Lateral view of PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm.
B. Anterior view of PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm.



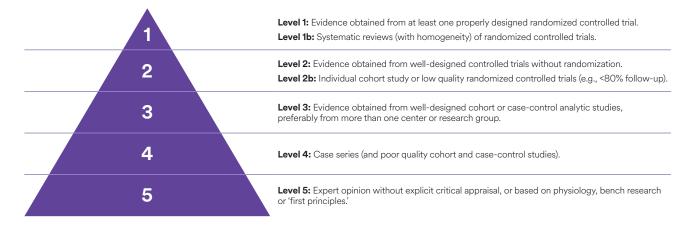
Figure 6. Patient follow-up on postoperative day 7 demonstrating intact incision.
A. Knee in an extended position after removal of PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm.
B. Knee in a flexed position after removal of PEEL & PLACE[™] Dressing – 35cm.

Patient data and photos courtesy of H. John Cooper, M.D. Assistant Professor Columbia University, New York, New York.

Note: As with any case study, the results and outcomes should not be interpreted as a guarantee or warranty of similar results. Individual results may vary, depending on the patient's circumstances and condition.

There are 70+ ciNPT journal publications using our products. The following publications are specific to orthopedics.

Level of clinical evidence rating.



Citation	Wound/surgery type	Level of evidenc	
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