

HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Total Knee Investigation

Note: This analysis compares the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos femoral/tibial combination with all other total knee prostheses.

This combination has been identified as having a significantly higher rate of revision. For a detailed explanation of the process used by the Registry that results in identification of prostheses that have a higher than anticipated rate of revision please refer to the Prostheses with Higher than Anticipated Rates of Revision chapter of the most recent AOANJRR Annual Report, <https://aoanjrr.sahmri.com/annual-reports-2026>.

Note: Procedures using prostheses with no recorded use in 2025 are excluded from the comparator.

TABLE 1

Revision Rate of Primary Total Knee Replacement

The revision rate of the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination is compared to all other total knee prostheses.

Table 1: Revision Rates of Primary Total Knee Replacement

Component	N Revised	N Total	Obs. Years	Revisions/100 Obs. Yrs (95% CI)
HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos	45	294	3497	1.29 (0.94, 1.72)
Other Total Knee	27284	791430	5145922	0.53 (0.52, 0.54)
TOTAL	27329	791724	5149419	0.53 (0.52, 0.54)

Note: Prostheses no longer used in 2025 are excluded from the comparator.

TABLE 2

Yearly Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Knee Replacement

The yearly cumulative percent revision of the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination is compared to all other total knee prostheses.

Table 2: Yearly Cumulative Percent Revision (95% CI) of Primary Total Knee Replacement

CPR	1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs	5 Yrs	6 Yrs
HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos	3.4 (1.8, 6.2)	6.8 (4.5, 10.4)	8.6 (5.9, 12.4)	10.0 (7.0, 14.0)	10.7 (7.7, 14.9)	11.5 (8.3, 15.7)
Other Total Knee	1.0 (1.0, 1.0)	1.8 (1.8, 1.8)	2.4 (2.3, 2.4)	2.8 (2.7, 2.8)	3.1 (3.1, 3.1)	3.4 (3.4, 3.5)

CPR	7 Yrs	8 Yrs	9 Yrs	10 Yrs	11 Yrs	12 Yrs
HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos	12.2 (8.9, 16.6)	12.2 (8.9, 16.6)	12.6 (9.3, 17.1)	13.5 (10.0, 18.1)	14.4 (10.8, 19.2)	15.4 (11.6, 20.3)
Other Total Knee	3.7 (3.7, 3.8)	4.0 (4.0, 4.1)	4.3 (4.3, 4.4)	4.6 (4.6, 4.7)	4.9 (4.9, 5.0)	5.3 (5.2, 5.3)

CPR	13 Yrs	14 Yrs	15 Yrs	16 Yrs	17 Yrs	18 Yrs
HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos	15.9 (12.0, 20.9)	15.9 (12.0, 20.9)	16.5 (12.5, 21.7)	16.5 (12.5, 21.7)	17.8 (13.3, 23.6)	
Other Total Knee	5.6 (5.5, 5.7)	5.9 (5.8, 6.0)	6.3 (6.2, 6.4)	6.7 (6.6, 6.9)	7.2 (7.0, 7.3)	7.5 (7.4, 7.7)

CPR	19 Yrs	20 Yrs	21 Yrs	22 Yrs	23 Yrs	24 Yrs	25 Yrs
HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos							
Other Total Knee	7.9 (7.7, 8.0)	8.1 (7.9, 8.3)	8.5 (8.2, 8.7)	8.7 (8.4, 9.0)	8.8 (8.6, 9.2)	9.1 (8.7, 9.5)	9.5 (8.8, 10.2)

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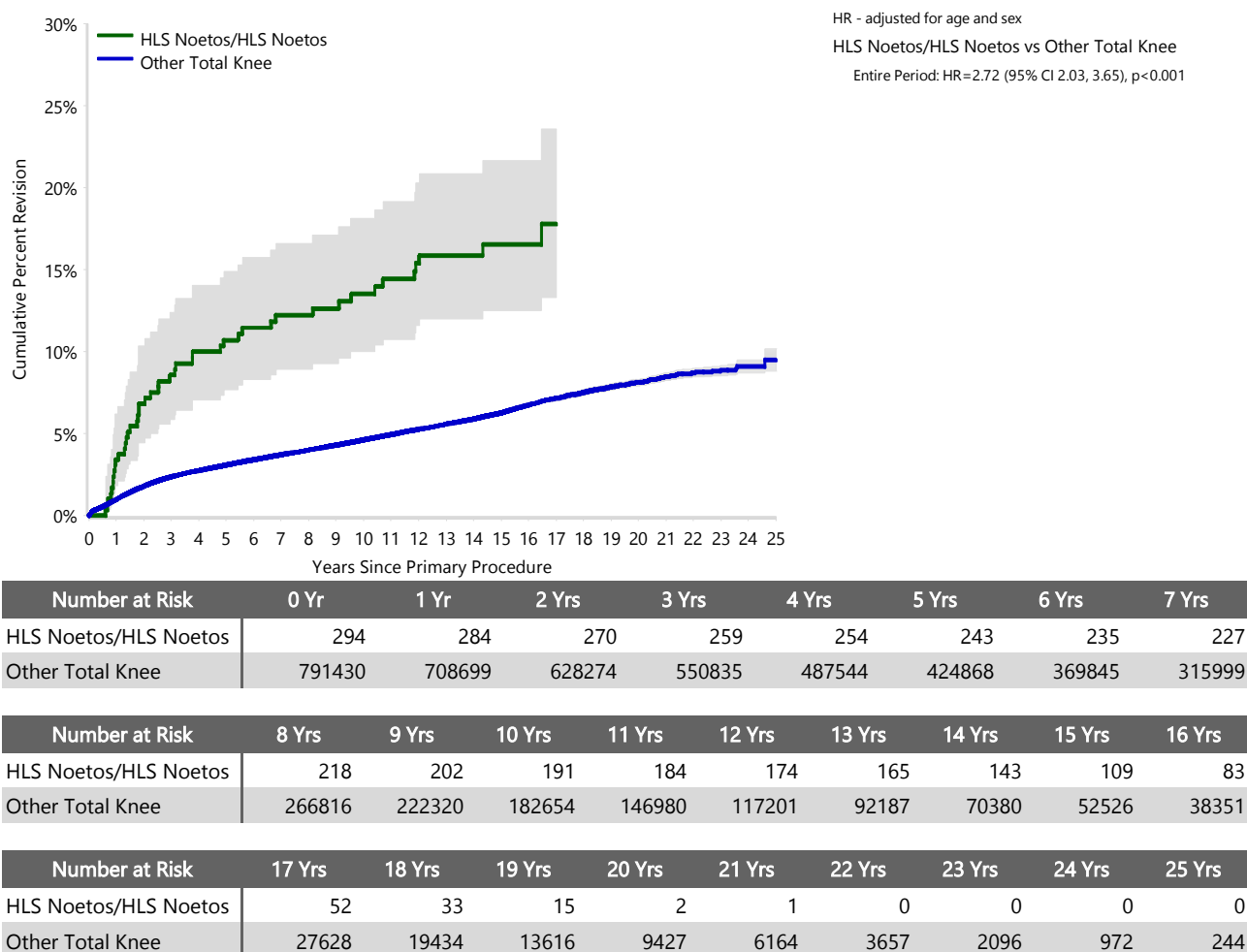
FIGURE 1

Yearly Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Knee Replacement

The yearly cumulative percent revision of the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination is compared to all other total knee prostheses. In addition, hazard ratios are reported.

Hazard ratios are reported for specific time periods during which the hazard ratio is constant. This is done to enable more specific and valid comparisons of the risk of revision over time. The pattern of variation in risk has important implications with respect to the underlying reasons for any difference.

Figure 1: Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Knee Replacement



Note: Prostheses no longer used in 2025 are excluded from the comparator.

TABLE 3**Primary Diagnosis for Revised Primary Total Knee Replacement**

This table identifies the diagnosis of the primary procedure which was subsequently revised. This information is provided as there is a variation on outcome depending on the primary diagnosis. It is therefore important when considering the reasons for a higher than anticipated rate of revision that there is identification of the primary diagnosis. This information should be compared to the primary diagnosis for the revisions of all other total knee prostheses.

Table 3: Primary Diagnosis for Revised Primary Total Knee Replacement

Primary Diagnosis	HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos		Other Total Knee	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Osteoarthritis	44	97.8	26392	96.7
Rheumatoid Arthritis	1	2.2	330	1.2
Tumour			199	0.7
Other Inflammatory Arthritis			177	0.6
Osteonecrosis			104	0.4
Fracture			55	0.2
Other			26	0.1
Chondrocalcinosis			1	0.0
TOTAL	45	100.0	27284	100.0

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TABLE 4

Reasons for Revision

This is reported in two ways: a percentage of primary procedures revised and as a percentage of all revision procedures.

% Primaries Revised: This shows the proportional contribution of each revision diagnosis as a percentage of the total number of primary procedures. This percentage can be used to approximate the risk of being revised for that diagnosis. Differing percentages between groups, with the same distribution of follow up time, may identify problems of concern.

% Revisions: The number of revisions for each diagnosis is expressed as a percentage of the total number of revisions. This shows the distribution of reasons for revision within a group but cannot be used as a comparison between groups.

Table 4: Primary Total Knee Replacement - Reason for Revision (Follow-up Limited to 21.1 Years)

Revision Diagnosis	HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos			Other Total Knee		
	Number	% Primaries Revised	% Revisions	Number	% Primaries Revised	% Revisions
Infection	8	2.7	17.8	7888	1.0	28.9
Loosening	11	3.7	24.4	5760	0.7	21.1
Instability	3	1.0	6.7	2872	0.4	10.5
Patella Erosion	2	0.7	4.4	2035	0.3	7.5
Pain	10	3.4	22.2	1867	0.2	6.8
Patellofemoral Pain	6	2.0	13.3	1557	0.2	5.7
Arthrofibrosis	1	0.3	2.2	1181	0.1	4.3
Fracture	1	0.3	2.2	1136	0.1	4.2
Malalignment				511	0.1	1.9
Wear Tibial Insert	1	0.3	2.2	372	0.0	1.4
Lysis				291	0.0	1.1
Implant Breakage Tibial Insert				252	0.0	0.9
Incorrect Sizing	1	0.3	2.2	218	0.0	0.8
Patella Maltracking				192	0.0	0.7
Bearing Dislocation				150	0.0	0.6
Implant Breakage Patella				147	0.0	0.5
Metal Related Pathology	1	0.3	2.2	114	0.0	0.4
Prosthesis Dislocation				78	0.0	0.3
Synovitis				64	0.0	0.2
Wear Patella				52	0.0	0.2
Osteonecrosis				51	0.0	0.2
Implant Breakage Femoral				49	0.0	0.2
Implant Breakage Tibial				39	0.0	0.1
Tumour				36	0.0	0.1
Heterotopic Bone				16	0.0	0.1
Progression Of Disease				8	0.0	0.0
Wear Tibial				6	0.0	0.0
Patella Dislocation				3	0.0	0.0
Incorrect Side				1	0.0	0.0
Wear Femoral				1	0.0	0.0
Other				314	0.0	1.2
N Revision	45	15.3	100.0	27261	3.4	100.0
N Primary	294			791430		

Note: This table is restricted to revisions within 21.1 years for all groups to allow a time-matched comparison of revisions.

Note: Prostheses no longer used in 2025 are excluded from the comparator.

FIGURE 2**Cumulative Incidence Revision Diagnosis of Primary Total Knee Replacement**

This figure details the cumulative incidence of the most common reasons for revision. The five most common reasons for revision are included as long as each of these reasons account for more than 10 procedures or at least 5% of all revisions for the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination. A comparative graph is provided of the cumulative incidence for the same reasons for revisions for all other total knee prostheses.

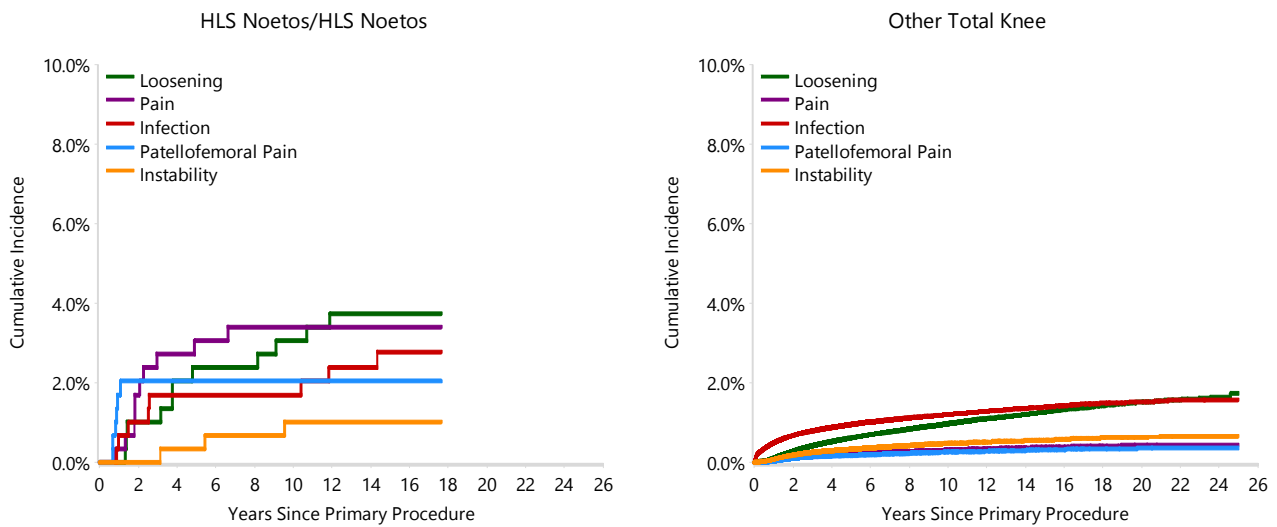
Figure 2: Cumulative Incidence Revision Diagnosis for Primary Total Knee Replacement

TABLE 5

Type of Revision Performed for Primary Total Knee Replacement

This analysis identifies the components used in the revision of the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination and compares it to the components used in the revision of all other total knee prostheses.

The reason this analysis is undertaken is to identify whether there is one or more components which are being replaced that differ from the components replaced for revisions of all other total knee prostheses i.e. is there a difference in the type of revision undertaken for the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination compared to all other total knee prostheses.

Table 5: Primary Total Knee Replacement - Type of Revision (Follow-up Limited to 21.1 Years)

Type of Revision	HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos		Other Total Knee	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
TKR (Tibial/Femoral)	16	35.6	6663	24.4
Tibial Component	2	4.4	1908	7.0
Femoral Component			1313	4.8
Cement Spacer	6	13.3	1137	4.2
Removal of Prostheses			135	0.5
Total Femoral			23	0.1
Reinsertion of Components			8	0.0
N Major	24	53.3	11187	41.0
Insert Only	2	4.4	8569	31.4
Patella Only	15	33.3	4495	16.5
Insert/Patella	4	8.9	2933	10.8
Minor Components			66	0.2
Cement Only			11	0.0
N Minor	21	46.7	16074	59.0
TOTAL	45	100.0	27261	100.0

Note: This table is restricted to revisions within 21.1 years for all groups to allow a time-matched comparison of revisions.

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TABLE 6**Revision Rates of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Fixation**

This analysis is provided as some prostheses have more than one fixation option. Additionally there are prostheses where an alternative to the recommended approach to fixation was used e.g. a cementless prosthesis that has been cemented or vice-versa.

Table 6: Revised Number of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Fixation

Fixation	N Revised	N Total
Cemented	14	140
Hybrid (Tibial Cemented)	31	154
TOTAL	45	294

TABLE 7**Revision Rates of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Bearing Surface**

This analysis is provided as some prostheses are combined with a variety of bearing surfaces. All bearing surfaces used with this combination are listed.

Table 7: Revised Number of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Bearing Surface

Bearing Surface	N Revised	N Total
Non XLPE	45	293
Unknown	0	1
TOTAL	45	294

TABLE 8**Revision Rates of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Bearing Mobility**

This analysis is provided as some prostheses are combined with a variety of bearing mobilities. All bearing mobilities used with this combination are listed.

Table 8: Revised Number of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Bearing Mobility

Bearing Mobility	N Revised	N Total
Rotating	45	293
Unknown	0	1
TOTAL	45	294

TABLE 9**Revision Rates of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Stability**

This analysis is provided as some prostheses are combined with a variety of stabilities. All stabilities used with this combination are listed.

Table 9: Revised Number of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Stability

Stability	N Revised	N Total
Posterior Stabilised	45	293
Unknown	0	1
TOTAL	45	294

TABLE 10

Revision Rates of Primary Total Knee Replacement by State

This enables a state by state variation to be identified for the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination and provides the comparative data for each of the states for all other total knee prostheses.

The purpose of this analysis is to determine if the higher than anticipated rate of revision has widespread distribution between states. If there is widespread distribution then the reason for the higher than anticipated rate of revision is unlikely to be surgeon specific. If the prosthesis has been used in only a small number of states it is not possible to distinguish if the higher than anticipated rate of revision is related to the prosthesis, surgeon, technique or patient.

Table 10: Revised Number of Primary Total Knee Replacement by State

Component	State	N Revised	N Total
HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos	NSW	32	160
	VIC	1	4
	WA	7	70
	TAS	5	60
Other Total Knee	NSW	7550	259497
	VIC	6020	163565
	QLD	5789	167244
	WA	3600	92841
	SA	3220	73114
	TAS	475	15075
	ACT/NT	630	20094
TOTAL		27329	791724

Note: Prostheses no longer used in 2025 are excluded from the comparator.

TABLE 11**Number of Revisions of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Year of Implant**

This analysis details the number of prostheses reported each year to the Registry for the HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos total knee combination. It also provides the subsequent number of revisions of the primaries reported in that year.

Primary procedures performed in later years have had less follow up time therefore the number revised is expected to be less than the number revised in earlier years. For example, a primary procedure performed in 2025 has a maximum of one year to be revised, whereas a primary procedure performed in 2023 has a maximum of three years to be revised.

Table 11: Number of Revisions of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Year of Implant

Year of Implant	Number Revised	Total Number
2004	0	2
2005	1	2
2006	5	47
2007	4	45
2008	8	45
2009	7	56
2010	10	48
2011	7	28
2012	2	20
2013	1	1
TOTAL	45	294

TABLE 12

Revision Rates of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Catalogue Number Range

Many prostheses have a number of catalogue ranges. The catalogue range is specific to particular design features; more than one catalogue range usually indicates a minor difference in design in a particular HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos prosthesis.

This analysis has been undertaken to determine if the revision rate varies according to the catalogue number range.

Model	Catalogue Range	Catalogue Description	Cement	Coating
Femoral				
HLS Noetos	GDF251-GDF266	PS HA COCR FEMORAL COMPONENT	NO	HA COATED
HLS Noetos	GDF691-GDF706	PS COCR FEMORAL IMPLANT	YES	
Tibial				
HLS Noetos	GDF011-GDF016	COCR ROTATING TIBIAL TRAY	YES	

Table 12: Revised Number of HLS Noetos/HLS Noetos Primary Total Knee Replacement by Catalogue Number Range

Femoral Range	Tibial Range	N Revised	N Total
GDF251-GDF266	GDF011-GDF016	31	154
GDF691-GDF706	GDF011-GDF016	14	140
TOTAL		45	294