

Supplementary Material

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Table i. Data fields and definitions applied during the interrogation of the database.

Data fields	Definitions	
Case ID	Identifier for each UKA/TKA case	
Admission week	Calendar week the patient's admission was performed	
Admission month	Calendar month the admission was performed	
Admission date	Date of the admission to the hospital	
Discharge date	Date of discharge from the hospital	
Admission method	Binary flag indicating whether the admission was performed	
	through a waiting list or via Accident and Emergency Department	
Discharge destination	Disposition of patient at discharge (e.g. usual residence, NHS	
	Hospital, Temporary place etc.)	
LOS (days)	Number of midnights between indexed admission and the	
	discharge date	
LOS (hours)	Number of hours between indexed admission and the	
	discharge date	
Readmission flag	Binary flag indicating readmission within 30 days from	
	discharge	
PACU ward	Binary flag indicating admission to PACU ward	
PACU LOS	Number of midnights between indexed admission and	
	discharge date from PACU	
Procedure group	Binary flag indicating whether robotic-arm assistance or	
	conventional technique was used	
ASA	Patient's ASA physical status	
BMI	Patient's BMI	
Sex	Patient's sex	
Age	Patient's age	
Anaesthesia type	Binary flag indicating whether spinal or general anaesthesia	
	was used	
Laterality	Flag indicating right, left, or bilateral procedure	
Postcode	Patient's postcode (this was later utilised to calculate the index	
	of multiple deprivation according to the tool provided by the	
	Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government. ¹	

ASA, American Society of Anesthesiologists; LOS, length of stay; PACU, post anaesthesia care unit; TKA, total knee arthroplasty; UKA, unicompartmental knee arthroplasty.

Table ii. Correlation among length of stay, age, and sex among patients undergoing total knee arthroplasty.

Variable	Length of stay (days)	Length of stay (hours)
Length of stay (days)		0.983 (p < 0.001)* 0.999 (p < 0.001)†
Length of stay (hours)	0.983 (p < 0.001)* 0.999 (p < 0.001)†	
Age	0.184 (p < 0.001) * 0.153 (p < 0.001)†	0.185 (p < 0.001)* 0.153 (p < 0.001)†
BMI	0.072 (p = 0.009)* 0.032 (p = 0.247)†	0.071 (p = 0.010)* 0.032 (p = 0.245)†

*Spearman correlation coefficient.

†Pearson correlation coefficient.

Table iii. Correlation among length of stay, age, and sex among patients undergoing unicompartmental knee arthroplasty.

Variable	Length of stay (days)	Length of stay (hours)
Length of stay (days)		0.966 (p < 0.001)* 0.996 (p < 0.001)†
Length of stay (hours)	0.966 (p < 0.001)* 0.996 (p < 0.001)†	
Age	0.178 (p = 0.001)* 0.183 (p < 0.001)†	0.169 (p = 0.002)* 0.180 (p < 0.001)†
BMI	0.094 (p = 0.092)* 0.135 (p = 0.015)†	0.095 (p = 0.091)* 0.137 (p = 0.014)†

*Spearman correlation coefficient. †Pearson correlation coefficient.

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