Effect of steroid in local infiltrative analgesia in one-stage bilateral total knee arthroplasty. A paired-randomized controlled study



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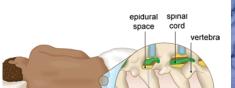
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Total Knee Arthroplasty

- Most successful for advanced OA knees
- Severe post-operative pain unresolved
- Multimodal, opioid sparing
- Options:





Local infiltrative analgesia

(LIA)



Andersen. *Anaesthesia* 2009 Banerjee. *Orthopedic* 2013 Kerr and Kohan *Acta Orthopedica* 2008





LIA

- Intra-op peri-articular injection of:
 - Local anesthetic, adrenaline and NSAID
- Minimal side effects
- Proven effectiveness in multiple RCTs and meta-analysis

Limitations

- Short duration
- Unclear role of individual components



Andersen and Kehlet. *Br J of Anaes*Xu. *The Knee*Ng. *JOA* 2012 Kerr and Kohan. *Acta Orthp*





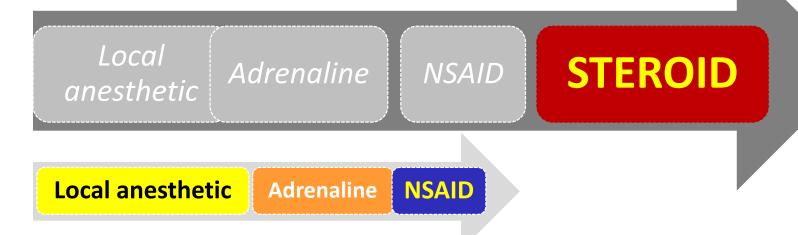
Study Aim and Hypothesis

• Aim

Evaluate the role of steroid in LIA

Hypothesis

 Potent and long acting anti-inflammatory enhances LIA







(n=26)

LIA without steroid (n=26)

<u>Deep</u>

75mg Ropivacaine

7.5mg Ketorolac

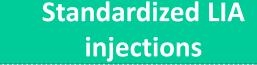
0.5mg Adrenaline

<u>Subcutaneous</u>

75mg Ropivacaine

7.5mg Ketorolac

Randomization



Avoid steroid in subcutaneous tissue and tendon

LIA with steroid

(n=26)

<u>Deep</u>

75mg Ropivacaine

7.5mg Ketorolac

0.5mg Adrenaline

40mg Triamcinolone

<u>Subcutaneous</u>

75mg Ropivacaine

7.5mg Ketorolac



Follow-up at 6 weeks and 3 months











Baseline characteristics

	LIA without steroid (n = 26)	LIA with steroid (n = 26)	P-value
VAS at rest	1.4 ± 2.1	1.7 ± 2.3	0.30
VAS during activity	6.5 ± 2.0	6.4 ± 2.3	0.80

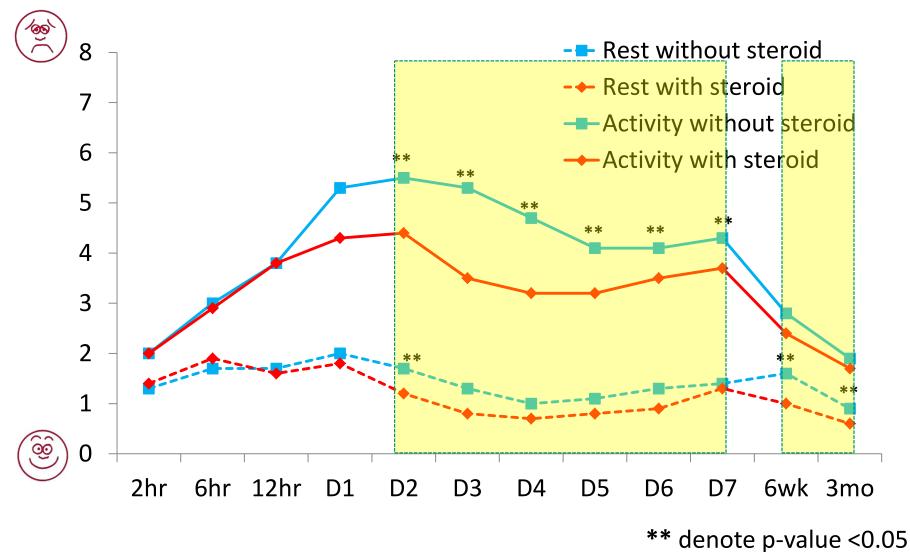
Clinical, Radiological and Functional parameters are comparable

Post-op MTFA	3.4 ± 3.7	3 ± 3.5	0.69
OT time (min)	73.2 ± 26	77 ± 30	0.24
Knee Society Score	41 ± 14	41 ± 13	0.62





VAS score at rest and during activity

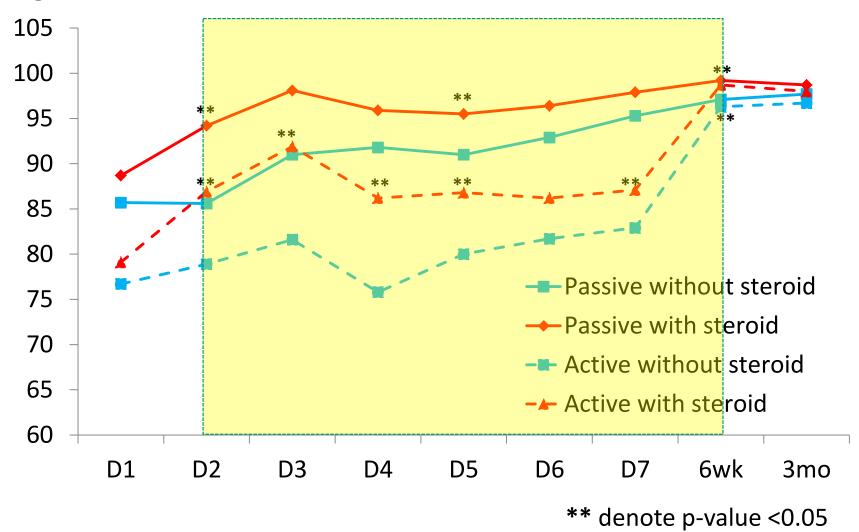






Active and passive ROM

Degrees







Post-operative parameters

	LIA without steroid (n = 26)	LIA with steroid (n = 26)	P-value
Time to achieve SLR	1.9 ± 1.7	1.2 ± 0.7	0.0067
Knee Society Score At 6 weeks	83.1 ± 10	82.6 ± 11	0.53
Knee Society Score At 3 months	89.8 ± 5.6	89.1 ± 5.6	0.80
Wound complications	0	0	1.0
Infections	0	0	1.0







DISCUSSION







Limitation of current evidence

- 7 RCTs on LIA with steroid
- Methodological limitations
 - Pre-op analgesics not controlled
 - Short outcome measurements
 - Variable controls (NSAID/ adrenaline)
 - Mental health, social status not men

Predictors of outcomes of total knee replacement surgery

Demographic and psychosocial predictors of acute perioperative pain for total knee arthroplasty

Maya L Roth MA1, Dean A Tripp PhD2, Mark H Harrison MD3,4, Michael Sullivan PhD5, Patricia Carson BSc4

Does Preoperative Psychologic Distress Influence Pain, Function, and Quality of Life After TKA?

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PREDICTING THE OUTCOME OF TOTAL KNEE ARTHROPLASTY

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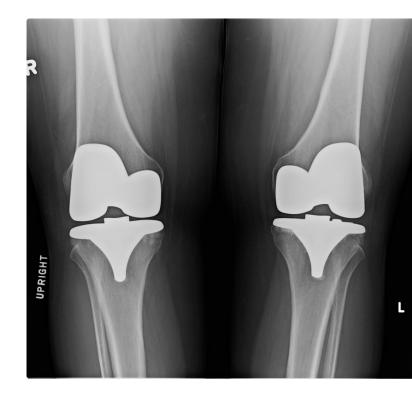
Investigation performed at Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts





First within subject study to investigate role of components in LIA

- Pain most subjective
- Control confounders:
 - Pain perception
 - Peri-op analgesia
 - Psychological state
 - Social-economic backgrounds
- Increase statistical power
 - Paired t-test, Wilcoxon test
 - Reduce variance
 - Increase power (with same no. of subjects)







Conclusion

 LIA with steroid provides better pain relief and early rehabilitation outcomes after TKR

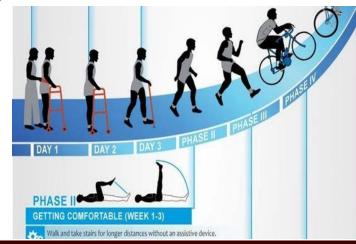
Local anesthetic

Adrenaline

NSAID

STEROID









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Statistics

- Power analysis (alpha 0.5, power 0.8)
 - 25 patients to detect difference in 2 VAS (minimal clinical important difference)
- Paired t-test for parametric variables
- Wilcoxon test for non-parameteric variables
- Fisher's exact test for categorical variables
- GraphPad software, San Diego, CA, USA

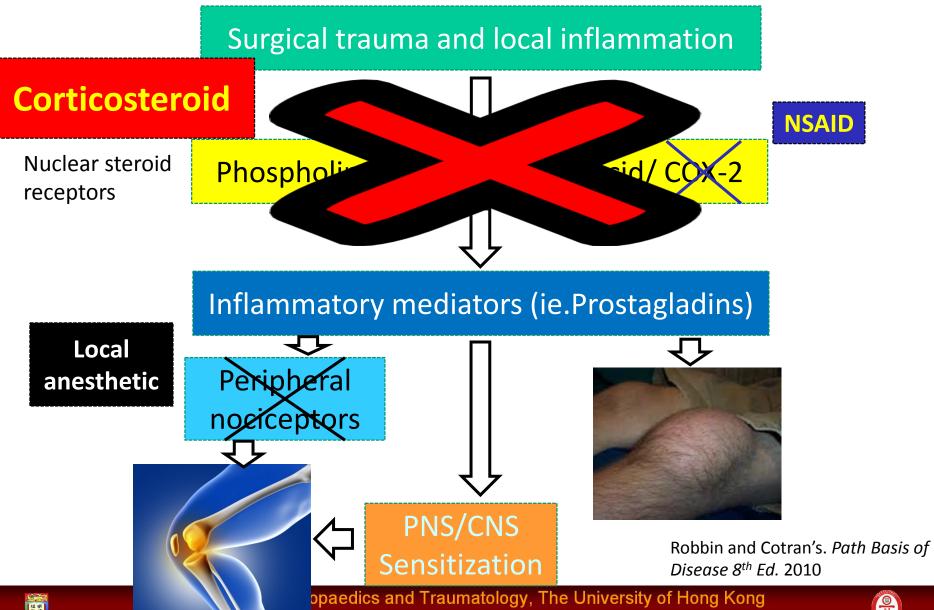


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How does LIA with steroid work?





Clinical implication

- Readiness to discharge criteria
 - Stable medical and wound condition
 - Good pain control (VAS rest <3; activity < 5)
 - Physical (active flexion ≥90deg)
 - Functional (self-care, independent walking)
- Within subject comparison on POD 3

		No steroid knee passed only	Steroid knee passed only
9 (29%)	8 (26%)	0 (0%)	14 (45%)



Kehlet. *Acta Orthpaedica*Ng. *JOA 2012* Chan. *Arthritis Care and Res*Egmond. *Acta Orthopaedica*





Sensitization reduction

- Less rest pain <u>at 6 weeks</u>
 - Beyond action of triamcinolone (~14days)
- Acute pain can leads to chronic pain via sensitization
- Steroid blocks origin of inflammation and pain
- Reduces sensitization → prolong effect?

	Common concentration	Common equivalent	Approximate duration of
Steroid	(mg per mL)	dose* (mg)	action (days)
Methylprednisolone acetate (Depo-Medrol)	40 or 80	40	8
Triamcinolone acetonide (Kenalog)	10 or 40	40	14
Triamcinolone hexa- cetonide (Aristospan)	20	40	21
Dexamethasone acetate (Decadron-LA†)	8	8	8

Carr. Lancet 1999 Samad. Nature 2001 Stephens. Am Fam Phys 2008 Yue. Chin Med Journal 2013





Clinical importance of changes in chronic pain intensity measured on an 11-point numerical pain rating scale

John T. Farrar^{a,*}, James P. Young Jr.^b, Linda LaMoreaux^b, John L. Werth^b, R. Michael Poole^b

Determining the clinical importance of treatment benefits for interventions for painful orthopedic conditions

Evaluation

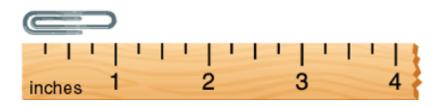
Nathaniel P Katz^{1,2*}, Florence C Paillard¹ and Evan Ekman^{2,3}

Evaluation of clinically relevant changes in patient reported outcomes in knee and hip osteoarthritis: the minimal clinically important improvement

F Tubach, P Ravaud, G Baron, B Falissard, I Logeart, N Bellamy, C Bombardier, D Felson, M Hochberg, D van der Heijde, M Dougados

Minimal clinical important difference (MCID)

- Smallest change in measured outcome perceived as beneficial (or detrimental) by the patient
- <u>2pt</u> changes in VAS (0 -10) is clinically important in OA knees



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Efficacy of steroid addition to multimodal cocktail periarticular injection in total knee arthroplasty: a meta-analysis

Xinyu Zhao, Jun Qin, Yang Tan, Rahul Mohanan, Dongcai Hu an



The impact of including corticosteroid in a periarticular injection for pain control after total knee arthroplasty

A DOUBLE-BLIND RANDOMISED CONTROLLED TRIAL

- 7 RCT (345 LIA with steroid TKR)
- No differences in infection and wound complications
- No patella tendon rupture
- Still underpowered
- 3500 TKRs to detect 50% differences in infection rate

Zhao. *J or Ortho Surg and Res* 2015 Hoshino. *BJJ* 2015



