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Robotic guided total hip arthroplasty

Primary total hip arthroplasty (THA) is a common procedure, with 332,000 procedures performed in 2010, in the United States alone. Increases for THA in younger patients (< 60 years), as a consequence of preexisting hip disorders, account for almost 40% of THA procedures completed in the United States. This produces a challenge, as it has been shown that younger age at the time of the primary THA corresponds to increased risk of revision THA. Numerous studies report primary THAs in patients younger than 30 years with global revision rates ranging from 4% to 33%. These reported rates are much higher than those reported for older patients' range 7%-15% with a longer follow up. The conventional technique of using manually manipulated instrumentation is the most widely used for reaming the acetabulum and broaching the femur in THA. Recently, computerized guidance systems, including image-assisted navigation, imageless navigation and robotic-assisted computer navigation, have been introduced for use in THA. The goal of this technology is to improve the precision and reproducibility of acetabular reaming, which is expected to lead to improved implant longevity and decreased complications related to loosening, intra-operative fractures, and acetabular cup protrusion.

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Biography

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