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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a nice review article concerning postoperative knee pain after total knee arthroplasty (TKR). Only one correction would be needed; Page 3 line 13: Please explain briefly what is the extrinsic knee pain after TKR.



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The present review analyzed the existence and the prevalence of persistent postoperative pain and neuropathic pain after total knee replacement (TKR). Risk factors that might affect persistent postoperative pain and neuropathic pain were reviewed. The reported prevalence of persistent postoperative pain and neuropathic pain seems to be relatively high, but it varies among different studies. Pre-operative factors related to the development of persistent post-operative pain also differ. The authors are unable to reach firm conclusions concerning the prevalence, and the risk factors of persistent post-operative pain after TKR, due to the heterogeneity of the studies. This point is the limitation of this review. It would be better to make a more simple table.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This is a well-written review paper on a topic which will be of interest to the readers of the WJO. The authors were unfortunately unable to reach a conclusion from the papers they reviewed; however, they have explained why this is the case. I have a few minor revisions as stated below. 1. I think the Abstract needs a concluding sentence as it sounds a bit open-ended. 2. Introduction: p 3, first line: The authors say 'TKR represents a treatment of' when they mean 'TKR is a treatment for.' On line 3, avoid using informal language i.e. change 'It's' to 'It is.' 3. Introduction: p 3, Paragraph 4: This paragraph on the IASP is unclear and needs to be revised. What is (a) and (b)? The website address should be in the references with an access date. 4. Materials and Methods: Under Literature Search, the sentence 'The study design filters were applied to the search strategies' is unclear. Can the authors please revise this? 5. Materials and Methods: Under Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria (p 5), the authors say they found a total of 112 articles but only 14 studies were selected. Why were only these 14 studies used? 6. There are a few grammatical errors on p 7. 7. Conclusion: First paragraph: The authors state the number of studies is small: is this the 14 or the 112 studies?



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Except for some revision, I think this manuscript give us very valuable information about persistent post-surgical pain following total knee arthroplasty.