

Predictors of total hip replacement in community based older adults: a cohort study

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ABSTRACT

Objective: The purpose of this study is to describe predictors of total hip replacement (THR) in community dwelling older adults. A better understanding of predictors of THR can aid in triaging patients and researching preventative strategies.

Design: At baseline, participants had assessment of radiographic OA and cam morphology (from pelvic radiographs), shape mode scores and hip bone mineral density (BMD; from dual energy X-ray absorptiometry (DXA)). After 2.6 and 5 years, participants reported hip pain using WOMAC (Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index), and had hip structural changes assessed using magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). Risk of THR was analysed using mixed-effect Poisson regression.

Results: Incidence of THR for OA over 14 years was 4.6% (37 / 801). As expected, WOMAC hip pain and hip radiographic OA both predicted risk of THR. Additionally, shape mode 2 score (decreasing acetabular coverage) (RR 1.83 per SD; 95% CI 1.1-3.04), shape mode 4 score (non-spherical femoral head) (RR 0.59/SD; 95% CI 0.36-0.96), cam morphology ($\alpha > 60^\circ$) (RR 2.2/SD; 95% CI 1.33-3.36), neck of femur BMD (RR 2.09/SD, 95% CI 1.48-2.94) and bone marrow lesions (BMLs) increased risk of THR (RR 7.10/unit; 95% CI 1.09-46.29).

Conclusion: In addition to hip pain and radiographic hip OA, measures of hip shape, cam morphology, BMD and BMLs independently predict risk of THR. This

supports the role of hip bone geometry and structure in the pathogenesis of end stage hip OA and has identified factors that can be used to improve prediction models for THR.

Key words: hip osteoarthritis, total hip replacement, bone shape, bone mineral density, cam morphology, bone marrow lesions, predictors

1 **INTRODUCTION**

2 Hip osteoarthritis (OA) is a common musculoskeletal condition that is a major
3 contributor to disability globally (1). There are currently no treatments available
4 that prevent hip OA or slow the disease trajectory. Once disease is advanced,
5 total joint replacement surgery is offered. Whilst these surgeries are successful
6 and have high levels of patient satisfaction they are expensive and have a finite
7 life (2). Better understanding of predictors of hip replacement provides some
8 scope for prevention of hip replacement and may aid treatment decisions.

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10 There is ongoing debate as to whether associations exist between radiographic
11 and clinically defined hip OA. The inconsistent literature might be due to
12 different definitions of hip OA, different radiographic protocols and scoring
13 methods (3). However, both predict risk of total hip replacement (THR) (4).
14 Recently, hip morphology has been identified as having an important role in the
15 progression of hip OA (5-8). Particular patterns of hip shape such as reduced
16 acetabular coverage, non-spherical femoral heads and cam impingement
17 (abnormally shaped head of femur leading to abnormal contact between femoral
18 head and acetabulum) predict progression of hip OA and risk of THR (8-11). Hip
19 bone marrow lesions (BMLs), hip cartilage defects and higher bone mineral
20 density (BMD) of the proximal femur are independent risk factors for
21 progression of hip OA (12-17). Greater BMD also increases risk of THR; hip BMLs
22 and cartilage defects may do likewise but these associations have not been
23 studied (18, 19). No studies have reported on all these risk factors in the same
24 population or community-based populations and few have adjusted for pain
25 and/or radiographic osteoarthritis. When they have adjusted for these factors

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26 the result for hip shape was no longer significant, suggesting these risk factors
27 are not independent. (6). Thus, the aim of this study was to examine the effect of
28 hip structural factors as risk factors for THR independent of hip pain and
29 radiographic measures of hip OA in community dwelling older adults.

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31 **PATIENTS AND METHODS**

32 **Study design and setting**

33 The Tasmanian Older Adult Cohort (TASOAC) study is a prospective, population-
34 based cohort study, which aimed to identify factors associated with development
35 and progression of OA and osteoporosis in older adults. Men and women aged
36 50-80 years in 2002 were selected from the electoral roll, which is the most
37 complete population listing for adult Australians, in Southern Tasmania
38 (population 229,000) using sex-stratified random sampling (response rate 57%).
39 Participants were excluded if they lived in an aged care facility, or had standard
40 contraindications to magnetic resonance imaging. The Southern Tasmanian
41 Health and Medical Human Research Ethics Committee approved the study, and
42 we obtained written informed consent from all participants.

43 Baseline data (Phase 1) were collected from February 2002 to September 2004
44 in 1099 participants. Follow up data (Phases 2 and 3) were collected on average
45 2.6 (n=875) and 5 years (n=769) later. Participants who had a hip replacement
46 prior to Phase 2 were excluded from analyses in this manuscript (n=16).

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48 ***Outcome: Total Hip Replacement***

49 Incidence of primary THR was determined by data linkage to the Australian
50 Orthopaedic Association National Joint Replacement Registry (AOANJRR), and
51 includes data from both public and private hospitals. Data validation against
52 State and Territory Health Department data is done using a sequential multi-
53 level matching process (20). Matched data were then obtained; this included the
54 date, side of joint replacement, primary or revision joint replacement and the
55 reason for the procedure (e.g., OA, fracture of neck of femur, osteonecrosis,
56 inflammatory arthritis, tumour). In this study, we only considered primary THRs
57 that were due to OA. We include data from the AOANJRR between 1 March 2002
58 and 21 September 2016, which gives a follow-up period of 14 years. These data
59 excluded participants who died, collected from the Tasmanian Death Registry or
60 who left Australia, which was collected from TASSOAC questionnaires.

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62 ***BMI***

63 **Body mass index (BMI) was calculated (weight (in kilograms)/height (in**
64 **metres)²) using weight measured to the nearest 0.1 kg (with shoes, socks,**
65 **bulky clothing and headwear removed) using a single pair of calibrated**
66 **electronic scales (Seca Delta Model 707), and height measured to the**
67 **nearest 0.1 cm (with shoes and socks removed) using a stadiometer.**

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69 ***Hip pain.***

70 Self-reported hip pain over the past 30 days was assessed by questionnaire at
71 Phase 2 using the Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis
72 (WOMAC) index (8, 21). Briefly, the WOMAC pain scale has five items, each rated

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73 on a 10-point numeric rating scale from 0 (no pain) to 9 (most severe pain). Each
74 pain item was summed to create a total pain score (0–45).

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76 *Hip radiographs and assessment of hip radiographic OA (ROA) and cam* 77 *morphology.*

78 Anteroposterior radiographs of the pelvis were obtained at Phase 1, with the
79 individual standing with both feet internally rotated by 10 degrees. Radiographs
80 were read by two trained readers using the OARSI (Osteoarthritis Research
81 Society International) grading system (22). Radiographic features of joint space
82 narrowing (JSN) (axial and superior) and osteophytes (superior, acetabular and
83 femoral) of both hips were graded separately on a 4-point scale (range 0–3
84 where 0 is no disease and 3 is severe disease. Data from these four features were
85 summed (range 0-12). Any score other than 0 for either JSN or osteophytes was
86 regarded as evidence of radiographic hip OA. Thus, after combining the JSN and
87 osteophytes scores, the presence of radiographic hip OA was defined as a total
88 score of 1 or greater.

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90 The α angle measures the extent to which the femoral head deviates from
91 spherical and is used to quantify cam morphology. It is measured by first
92 drawing the best fitting circle around the femoral head, and then a line through
93 the centre of the neck and the centre of the head. From the centre of the femoral
94 head, a second line is drawn to the point where the superior surface of the head-
95 neck junction first departs from the circle. The angle between these two lines is
96 the α angle. We defined cam morphology by using a previously published
97 standardised cut off point of 60° either in one or both hips (23). The α angle was

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98 calculated from hip radiographs by drawing a circle of best fit based on the
99 statistical shape modeling (SSM) points (SSM B) around the femoral head using
100 custom code in MatLab (v 9.0). This method has good reliability as was shown
101 previously with intraclass correlation coefficient (ICC) for inter-observer
102 reliability of 0.73 and intra-observer reliability of 0.85-0.99 (9).

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104 ***DXA Imaging and Statistical Shape Modelling (SSM)***

105 Participants had dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry (DXA) images taken of the
106 left hip, unless contra-indicated, using a Hologic Delphi densitometer (Hologic
107 Inc., Waltham, MA, USA) as part of the Phase 1 assessment. Participants were
108 excluded from DXA scanning if their weight exceeded 130 kg (n=3). Left hip
109 images were used to assess bone mass; examined as areal BMD at neck of femur
110 (g/cm^2). This is calculated by dividing the bone mineral content (BMC) by the
111 area measured. Precision was estimated to be 2% *in vivo*.

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113 Using DXA images and radiographs, two statistical shape models (SSM) were
114 developed. SSM A was used to assess hip shape variation, while SSM B was used
115 to calculate the alpha angle. SSM allows quantitative measurements of the whole
116 hip joint on a continuum and incorporates many geometric measures that have
117 been identified as risk factors for hip OA. (6) Briefly the proximal femur and
118 acetabulum were modelled for each image using a template of 85 points placed
119 on defined anatomical landmarks using the Active Shape Modelling toolkit
120 (University of Manchester, UK) (24, 25). The images and points were transferred
121 to the Shape software (University of Aberdeen, UK), where they were rotated
122 and scaled using the Procrustes transform and then subjected to Principal

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123 Component Analysis to generate independent, orthogonal modes of variation.
124 The modes of variation were then normalized to a mean of 0 and expressed as
125 standard deviations from the mean. The modes of variation described decreasing
126 amounts of variation within the model with the first 6 modes describing 68% of
127 the total model variation. To test reproducibility of the measures, two observers
128 (HGA and FRS) assessed joint shape on ten images randomly selected from the
129 TASOAC dataset. Point-to-point variability (the distance between equivalent
130 points placed by each observer) was calculated. The distribution was not normal
131 and the median was 1.6 pixels, which is a small difference given the image
132 dimensions for all images are 252 x 258 pixels. Modes 2 (decreasing acetabular
133 coverage) and 4 (aspherical femoral head), reflecting cam impingement and
134 pistol grip deformity and likely some features of hip dysplasia, have previously
135 been shown to predict THR in this cohort (8) and were the two modes analysed
136 in this study.

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138 **Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI).**

139 A subgroup (n=250) had MRI. The right hip was imaged in the sagittal plane
140 during visits at phases 2 and 3 using a 1.5 Tesla GE Signa whole-body magnetic
141 resonance scanner, as previously described (8). Subchondral BMLs and effusion-
142 synovitis were assessed on the short T1 inversion recovery (STIR)-weighted, fat
143 saturation, 2-dimensional fast spin-echo sequence using OsiriX software (Mac
144 version, University of Geneva, Geneva, Switzerland). BMLs were identified as
145 areas of increased signal intensity adjacent to the subchondral bone on the
146 femoral head and/or the acetabulum (8). Intraobserver repeatability was
147 assessed in 25 subjects (at both time points), with a 2-week gap between the

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148 measures. The intra-class correlation coefficient for hip BMLs was 0.98, similar
149 to the reproducibility of our knee quantitative BML measure (26). Hip effusion-
150 synovitis was identified and assessed in STIR images from phases 2 and 3. The
151 observer (HGA) manually selected the MRI slice with the largest effusion-
152 synovitis and determined the maximum cross-sectional area (CSA) of the bright
153 region by manually drawing contours around the outer edges, as previously
154 described. Inter-rater reliability was excellent (0.84) (8). BMLs and effusions
155 were dichotomised as present (CSA >0) or absent (CSA=0).

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157 **Statistical analysis**

158 Differences between participants who did and did not have hip replacements
159 were assessed using Students' t-tests and chi-squared tests.

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161 Risk of THR in addition to the 'base model' (WOMAC hip pain score, and
162 radiographic hip OA score) was assessed using mixed-effect Poisson regression,
163 in which each potential risk factor was designated as a fixed effect and
164 participant identification as a random effect. The base model was chosen as the
165 features that best represent hip OA and determine the need for a THR and we
166 were interested in additional independent features that predict need for THR.
167 Models were run for each hip separately using Stata's `xt` function, which enabled
168 us to run side-specific models concurrently. WOMAC pain score and data from
169 radiographs (ROA and alpha angle) used for risk of THR of each hip, while data
170 from DXA (BMD and SSM) and MRI (BML, effusion) had data from one hip only
171 (left hip for DXA, right hip for MRI) and was used to predict risk of THR in either
172 hip. Standard errors were adjusted using the sandwich (robust) estimator of

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173 variance. Given the data was collected at different time points and not all
174 participants had complete data, models were run based on available data,
175 number of participants in each model is indicated in Table 2. All models
176 included the base model (hip ROA and hip pain). Optimal models were chosen by
177 comparing models and using the model with the best fit. Standard model
178 diagnostics were performed. We used WOMAC hip pain as continuous data
179 (range 0-35), but collapsed radiographic hip OA scores into categories as effect
180 sizes were similar within groups. The relationship between each of the risk
181 factors and the incidence of THR during follow-up was assessed using Cox
182 proportional hazards regression models. Two sets of stratified analyses were
183 performed in survival analyses. The first of these evaluated the effect of different
184 combinations of categorical hip pain (no pain [WOMAC score=0], mild [WOMAC
185 score ranged from 1 to 3] and modest-to-severe pain [WOMAC score greater
186 than 3]) based on Kapstad et al (27) and radiographic hip OA (yes or no) on the
187 risk of THR. The second stratification analysis evaluated the effect of cam
188 impingement on the risk of THR, with adjustment for hip pain and radiographic
189 hip OA. Hazard ratios (HRs) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) were calculated.
190 Model assumption was checked and confirmed using the proportional hazards
191 test. We performed a sensitivity analysis, using a competing risk regression
192 model to account for competing risks, which occurred within the study time
193 frame (death, left Australia).

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195 We used Stata 15.0 (StataCorp LP) for all statistical analyses. Statistical
196 significance was defined as a p value ≤ 0.05 (two tailed).

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198 **RESULTS**

199 Eight hundred and one (801) participants had WOMAC hip pain data and data on
200 radiographic hip grade. Of these, 37 individuals had at least one THR for OA after
201 the Phase 2 follow up; 13 participants had bilateral THR. Those who received a
202 hip replacement were more likely to be smokers, have greater WOMAC hip pain
203 scores, greater neck of femur BMD, more severe radiographic hip OA, more likely
204 to have a BML, higher mode 2 and lower mode 4 shape scores, and were more
205 likely to have cam morphology in either left or right hip (Table 1). Study
206 participants were followed for an average of 12.1 years (maximum 14 years).

207 *Table 1*

208 As expected, WOMAC hip pain and radiographic hip OA predicted risk of THR. In
209 addition, greater mode 2 scores (decreasing acetabular coverage) (Figure 1) and
210 lower shape mode 4 scores (non-spherical femoral head) (Figure 2) predicted
211 risk of THR. Cam morphology also increased risk of THR, as did higher BMD at
212 the neck of femur. MRI detected BMLs increased the risk of THR, with significant
213 associations with BMLs in the sub population with MRI available. Age, sex and
214 BMI did not increase the risk of THR independent of WOMAC hip pain and
215 radiographic hip OA (Table 2).

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217 *Figure 1*

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219 *Figure 2*

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221 *Table 2*

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223 We also investigated associations between hip ROA score, hip pain score and
224 cam morphology with incidence of THR over time. The highest cumulative
225 hazard (30% after 14 years of observation) was observed in participants with
226 greater ROA score and higher pain scores (WOMAC pain score ≥ 4) (Figure 3).
227 Similarly, cam morphology increased incidence of THR by approximately 10%
228 over the study timeframe (Figure 4). Sensitivity analyses were performed to
229 account for competing risks (predominantly competing risk of death) but these
230 did not change the results (data not shown).

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232 *Figure 3*

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234 *Figure 4*

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236 **DISCUSSION**

237 This prospective population-based cohort study of older adults showed that
238 abnormal hip shape (decreasing acetabular coverage and non-spherical femoral
239 head), cam morphology, higher BMD and BMLs predicted the risk of THR
240 independent of WOMAC hip pain score and radiographic hip OA. Age, sex, and
241 BMI did not predict THR independent of pain and radiographic hip OA. These
242 results, if replicated, can be used to develop predictive models for THR.

243 This study extends the literature that hip shape and cam morphology increase
244 risk of THR, independent of hip pain and radiographic hip OA. We assessed cam

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245 morphology as an independent risk factor for THR. Clinically, cam impingement
246 is determined using a combination of radiological and clinical findings such as
247 hip rotation (9). We do not have such data. It is worth noting that whilst cam
248 morphology and shape modes are calculated differently, they are capturing
249 similar aspects of hip morphology and are, therefore, not completely
250 independent measures (28). Both measures, however, reflect changes in the
251 bone, rather than the cartilage, and show that hip OA is driven strongly by bone
252 shape. Of the 6 modes which accounted for 68% of the total variation in the
253 population, mode 2 (decreasing acetabular coverage) and mode 4 (non-spherical
254 femoral head) have been previously associated with THR in this sample (8). They
255 were included in this manuscript for completeness and to compare with other
256 structural measures. Hip shape; specifically, flattening of the femoral head (non-
257 spherical femoral head) and decreasing acetabular coverage were found to
258 predict THR in different community based populations (5-7). One study adjusted
259 for pain, which negated the association (6). Cam impingement has also been
260 found to be a risk factor for THR and accelerated hip OA in a community
261 population study, but this study did not adjust for pain (9).

262 A recent cohort study showed that the combination of radiographic hip OA and
263 higher BMD as well as the BMD difference between the most affected hip and the
264 contralateral hip predicted progression of hip OA, which included THR (17). A
265 higher BMD may reflect the presence of osteophytes in hip OA or bone
266 hyperplasia (29, 30). The former is unlikely as we adjusted for hip ROA
267 including osteophytes, though we cannot definitively exclude the presence of
268 earlier signs of OA not seen on radiographs. Two case control studies showed

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269 that individuals with high bone mass (HBM) due to a presumed genetic cause
270 had a higher prevalence of bone forming features of radiographic hip OA
271 including osteophytes and subchondral sclerosis as well as THR, suggesting a
272 potential causal pathway of BMD and OA (18, 31). A cross-sectional study
273 showed only modest associations between tibial subchondral BMD and hip and
274 spine BMD, suggesting that there are other factors affecting BMD at the spine and
275 hip. (32) This is the first study to our knowledge to show that BMD, independent
276 of radiographic hip OA, is a predictor for THR. Further longitudinal studies using
277 more sensitive validated techniques are required to support the role of BMD in
278 the pathogenesis of OA.

279 We demonstrated no associations between advancing age, BMI or sex. A cross-
280 sectional study found that those with a higher BMI ($>35\text{kg}/\text{m}^2$) had a THR at a
281 younger age compared to those with BMI $<25\text{kg}/\text{m}^2$ and prospective cohort
282 studies have identified increased risk in older, obese people and an increased
283 risk in men (33-36). However, none of these studies assessed relationships
284 independent of hip OA and pain, suggesting that the findings in these cohort
285 studies is mediated by or confounded by hip pain and ROA.

286 Changes in hip structures seen on MRI (eg. BMLs, cartilage defects) have been
287 previously demonstrated in patients with hip OA (12, 16). Similarly, particular
288 hip shapes correlated to MRI features of hip OA (8). In this cohort, BMLs were
289 significantly associated with a higher risk of THR. This is consistent with data for
290 the knee where BMLs are a strong independent predictor of total knee
291 replacement (TKR) (26). At the hip, BMLs are associated with hip pain, knee
292 pain, cartilage defects and bone density (37-39). However, this is the first study

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293 to show that hip BMLs are an important predictor of joint replacement. The exact
294 pathogenesis of BMLs remains unclear with a previous study suggesting that
295 BMLs reflect a healing process in response to microtrauma (40). BMLs could be a
296 result of continuous bone remodeling and/or bone reabsorption in bone. Studies
297 found elevated bone biochemical markers such as bone alkaline phosphate (ALP)
298 and increase in angiogenesis factors such as vascular endothelial growth factor
299 (VEGF), in bone samples with BMLs, indicating increased bone turnover (41).
300 The evolution of BMLs is variable with some persisting, increasing in size or
301 resolving (26). This might indicate a paracrine effect driven by proinflammatory
302 cytokines such as tumor necrosis factor (TNF) (13). Overall, studies have
303 demonstrated that BMLs play an important role in the early and advanced stages
304 of hip OA and this study extends these findings to include THR (12, 14, 26).

305 Limitations of this study include the difference in number of participants in some
306 models based on the data from which predictors were collected. In particular, MRI
307 data were only available for a subset of the cohort (215 participants), however the
308 smaller sample size was unlikely to be the reason that why effusions did not
309 predict THR (RR 1.88 (0.24 to 14.78), $p=0.50$), as they were very common in the
310 sample and mostly physiological. Risk estimates for BMLs from the MRI data are
311 consistent with the knee literature, suggesting that these associations are in the
312 clinically important range, even though the confidence intervals are wide, likely
313 due to the modest sample size.

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315 MRI data and DXA data were only available for one hip, whereas we modelled risk
316 of THR on both hips (in the same model, using STATA's xt function). Studies have

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317 shown that genetic factors are related to hip shapes and therefore it is likely that
318 the shapes are modelled genetically and/or embryonically. (42, 43) The relative
319 symmetry in otherwise normal hips has also been shown. (44, 45) This suggests
320 that for study participants with one normal hip on imaging, that the second
321 (unimaged) hip is likely to be normal. This study minimised the likelihood of the
322 second (unimaged) hip having undetected pathological differences by adjusting
323 for ROA. However, it is possible that occult injury on the contralateral side was
324 missed, which could not be adjusted for using radiographic assessment. If
325 abnormal pathology was missed, this is most likely to have reduced the likelihood
326 of finding an association with risk of THR, rather than finding an association where
327 none existed and therefore associations that were found to increase risk of THR
328 may be underestimates.

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330 We used AP pelvis radiographs to measure alpha angle. This method is less
331 sensitive in detecting FAI compared to MRI or Dunn views, (46) however, the net
332 effect would be to reduce the effect sizes rather than artificially inflating them.
333 Therefore, we think this is unlikely to have affected the interpretation of our
334 findings.

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337 SSM generally reflect clinically recognised hip morphology eg acetabular
338 undercoverage, hip dysplasia, CAM morphology, however SSM are generated for
339 specific datasets, and cannot be directly correlated to radiographic morphological
340 measures. However, the fact that SSM modes do predict risk of THR independent

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341 of other measures suggests that hip morphology remains important in assessing
342 risk of THR.

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344 BMLs can and do change over time; therefore BMLs may predict THR more
345 strongly in a site-specific manner. Data from knees in the same cohort
346 demonstrate that BMLs assessed on one knee predict knee replacement in both
347 knees, but the strength of the association is much stronger for the ipsilateral
348 rather than the contralateral side (26). Therefore, in this cohort which only had a
349 right hip MRI, BMLs may more strongly predict right THRs compared to left THRs,
350 meaning that the effect sizes seen may be underestimated for left THRs.

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352 Whilst patient access to THR may be a potential confounder, data from this cohort
353 demonstrates that socio-economic status does not predict time to hip replacement,
354 demonstrating that the publicly funded hospital system in Australia has enabled
355 timely access to THR in TASSOAC participants regardless of their socio-economic
356 status (47). Study participants could be lost to follow up due to death, illness or
357 leaving Australia. However, as we were able to perform sensitivity analyses for
358 competing risks (due primarily to death), and results did not change, we conclude
359 that data are not biased by loss to follow up. Strengths of this study are the large
360 cohort of participants, the prospective design and long-term follow up, the
361 completeness of the AOANJRR data, and the analysis of multiple variables in the
362 same population cohort.

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364 **CONCLUSION**

365 In this community-based study, hip structural changes as well as BMLs detected
366 on MRI predicted the risk of THR. These risk factors were independent of hip
367 pain and radiographic hip OA, which has not been shown previously. Such
368 factors can lead to better predictive models for THR and enhance our
369 understanding of the pathogenesis of hip OA.

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373 **Abbreviations:**

374 Osteoarthritis: OA

375 Total hip replacement: THR

376 Dual energy X-ray absorptiometry: DXA

377 Bone mineral density: BMD

378 Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index: WOMAC

379 Magnetic resonance imaging: MRI

380 Bone marrow lesion: BML

381 Tasmanian Older Adult Cohort: TASOAC

382 Australian Orthopaedic Association National Joint Replacement Registry:

383 AOANJRR

384 **Body mass index: BMI**

385 Osteoarthritis Research Society International: OARSI

386 Statistical shape modeling: SSM

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Table 1: Summary of participant characteristics, by hip replacement status

	No hip replacement mean (\pm SD) n=764	Hip replacement mean (\pm SD) n=37	p
Left hip replacement	-	16 (43%)	
Right hip replacement	-	10 (27%)	
Bilateral hip replacement	-	11 (30%)	
Age (years)	62.5 (7.3)	62.5 (6.6)	0.98
Sex (% female)	51	41	0.2
Body mass index (weight (kg) / height(m) ²)	27.8 (4.6)	28.1 (4)	0.72
Current smokers (%)	11	24	0.01
WOMAC hip pain, Phase 2 (range 0-45)	2.3 (5.2)	7.7 (8.9)	<0.001
Radiographic hip OA score, mean of both hips, (range 0-12)	0.69 (1.04)	1.62 (1.77)	0.004
Neck of femur BMD (g/cm ²) (Phase 1)	0.77 (0.12)	0.83 (0.14)	<0.001
Hip BML (P2 or P3)	22	57	0.03
Hip effusion (P2 or P3)	83	83	1
Mode 2, left hip (SD from the mean)	-0.04 (0.98)	0.4 (1.2)	0.01
Mode 4, left hip (SD from the mean)	-0.01 (0.98)	-0.5 (1)	0.014
Cam morphology (alpha angle \geq 60 degrees), mean of both hips	39	67	<0.001

*Shape modes were assessed using data from the left hip only

Table 2: Risk factors for THR in addition to WOMAC hip pain and radiographic hip OA

	Incident rate ratio (95% CI)
Base model: WOMAC hip pain and radiographic hip OA, n=801	
WOMAC hip pain (per unit)	1.09 (1.06 to 1.13)
Hip ROA	
Score 0	1.0 (reference)
Scores 1-3 (Grade 1)	2.31 (1.14 to 4.68)
Scores 4+ (Grade 2 or 3)	6.19 (2.39 to 16.02)
Base model plus....	
Shape mode 2, n=616	1.83 (1.1 to 3.04)
Shape mode 4, n=616	0.59 (0.36 to 0.96)
Presence of cam morphology, n=785	2.20 (1.33 to 3.63)
Hip BMLs and hip effusions, (Phase 2 or 3) n=215*	7.10 (1.09 to 46.29)
	1.50 (0.13 to 17.26)
Neck of femur BMD (per SD), n=801	2.09 (1.48 to 2.94)
Age, sex and BMI, n=801#	1.00 (0.95 to 1.06)
	0.65 (0.29 to 1.43)
	0.96 (0.89 to 1.04)

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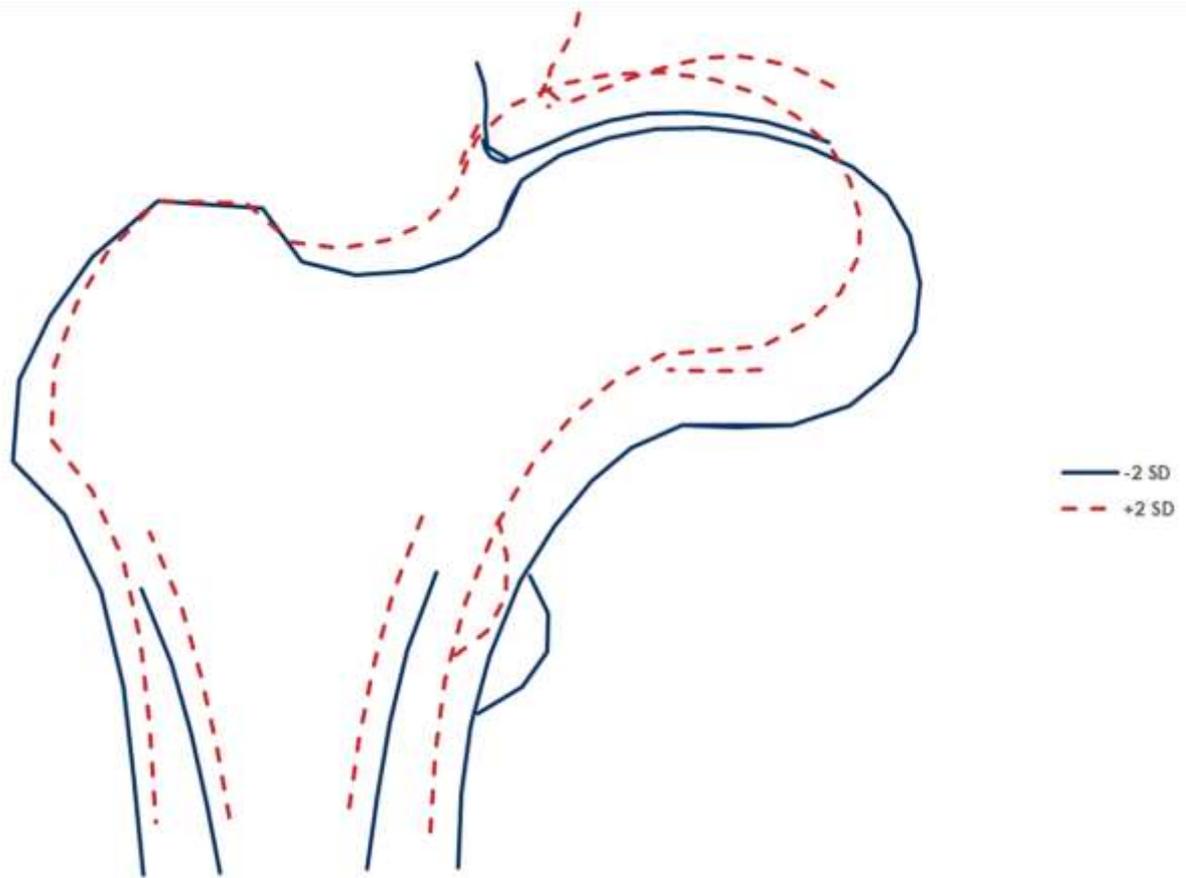


Figure 1: Hip shape mode 2 Variations in shape for +2 (red) and -2 (blue) in mode score from the mean (0) for mode 2.

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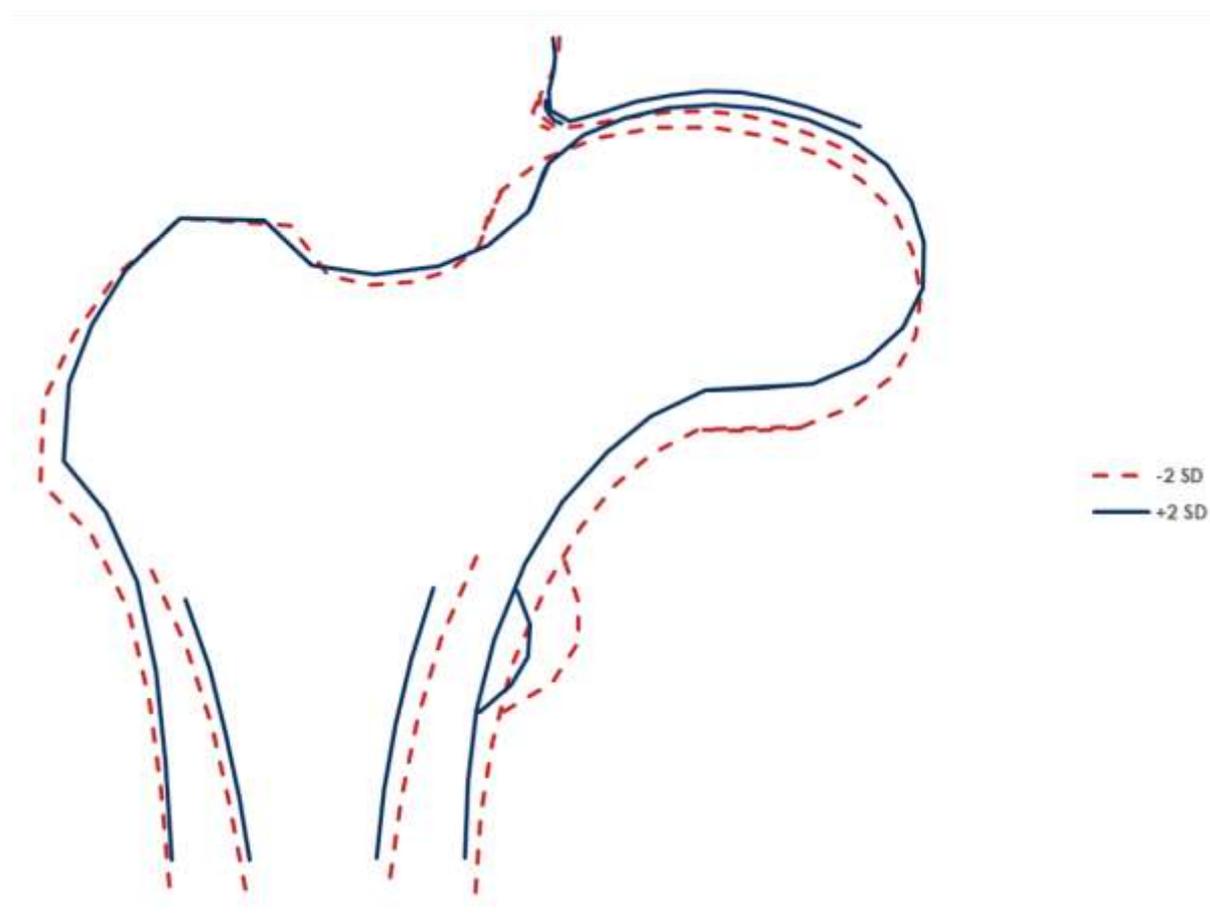


Figure 2: Hip shape mode 4. Variations in shape for +2 (red) and -2 (blue) in mode score from the mean (0) for mode 4.

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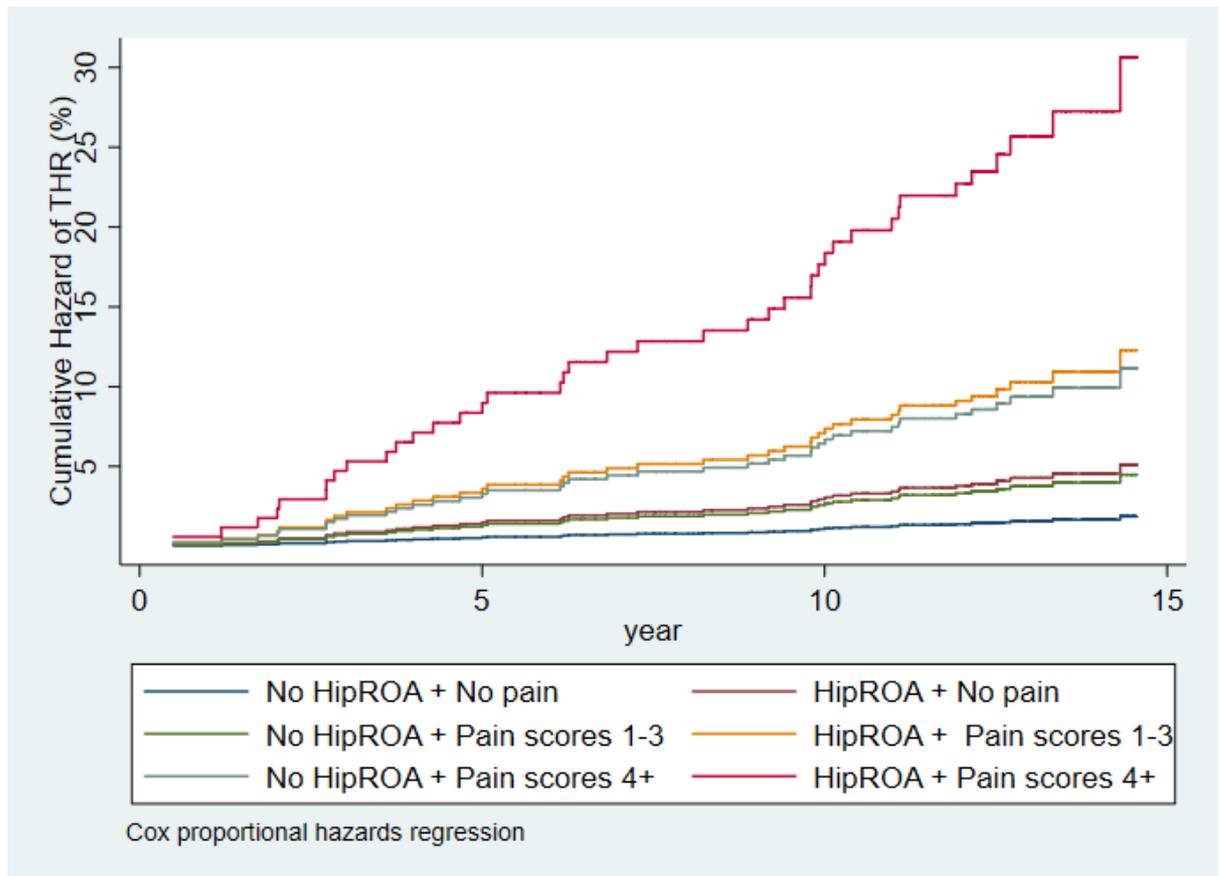


Figure 3 Cumulative hazard of THR, by presence of radiographic hip OA and WOMAC hip pain intensity.

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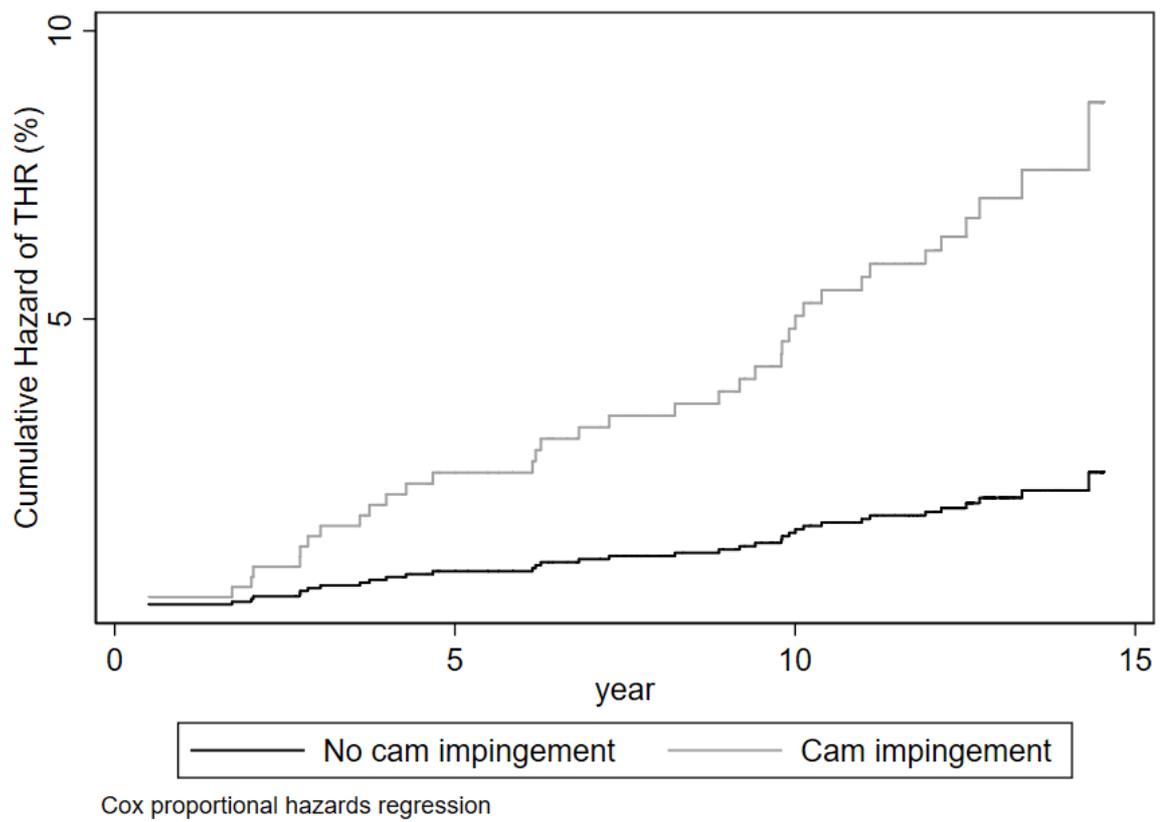


Figure 4: Cumulative hazard of THR, by presence of cam morphology.