Continuum Total Conventional Hip Investigation

Note: This analysis compares the Continuum acetabular prosthesis with all other total conventional hip prostheses.

This prosthesis has been identified as having a significantly higher rate of revision. For a detailed explanation of the process used by the Registry that results in identification of prostheses that have a higher than anticipated rate of revision please refer to the Prostheses with Higher than Anticipated Rates of Revision chapter of the most recent AOANJRR Annual Report, https://aoanjrr.sahmri.com/annual-reports-2025.

Note: Procedures using metal/metal prostheses with head size larger than 32mm are excluded from the comparator. Procedures using prostheses with no recorded use in 2024 are excluded from the comparator.

TABLE 1

Revision Rate of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

The revision rate of the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis is compared to all other total conventional hip prostheses.

Table 1: Revision Rates of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

Component	N Revised	N Total	Obs. Years	Revisions/100 Obs. Yrs (95% CI)
Continuum	675	14064	117123	0.58 (0.53, 0.62)
Other Total Conventional Hip	19089	543346	3488388	0.55 (0.54, 0.56)
TOTAL	19764	557410	3605512	0.55 (0.54, 0.56)

TABLE 2

Yearly Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

The yearly cumulative percent revision of the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis is compared to all other total conventional hip prostheses.

Table 2: Yearly Cumulative Percent Revision (95% CI) of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

CPR	1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs	5 Yrs	6 Yrs	7 Yrs	8 Yrs
Continuum	2.6 (2.4, 2.9)	3.2 (2.9, 3.5)	3.5 (3.2, 3.8)	3.7 (3.4, 4.0)	4.0 (3.6, 4.3)	4.2 (3.8, 4.5)	4.5 (4.2, 4.9)	4.7 (4.4, 5.1)
Other Total Conventional Hip	1.7 (1.7, 1.8)	2.1 (2.1, 2.2)	2.5 (2.4, 2.5)	2.8 (2.7, 2.8)	3.0 (3.0, 3.1)	3.3 (3.2, 3.4)	3.6 (3.5, 3.6)	3.8 (3.8, 3.9)

CPR	9 Yrs	10 Yrs	11 Yrs	12 Yrs	13 Yrs	14 Yrs	15 Yrs	16 Yrs
Continuum	4.9 (4.6, 5.3)	5.2 (4.8, 5.6)	5.4 (5.0, 5.8)	5.6 (5.2, 6.1)	5.8 (5.3, 6.3)	5.8 (5.4, 6.4)	6.0 (5.4, 6.7)	
Other Total Conventional Hip	4.1 (4.1, 4.2)	4.4 (4.4, 4.5)	4.8 (4.7, 4.8)	5.2 (5.1, 5.3)	5.5 (5.4, 5.6)	5.9 (5.8, 6.0)	6.3 (6.2, 6.4)	6.7 (6.6, 6.9)

CPR	17 Yrs	18 Yrs	19 Yrs	20 Yrs	21 Yrs	22 Yrs	23 Yrs
Continuum							
Other Total Conventional Hip	7.1 (6.9, 7.2)	7.4 (7.3, 7.6)	7.9 (7.7, 8.1)	8.3 (8.0, 8.5)	8.8 (8.5, 9.1)	9.3 (9.0, 9.7)	9.9 (9.4, 10.5)

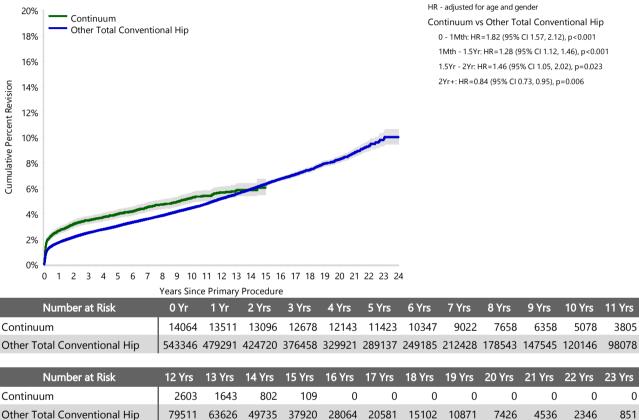
FIGURE 1

Yearly Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

The yearly cumulative percent revision of the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis is compared to all other total conventional hip prostheses. In addition, hazard ratios are reported.

Hazard ratios are reported for specific time periods during which the hazard ratio is constant. This is done to enable more specific and valid comparisons of the risk of revision over time. The pattern of variation in risk has important implications with respect to the underlying reasons for any difference.

Figure 1: Cumulative Percent Revision of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement



Primary Diagnosis for Revised Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

This table identifies the diagnosis of the primary procedure which was subsequently revised. This information is provided as there is a variation on outcome depending on the primary diagnosis. It is therefore important when considering the reasons for a higher than anticipated rate of revision that there is identification of the primary diagnosis. This information should be compared to the primary diagnosis for the revisions of all other total conventional hip prostheses.

Table 3: Primary Diagnosis for Revised Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

	Continuum		Other Total Co	nventional Hip
Primary Diagnosis	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Osteoarthritis	566	83.9	15851	83.0
Fractured Neck Of Femur	47	7.0	1400	7.3
Osteonecrosis	26	3.9	838	4.4
Developmental Dysplasia	16	2.4	301	1.6
Rheumatoid Arthritis	6	0.9	206	1.1
Failed Internal Fixation	6	0.9	154	0.8
Tumour	2	0.3	147	0.8
Other Inflammatory Arthritis	2	0.3	110	0.6
Fracture/Dislocation	3	0.4	50	0.3
Other	1	0.1	18	0.1
Arthrodesis Takedown			14	0.1
TOTAL	675	100.0	19089	100.0

Reasons for Revision

This is reported in two ways: a percentage of primary procedures revised and as a percentage of all revision procedures.

% Primaries Revised: This shows the proportional contribution of each revision diagnosis as a percentage of the total number of primary procedures. This percentage can be used to approximate the risk of being revised for that diagnosis. Differing percentages between groups, with the same distribution of follow up time, may identify problems of concern.

% Revisions: The number of revisions for each diagnosis is expressed as a percentage of the total number of revisions. This shows the distribution of reasons for revision within a group but cannot be used as a comparison between groups.

Table 4: Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement - Reason for Revision (Follow-up Limited to 15.3 Years)

		Continuum		Othe	r Total Convention	al Hip
Revision Diagnosis	Number	% Primaries Revised	% Revisions	Number	% Primaries Revised	% Revisions
Infection	114	0.8	16.9	4645	0.9	24.9
Prosthesis Dislocation/Instability	248	1.8	36.7	4197	0.8	22.5
Fracture	152	1.1	22.5	4150	0.8	22.2
Loosening	70	0.5	10.4	3550	0.7	19.0
Pain	17	0.1	2.5	314	0.1	1.7
Leg Length Discrepancy	15	0.1	2.2	292	0.1	1.6
Malposition	19	0.1	2.8	254	0.0	1.4
Implant Breakage Stem	3	0.0	0.4	190	0.0	1.0
Lysis	6	0.0	0.9	178	0.0	1.0
Implant Breakage Acetabular Insert	5	0.0	0.7	123	0.0	0.7
Incorrect Sizing	7	0.0	1.0	96	0.0	0.5
Wear Acetabular Insert	1	0.0	0.1	86	0.0	0.5
Metal Related Pathology	6	0.0	0.9	74	0.0	0.4
Implant Breakage Acetabular	1	0.0	0.1	66	0.0	0.4
Wear Head	2	0.0	0.3	41	0.0	0.2
Tumour	1	0.0	0.1	40	0.0	0.2
Implant Breakage Head				28	0.0	0.1
Heterotopic Bone	1	0.0	0.1	26	0.0	0.1
Wear Acetabulum				9	0.0	0.0
Osteonecrosis				3	0.0	0.0
Synovitis				1	0.0	0.0
Other	7	0.0	1.0	305	0.1	1.6
N Revision	675	4.8	100.0	18668	3.4	100.0
N Primary	14064			543346		

Note: This table is restricted to revisions within 15.3 years for all groups to allow a time-matched comparison of revisions.

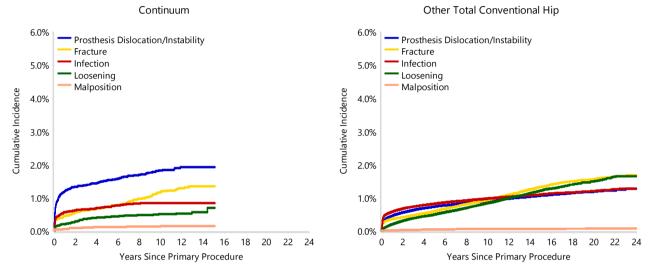
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FIGURE 2

Cumulative Incidence Revision Diagnosis of Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

This figure details the cumulative incidence of the most common reasons for revision. The five most common reasons for revision are included as long as each of these reasons account for more than 10 procedures or at least 5% of all revisions for the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis. A comparative graph is provided of the cumulative incidence for the same reasons for revisions for all other total conventional hip prostheses.

Figure 2: Cumulative Incidence Revision Diagnosis for Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement



Type of Revision Performed for Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement

This analysis identifies the components used in the revision of the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis and compares it to the components used in the revision of all other total conventional hip prostheses.

The reason this analysis is undertaken is to identify whether there is one or more components which are being replaced that differ from the components replaced for revisions of all other total conventional hip prostheses i.e. is there a difference in the type of revision undertaken for the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis compared to all other total conventional hip prostheses.

Table 5: Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement - Type of Revision (Follow-up Limited to 15.3 Years)

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Type of Revision	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Femoral Component	210	31.1	6315	33.8
Acetabular Component	115	17.0	3243	17.4
THR (Femoral/Acetabular)	49	7.3	2135	11.4
Cement Spacer	22	3.3	581	3.1
Removal of Prostheses	1	0.1	95	0.5
Reinsertion of Components	1	0.1	28	0.1
Total Femoral			13	0.1
Bipolar Head and Femoral			9	0.0
N Major	398	59.0	12419	66.5
Head/Insert	190	28.1	4884	26.2
Head Only	35	5.2	896	4.8
Minor Components	9	1.3	292	1.6
Insert Only	5	0.7	174	0.9
Head/Neck/Insert	24	3.6		
Head/Neck	11	1.6	1	0.0
Neck Only	3	0.4		
Bipolar Only			1	0.0
Cement Only			1	0.0
N Minor	277	41.0	6249	33.5
TOTAL	675	100.0	18668	100.0

Note: This table is restricted to revisions within 15.3 years for all groups to allow a time-matched comparison of revisions.

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Revision Rates of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Fixation

This analysis is provided as some prostheses have more than one fixation option. Additionally there are prostheses where an alternative to the recommended approach to fixation was used e.g. a cementless prosthesis that has been cemented or vice-versa.

Table 6: Revised Number of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Fixation

Fixation	N Revised	N Total
Cemented	0	24
Cementless	428	9155
Hybrid (Femur Cemented)	245	4866
Reverse Hybrid (Femur Cementless)	2	19
TOTAL	675	14064

TABLE 7

Revision Rates of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Bearing Surface

This analysis is provided as some prostheses are combined with a variety of bearing surfaces. All bearing surfaces used with this prosthesis are listed.

Table 7: Revised Number of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Bearing Surface

Bearing Surface	N Revised	N Total
Ceramic/Ceramic	102	2254
Ceramic/Non XLPE	0	1
Ceramic/XLPE	152	3518
Ceramic/XLPE + Antioxidant	21	674
Metal/Metal	10	117
Metal/XLPE	374	7009
Metal/XLPE + Antioxidant	13	469
Ceramicised Metal/XLPE	3	16
Ceramicised Metal/XLPE + Antioxidant	0	2
Unknown	0	4
TOTAL	675	14064

Revision Rates of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Approach

This analysis is provided as some prostheses are used with a variety of surgical approaches. All surgical approaches used with this prosthesis are listed.

Table 8: Revised Number of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Approach

Approach	N Revised	N Total
Anterior	17	601
Lateral	94	1935
Posterior	181	4212
TOTAL	292	6748

Note: Excludes 7316 procedures with no approach recorded

Number of Revisions of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Year of Implant

This analysis details the number of prostheses reported each year to the Registry for the Continuum total conventional hip prosthesis. It also provides the subsequent number of revisions of the primaries reported in that year.

Primary procedures performed in later years have had less follow up time therefore the number revised is expected to be less than the number revised in earlier years. For example, a primary procedure performed in 2024 has a maximum of one year to be revised, whereas a primary procedure performed in 2022 has a maximum of three years to be revised.

Table 9: Number of Revisions of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Year of Implant

Year of Implant	Number Revised	Total Number
2009	9	175
2010	70	1117
2011	76	1245
2012	58	1331
2013	85	1505
2014	69	1492
2015	69	1359
2016	60	1327
2017	45	1293
2018	51	1197
2019	37	850
2020	23	513
2021	13	294
2022	8	182
2023	2	156
2024	0	28
TOTAL	675	14064

Revision Rates of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Component

A prosthesis may be combined with multiple components. This analysis has been undertaken to determine if the revision rate varies according to the component with which it is combined.

Table 10: Revised Number of Continuum Primary Total Conventional Hip Replacement by Femoral Stem Component

Femoral Stem Component	N Revised	N Total
Absolut	3	
Accolade I	0	1
Accolade II	0	1
AcuMatch M-Series	0	3
Alloclassic	24	343
Anatomic II	8	246
Anthology	0	2
Apex	0	1
Arcos	1	18
Avenir	75	1839
C-Stem AMT	1	1
CLS	8	158
CORAIL	3	66
CPCS	0	13
CPT	203	3429
Echelon	0	3
Echo	0	1
Epoch	0	3
Exeter V40	9	243
Generic Stem	1	245
KAR	0 73	1
M/L Taper		1706
ML Taper Kinectiv	113	2246
MS 30	23	1046
MasterLoc	0	1
Mayo	0	7
Metafix	1	2
Mets	1	2
Natural Hip	0	18
Omnifit	1	7
Paragon	0	1
Polarstem	1	5
Profemur XM	0	1
Quadra-C	0	1
Quadra-H	1	5
Revitan	0	2
S-Rom	3	33
SL-Plus	1	2
Secur-Fit	2	39
Segmental System	1	10
Short Exeter V40	0	3

Femoral Stem Component	N Revised	N Total
Sirius	0	22
Spectron EF	0	1
Synergy	1	4
Taper Fit	0	3
Taperloc	21	802
Taperloc Microplasty	21	643
Trabecular Metal	54	701
VerSys	10	148
VerSys Heritage	0	1
Wagner	8	79
ZMR	3	74
TOTAL	675	14064