

Table S1a: Summary of studies carrying out third body wear simulation with particles in the hip

Abbreviations: MOP: Metal-on-polyethylene, XLPE: cross-linked polyethylene, PE: polyethylene, COP: ceramic-on-polyethylene, MOM: Metal-on-metal, COC: ceramic-on-ceramic, COM: ceramic-on-metal, PEEK: polyetheretherketone

Author and year	Materials	Particle type and diameter (μm)	Method	Anatomical (A) /Inverted (I)	Single or multiple dose of particles	Embedded particles?	Characterisation of surfaces	Wear of materials
Affatato et al, 2002[55]	MOP	PMMA with 10% BaSO ₄ , 170 μm	Particles added to serum 1 g/l	I	Multiple	Yes	Looping scratches on metal heads	>3-fold increase in wear rate compared to testing in a clean environment
Bragdon et al, 2003[39]	MOP	Aluminium oxide particles, 1 μm , PMMA with BaSO ₄ , <30 μm	Particles added to serum (0.15 g/l), maintained in suspension with peristaltic pump	A	Multiple	No	Scuffs and scratches on the metal heads after damage with aluminium oxide, fine scratches with PMMA cement	Increase in wear rate with both particle types, greater increase with aluminium oxide. Lower wear rate of XLPE than conventional PE
Bragdon et al, 2004[61]	MOP	Chromium particles, 1-2 μm PMMA \pm BaSO ₄ BaSO ₄ particles 1 μm Al ₂ O ₃ particles 1 μm	Comparison between particles introduced directly into the articulation (implant assembled inverted with particles in cup then tested anatomically) and particles added to serum	A	Multiple	Yes, when particles introduced directly into articulation	Damage to CoCr heads highest with alumina particles with a dull non-reflective appearance	Wear rates highest with Aluminium oxide particles
Bragdon et al, 2005[42]	MOP	PMMA with BaSO ₄ , <30 μm	Particles added to serum (0.15 g/l)	A	Multiple		Multidirectional scratches on all femoral heads	XLPE more resistant to 3 rd body wear than conventional PE
De Fine et al, 2021[92]	COC	Ceramic particles (BioloX [®] Forte (up to 111 μm))	Particles added to serum (48 g/l)	A	Multiple		Dull/opaque regions on the BioloX [®] Forte ceramics, no dull regions on the alumina cups	Low wear of ceramics under these third body wear conditions

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		or pure Alumina (up to 39 µm))						
De Villiers et al, 2015[79]	MOP	PMMA + BaSO ₄ 0.3 – 138 µm Alumina 0.7 – 5.3 µm	Particles added to serum, 5 g/l PMMA 0.15 g/l alumina	A	Multiple, additional testing in clean lubricant	PMMA and alumina particles embedded in metal and PE	Addition of PMMA did not influence R _z of metal heads, increase in R _z when tested in alumina	Addition of PMMA doubled the wear rate of PE, wear rates returned to baseline levels for 28mm diameter heads when tested in clean lubricant, no such reduction in wear rate with 52mm heads or when alumina used a third body particle.
De Villiers et al, 2015[80]	MOP and with and without Chromium Nitride (CrN) coating of metal	Alumina 0.7 – 5.3 µm	0.15 g/l	A	Multiple, additional testing in clean lubricant	Particles embedded in PE	Scratches 2 µm depth in metal following damage simulation, increase in R _a from 0.02 – 0.03 µm, increase in R _z from 1.7 – 2.7 µm	Increased wear rate of PE with PMMA, wear rate remained high against scratched CoCr, CrN more scratch resistant than non-coated CoCr.
Halim et al, 2014[28]	MOM	CoCr beads (68 – 213 µm), Ti6Al4V particles (175 – 422 µm), PMMA flakes from an explanted knee (58 – 342 µm)	5 mg particles added to 1 ml lubricant, simulator run for 10 cycles	A and I	Single	No	Abrasion with PMMA less than with metallic particles, lip height measurements an order of magnitude higher with metal particles than PMMA	No wear test
Halim et al, 2015[81]	MOM	CoCr beads, Ti6Al4V particles, PMMA flakes as Halim et al[28]	5 mg of particles added every 0.5 MC	I	Multiple	No	Highest R _a when tested with Ti6Al4V particles (159 nm), lower with CoCr (145 nm) and lowest with PMMA (13 nm)	Addition of Ti6Al4V particles led to the highest wear rate (6.4 mm ³ /MC), lower wear with CoCr (4.1 mm ³ /MC) and lowest with PMMA

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Hembus et al, 2018[89]	MOP (ion treated metal) COP	PMMA + ZrO ₂ 100-200 µm	5 g/l particles added, 10% particles by weight to the cup and lightly rubbed into the inserts (low force, low motion)	I	Multiple, every 0.5MC	No	Small scratches on the metal and ceramic heads, decrease in R _a of metal and ceramic heads compared to controls, no significant difference between metal and ceramic	5-fold increase in wear rate of polyethylene with third body particles against metal and ceramic heads compared to smooth implants
Heuberger et al, 2014[78]	MOP, COC	Calcium sulphate hemihydrate, 0.5-100 µm	10 g/l calcium sulphate hemihydrate added to lubricant	A	Multiple, additional testing in clean lubricant to simulate wear after bone void filler has resorbed	No, CaSO ₄ is resorbable so not anticipated to become embedded <i>in vivo</i>	Scratches observed on the metal heads but no significant difference in Ra between scratched and smooth implants	39% increase in wear rate of MOP with calcium sulphate in lubricant, wear rates returned to baseline when tested in a clean lubricant). Calcium sulphate had no influence of wear of COC
Liao et al, 2010[72]	COM MOM	HA particles, <100 µm	0.28 g particles added	I	Multiple, every 0.5 MC			Addition of particles had no influence on COM wear, wear rate of MOM with particles significantly higher than COM
Kubo et al, 2009[70]	MOP COP	PMMA + 10% BaSO ₄ , mean 160 µm, <500 µm	Test run in PMMA slurry (5 g/l)	I	Multiple	PMMA in PE before cleaning, removed by cleaning	Roughness of CoCr and Al ₂ O ₃ remained low	PE wear rate increased with PMMA, COP minimised wear under 3 rd body condition
Sorimachi et al, 2009[71]	MOP	PMMA	10 g/l particles	I	Multiple	No	Visible scratching on metal heads after simulation with PMMA	Wear rate of PE increased with PMMA cement
Wang and Essner, 2001[54]	MOP COP	PMMA + 10% BaSO ₄ , mean 160 µm, <500 µm	1-10 g/l PMMA particles	A	Multiple, additional testing carried out	Acetone used to dissolve		For MOP, >5 mg/ml PMMA particles required to elevate wear, PMMA particles had no

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					in clean lubricant	PMMA particles		influence on wear of COP
Wang and Schmidig, 2003[59]	MOP COP	PMMA + 10% BaSO ₄ , mean 150 μm, <300 μm	5 g/l PMMA in lubricant	A	Multiple, additional testing carried out in clean lubricant	Acetone used to dissolve PMMA particles	CoCr heads R _a 0.01 μm pre-test, 0.06 μm post-test; ceramic more resistant to scratches than CoCr	Testing with PMMA increased wear rate of MOP (>10x) and COP (3-4x) compared to smooth implants, further testing without PMMA returned wear rates to baseline for MOP and COP
Weisenburger et al, 2018[76]	MOP	Pulverised PMMA particles	0.7 g/l particles	A				No change in wear of PE with addition of PMMA particles

Table S1b: Summary of studies carrying out third body wear simulation with particles in the knee

Author and year	Materials	Particle type and diameter (μm)	Method	Single or multiple dose of particles	Embedded particles?	Characterisation of surfaces	Wear of materials
Cowie et al, 2019[90]	MOP	Calcium sulfate bone void filler crushed <i>in situ</i> to a powder	Bone void filler (5cc) added to tibial components, run dry to create damage before adding lubricant	No, single dose of calcium sulfate	No	$R_a \sim 0.03 \mu\text{m}$, $R_p \sim 0.04 \mu\text{m}$ following damage simulation	Damage created by bone void filler did not have a lip height of sufficient magnitude to influence wear compared to smooth components
Metcalf et al, 2013[74]	MOP	PMMA 0.5-1 mm, 1-2 mm	Particles added to tibial, run for 100 cycles, lubricated with water	Multiple, 3 sets of 100 cycles	Yes	Polyethylene deformation similar to retrievals, minimal scratching of femoral component	No wear simulation
Paulus et al, 2015[83]	MOP UKR	Porcine bone, 672 μm , PMMA + ZrO ₂ , 644 μm	5 g/l debris added to lubricant				10-fold increase in number of PE particles with PMMA debris compared to bone, no influence on particle size or morphology
Schroeder et al, 2013[75]	MOP UKR	Bone, 672 μm , PMMA + ZrO ₂ , 644 μm	5g/l of debris added to lubricant	Multiple	Yes, bone particles	With bone particles, pitting of UHMWPE, with PMMA, abrasion, pitting and scratching	Bone debris had little effect on the wear rate but cement debris led to a significant increase in wear rate
Zietz, et al, 2012[77]	MOP COP	PMMA + ZrO ₂ , mean 5 μm , <30 μm	14 mg of particles added to each knee (7 mg/condyle), first 50 cycles of each 0.5 MC run without lubricant, then lubricant added	Multiple, every 0.5 MC	Yes	Scratches visible on the CoCr femoral components, no scratches on ceramic femoral components	Wear of PE inserts with ceramic femoral components lower than CoCr implants under third-body wear conditions

Table S1c: Summary of studies carrying out third body wear simulation with particles in simple geometry pin-on-plate or pin-on-disc

Author and year	Materials	Particle type and diameter (μm)	Method	Single or multiple dose of particles	Embedded particles?	Characterisation of surfaces	Wear of materials
Caravia et al, 2000[45]	MOP (stainless steel)	PMMA PMMA + BaSO ₄ PMMA + ZrO ₂ Cancellous bone (bovine) Cortical bone (bovine), 5-355 μm	Particles added to lubricant 10 g/l	N/A	Yes, particles embedded in UHMWPE in all tests	BaSO ₄ and ZrO ₂ additives in PMMA lead to scratching with ZrO ₂ creating deeper scratches. Unpolymerised cement did not scratch metal. Cortical bone creates scratches but smaller than from PMMA with additives	No wear simulation carried out
Cooper et al, 1991[23]	COP	PMMA + BaSO ₄ PMMA + ZrO ₂ , 5 - 500 μm	Smaller particles are more likely to cause damage			Scratch depth greater with ZrO ₂ cement particles.	No wear simulation carried out
Cowie et al 2016[84]	MOP	Bone void fillers, crushed <i>in situ</i> to a powder PMMA (+ BaSO ₄), 500-1000 μm	2-phases, damage simulation followed by wear testing against damaged surfaces	N/A	No	Following damage simulation, R _a < 0.02 μm on all CoCr plates damaged with bone void fillers and PMMA cement	No significant difference in wear of PE between polished plates and those damaged with particles
Cowie et al 2020[33]	UMWPE-on-PEEK and UHMWPE-on-CoCr	PMMA cement (+ ZrO ₂), 500-1000 μm	2-phases, damage simulation followed by wear testing against damaged surfaces	N/A	No	Following damage simulation, CoCr plates R _a ~0.01 μm , PEEK plates R _a ~0.05 μm	Damage simulation had no influence on wear of PE compared to smooth controls, polishing effect of PE against scratched PEEK plates
Isaac et al, 1987[15]	MOP (stainless steel)	PMMA + ZrO ₂ PMMA + BaSO ₄ Cadaveric cortical bone	Particles trapped between a loaded UHMWPE pin and a metal plate, plate pulled beneath pin	N/A	Yes	Highest surface roughness with ZrO ₂ particles, more than twice that of BaSO ₄ and cortical bone	No wear simulation carried out
Lewicki et al, 2017[87]	MOP	Calcium sulfate bone void filler	Particles trapped between pin and plate	No, single dose to represent	Not investigated	Not investigated	BVF did not steady state wear rate in powder or pellet form compared to controls.

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				bone void filler resorption			
Manero et al, 2004[62]	MOP (Ti)	PMMA + BaSO ₄ PMMA + ZrO ₂ PMMA + other radiopaque agents, 37-500 μm	2.5 g cement in 150 ml distilled water (16.6 g/l)				Increased wear in tests run with BaSO ₄ and ZrO ₂ additives.
Minakawa et al, 1998[93]	MOP	PMMA cement with different radiopacifiers, bone, <500 μm	Particles trapped between an UHMWPE pin and SS plate, plate pulled beneath pin	N/A	No	Adding radiopacifiers to PMMA increased the number of scratches, more scratches with ZrO ₂ than BaSO ₄	No wear test carried out
Poggie et al, 1994[29]	MOP with TiN and ZrO ₂ coatings COP	Ti6Al4V, 150-250 μm Oxidised titanium powder, 1.48 μm	Debris trapped between articulating surfaces.	N/A	Yes	Abrasion resistance of implant materials proportional to surface hardness	Abrasion damage with Ti6Al4V measured geometrically, with TiO ₂ , a scoring system was used due to surface contamination
Que et al, 2000[52]	MOP	PMMA ± BaSO ₄ Bone	0.175 g of particles suspended in 4.5 g water (38.8 g/l)			Scratches on CoCr with bone, PMMA with & without BaSO ₄	No weight loss of CoCr detected
Sagbas et al, 2016[85]	MOP	PMMA spheres, mean 339 nm	10 g/l in water	N/A	Yes	Pitting of polyethylene and embedded particles	Elevated wear with PMMA particles

Table S2a: Summary of studies carrying out third body wear with simulation by creating discrete scratches on the counterfaces in the hip

Abbreviations: MOP: Metal-on-polyethylene, XLPE: cross-linked polyethylene, PE: polyethylene, PEEK: polyetheretherketone

Author and date	Materials	Method	Characterisation of surfaces	Wear of materials
Affatato et al, 2005[64]	MOP	Diamond stylus 35 μm tip used to create 3 scratches in a asterix shape	Pre-test, R_a 0.12–0.14 μm , no post-test roughness measurements	XLPE has superior (40x) wear resistance than conventional PE in this study, no control carried out
Al-Hajjar et al, 2018[86]	MOP	Scratches and scrapes created in metal heads to represent retrievals	See Kruger et al [27]	Severe scratches led to a higher wear rate of PE than severe scrapes
Barbour et al, 2000[50]	MOP	3 scratches created with a diamond stylus with 25 μm tip and 2.5 N load 3 scratches created with a CoCr bead 250 μm ϕ embedded in a polyethylene pin 80 N load applied	Stylus R_a 0.04 μm CoCr bead R_a 0.02 μm Scratches with stylus had a higher lip height, were deeper and narrower than with the bead	Scratching with a bead increased wear rate of PE compared to unscratched controls, scratching with a diamond stylus led to a further increase in wear
Bowsher and Shelton, 2001[53]	MOP	Metal heads roughened with 400 grit SiC paper to produce overlapping circular scratches	Mean R_a 0.4 μm , maximum R_p 3 μm	~8x increase in wear of roughened heads compared to smooth heads under gait conditions
Carli et al, 2018[88]	Oxidised zirconium-on-polyethylene and COP	Retrieved femoral heads. Heads classified into either severely damaged (dislocated) or mildly damage (non-dislocated)	Severe scratching on the oxidised zirconium heads which suffered recurrent dislocations, S_a 1.4-8.6 μm ; mildly damaged heads with scratches >0.5 cm in length, S_a 0.4-0.7 μm ; ceramic heads S_a 0.06-0.2 μm	High PE wear against oxidised zirconium heads which suffered recurrent dislocations; lower wear of PE against ceramic heads with recurrent dislocations similar to oxidised zirconium heads with mild damage
Endo et al, 2002[56]	MOP	3 scratches created on the pole of the femoral heads as Barbour et al [50]	Lip height of scratches, 2-3 μm	Wear rate of PE and XLPE UHMWPE increased 2-3-fold against scratched femoral heads
Good et al, 2005[65]	MOP	Tumbling in abrasive media	R_a of roughened CoCr heads similar to retrieved samples, R_{pm} of roughened higher than retrieves samples.	With conventional PE, wear rate against roughened heads twice that of smooth implants
Heiner et al, 2012[73]	MOP	5 CoCr beads (300-320 μm ϕ) embedded and glued in acetabular cup and run for 10,000 cycles under a gait cycle	Circular scratches on femoral heads and acetabular cup. P_p of scratches \sim 0.5 μm .	Wear test not carried out

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Hembus et al, 2020[91]	COP	Retrieved ceramic heads with metallic transfer	Regions with metallic transfer had a significantly higher surface roughness ($R_a \sim 0.35 \mu\text{m}$ compared to $\sim 0.09 \mu\text{m}$ in the new components)	Higher wear of UHMWPE liners against heads with metallic transfer than new heads
Liao et al, 2008[68]	MOP MOXLPE COXLPE	Heads tumbled for 30 minutes with a bauxite/alumina abrasive media in a table top tumbler	For metal heads, pre tumbling $R_a \sim 0.01 \mu\text{m}$, $R_p < 0.1 \mu\text{m}$, post tumbling $R_a \sim 0.04 \mu\text{m}$, $R_p > 1.5 \mu\text{m}$ For ceramic heads, pre tumbling $R_a < 0.01 \mu\text{m}$, $R_p \sim 0.05 \mu\text{m}$, post tumbling $R_a < 0.01 \mu\text{m}$, $R_p \sim 0.07 \mu\text{m}$	Following scratching, wear of XLPE remained lower than PE, wear of scratched COP similar to smooth implants
McKellop et al, 1999[49]	MOP	Femoral heads polished with grit compound or emery paper	Moderately rough – $R_a 0.4 \mu\text{m}$, extremely rough – $R_a 0.9 \mu\text{m}$	Moderate roughening had no influence on PE wear rate compared to polished controls, significant increase in wear rate against extremely rough heads
Morrison et al, 2015[82]	MOP and oxidised zirconium on poly	Tumbled in a centrifugal barrel mass-finisher, ~ 30 s in a $25 \mu\text{m}$ alumina powder and plastic cone media	After tumbling CoCr implants, peaks formed leading to a positive R_{sk} ; oxidised zirconium implants had a negative R_{sk} post tumbling.	Tumbling increased the wear rate against CoCr, no increase in wear against oxidised zirconium
Wang et al, 1998[48]	MOP	Multidirectional scratches created with SiC paper	$R_a 0.85 \mu\text{m}$	Linear relationship between R_a and wear
Weisenburger et al 2018[76]	MOP	Femoral heads pressed into abrasive beads, loaded (body weight) then moved through 90° (x10), then repeated in perpendicular direction		$\sim 2.5\text{X}$ increase in wear rate compared to smooth controls for conventional PE, 4X increase in wear rate for XLPE

Table S2b: Summary of studies carrying out third body wear with simulation by creating discrete scratches on the counterfaces in the knee

Author and date	Materials	Method	Characterisation of surfaces	Wear of materials
Cowie et al, 2019[90]	MOP	Scratches created with a 200 μm radius stylus in a grid pattern	Scratches with a lip height of $>3 \mu\text{m}$, $R_a \sim 1.3 \mu\text{m}$	7-fold increase in wear rate of PE against scratched tibia components compared to smooth
DesJardins et al, 2008[67]	MOP and oxidised zirconium-on-PE	Components roughened by tumbling with 25 μm alumina powder and plastic cone media in a centrifugal finishing barrel for 30s	Following tumbling, increase in R_a of femoral components: CoCr – 0.17 μm Oxidised zirconia – 0.06 μm	Higher wear against scratched CoCr femoral components than oxidised zirconium
Muratoglu et al, 2004[63]	MOP	Explanted femoral components tested against new tibial inserts	Scratches on femoral components primarily orientated in an AP direction, initial R_a 0.1-0.2 μm , R_p 0.3-0.8 μm	Wear rate of PE $\sim 3.5x$ higher with explanted femoral components compared to smooth implants
Widding et al, 2002[58]	MOP	Femoral components tumbled in a centrifugal mass finisher containing 25 μm alumina and abrasive-embedded plastic cones	Significant increase in R_a , R_{pm} and R_{pk} over non-tumbled implants	
Widding et al, 2003[60]	MOP	Femoral components tumbled in a centrifugal mass finisher containing 25 μm alumina and abrasive-embedded plastic cones	After tumbling, mean R_a 0.1 μm , mean R_{pm} 0.2 μm of femoral components	3-fold increase in wear rate conventional PE of scratched femoral components compared to smooth
Ries et al, 2002[57]	MOP OxZr-on-PE	Femoral components tumbled with 25 μm alumina powder and plastic cone media in a centrifugal finishing barrel	R_a of CoCr femoral components doubled after tumbling, R_{pm} increased 4-fold, no influence of tumbling on R_a or R_{pm} of OxZr	Wear of PE 8-fold lower against abraded OxZr compared To CoCr

Table S2c: Summary of studies carrying out third body wear with simulation by creating discrete scratches on the counterfaces in simple geometry pin-on-plate or pin-on-disc

Author and date	Materials	Method	Characterisation of surfaces	Wear of materials
Cowie et al, 2020[33]	PE-on-PEEK and PE-on-CoCr	CoCr and PEEK counterfaces scratched with a (200 µm conical tipped) diamond stylus	Lip height 1, 2 and 4 µm created in PEEK and CoCr	Behaviour of PE-on-PEEK different from PE-on-CoCr, against 4 µm lip height scratches in CoCr, wear of PE significantly higher than against PEEK
Dowson et al, 1987[46]	MOP (stainless steel)	Single scratch created either perpendicular to or parallel to wear test with a diamond stylus, plates then lapped to remove lips on scratches, single indentation also investigated	Scratch and indent depth up to 60 µm, lip height up to 36 µm. No change in geometry of scratches after wear simulation (>100 Km sliding distance)	Scratches perpendicular to the wear test have a greater influence (10 x wear rate) on wear than parallel scratches; lapping to remove lips reduced wear rate; single indentation did not influence PE wear
Fisher et al, 1995[47]	MOP (stainless steel)	Comparison of pin on plate and pin on disc	Lip height of scratches 1µm, Ra 0.013 µm	30-fold increase in wear for unidirectional motion tests 70-fold increase in wear for multidirectional motion tests
Galvin et al, 2006[66]	MOP	Scratched with a diamond stylus, 100 µm diameter perpendicular to the direction of the wear test	Mean lip height of scratches, 0.8 or 1.8 µm	Increased wear factor with increased lip height of scratches
Minakawa et al, 1998[31]	MOP COP	Scratches created with a diamond stylus, R _p 0.1-1 µm	R _p of scratches in stainless steel (R _p ~1.0 µm) larger than CoCr (R _p ~0.4 µm), in ceramic, R _a <0.1 µm	Dependence of PE wear on scratch R _p or R _{pm}
Glennon et al, 2008[69]	MOP	Scratched with 50 µm stylus compared to plates roughened with emery paper	Mean R _a 1.2 µm, mean lip height 1.3 µm of scratches. Scratches in different orientations	The direction of the scratches influences PE wear
Lancaster et al, 1997[32]	MOP COP	Lapping, different roughness's created by different duration of lapping	R _a from 0.003-0.010 µm, R _p 0.01-0.31 µm	Exponential relationship between surface topography and wear, R _a <0.05 µm, diminishing returns in improvement of surface topography reducing wear
McNie et al, 2000[51]	MOP	SS bead 10, 150 or 300 µm diameter embedded in polyethylene	Damage created similar to retrieved implants	
Wang et al, 1998[48]	MOP	Scratches created parallel to the direction of motion with SiC paper or alumina paste	R _a 0.1-0.7 µm	Exponential relationship between R _a and wear, when R _a < 0.05 µm, the wear factor is almost independent of surface roughness

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Weightman and Light, 1986[44]	MOP COP	Fewer polishing stages adopted to create more rough surfaces	Alumina counterfaces R_a up to 0.1 μm , SS counterfaces R_a up to 0.75 μm	Exponential increase in wear with R_a , optimum $R_a < 0.15 \mu\text{m}$
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