

Implant Summary Report for:

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Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement

Comprising PRIMARY knees implanted up to:	02 July 2025
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This report has been produced by the National Joint Registry (NJR). It summarises usage and outcomes associated with brand(s) Palacos Antibiotic up to the specified dates. Patients aged less than 18 have been excluded. This analysis is based on data collected by the NJR and PROMs data collected by the NHS for the components listed in Appendix A. This report excludes all procedures where major components from mixed manufacturers have been implanted.

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NJR Recorded Usage

Implant Usage

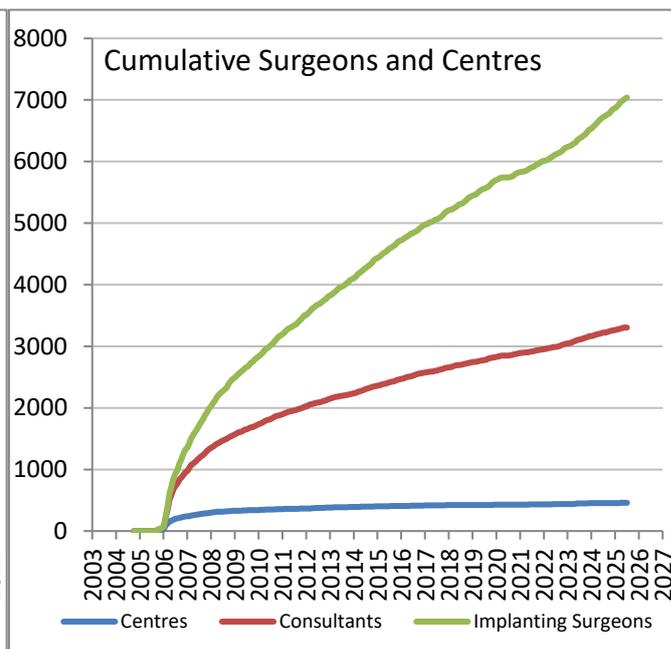
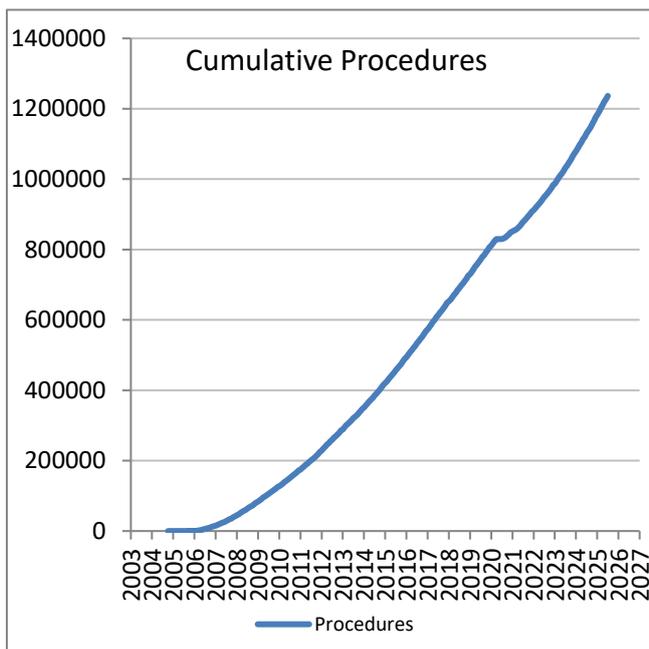
Date of first recorded usage in the NJR: **01 September 2005**

Date of last recorded usage in this dataset **02 July 2025**

Maximum implantation time: 19.8 years

Mean implantation time: 6.9 years

Totals Recorded in NJR	Cumulative Total
Procedures	1,236,923
Patients	1,000,832
Centres	458
Consultants	3,304
Implanting Surgeons	7,042



Current Outcome	Year of implantation														Total	%
	Pre-2014	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025			
Death	1E+05	17458	15972	14299	11905	9267	7684	2563	2557	2036	1191	397	21	228192	18.4%	
Revised	16715	2535	2462	2223	2044	1684	1397	619	788	801	651	364	86	32369	2.6%	
Unrevised	2E+05	49087	55628	62040	65740	66679	72052	36732	57388	72840	89361	1E+05	54497	976362	78.9%	
Total	4E+05	69080	74062	78562	79689	77630	81133	39914	60733	75677	91203	1E+05	54604	1236923	100%	

Patient / Procedure Details

Patient Details

	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR
Total Procedures	1,236,923	502,984
Total Patients	1,000,832	427,109
Demographics		
Mean age	69.6	69.8
< 50	2.2%	2.5%
50 – 59	13.8%	13.2%
60 – 69	33.0%	32.3%
70 – 79	37.3%	37.7%
≥ 80	13.7%	14.3%
Median BMI	30	30
% BMI information available	74.8%	59.8%
Underweight (BMI < 18.5)	0.2%	0.2%
Normal (18.5 ≤ BMI < 25)	10.3%	11.1%
Overweight (25 ≤ BMI < 30)	34.0%	34.6%
Obese I (30 ≤ BMI < 35)	32.5%	31.4%
Obese II (35 ≤ BMI < 40)	16.6%	16.2%
Obese III (BMI ≥ 40)	6.4%	6.5%
%Female	56.4%	57.1%
%Male	43.6%	42.9%
ASA Grades		
P1 - Fit and healthy	8.5%	11.9%
P2 - Mild disease not incapacitating	72.7%	70.3%
P3 - Incapacitating systemic disease	18.5%	17.4%
P4 / P5	0.3%	0.4%
Indications		
Osteoarthritis	97.72%	97.03%
RheumatoidArthritis	1.14%	1.64%
OtherInflammatoryArthropathy	0.74%	0.72%
PreviousTrauma	0.63%	0.73%
AvascularNecrosis	0.37%	0.39%
Other	0.69%	0.96%

Total of indications may exceed total number of implants, since more than one indication can be listed per case.

Revision and Survivorship

Reasons for Revision

Reasons for revision of primary procedures in which the implant was used.

Reason for Revision	Revised [†]	Expected Revisions [*]	Revision Rate Ratio (80% Cred. Int.)	Probability RRR < 1
Infection	7155	7277.13	0.92 - 0.97	0.994
Progressive Arthritis Remaining	5737	5981.84	0.87 - 0.92	> 0.999
Aseptic Loosening Femur	2885	3011.09	0.88 - 0.94	> 0.999
Aseptic Loosening Tibia	5975	5984.47	0.97 - 1.02	0.58
Aseptic Loosening Patella	440	440.92	0.90 - 1.10	0.53
Unexplained Pain	3660	3722.31	0.93 - 0.99	0.95
Stiffness	2004	2022.95	0.93 - 1.02	0.77
Malalignment	2128	2194.55	0.88 - 0.96	0.991
Instability	4700	4803.68	0.92 - 0.97	0.993
Dislocation / Subluxation	1020	1076.87	0.82 - 0.93	0.998
Periprosthetic Fracture	1660	1668.33	0.94 - 1.04	0.63
Wear of Polyethylene Component	1651	1814.35	0.79 - 0.87	> 0.999
Lysis - Tibia	1439	1464.26	0.91 - 1.01	0.85
Lysis - Femur	887	940.94	0.83 - 0.94	0.996
Component Dissociation	358	378.86	0.79 - 0.97	0.95
Implant Fracture	197	201.23	0.83 - 1.09	0.67
Other / Not recorded	1870	1874.94	0.95 - 1.04	0.57
Total Revised	32366	33013.24	0.94 - 0.96	> 0.999

[†] multiple reasons may be listed for one revision procedure ^{*} Based on All NJR Knees with Cement, adjusted for Age group, Sex, Implantation year and Indications

LCI > 100% higher than expected
 LCI > 50% higher than expected
 LCI > 20% higher than expected



UCI < 1/2 expected
 UCI < 2/3 expected
 UCI < 5/6 expected

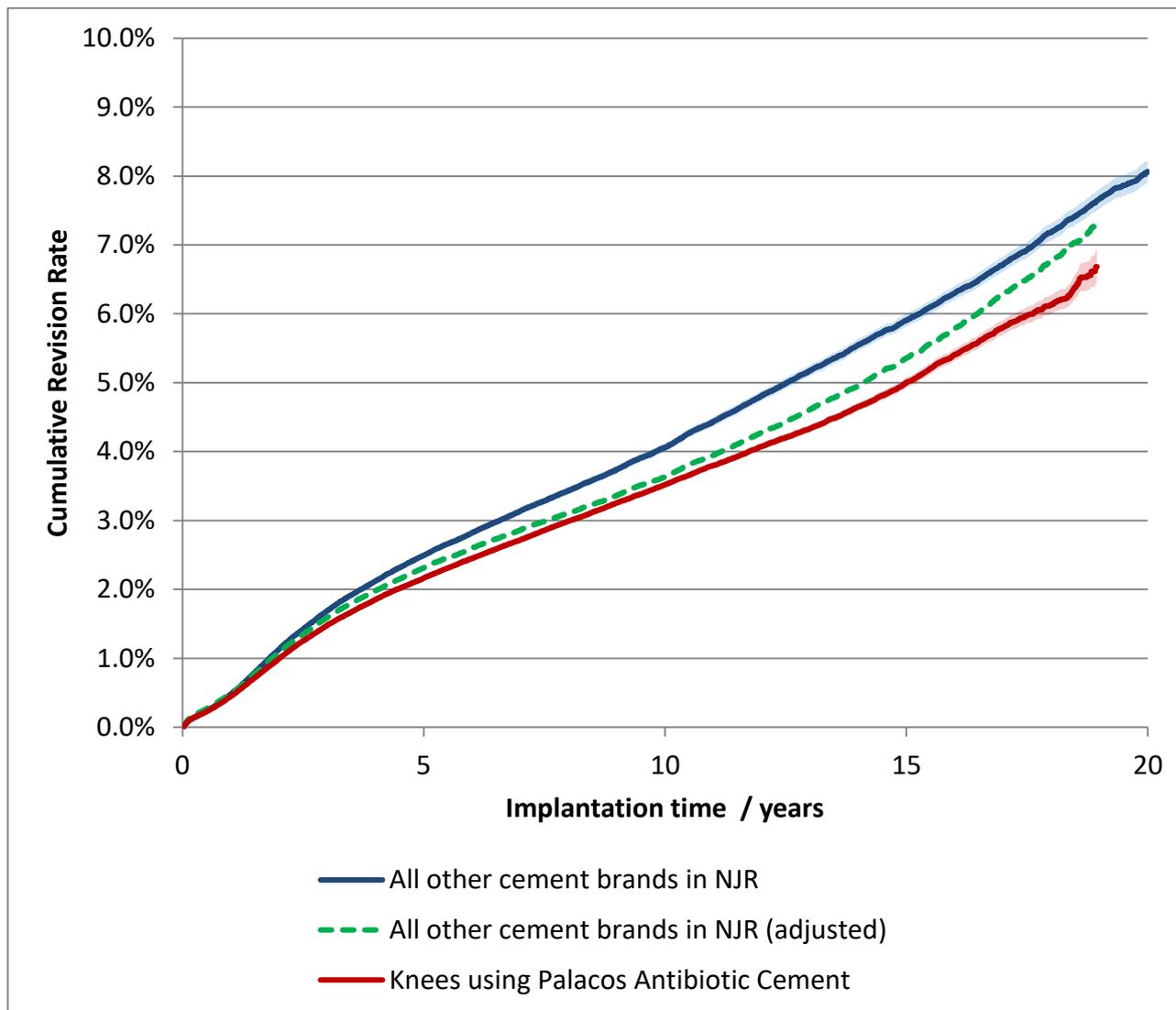


Components Revised	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement		All other cement brands in NJR
Femoral only	957	3.0%	3.3%
Tibial only	1580	4.9%	4.7%
Femoral and Tibial	20715	64.0%	71.6%
Bearing exchange only	4780	14.8%	10.3%
Secondary patella resurfacing only	3704	11.4%	8.5%
Patella revision only	304	0.9%	0.8%
Not recorded	329	1.0%	0.8%

Revision and Survivorship

Cumulative Revision Rate

Endpoint: All reasons for revision.



Cox Proportional Hazards model for revision risk ratio of Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement / All other cement brands in NJR, with endpoint as any revision.

Adjustment	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	p-value
Unadjusted.	0.86 ‡ (0.84 - 0.87)	< 0.001
Adjusted for age, sex, ASA, BMI, Op.date and indications.	0.94 ‡ (0.92 - 0.95)	< 0.001

‡ Hazard ratio varies with time

Revision and Survivorship

Cumulative Revision Rate

Endpoint: All revisions

Period /years	At Risk	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR
0	1236923	0.00% (0.00% - 0.00%)	0.00% (0.00% - 0.00%)
1	1115021	0.45% (0.44% - 0.46%)	0.48% (0.46% - 0.50%)
2	1000171	0.99% (0.98% - 1.01%)	1.13% (1.10% - 1.16%)
3	899559	1.48% (1.46% - 1.50%)	1.69% (1.65% - 1.73%)
4	812198	1.85% (1.83% - 1.88%)	2.12% (2.08% - 2.16%)
5	745943	2.16% (2.14% - 2.19%)	2.49% (2.45% - 2.54%)
6	671330	2.45% (2.42% - 2.48%)	2.82% (2.77% - 2.87%)
7	578911	2.72% (2.68% - 2.75%)	3.14% (3.08% - 3.19%)
8	492900	2.99% (2.95% - 3.03%)	3.44% (3.38% - 3.49%)
9	408420	3.26% (3.22% - 3.29%)	3.74% (3.68% - 3.80%)
10	331829	3.52% (3.48% - 3.56%)	4.06% (4.00% - 4.12%)
11	263593	3.80% (3.75% - 3.84%)	4.44% (4.37% - 4.51%)
12	205827	4.08% (4.03% - 4.13%)	4.81% (4.74% - 4.89%)
13	155550	4.33% (4.28% - 4.39%)	5.17% (5.10% - 5.25%)
14	111261	4.65% (4.59% - 4.71%)	5.55% (5.46% - 5.63%)
15	77178	5.00% (4.93% - 5.07%)	5.91% (5.82% - 6.00%)
16	49293	5.41% (5.32% - 5.50%)	6.30% (6.20% - 6.40%)
17	26670	5.80% (5.69% - 5.91%)	6.71% (6.60% - 6.82%)
18	10939	6.13% (6.00% - 6.27%)	7.18% (7.06% - 7.30%)
19			7.67% (7.53% - 7.81%)
20			8.07% (7.90% - 8.23%)

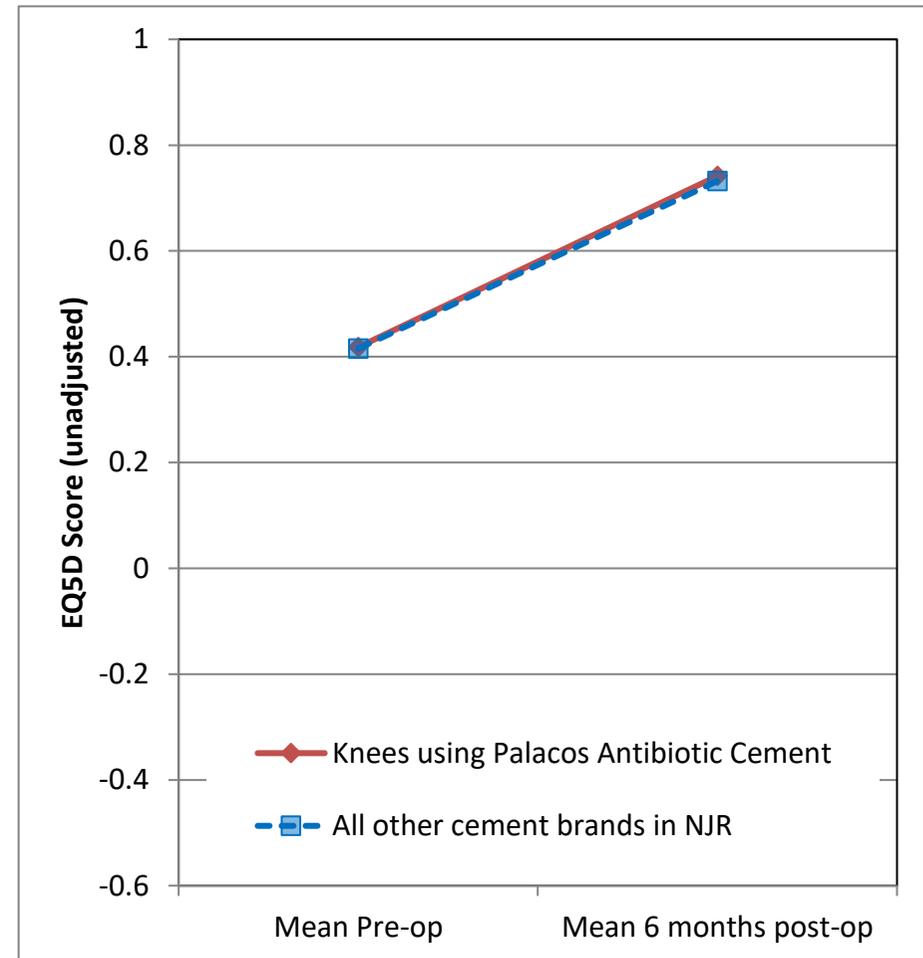
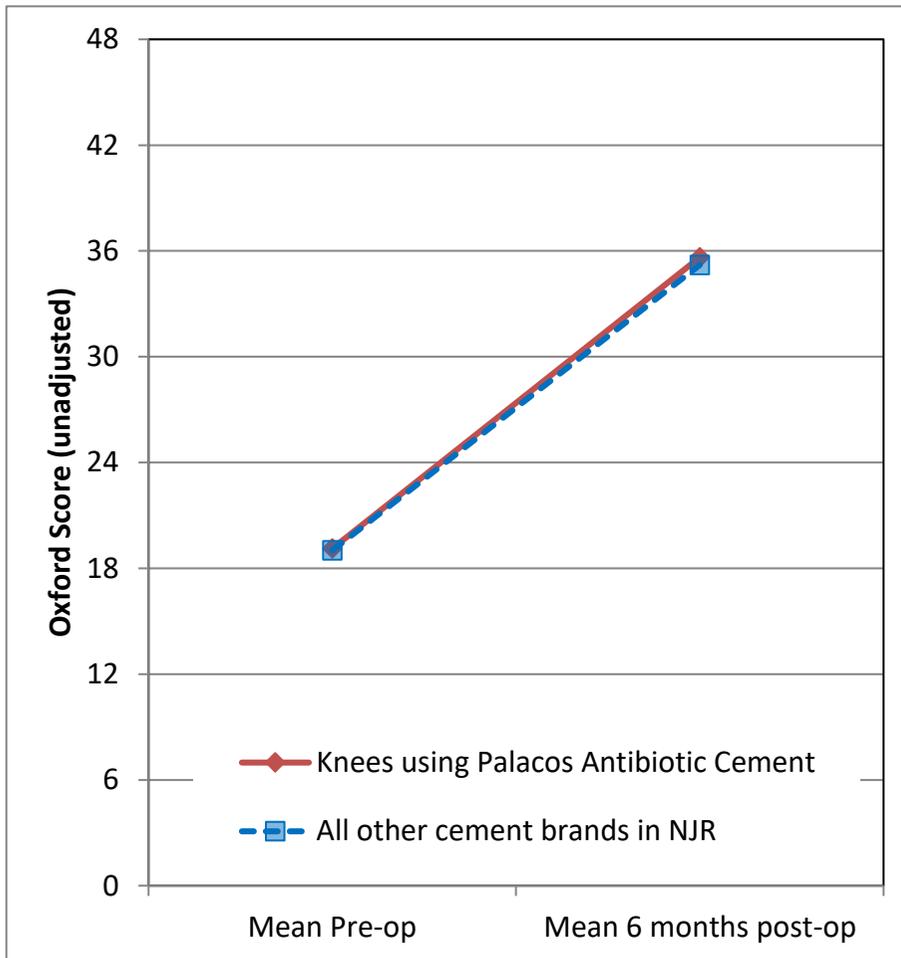
Cumulative revision rate with 95% confidence intervals

Rate is only reported for times where 40 or more remain at risk

Patient Reported Outcomes

Comprising PROMs data up to and including: 31/03/2022

PROMs Analysis



Patient Reported Outcomes

PROMs Analysis

Comprising PROMs data up to and including: 31/03/2022

Oxford Knee Score (0 - 48)	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR	All knees in NJR
Paired Records	282,425	99,628	400,225
PreOp score	19.1 (19.1 - 19.2)	19.0 (19.0 - 19.1)	19.1 (19.1 - 19.1)
6 month score	35.6 (35.6 - 35.7)	35.2 (35.1 - 35.3)	35.5 (35.5 - 35.6)
6 month score (adjusted)	35.6 (35.6 - 35.6)	35.3 (35.3 - 35.4)	35.5 (35.5 - 35.6)
Health gain	16.5 (16.5 - 16.5)	16.2 (16.1 - 16.2)	16.4 (16.4 - 16.4)
Health gain (adjusted)	16.5 (16.5 - 16.5)	16.2 (16.1 - 16.3)	16.4 (16.4 - 16.5)
p value (adjusted health gain)	<0.001		
Score Improved	94.1%	93.6%	93.9%

EQ-5D Index (-0.59 - 1.00)	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR	All knees in NJR
Paired Records	262,336	92,250	371,548
PreOp score	0.418 (0.417 - 0.419)	0.415 (0.413 - 0.417)	0.418 (0.417 - 0.419)
6 month score	0.742 (0.741 - 0.743)	0.732 (0.730 - 0.734)	0.739 (0.738 - 0.740)
6 month score (adjusted)	0.741 (0.740 - 0.742)	0.735 (0.733 - 0.736)	0.739 (0.738 - 0.740)
Health gain	0.324 (0.323 - 0.324)	0.317 (0.315 - 0.318)	0.322 (0.321 - 0.322)
Health gain (adjusted)	0.323 (0.322 - 0.324)	0.317 (0.315 - 0.319)	0.322 (0.320 - 0.323)
p value (adjusted health gain)	<0.001		
Score Improved	81.6%	80.8%	81.4%

EQ-VAS (0 - 100)	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR	All knees in NJR
Paired Records	250,800	88,747	355,975
PreOp score	67.9 (67.8 - 68.0)	67.9 (67.8 - 68.1)	67.9 (67.9 - 68.0)
6 month score	74.3 (74.2 - 74.4)	73.6 (73.5 - 73.7)	74.1 (74.1 - 74.2)
6 month score (adjusted)	74.3 (74.2 - 74.3)	73.7 (73.6 - 73.9)	74.1 (74.1 - 74.2)
Health gain	6.4 (6.3 - 6.5)	5.6 (5.5 - 5.8)	6.2 (6.2 - 6.3)
Health gain (adjusted)	6.3 (6.3 - 6.4)	5.8 (5.7 - 6.0)	6.2 (6.1 - 6.3)
p value (adjusted health gain)	<0.001		
Score Improved	57.0%	55.2%	56.5%

Adjusted scores correspond to the NHS England version 3 casemix-adjustment model. This includes patient variables from PROMs, HES, and IMD data.

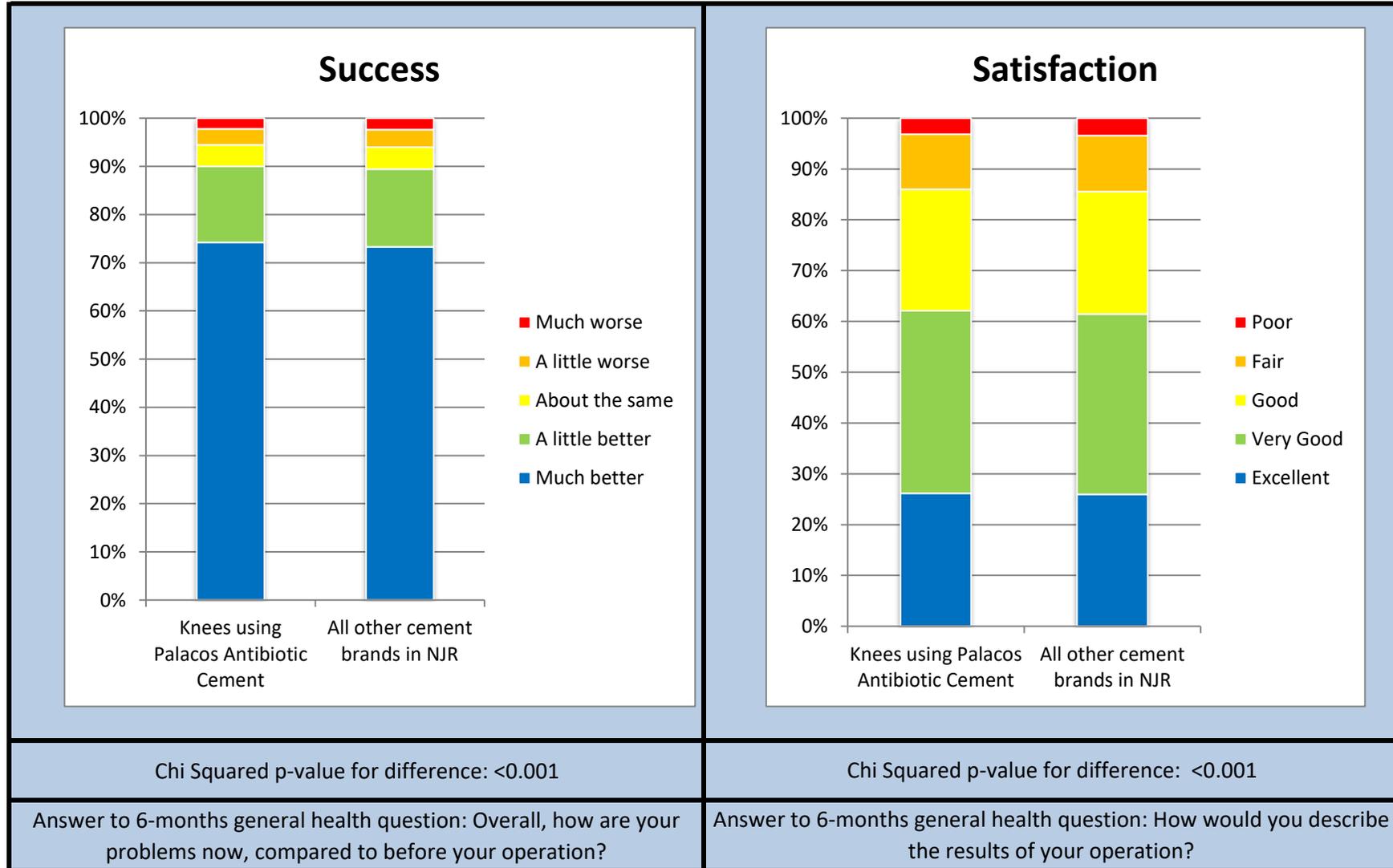
Figures in parentheses represent the 95% confidence interval for the mean

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Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement

Responses are not case mix adjusted

Patient Reported Outcomes



Patient Reported Outcomes

Success

Response	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR
Much better	216004	76071
A little better	46097	16744
About the same	12959	4709
A little worse	9679	3752
Much worse	6397	2485

Answer to 6-months general health question:

"Overall, how are your problems now, compared to before your operation?"

Satisfaction

Response	Knees using Palacos Antibiotic Cement	All other cement brands in NJR
Excellent	76134	26891
Very Good	104278	36688
Good	69553	24965
Fair	31387	11426
Poor	9227	3535

Answer to 6-months general health question:

"How would you describe the results of your operation?"

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