

		Admission	2 weeks after admission (discharge)	10 weeks after admission (telephone interview)
Assessment of joint/ physical functionality (secondary outcome)	Range of motion of the affected joint (flexion und extension, possible average improvement)	X (pq)	X (pq)	
	Lequesne knee questionnaire	X	X	X
	Timed up& go test	X (pq)	X (pq)	
Health-related quality of life (secondary outcome)	SF-36 (rough evaluation: physical summation scale, psychological summation scale)	X	X	X
	AIMS2-SF	X	X	X
Assessment of pain (primary outcome)	Visual analog scale	X (pq)	X (pq)	
	Measurement of daily pain intensity by patient diary (period from admission to discharge)	↔		
Health assessment (secondary outcome)	EQ-5D	X	X	X
	Measurement of daily state of health by patient diary (period from admission to discharge)	X	X	X
	Measurement of daily blood pressure by patient diary (period from admission to discharge)	↔		