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Advances in diagnosis and treatment

This month Mercy Medical Center is adding a new computer assisted robotic total knee-replacement system called the PiGalileo System. They say they are the only hospital on the East Coast to be using this system, which promises to eliminate virtually all of the alignment concerns of total knee replacement. "My patients will benefit from this proven computer-assisted robotic total knee replacement procedure, which has been tested and proven by many of Europe's master surgeons," says Mercy's director of orthopedics, Jan Albert Koenig, M.D. "Utilizing computer robotics, I can perform this surgery with acute accuracy, thus enabling my patients to expect more consistent, superior results." Since its introduction in 1999, more than 70 PiGalileo systems have been installed worldwide and have been used in more than 10,000 surgeries. The system has only recently been introduced to this country. For further information, call 516/678-2232.