The prevention of motion is critical for 3D imaging and modeling. Instruct the patient on the importance of holding completely still during the scan.

The following instructions are very important. Please read them carefully before scanning.

**Scanning the Patient and Technical Factors (for all scanners)**

**Slice Thickness:** See specific protocols.

**Field of View:** Magnify or zoom image so it fills the entire screen without cutting off any of the anatomy for imaging. The FOV must not be changed during the scan.

**Table Position:** The CT couch must **not** be raised or lowered between slices. The X and Y centering must **not** be altered between slices.

**Matrix:** Quality images can be obtained from any scan matrix, although a high resolution 512 x 512 matrix should be used whenever possible.

**Algorithm:** A standard or soft tissue algorithm with no edge enhancement must be used. Do **not** use bone algorithm.

**Note:** Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).

**Slice Spacing:** All slices must be contiguous or overlapping. Slice thickness and table increment is dependent on anatomy.

**Data Collection:** We accept CD-ROM in **DICOM** format off all CT machines.

CT Image data (not raw data) is required for patient modeling. Do **not** send hard copy X-rays.

Please contact the PMI department for assistance with CT Protocol requirements. via email pmi.imaging@zimmerbiomet.com or by phone at (574) 371-0557.

CT data may be submitted for reconstruction:

Ship to:
PMI Imaging Group
Zimmer Biomet
228 E. Bell Dr. – Building B
Warsaw, IN 46582
Revision Hip/Acetabulum Replacement (Triflange)

Femurs must be positioned so they are parallel to the horizontal plane of the table. Patient needs to be in A/P position with feet inverted.

**Start:** Top of iliac crest  
**Stop:** Mid-femur or below existing femoral  
**Slice Thickness and Spacing:** 2 mm by 2 mm, 2.5 mm by 2.5 mm, or 3 mm by 3 mm  
**Field of View:** 38–44 cm FOV, depending on patient size. Needs to include full pelvis.  
**Algorithm:** A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement  
**Note:** Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Primary Femoral Hip Stem (CT based hip)

Femurs must be positioned so they are parallel to the horizontal plane of the table. Patient needs to be in A/P position with feet inverted.

Start: Top of iliac crest
Stop: Mid-femur or below existing femoral

*Perform two femoral condyle slices (to show anteversion).
Do not change FOV or X and Y coordinates.

Slice Thickness and Spacing: 2 mm by 2 mm, 2.5 mm by 2.5 mm, or 3 mm by 3 mm
Field of View: 38–44 cm FOV depending on patient size. Needs to include full pelvis.
Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement
Acetabulum/Pelvis for Oncology

Position patient in A/P with feet inverted, no rotation. Entire pelvis in FOV.

**Start:** Top of iliac crest

**Stop:** Ending slice just below ischial tuberosity

**Slice Thickness and Spacing:** 2 mm by 2 mm, 2.5 mm by 2.5mm, or 3 mm by 3 mm

**Field of View:** 38–44 cm FOV, depending on patient size. Needs to include full pelvis.

**Algorithm:** A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

**Note:** Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Knee: Primary or Revision

Slice Thickness and Spacing: 1 mm by 1 mm, 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm

Field of View: 25–35 cm FOV, depending on patient size

Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
**Patient-Matched Implants**

**Patella / Femoral Implant**

**Start**: 10 cm above joint line

**Stop**: 3 cm below joint space

**Slice Thickness and Spacing**: 1 mm by 1 mm, 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm

**Field of View**: 25 cm FOV, depending on patient size

**Algorithm**: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

**Note**: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
**Shoulder: Primary or Revision (VRS)**

*Implant Example: Vault Reconstructive Shoulder System (VRS)*

**Start:** Above acromion process

**Stop:** 15 cm below top of humerus or 3 cm below existing implant

**Slice Thickness and Spacing:** 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, 1.5 mm by 1.5 mm, 2.5 mm by 2.5 mm, or 3 mm by 3 mm is acceptable

**Field of View:** 25–30 cm FOV, depending on patient size. Needs to include entire scapula.

**Algorithm:** A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

**Note:** Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Patient-Matched Implants

Elbow: Primary or Revision

Note: Have patient fully extend arm if possible.

Note: It is imperative that the technologist input the correct directional instructions before data acquisition is initiated (head first vs. feet first).

Start: 10 cm above joint line or 5 cm above existing implant

Stop: 8 cm below joint line or 5 cm below existing implant

Slice Thickness and Spacing: 1 mm by 1 mm, 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm

Field of View: 15–20 cm FOV, depending on patient size

Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Start: Tip of fingers

Stop: 4–5 cm proximal to carpal bones

Slice Thickness and Spacing: 0.625 mm by 0.625 mm, 1 mm by 1 mm, or 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm

Field of View: 15 cm FOV

Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Patient-Matched Implants

Sternum

Start: 5 cm above top of sternum
Stop: 5 cm below sternum

Slice Thickness: 1 mm by 1 mm, 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm

Field of View: 25 cm–30 cm depending on patient size

Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Patient-Matched Implants

Ribs

Start: 5 cm above 1st rib
Stop: 5 cm below last rib

Slice Thickness: 1 mm by 1 mm, 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm

Field of View: 35 cm–44 cm depending on patient size

Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement

Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
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Patient-Matched Implants

Ankle

Start: 15 cm above ankle joint
Stop: bottom of foot
Slice Thickness: .625 mm by .625 mm, 1 mm by 1 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm
Field of View: 35 cm–44 cm depending on patient size
Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement
Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).
Long Bone Study (Oncology tumor case or long stem)

Start (see below)  
Stop (see below)  

Start (see below)  
Stop (see below)  

Start (see below)  
Stop (see below)  

Start (see below)  
Stop (see below)  

Start/Stop: Include both joints of the bone  
Slice Thickness and Spacing: 1.25 mm by 1.25 mm, 1.5 mm by 1.5 mm, or 2 mm by 2 mm  
Field of View: 25–35 cm FOV, depending on patient size  
Algorithm: A standard or soft tissue algorithm, no bone enhancement  
Note: Do not use metal artifact reduction (MAR/OMAR).