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## Does running increase the risk of developing osteoarthritis?

In a recent Tools for Practice: Based on low-quality observational data, running likely does not increase the risk of developing osteoarthritis, except possibly in elite athletes.<sup>1</sup>

Additionally, recreational running may be associated with lowering the risk of knee osteoarthritis.

Exercise is one of the most effective treatments for reducing osteoarthritic pain for established osteoarthritis. There is a good podcast on this topic by the same authors where they say this is the best evidence to date.<sup>2</sup>

#### References:

- Exercise-induced osteoarthritis: Running into problems? Tools for Practice #266. (2020) View here) <u>View here</u>
- Exercise-induced osteoarthritis: Running into problems? from Best Science Medicine Podcast. Apple Podcasts. (2020) <u>View here</u>

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