

ARTHRITIS

Arthritis is a general term for aches and pains in the body's joints.

Most types of arthritis involve the deterioration of cartilage, which

is an (1) _____ material covering the ends of the bones in the joint. When the (2) _____ cartilage

wears out, it becomes rough and this causes pain when the joint

moves. This condition is more common among the elderly, but some people can be sufferers from (3) _____.

Apart from (4) _____ painkillers, little or no treatment is available. However, (5) _____

scientists have designed (6) _____ joints that can replace the (7) _____, worn-out ones. These

new joints could prove very (8) _____ to arthritis sufferers. Although some believe that joint replacement may be

(9) _____, numerous patients are

(10) _____ waiting for this medical breakthrough.

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