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Thank you.

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Figure legend:
After the saw guide was placed in the closest position to the osteotomy, the jig arms were angulated to achieve the best guide-to-osteotomy fit. The baseline angle of the jig arm was 90°. Angles greater than 90° were recorded as positive and angles below 90° were recorded as negative. The magnitude of the angle was recorded as its total deviation from 90°. Reprinted from the DePuy Synthes Vet Technique Guide: "Standard Tibial Plateau leveling Osteotomy (TPLO) System" (J6544-C, 2013) under a CC BY license, with the permission of DePuy Synthes Vet, Inc. West Chester, PA; USA.