

the world's first multi posture task chair

generation by | **Knoll**



‘We move constantly during the day, for our bodies to breathe but also to collaborate with other people around when we are talking on the telephone.

It’s all about movement.’

Kent Parker, Formway

to relieve pressure, open up to communication to us, to take a posture



generations

Today's workplace accommodates many generations. Baby boomers, Gen X and Y. Generation by Knoll supports their different work styles and habits from conventional upright computer use to shared work; both verbal and non verbal communication. With Generation, work flows seamlessly, from focused to more collaborative settings.



head down, back straight, now get back to work!

Historically, workplace seating design has been prescriptive. It has focused on one work style, with one static, task oriented posture. The emphasis has been on a single neutral posture with feet on the floor, back straight and with arms and legs at a 90 degree angle. Research confirms that there is no one optimal way to sit. Sitting upright and facing forward is just one of the many things that people do in their office chair. Generation doesn't force you to choose between freedom of movement and continuous support. It gives you both simultaneously.





flex top

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The flex top provides support in forward facing seating positions. It also folds down to provide a comfortable arm rest for more informal positions, even side sitting.



flex back

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What determines the shape of the chair? You do. The flex back responds to your movements throughout the day. It fuses two innovative elements; a resilient net and a distinctive figure of 8 structure. Together they allow torsional flex from side to side whilst supporting both lumbar and shoulders. Created from a high performance breathable elastomer, the flex back facilitates changes in posture throughout the workday. The soft net is tactile and kind to worksurface edges.

arms and continuous lumbar support

Lumbar support continues from the flex back through to the arms. High performance arms incorporate a free floating arm pad that naturally adjusts as you change from a task oriented position to a side seated posture. The arm stems do not restrict the movement of your legs. The result is seamless movement from upright to perched, side sitting and ¾ side recline postures. A separate optional lumbar attachment is available. With 7 adjustment points and torsional flex, it provides further adjustable support where required.

high performance armrest





flex seat

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The flex seat offers 270 degrees of seat edge flex without a hard frame or obtrusive levers.

The seat pad is mounted on a nest structure that gives firm support coupled with the sense of 'free floating'.

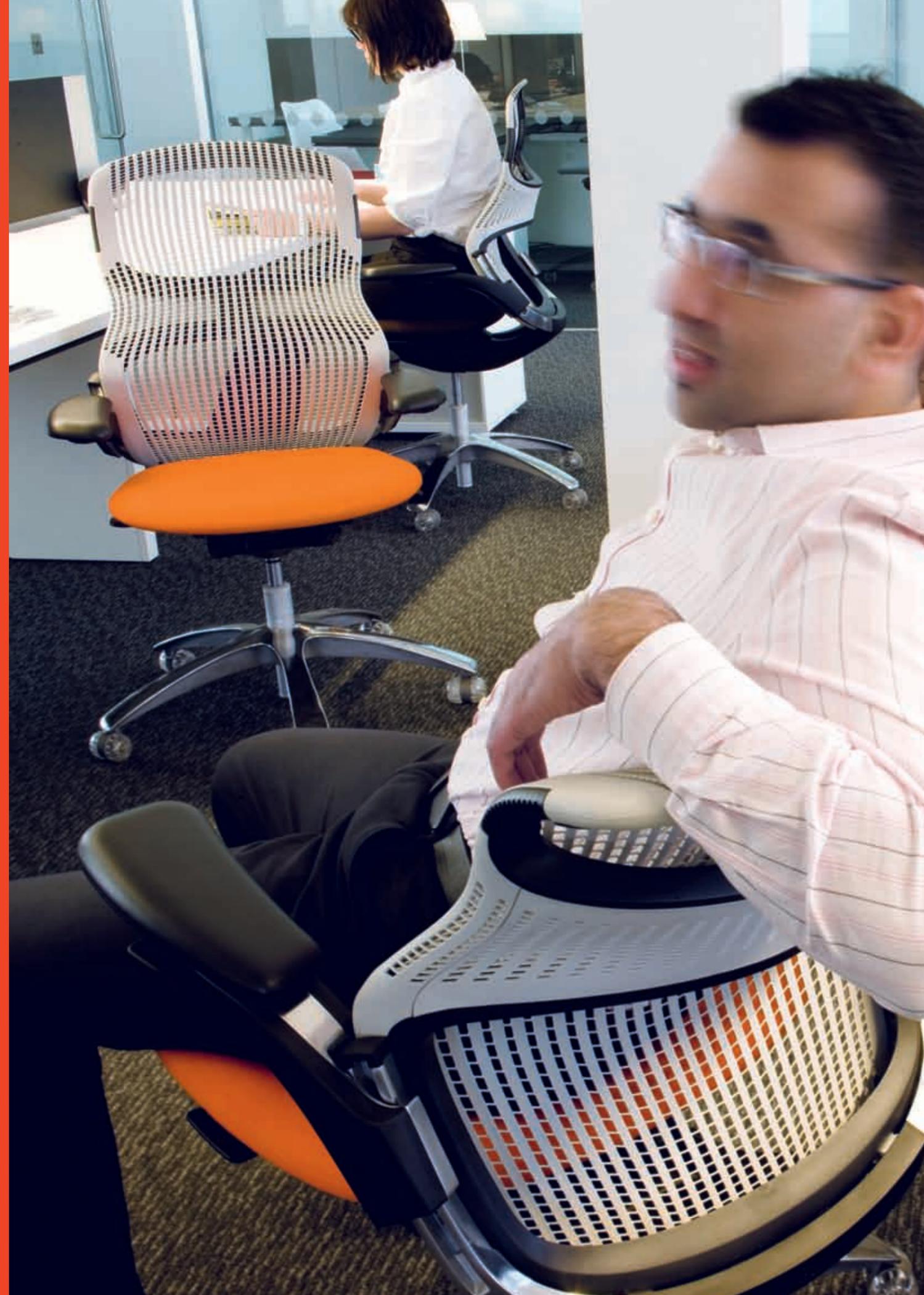
This allows comfortable use of the whole seat in a wide variety of postures, including side sitting. The seat is adjustable in both height and depth.

dynamic suspension control

The ground breaking dynamic suspension control is unlike conventional mechanisms. Without metal links or springs, it is made from the same high performance elastomer as the flex back.

It has four independent flexors, both with forward and back flex.

The inherent properties of the material also allow a great range of side to side movement. Despite this incredible capability, Dynamic Suspension Control uses approximately 30 percent fewer parts than conventional mechanisms.





finishes

With a wide range of net colours and an almost endless choice of fabrics and leathers, Generation can be tailored to any environment. Darker finishes and leather for a more formal setting, while polished aluminium and fabric give a lighter feel.

environment

For the past 30 years, Knoll has demonstrated its commitment to the environment through design, innovative technology and sustainable business practice. We vet each and every component and supplier for their environmental impact.

Generation by Knoll is manufactured at our ISO 14001 certified facilities and is the first chair to be rated SMaRT® Sustainable Platinum. It is also Greenguard rated and can contribute to achieving LEED® points.

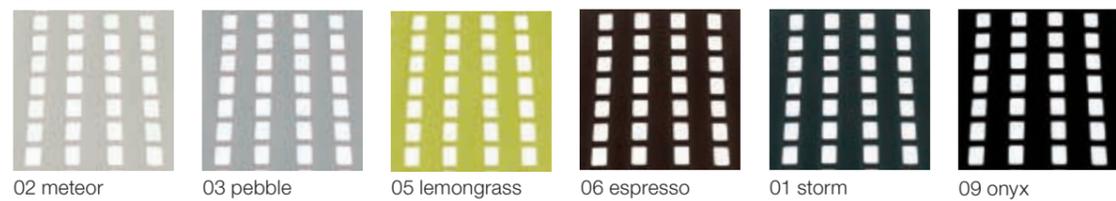


*'There were many, many hundreds of hours of video observation to identify what people were doing, different workplaces, different age users, different types of businesses, what they're doing when they're sitting. The nugget of gold that came out of that was that people don't just do task work. **The whole idea of people coming in and just focusing on a monitor and taking these upright postures is... not real.***

Kent Parker, Formway



flex back net colours



base options

polished aluminium,
dark base in integrally coloured
glass reinforced nylon

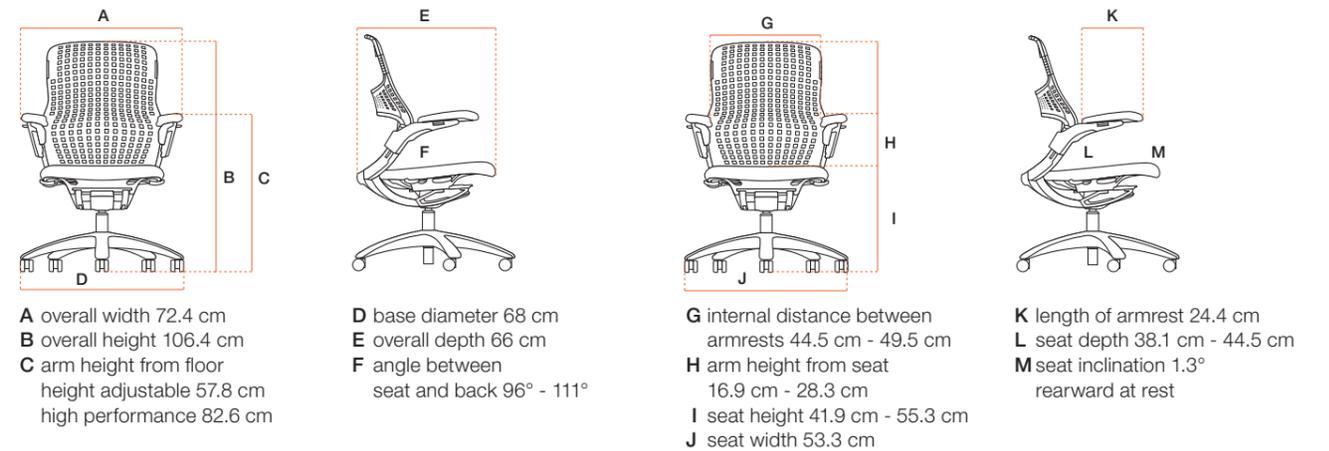
castor options

dark castors
(hard and soft options)
transparent castors
(hard and soft options)
glides

certification

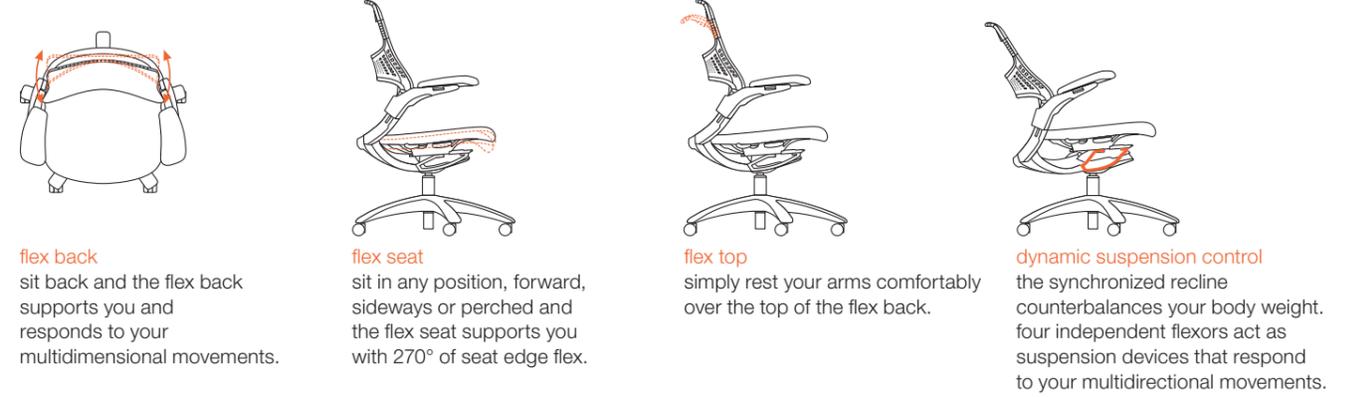
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Greenguard™ compliant
SMaRT® sustainable platinum

dimensions

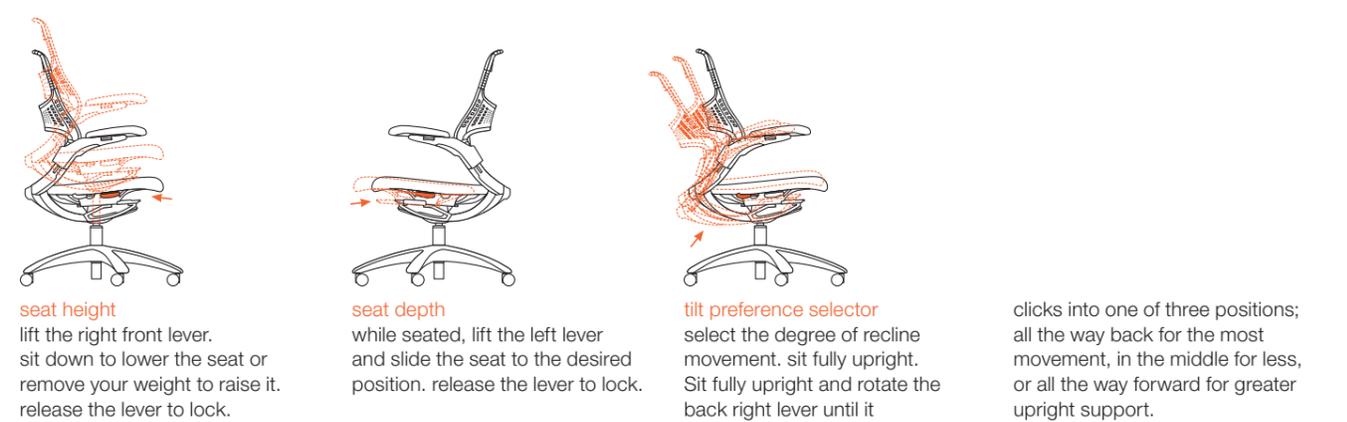


features and operating instructions

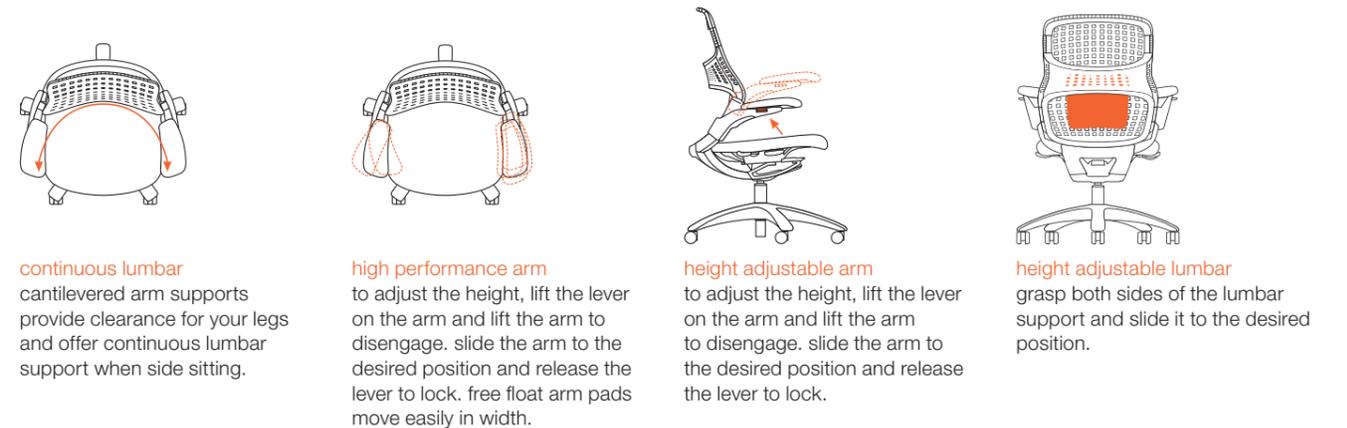
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intuitive adjustments (standard)



performance options



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