



ZonMw



VU university medical center

Rehabilitation technology and E-health: Projects at VU University Medical Center Amsterdam

Erwin van Wegen, PhD
e.vanwegen@vumc.nl



Disclosures

Presenter has no conflict of interest to disclose.

Outline

- * Role of Physical activity
- * (Tele-) rehabilitation technology / selfmanagement in stroke
- * Usefulness of ambulatory sensors for real-time monitoring and feedback for activity tracking
- * Physical activity monitoring and feedback in tele-rehabilitation and e-health after stroke:
 - * the care- program

Physical inactivity

- * Assumed costs of major chronic or non-communicable diseases (NCDs) : **\$53.8 billion dollars.**
- * About 1.5% of these costs are preventable if physical inactivity leading to chronic diseases and co-morbidity is properly addressed. (Ding et al, Lancet 2016).

Disease Self-management

In the Chronic Care Model:

- * *Self-management* involves engaging the person with chronic disease in activities that:
 - * Protect and **promote** health behavior
 - * **Monitor** the symptoms and signs of illness
 - * **Manage** the impacts of illness on functioning, emotions and interpersonal relationships
 - * **Promote** adherence to treatment regimes

Von Kroff et al., Ann Intern Med 1997;127(12):1097-1102.

* Early data on self-management strategies (Lorig KR et al., Medical Care 1999;37(1):5-14)

- * 1000 patients with chronic diseases
 - * Heart disease, lung disease, **stroke**, arthritis
- * completed Chronic Disease **Self Management** Program
- * Followed-up for 3 years
- * Improvements :
 - * Self-efficacy
 - * Health status
 - * Health care utilization
 - * **Self-management** behaviors
 - * Aerobic exercise (minutes per week)
 - * **Physical activity?**
 - * **Mobility?**

Self-report	Baseline		Six-Month Change		Significance <i>P</i> *
	Treatment Mean (SD) (n = 561)	Control Mean (SD) (n = 391)	Treatment Mean (SD of Δ)	Control Mean (SD of Δ)	
Health behaviors					
Stretching & strengthening Exercise (minutes/week)	40 (54)	37 (54)	13 (56.7)	5 (54.6)	0.005
Aerobic exercise (minutes/week)	95 (97)	93 (83)	16 (94.5)	-2 (87.0)	0.0003

(Tele-) rehabilitation applications and technology for mobility and physical activity

- * Consultation / Education
- * Diagnosis and Evaluation (i.e. Assessment)
- * Training / Therapy: Motor Relearning (**Robotics, biofeedback / Virtual Reality** applications)
- * Home and Activity monitoring
 - * **Body worn sensors**
 - * **Smartphones**

Robotics

Effects of Robot-Assisted Therapy for the Upper Limb After Stroke: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

**Janne M. Veerbeek, PhD^{1,2,3}, Anneli C. Langbroek-Amersfoort, MSc⁴,
Erwin E. H. van Wegen, PhD^{1,2,3}, Carel G. M. Meskers, PhD, MD^{1,2,3,5},
and Gert Kwakkel, PhD^{1,2,3,5,6}**

Neurorehabilitation and
Neural Repair

1–15

© The Author(s) 2016

Reprints and permissions:

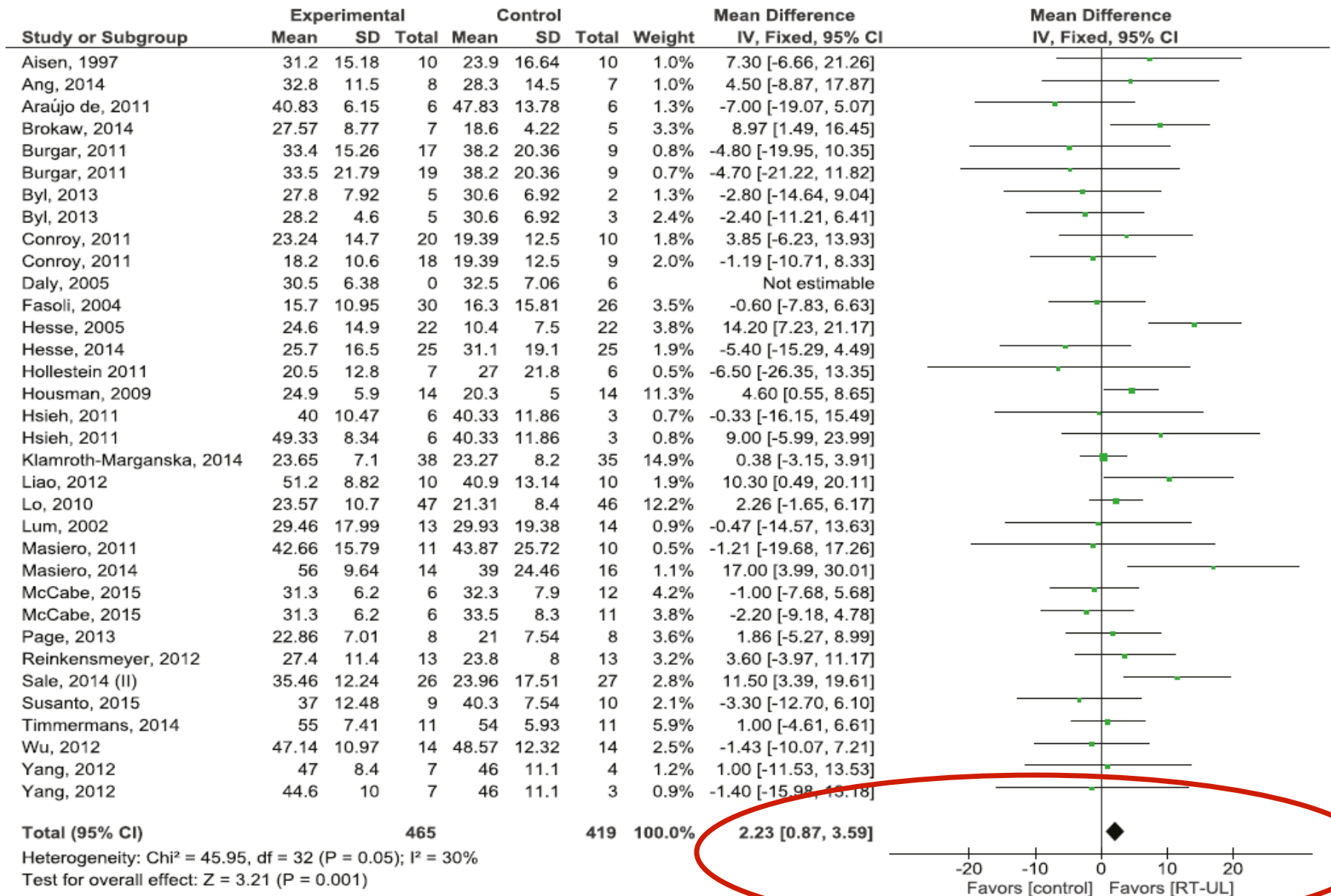
sagepub.com/journalsPermissions.nav

DOI: 10.1177/1545968316666957

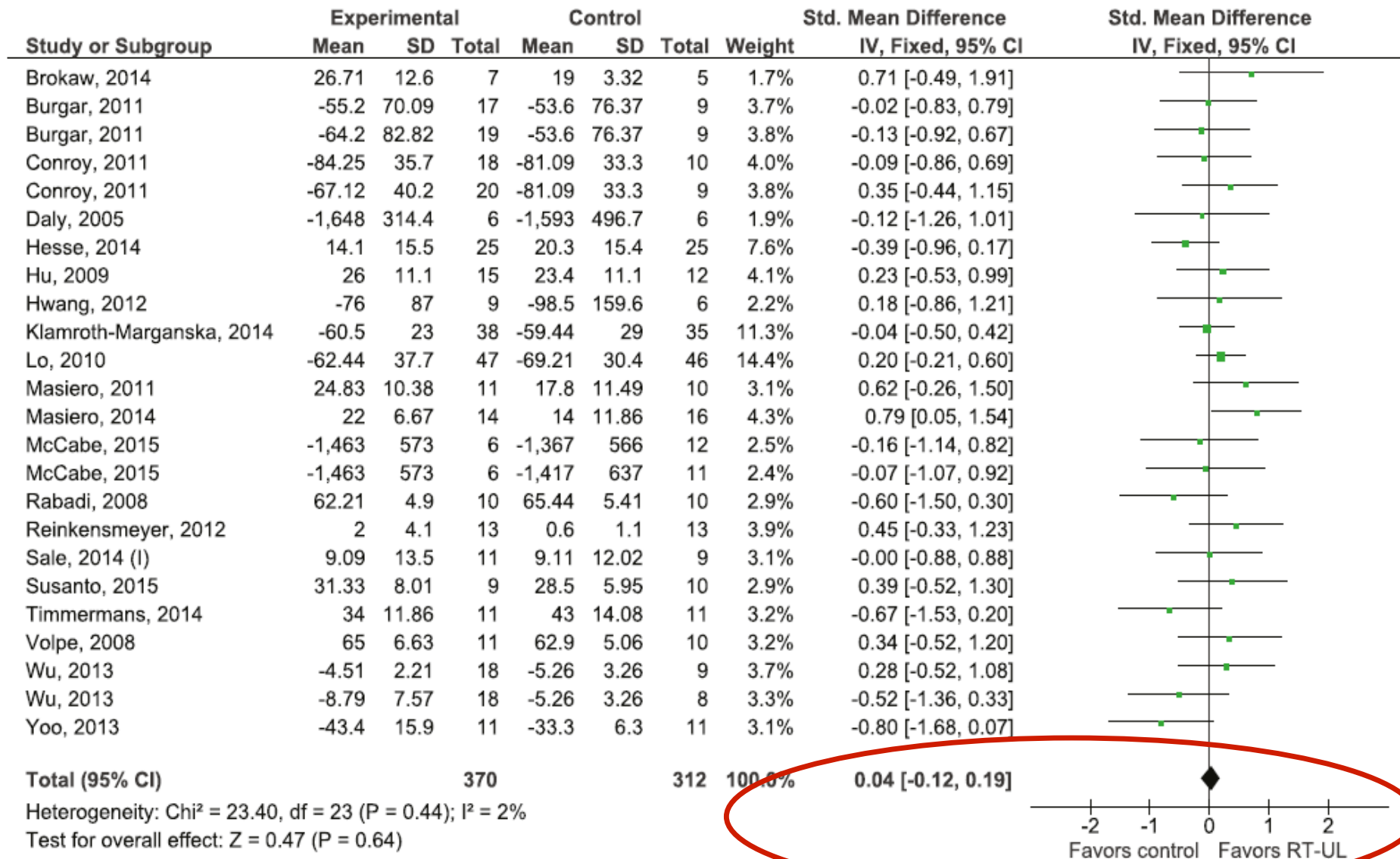
nrr.sagepub.com



Effect on motor control (FMA, N=28)



Effect on UL capacity (N=20)



Telerehab: Cochrane review 2013

Telerehabilitation services for stroke (Review)

Laver KE, Schoene D, Crotty M, George S, Lannin NA, Sherrington C



**THE COCHRANE
COLLABORATION®**

10 trials, N= 933

- * No effects on primary outcome ADL (4 trials)
- * (or any other outcome)

- * Only 1 trial targeted mobility, assessed with TUG!
- * **No physical activity monitoring**

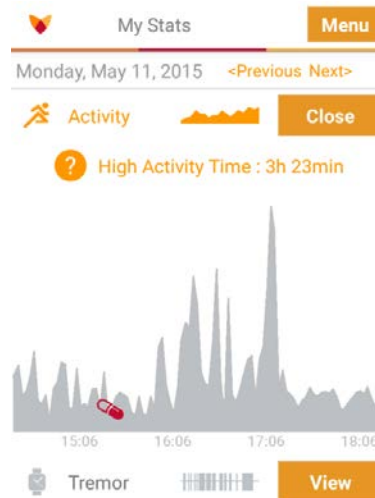
Result from Cochrane recently confirmed by a systematic review Chen et al , 2015

Applications for Monitoring in (tele-)rehabilitation

- * **General Activity Recording** (Stepcounts/Energy expenditure/ ...)
- * Used in research as descriptors / outcome measures
 - * Problems:
 - * reactivity effects
 - * avoidance effects
- * **Delayed feedback** on free-living performance (i.e. daily activity/ stepcounts to promote increased activity levels)
 - * Fitbit, jawbone, Nike fuelband, Apple watch etc etc.
- * **Instantaneous / direct feedback** on free-living performance
 - * posture correction in Parkinson's disease
 - * walking and balance instability in stroke

Delayed feedback on physical activity

- * Fitbit
- * Parkinson specific:
 - * FoxInsight



Sensor Assisted Self management

BEHAVIOR/FUNCTIONING



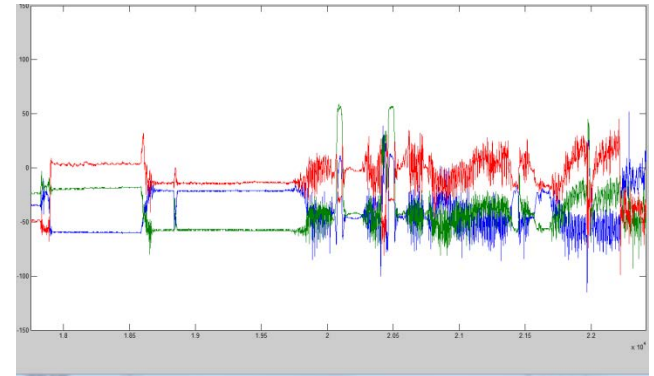
sensing

recording

delayed feedback

direct feedback

metrics



Client Dashboard
(optional)



PC - Smartphone - Tablet

Sensor Assisted Self management



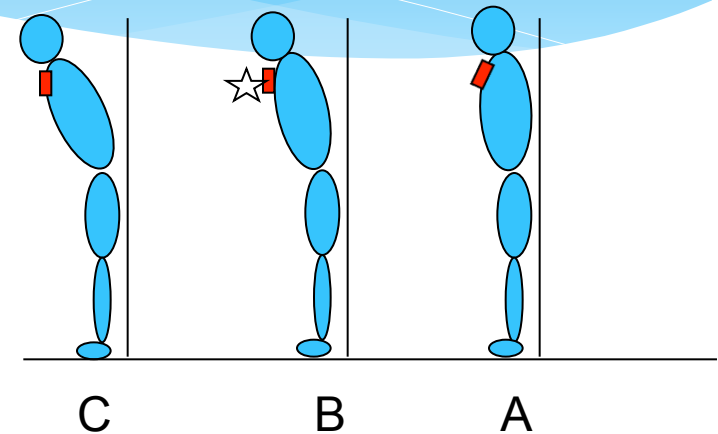
UPRIGHT

Sensor Assisted Self-management

Parkinson's disease: stooped posture

- Placed on sternum
- Measures trunk angle in saggital and frontale plane
- Feedback signal when x-sing threshold
- Setting threshold with therapist
- Data can be recorded, downloadable for therapist to monitor adherence

(Also built in metronome for cueing during walking)



A = correct posture
B = threshold 10°
C = stooped posture

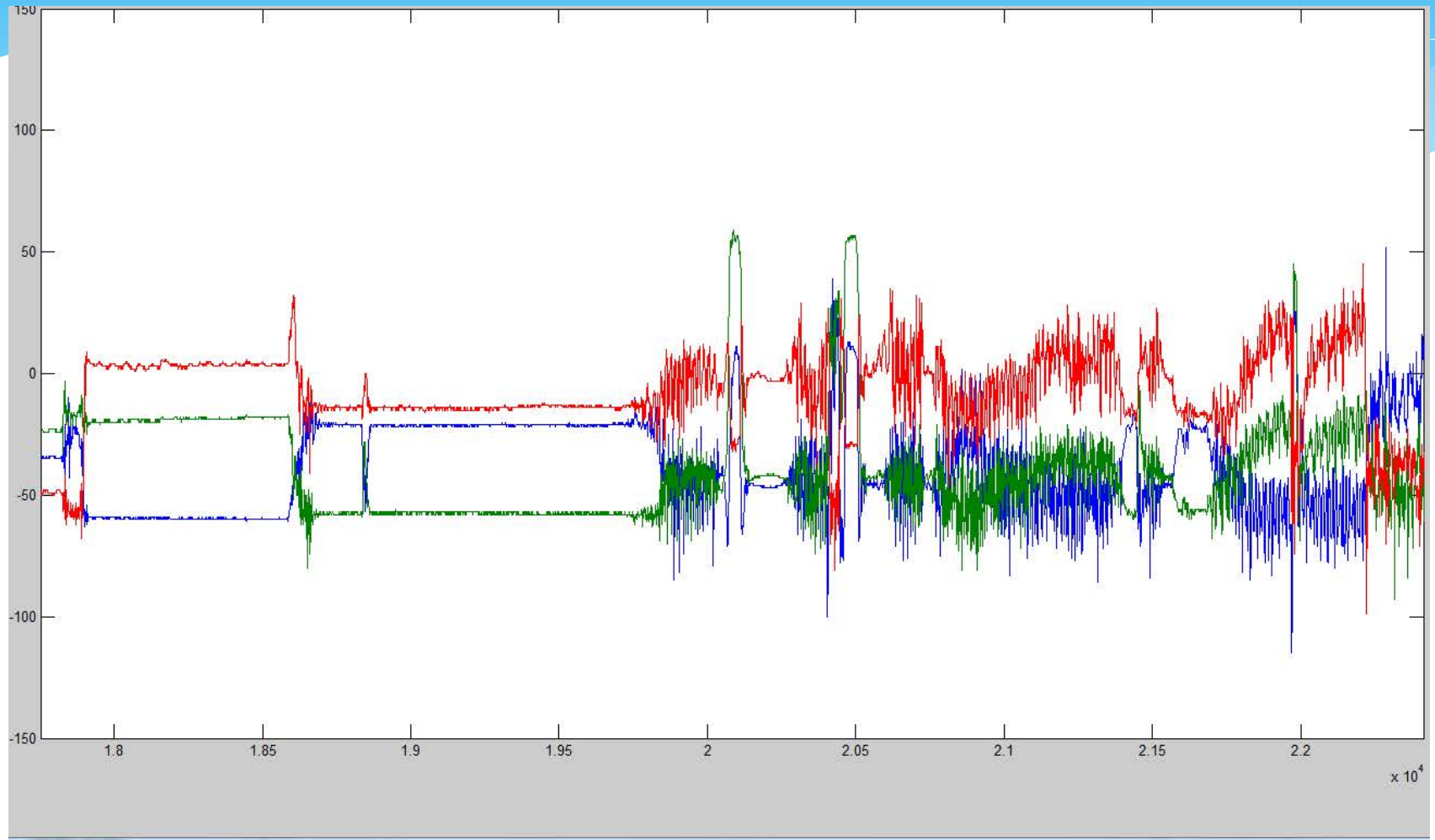


Activ8

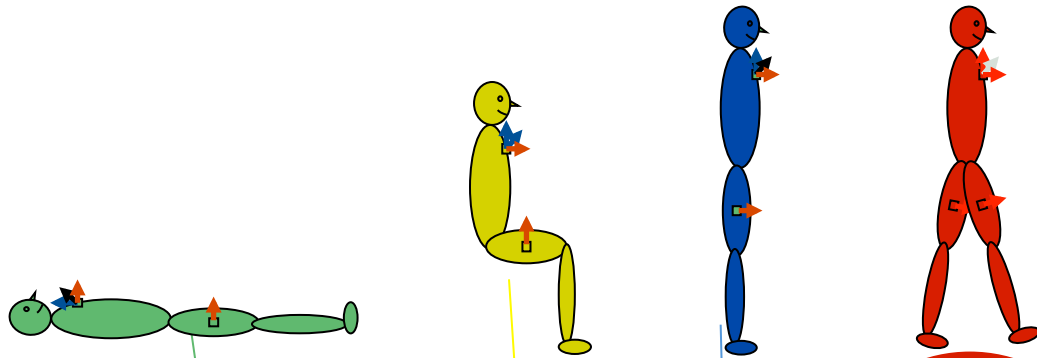


- * Activity Tracker w/ bluetooth capability
- * Pilot validated in healthy subjects
- * Suitable for use in stroke research?
- * Validation of **Posture and Motion Detection** at Erasmus MC, Rotterdam
- * Validation of **Stepcounts / Step detection** at VUmc

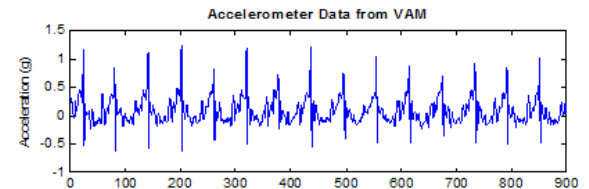
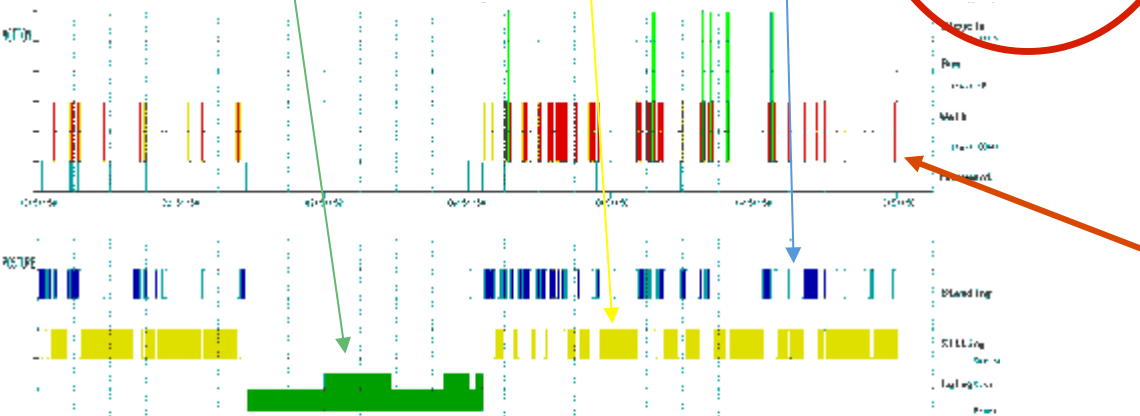
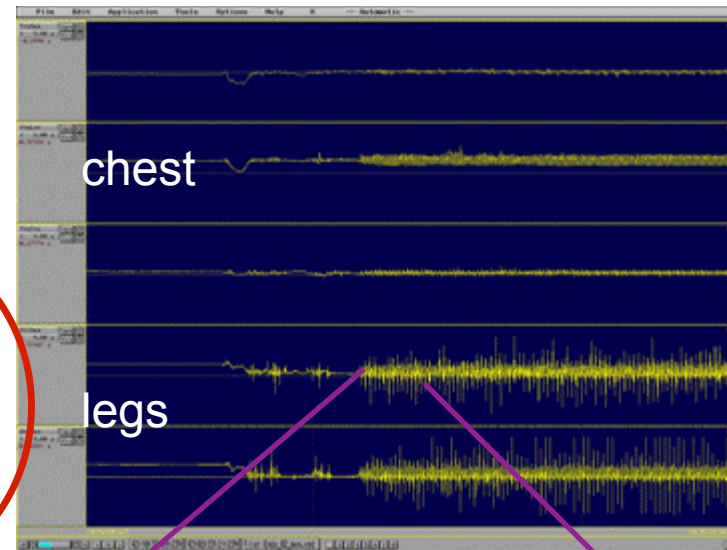
Raw 3D Activ8 data of stroke patient



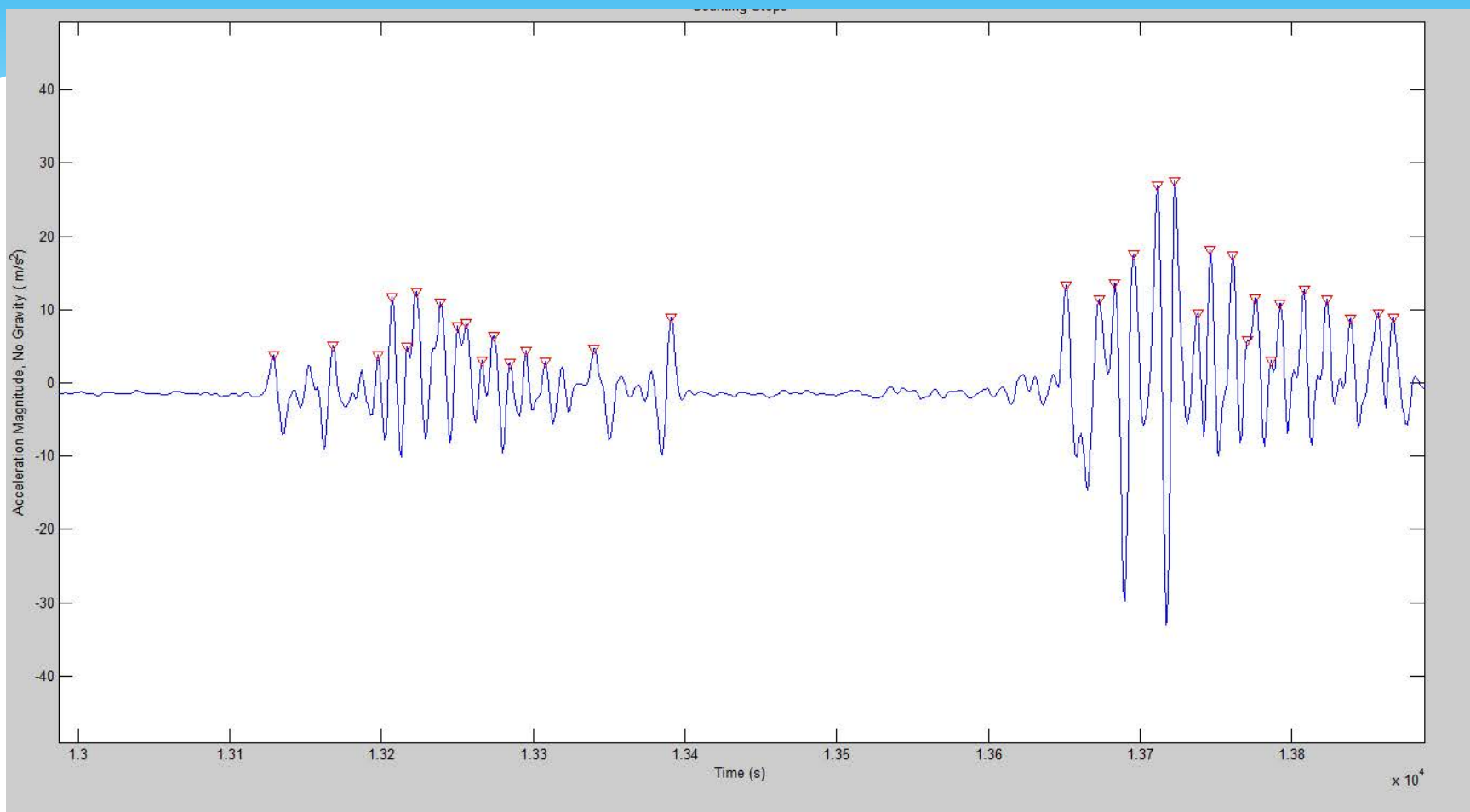
Classification of movements



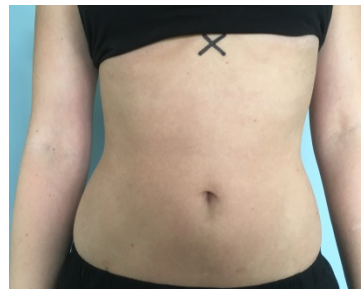
	lying	sitting	standing	walking
chest	↑	→	→	→
legs	↑	↑	→	↘



Scalar composite of filtered data



Criterion/Concurrent validity



Criterion validity

	Video (Spearman correlation)		
	Total	Paretic side	non-paretic side
Activ8			
Walking on normal surface	0.99	0.82	0.88
Walking on a treadmill	0.99	0.92	1.00
Walking stairs	0.87	0.94	0.65
Actigraph			
Walking on normal surface	0.52		
Walking on a treadmill	0.93		
Walking stairs	0.92		
Stepwatch			
Walking on normal surface	0.88		
Walking on a treadmill	0.95		
Walking stairs	0.74		

Telerehabilitation / selfmanagement in stroke patients?

- * Intensive rehabilitation can improve functional recovery
- * However, demand exceeds supply
 - * Stroke patients are receiving less therapy than needed and are going home sooner
 - * Transition from inpatient to home setting is troublesome
- * Focus on self-management strategies by legislature
- * By now, technologies are becoming available to maintain, improve and/or monitor recovery AT HOME

The Care-programme:

CAREgiver mediated exercises with E-health support for early supported discharge after stroke.

Dr. Erwin van Wegen

Drs. Judith Vloothuis

Drs. Marijn Mulder

Dr. Rinske Nijland

Prof. Dr. M. Crotty

Dr. M. van den Berg

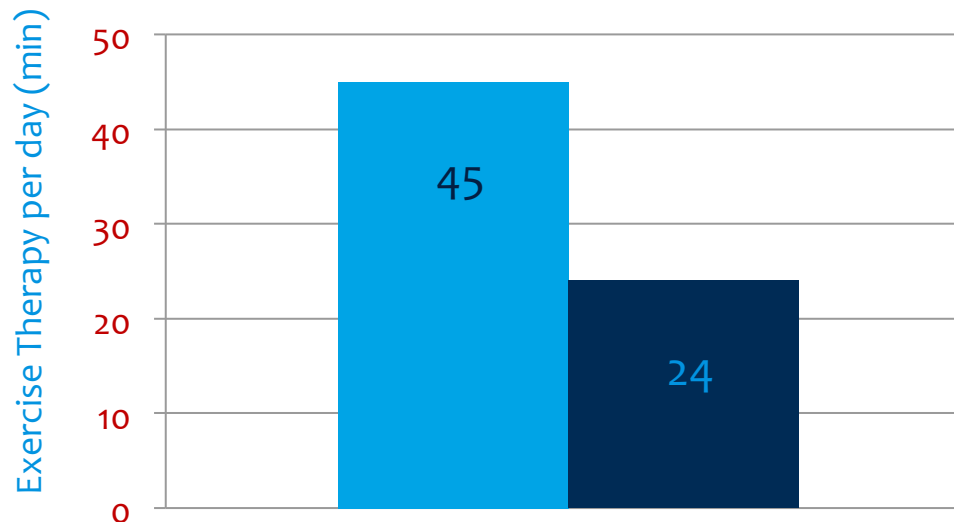
Prof. Dr. Gert Kwakkel

Care:

Training with caregiver

4 Concepts

- 1. More training = better functional outcome (Veerbeek et al, 2014)
 - Stroke patients are very inactive, especially in weekends (see also pres. Dr. Chastin)
 - Guidelines recommend 45 minutes therapy per day (Veerbeek et al, 2014)
 - Is in fact only 24 minutes / day (Otterman 2012, 91 Hospital Stroke Units NL)



Care program: caregiver mediated exercises

Concepts

- 2. Involving a caregiver in exercise therapy
 - Demand exceeds supply in rehabilitation settings
 - Focus on “novel” methods to increase duration/intensity of exercise therapy with minimal use of resources
 - Possibility for additional training in absence of therapist
 - + effect on functional outcome of patient
 - + effect on caregiver burden



Galvin 2011, Foster 2012, Vloothuis 2015

Care program: Caregiver mediated exercises

Concepts

- 3. 'Early Supported Discharge' (Fischer 2011, Fearon 2012)
 - Rehabilitation explicitly directed at early discharge, with rehabilitation continuing in the home setting
 - Is strongly dependent on mobility of the patient
 - + reduced length of stay: cost-effective..
 - + increased independence
 - + reduced admission to nursing homes



Care program

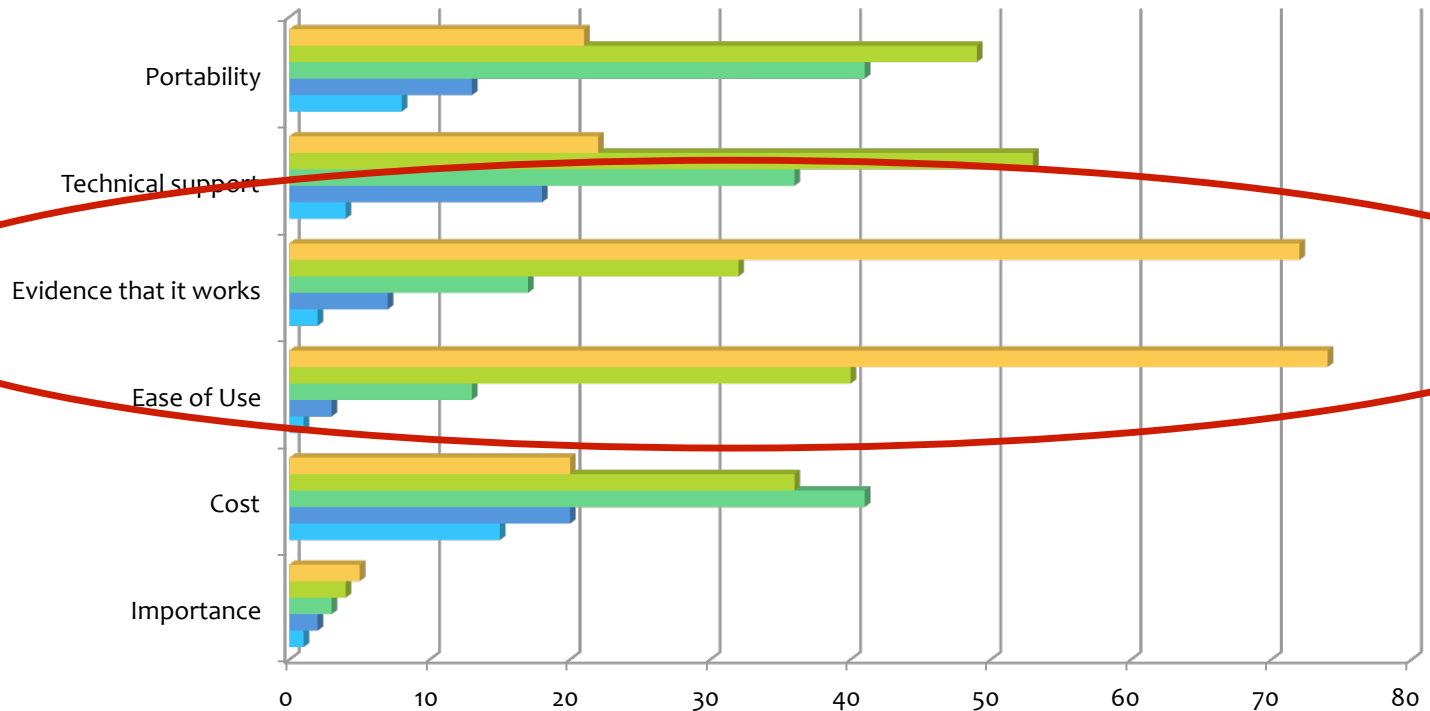
Caregiver mediated exercises

Concepts

- 4. E-Health / Tele-rehabilitation for self management
 - Care at distance using ICT, care-provider not physically present
 - Tele-rehabilitation, remote monitoring and consulting by therapist
 - Promotion of physical activity with technology
 - + functioning of patient and informal caregiver ?



Survey workshop





- * Combination of these 4 concepts:

- * Additional practice with caregiver without therapist:

- * Caregiver Mediated Exercises (CME)

- * Therapist, caregiver and patiënt compile exercise program in App

- * Start in rehab. Setting

- * Program continues after discharge home

- * Therapist coaches caregiver and patient at distance and monitors progress with e-health en tele-rehabilitation tools:

- * Smartphone / tablet App: exercise program, reminders, diary etc.

- * Tele-consultation: phone / email / Video conferencing

- * Clinimetrics test battery to assess effect of intervention

- * Adelaide branch:

- * FITNESS tracker to promote physical activity (FitBit Zip)

- * ActivPal to assess effect of intervention



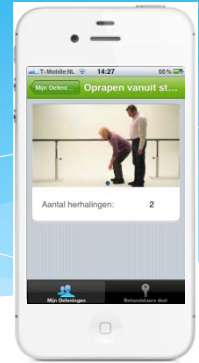
Pilot project

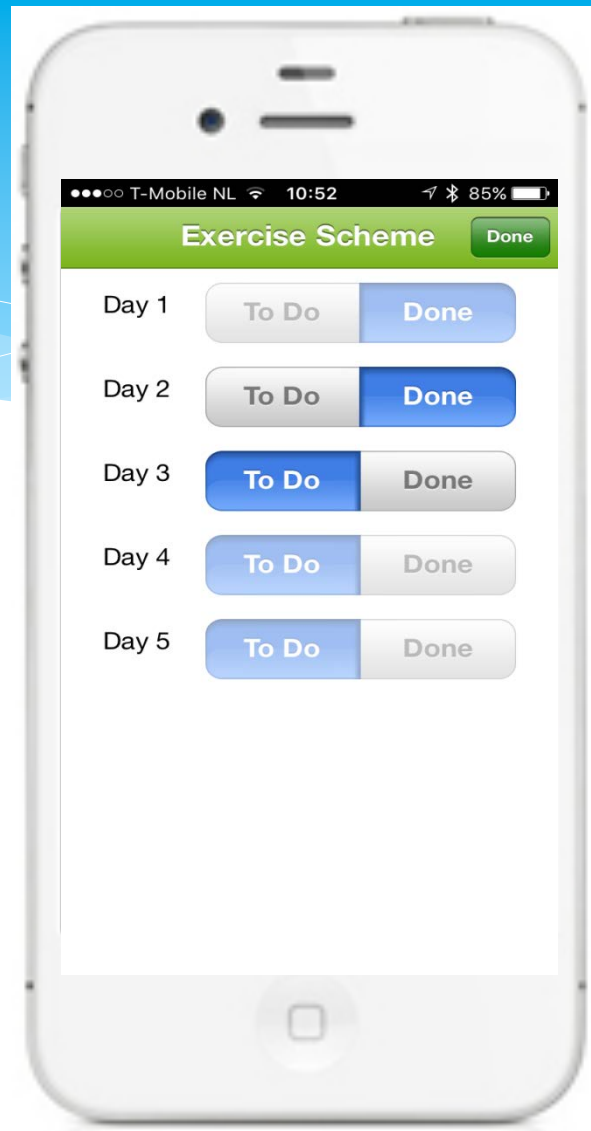
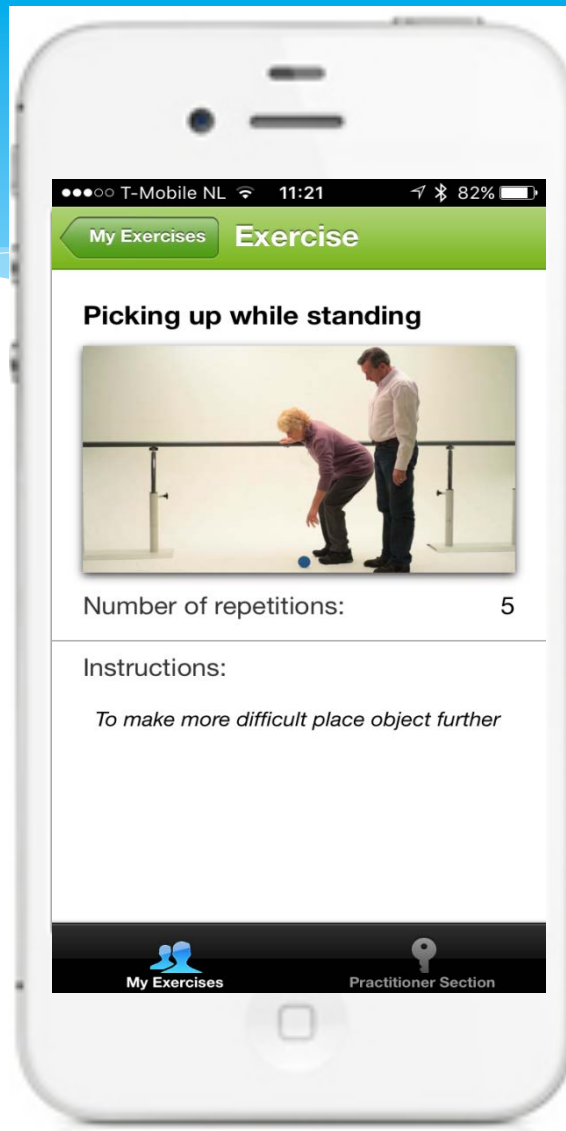
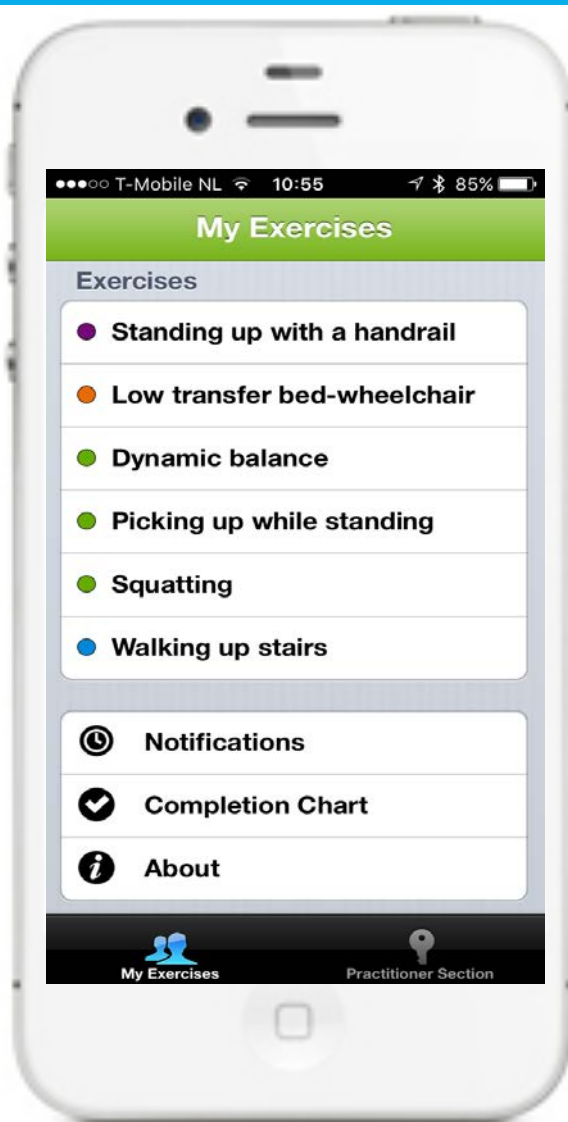
- * Financing pilot: Reade/VUmc
- * Compiling pool of exercise in script (n=33) : guidelines
- * Record images and video's with patient-carer diads
- * Recording of voice-over and editing of videos
- * Authoring into App (and exercise book)
- * PILOT (n=4) successful: feasible and safe

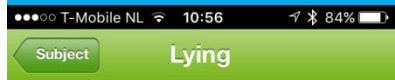


Care intervention

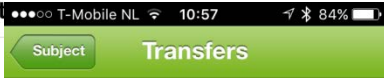
- 35 Exercises for MOBILITY
 - Balance
 - Walking
 - Transfers
 - Physical Condition
 - ..
- Training program for 8 weeks
 - 5 x per week 30 min practice (30 min may be split up)
 - 1x per week review/update exercises with therapist
 - Diad supported with telerehab. tools (phone/videoconferencing)
 - Adelaide: Fitbit Zip for daily promotion of activity
- Goals
 - Facilitate the transition to home setting
 - Improve mobility and function
 - Shorten length of stay
 - Increase quality of life
 - Lower caregiver burden







- Turning to affected side
- Turning to non-affected side
- Hip and knee bending
- Pointing toe to nose
- Turning the trunk
- Make a body bridge
- Leg lifting
- Sideways leg lift



- From lying to sitting
- From sitting to lying
- Low transfer bed-wheelchair
- Low transfer wheelchair-bed
- High transfer bed-wheelchair
- High transfer wheelchair-bed
- From sitting to standing
- From sitting to standing (support)



- Reaching
- Looking over shoulder
- Lifting buttocks
- Knee stretching
- Knee and hip bending
- Standing up without a handrail
- Standing up with a handrail

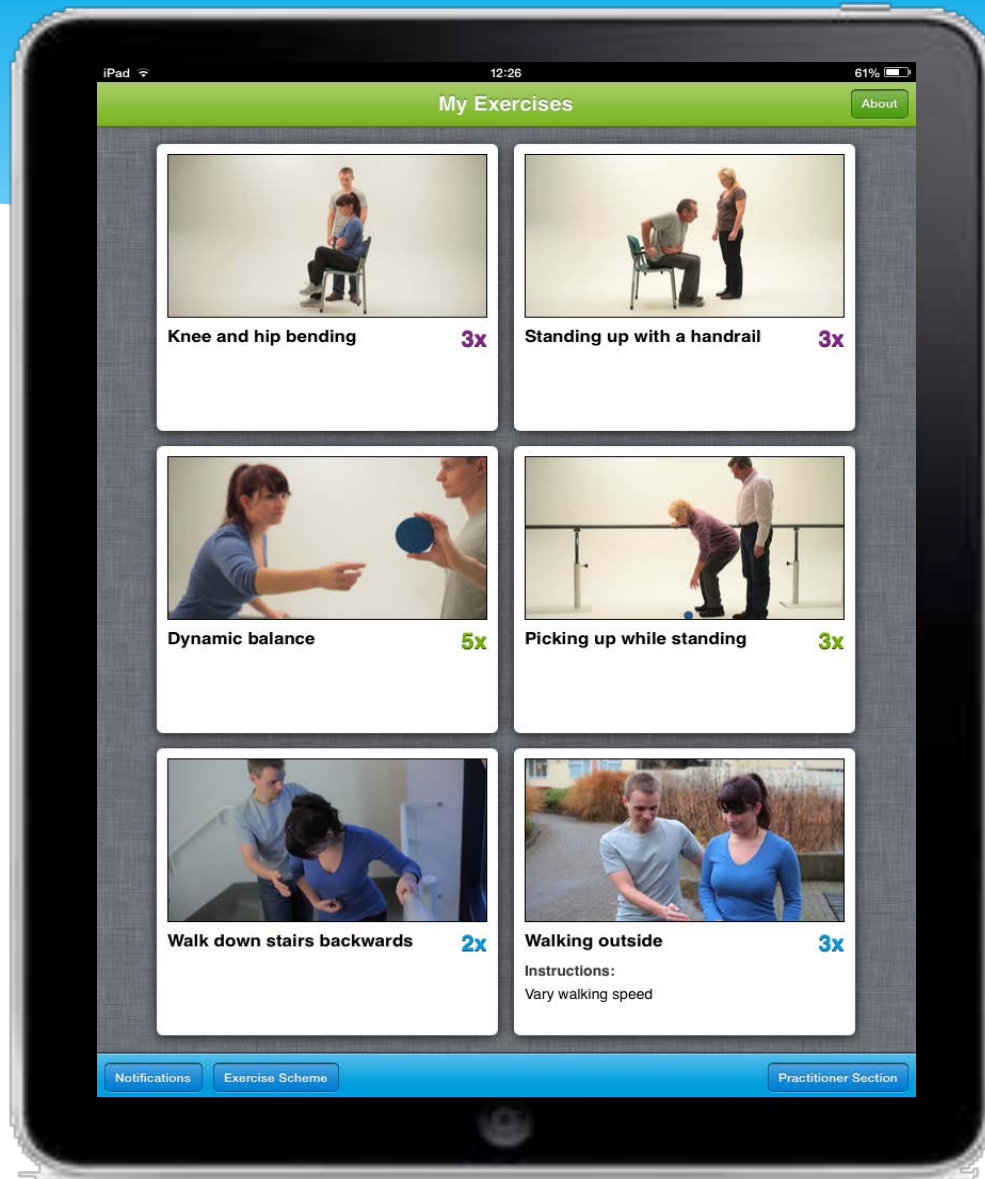


- Standing (with and without support)
- Static balance
- Dynamic balance
- Squatting
- Picking up while standing



- Walking with support
- Walking towards a goal
- Walking over an obstacle
- Walking up stairs
- Walk down stairs backwards
- Walking down stairs face forward
- Walking outside

iPad App



Thank you for your attention

Judith Vloothuis
Rinske Nijland
Marijn Mulder
Maria Crotty
Maayken van den Berg
Enwu Liu
Gert Kwakkel

Hans Bussmann
Carel Meskers

Mark your calendar!

2nd International Congress on
Neurorehabilitation and Neural Repair

Maastricht, the Netherlands, 22-24 may
2017



www.neurorehabrepair.eu

