Preventing Amputation in Patients with Peripheral Neuropathy

A 4 class recommendation project on foot wounds.

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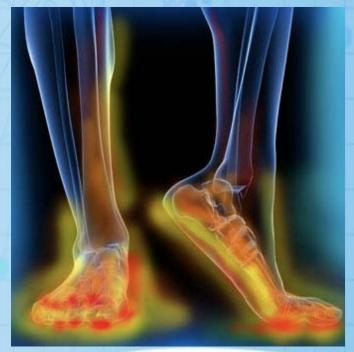


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- Overview of Peripheral Neuropathy
- Prevalence of Peripheral Neuropathy
- Financial Implications
- **♦** The Model
- The Web Application
- **The Model's Future**
- Questions

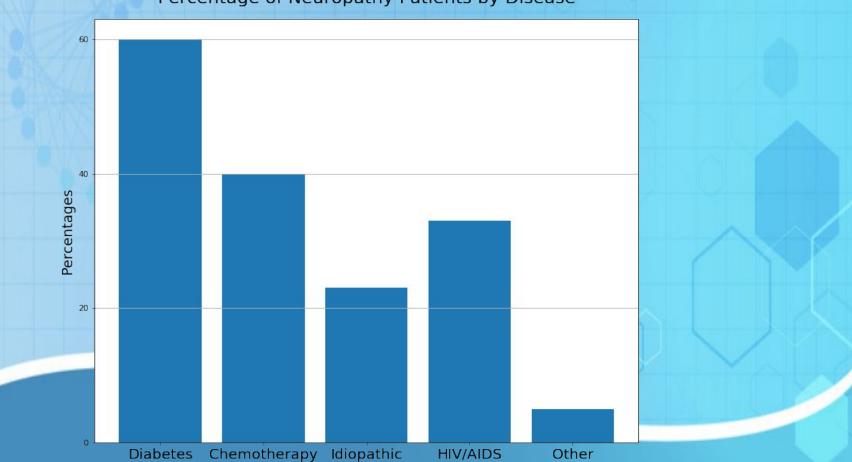


What is Peripheral Neuropathy?



- A condition where nerves are damaged due to various diseases like diabetes.
- Especially common in the lower extremities
- Symptoms include numbness, tingling, a pins and needles sensation, loss of sensation, pain, inappropriate touch signals amongst other symptoms.
- Peripheral Neuropathy affects 20 million
 Americans.

Major underlying disease contributers Percentage of Neuropathy Patients by Disease



Non - Traumatic Amputations are on the Rise!

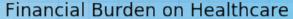
- Every 30 seconds someone in the world loses a leg, foot, or toe due to peripheral neuropathy.
- Lack of adequate healthcare
- Lack of disease education
- Lack of resources
- 85 % of lower extremity amputations are caused by a foot ulcer.
- Amputations are 85% preventable.



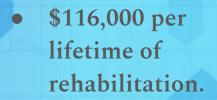
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Obesity crisis fuels shock surge in disease-related ops costing NHS £2billion

Financial Impact



\$5 billion dollars a year.



- \$89k per person mean.
- \$50k per amputation operation.
- 5 year life expectancy!



Per Amputation Operation

The Model

The model has been trained by thousands of photos to classify the foot into four categories:

Healthy Feet

Needs TLC

See a Doctor

Go to the ER immediately









Results/Accuracy

80%

The model will show bias in favor of the next category of severity.

The Web/Mobile Application

- Upload images of the foot in question.
- Return a recommendation regarding the condition of the foot.
- Give general advice on care of the foot at each stage.
- Any picture resulting in the "needs TLC", "See a Doctor", or "Go to ER" recommendation categories will have the option to be forwarded to an MD.



The Future.....

- Feed the model more images than 100 podiatrists, orthopedic surgeons, and primary care doctors will ever see in th careers.
- Be a part of the tele-medicine revolution.
- Continue to expand care to those who do not have adequate access.
- Free up valuable in-person medical consult time.
- Mobile app to send pictures to a selected MD.





Thank You!!!!!!

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