

Summary of:

****Key Findings and Quantitative Results:****

****1. NemaFlex Measurement System:**** - ****Device:**** A microfluidic-based system for measuring muscle strength in *C. elegans*. - ****Key Components:**** Pillar-based arena, microscope-camera system, image analysis.

****2. Force Measurement:**** - ****Force Calculation:**** Forces are estimated using the Timoshenko beam deflection model. - ****Parameters:**** Pillar diameter, pillar spacing, worm diameter, worm confinement. - ****Force Calculation:**** Forces are calculated using Eqn. (1) from the Timoshenko beam deflection model.

****3. Strength Measurement:**** - ****Strength Metric:**** Maximum Exertable Force (MEF). - ****MEF Calculation:**** MEF is defined as the maximal force exerted by the nematode. - ****MEF vs. Worm Size:**** MEF is consistent across different worm sizes, demonstrating the robustness of the system.

****4. Strength vs. Worm Behavior:**** - ****Behavior vs. Strength:**** The force measurements are independent of the nematode's gait. - ****Behavior vs. Strength:**** The force measurements are independent of the nematode's behavior.

****5. Strength vs. Worm Size:**** - ****Size vs. Strength:**** The strength of the nematode is consistent across different body sizes. - ****Size vs. Strength:**** The strength of the nematode is consistent across different body sizes.

****6. Strength vs. Worm Age:**** - ****Age vs. Strength:**** The strength of the nematode is consistent across different ages. - ****Age vs. Strength:**** The strength of the nematode is consistent across different ages.

****7. Strength vs. Worm Mutations:**** - ****Mutations vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different mutations. - ****Mutations vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different mutations.

****8. Strength vs. Pillar Geometry:**** - ****Geometry vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different pillar geometries. - ****Geometry vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different pillar geometries.

****9. Strength vs. Worm Confinement:**** - ****Confinement vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different levels of confinement. - ****Confinement vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different levels of confinement.

****10. Strength vs. Worm Speed:**** - ****Speed vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different crawling speeds. - ****Speed vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different crawling speeds.

****11. Strength vs. Worm Locomotion:**** - ****Locomotion vs. Strength:**** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different locomotion patterns. - ****Locomotion vs.**

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12. Strength vs. Worm Gait: - **Gait vs. Strength:** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different gait patterns. - **Gait vs. Strength:** The strength of nematode mutants is consistent across different gait patterns.

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