

SMART KNEE REHABILITATION ASSISTING DEVICE FOR POST SURGERY CONDITIONS

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INTRODUCTION

Objective

Enhance post-surgery knee rehabilitation through smart technology.

Background

Addresses the gap in current rehab methods by providing real-time feedback and personalized guidance

Innovation

A device equipped with sensors to monitor range of motion(ROM) and exercises, paired with a mobile app.

Target Users

Patients recovering from knee surgeries such as: Anterior Crucial Ligament (ACL), Total knee replacement (TKR)

METHODOLOGY

Hardware Development

Initiating the Sensors

Angle tracking - Inertial Measurement Units Sensors (MPU6050) Microcontroller - ESP32

Sensor Calibration

Signal Filtering - Complementary Filter

Attachment to the Patient

Used Existing Motion control Knee guard for the sensor attachment.

Data Transmission

Sensor data is transmitted to the mobile app through Wi-Fi.

Software Development

Front End

HTML – Used for developing web based UI/UX design.

Flutter – Utilized for creating the mobile app in Android platform.

Back End

PHP - Powers the backend of the application, handling the data processing, logic and integration with sensors.

Data Base

MySQL – Used for managing and storing user data, exercise records and progress tracking.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

Expand App Functionality

- > Additional Weeks for ACL Surgery: Plan to extend the app's capabilities to include rehabilitation exercises for subsequent weeks.
- > Support for Other Surgeries: The app will be expanded to cater to other knee surgeries such as TKR and Meniscus Repair, with specific exercise protocols and feedback mechanisms tailored to each type.
- > Add user Authenticate Function: Need to add the Sign-in and Sign-Up functionality to the App.

Modify the Hardware Prototype

- Flexible and Ergonomic Design: Develop a more ergonomic design that conforms better to the knee's natural movement.
- ➤ Wireless Connectivity Improvements: Upgrade to more reliable wireless communication technologies like Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) 5.0 to enhance data transmission speed.

RESULTS & FINAL OUTCOMES

Hardware Prototype:

Successfully developed a working prototype, capable of measuring the knee's angle in real-time.





Figure 01: Hardware Prototype

Mobile App:

The mobile app's current version supports one week of exercises for ACL surgery, focusing on the early stage of rehabilitation.

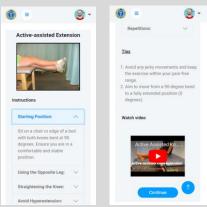




Figure 02: Exercise Instructions Screen Figure 03:Current Exercise Dashboard

- The device provides users with real-time feedback on the knee angle during exercises and tracks the number of exercise repetitions, sets completed and time duration.
- Users and therapists can view daily and weekly reports that include key metrics like the average maximum knee angle achieved and completion percentage of prescribed exercises.



Figure 04: Daily Analysis Screen

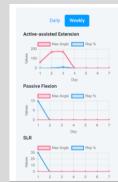


Figure 05: Weekly Analysis Screen