

# Early Detection of Motor Frailty in Older Adults

## **FRAKITEST Project**

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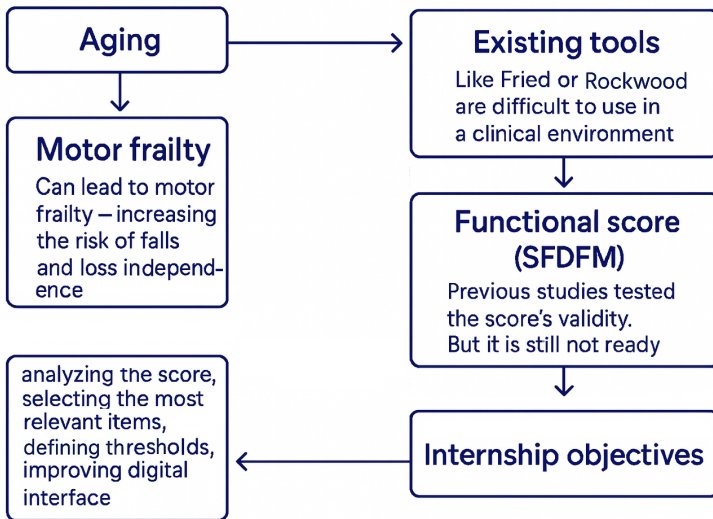
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# Presentation Roadmap

- ➊ **Improvement of the digital SFDFM interface**
- ➋ **Analysis of the most influential variables**
- ➌ **Determination of classification thresholds**
- ➍ **Comparability analysis between patient groups**
- ➎ **Final summary and perspectives**

# From Aging to a Screening Challenge



# Evolution of the Digital Interface – Questionnaire

## First version (2024)

### QUESTIONNAIRE DE DÉPISTAGE DE LA FRAGILITÉ MOTRICE

#### Score Fonctionnel

Age

Poids

Poids il y a 6 mois

#### 1 Caractéristiques sociodémographiques

Genre

Situation familiale

## Improved version

The improved version of the questionnaire is a web-based form with a structured layout. At the top, there are two tabs: 'Page de Questionnaire' (active) and 'Page de Consultation'. Below the tabs is a header bar with the title 'QUESTIONNAIRE DE DÉPISTAGE DE LA FRAGILITÉ MOTRICE'. A progress bar shows six steps: 'Étape 1: Données patient', 'Étape 2: Entretien et Tests Cliniques', 'Étape 3: Test de mémoire', 'Étape 4.1: MOCA - Trails', 'Étape 4.2: MOCA - Cube', 'Étape 4.3: MOCA - Horloge', 'Étape 5: Détermination', and 'Étape 6: Évaluation cognitive'. The main content area is titled 'Caractéristiques sociodémographiques' and includes a note: 'Pour pouvoir enregistrer les données, il est obligatoire de répondre à l'ensemble des champs sur l'ensemble des étapes.' Below this, there are input fields for 'Identifiant du patient' (with an example 'Ex: 81983MAN'), 'Age' (with a dropdown menu), and 'Poids' (with a dropdown menu). An arrow points from the 'First version' section to this improved version.

- **First version (Dorian, 2024):** with basic form, one Excel file per submission
- **Improved version (internship):** visually more structured, added patient ID for tracking

## Evolution of the Digital Interface – Consultation & Data

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Centralized Excel file

## Consultation interface

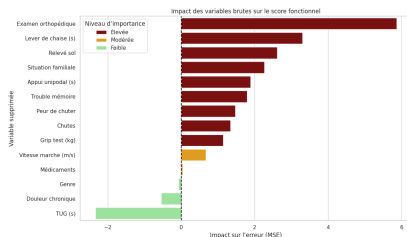
- **Consultation interface:** access for authorized users, retrieves patient data stored on Girder
- **Centralized Excel file:** all data are stored in one single file, Each line corresponds to one patient → easier analysis and follow-up

# Dataset Used in This Internship

- Source: validated collection conducted in 2024 by **Aude Le Ménez**
- Participants: **89 patients**, all aged over 65
- Context: mostly assessed in private physiotherapy practices or at home
- Method: using the paper version of the SFDFM
- Note: *No new clinical data were collected during this internship*
- Contribution: the digital interface is now ready for future large-scale acquisition

# Most Influential Variables – Global Model

- Method: Linear regression + LOO cross-validation
- $R^2 = 0.82$  (n = 65)
- We obtained this top variables:
  - Orthopedic exam
  - Chair rise
  - Ground rise
  - Family situation
  - Unipedal stance
  - Memory issue



# Fried Subgroups – Full vs Reduced Models

Most influential variables per Fried subgroup

Fried Class	Most Influential Variables	R <sup>2</sup>	MSE
Non-frail	Orthopedic exam, Unipedal stance, Falls	0.6811	1.92
Pre-frail	Fear of falling, Falls, Memory issue	0.1668	10.71
Frail	Sex, Chronic pain, Ground rise	-19.37	1178.31

TABLE 3 – Most influential variables per Fried subgroup (14-variable models)

Comparison: full (14 vars) vs reduced (6 vars)

Fried Class	Model	Variables	R <sup>2</sup>	MSE	Improvement
Non-frail	Full	14	0.6811	1.92	–
	Reduced	6	0.4343	3.41	↓ performance
Pre-frail	Full	14	0.1668	10.71	–
	Reduced	6	0.2711	9.36	↑ performance
Frail	Full	14	-19.37	1178.31	–
	Reduced	6	0.3961	34.93	↑ performance

TABLE 4 – Performance comparison by Fried subgroup – full vs reduced (6-variable) models



# SFDFM Threshold Search – Method Comparison

**Context:** Multiple methods were tested to define optimal thresholds for classifying SFDFM scores into Fried categories.

Method	Thresholds (t1 / t2)	Accuracy	Frail Se / Sp	Notes
Grid Search	8 / 18	66.18%	0.800 / 0.959	Simple, exhaustive
Logistic Regression	7.88 / 21.55	63.97%	0.533 / 0.975	Continuous probabilities
Decision Tree	6.5 / 18.5	65.44%	0.800 / 0.959	Interpretable rules
XGBoost	8 / 18	66.18%	0.800 / 0.959	Robust, consistent with Grid Search

# Selected SFDFM Thresholds

## Final choice:

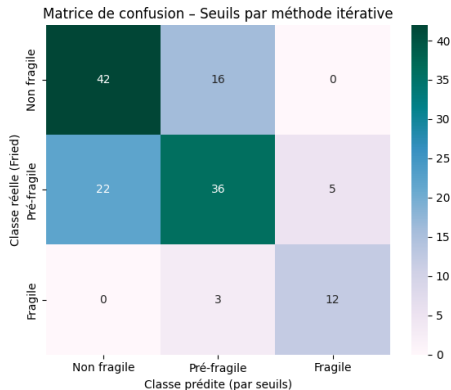
$\text{SFDFM} \leq 8 \Rightarrow \text{Non-frail}$

$8 < \text{SFDFM} \leq 18 \Rightarrow \text{Pre-frail}$

$\text{SFDFM} > 18 \Rightarrow \text{Frail}$

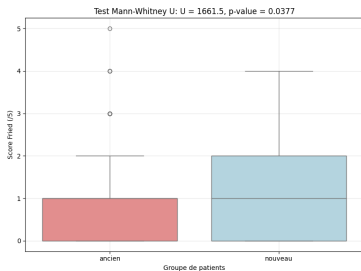
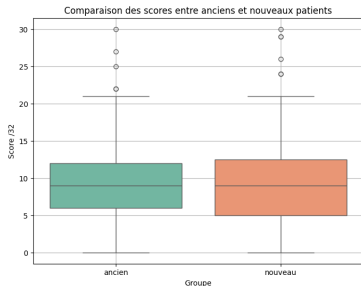
## Why:

- High accuracy ( $\approx 66\%$ )
- Strong frail detection ( $\text{Se} = 0.80$ ,  $\text{Sp} = 0.96$ )



# Comparability Analysis Between Patient Groups

## Boxplots of Scores by Patient Group



## Statistical Test Results

Score	Test	p-value
SFDFM (/32)	Mann-Whitney U	0.9123
Fried (/5)	Mann-Whitney U	0.0377

*SFDFM: no significant difference.*

*Fried: significant difference.*

# Summary & Perspectives

- Improved and digitized the SFDFM interface
- Identified the most important variables
- Defined thresholds (8 and 18) for classification
- SFDFM works well but is less sensitive than Fried
- Next: test on larger cohorts, compare with other validated scores (SPPB, Clinical Frailty Scale), and add missing dimensions (e.g., fatigue, weight loss)

# Thank you for your attention!

Questions?

Application available here:

<https://depistage-fragilite-motrice-1363f3377112.herokuapp.com/>

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