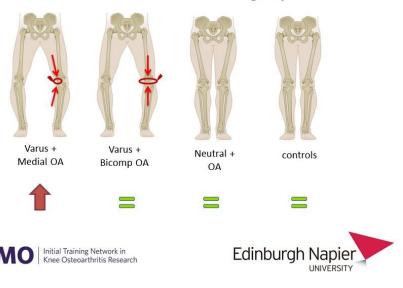


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Knee medial contact forces across groups

# Knee internal contact forces in the knee KNE osteoarthritis population





### Outline

- Brief introduction
- Today's webcast:
  - Clinical application of a biomechanical model to estimate knee contact forces in patients with osteoarthritis
  - Identification of clinical subgroups which may benefit from biomechanical interventions
- Questions and answers



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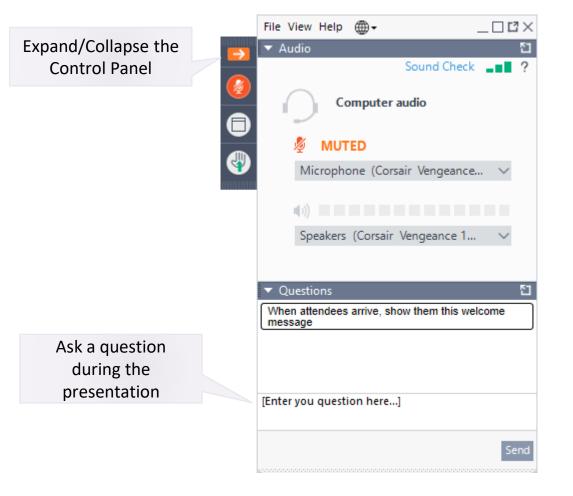


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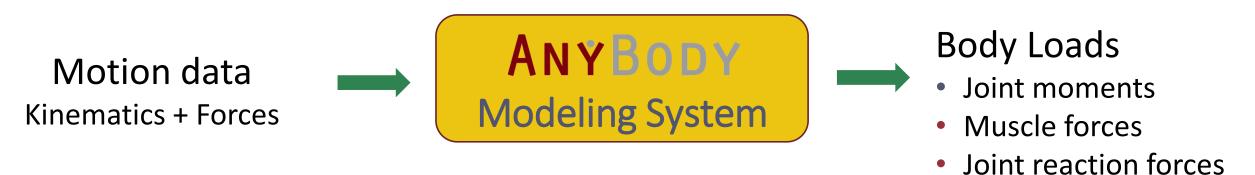
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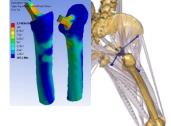
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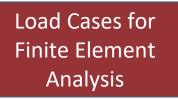










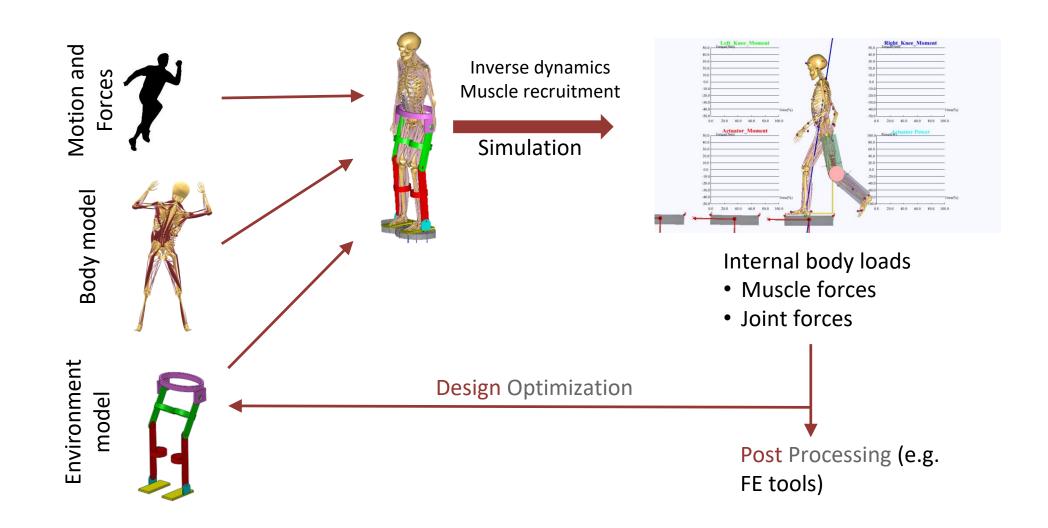








### AnyBody Modeling System



# Knee internal contact force in the knee osteoarthritis population

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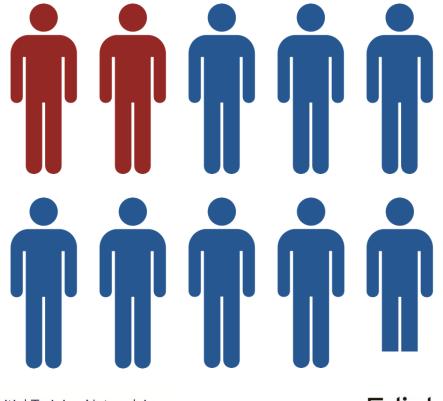
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#### **Osteoarthritis**

Osteoarthritis is the most common joint disease and is listed among the top 5 cause of disability worldwide (WHO; 2016).





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### **Knee Osteoarthritis**

- The knee is the most affected joint.
- Treatments are limited to pain management.

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 High complexity and heterogeneity



(Karsdal 2016)



#### DISEASE MODEL

Osteoarthritis (OA) is not a single disease or process, but rather the clinical and pathological outcome of a range of disorders initiated by biological, morphological and structural components (Andriacchi 2009)





#### DISEASE MODEL

Altered loading Normal physiology



Normal loading Altered physiology



Malalignment Muscle weakness Trauma





Inflammation Metabolic factors Genetic factors



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### Phenotype

a (group of) characteristic(-s) indicative of a unique underlying mechanism explaining KOArelated outcomes (e.g. pain, physical function, joint damage) in a distinct subgroup of KOA patients.





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#### **RESEARCH ARTICLE**

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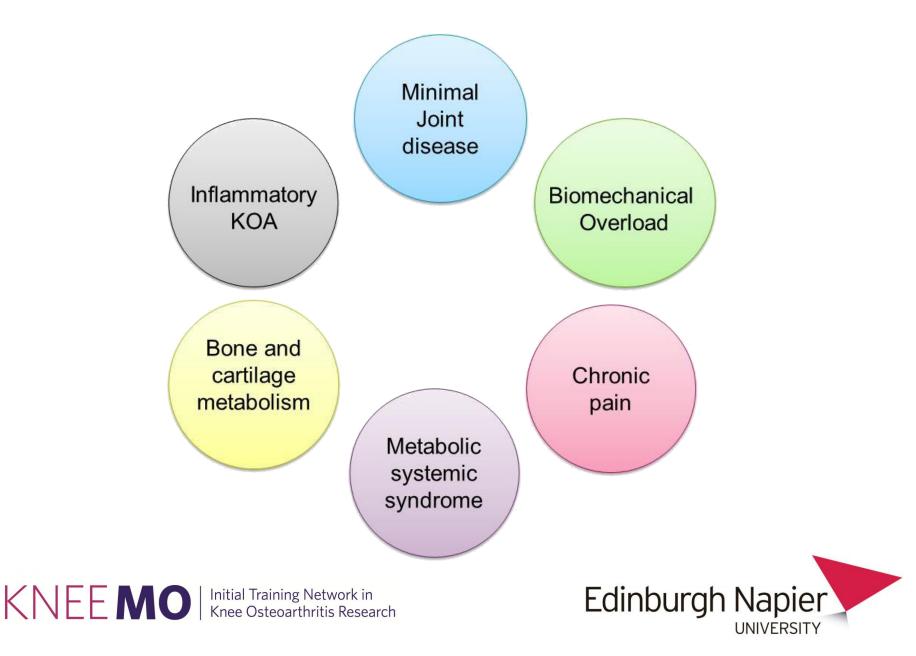


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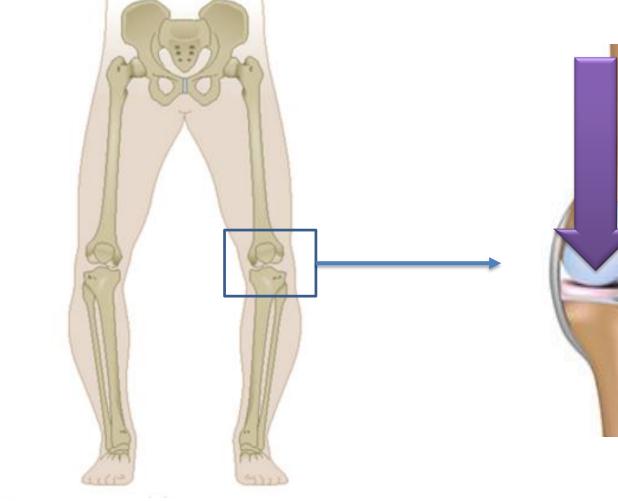


#### Biomechanical Overload Phenotype





#### **BIOMECHANICAL PHENOTYPE**



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### **BIOMECHANICAL INTERVENTIONS**





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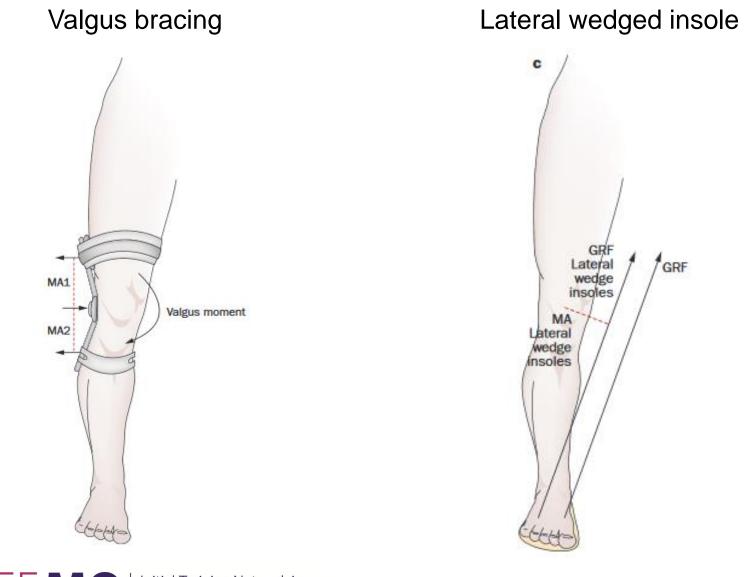
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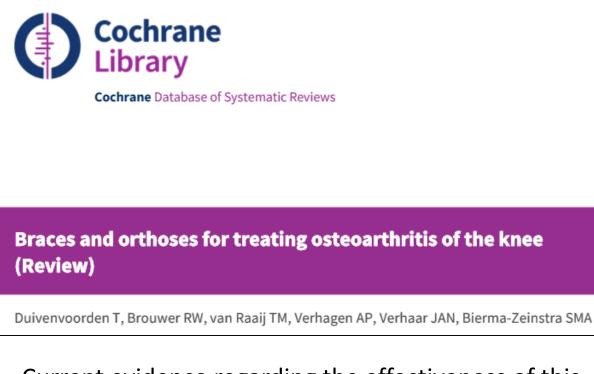






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### **BIOMECHANICAL INTERVENTIONS**

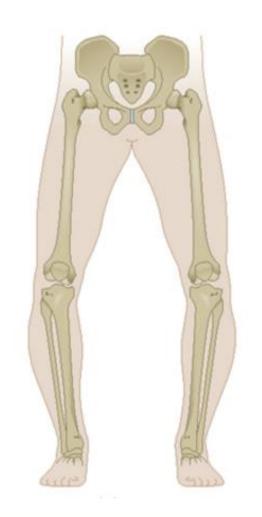


Current evidence regarding the effectiveness of this intervention in subjects with medial OA is contrasting (Cochrane review; Duivenvoorden 2015)





### **BIOMECHANICAL PHENOTYPE**



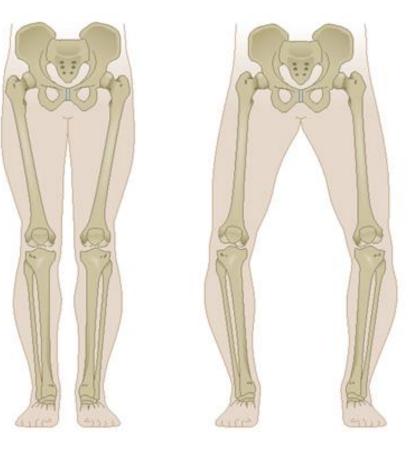
Some knees with varus malalignment show sign of OA in the lateral compartment which should be unloaded (due to the alignment)

These patients may not have increased medial knee CFs





### **BIOMECHANICAL PHENOTYPE**



A recent study (Kumar, 2013) failed to identify differences in medial knee CF between controls and subjects with medial KOA (and varus alignment)

Controls

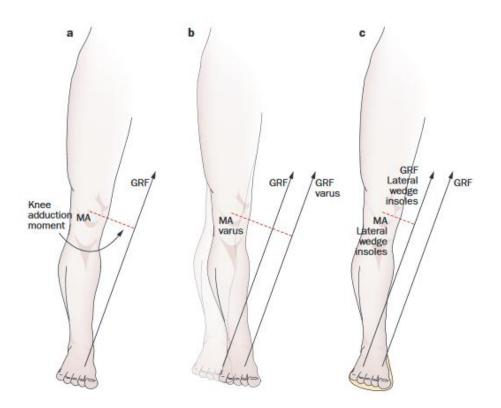






### **BIOMECHANICAL INTERVENTIONS**

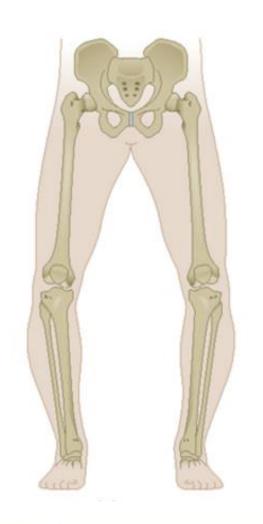
 Patient selection often based only on alignment and/or X-ray







### BIOMECHANICAL PHENOTYPE

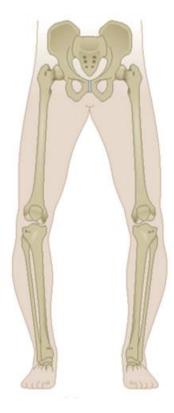


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- develop personalized treatments
  - improve treatment allocation

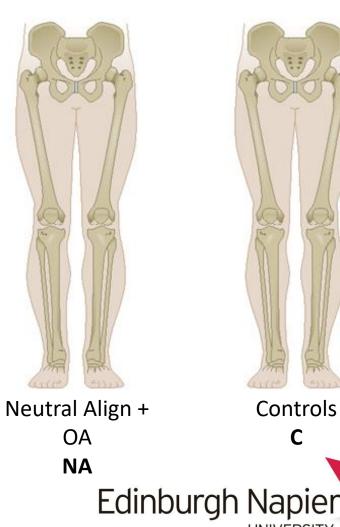


#### **STUDY HYPOTESIS**



Varus + OA

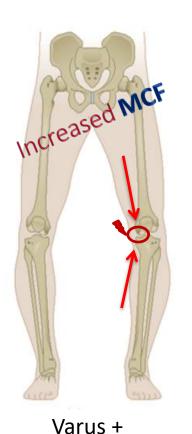






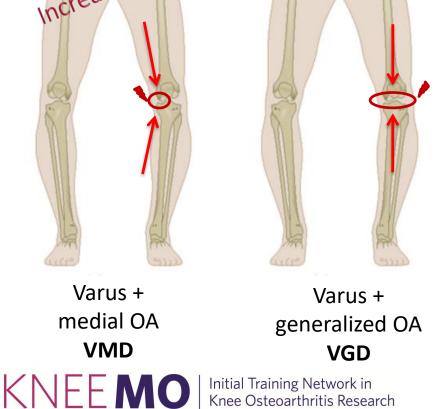
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#### **STUDY HYPOTESIS**



medial OA

VMD









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#### STUDY AIMS

#### **Primary:**

To compare the knee joint **CFs** across the aforementioned groups (VMD, VGD, NA, Controls)

#### Secondary:

To explore the influence of the subgroup division on the relationship between alignment and medial CFs.

To compare MRI biomarkers across the aforementioned groups (VMD, VGD, NA, Controls)





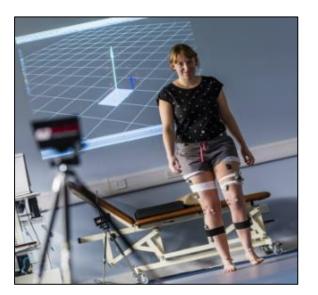
#### STUDY SAMPLE

39 KOA patients; 18 controls

MRI Gait Analysis Clinical assessment









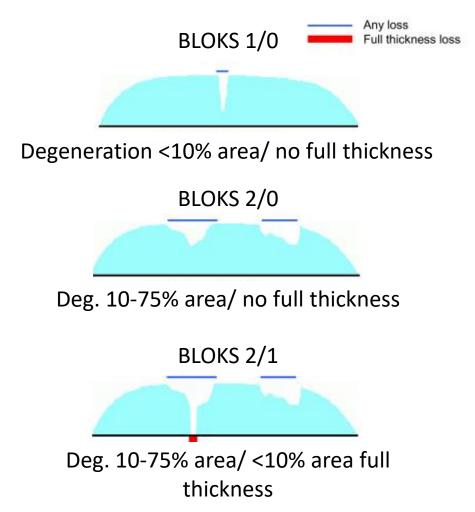
#### **MRI assessment: BLOKS**

#### **Boston-Leeds Osteoarthritis Knee Score**

- Semi quantitative score
- Cartilage damage score is composed by 2 values:
  - % of the area affected by cartilage loss (0-3)
  - % extent of full thickness lesions (0-3)

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## STUDY SAMPLE

#### <u>Alignment</u>

Varus alignment: Hip knee ankle angle variation ≥ 2° in varus diraction

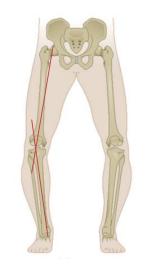
**Neutral** alignment = Hip knee ankle angle variation < 2° in either direction

#### **Cartilage degeneration (BLOKS)**

**Medial OA:** bloks score  $\geq 2/0$  medial compartment and  $\leq 1/0$  in the lateral compartment.

**Generalized OA:** Boks score > 1/0 in the lateral compartment (or > BLOKS medial compartment)

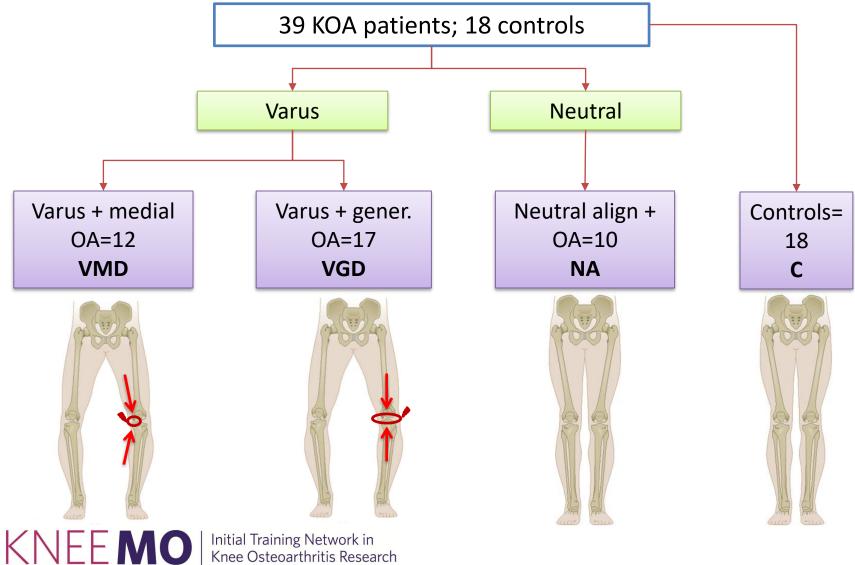






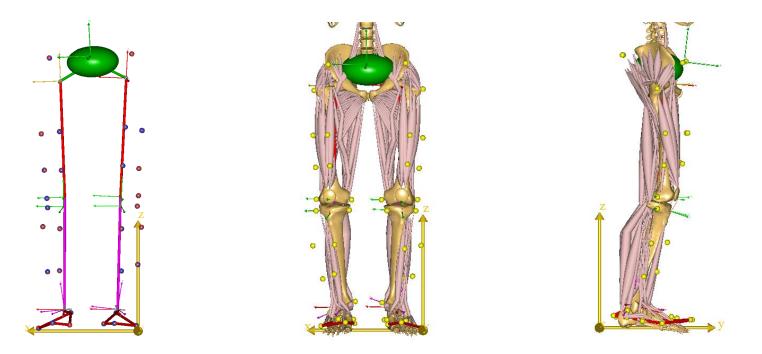


#### STUDY SAMPLE



### MUSCULOSKELETAL MODEL

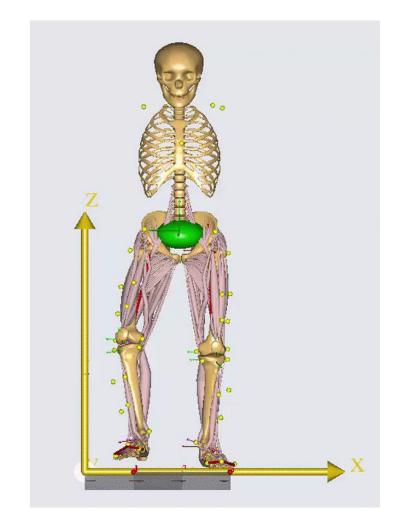
A stick-figure model was derived based on the markers from the standing reference trial the TLEM musculoskelatal model was morfed to match the stick-figure (Lund 2015)







#### MUSCULOSKELETAL MODEL



The stick-figure model was used to estimate the kinematics of the patient for dynamic trials.

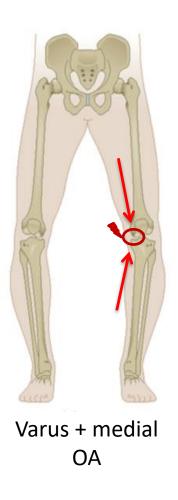
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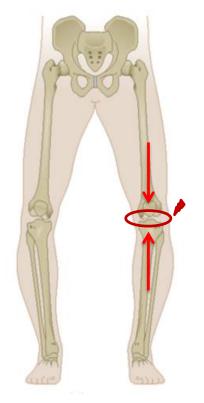


#### RESULTS

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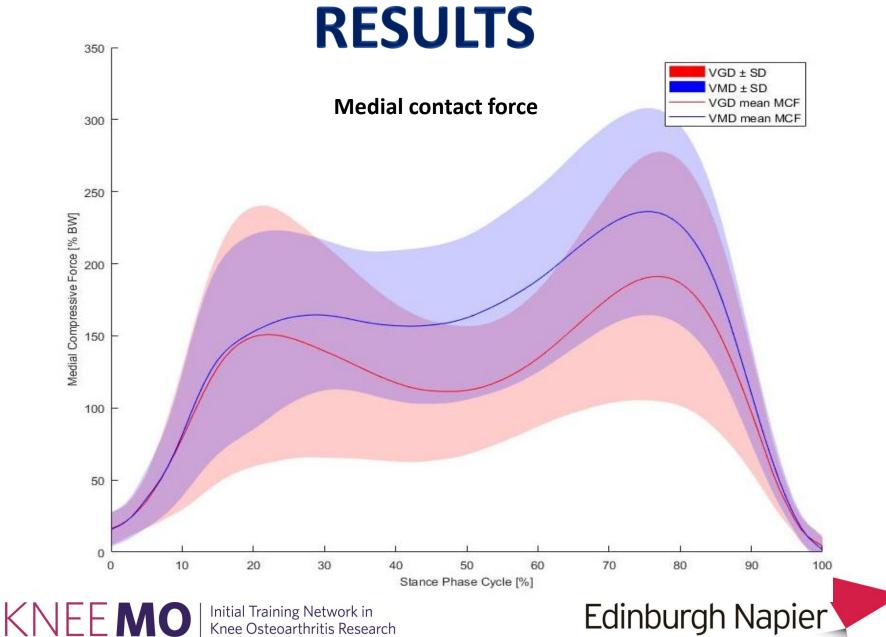


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Varus + generalized OA





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#### **RESULTS** Knee medial contact forces (CF) across groups

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Medial CF	VMD (1)		VGD (2)		NA (3)		C (4)		
	Mean <sub>adj</sub>	SE	Mean <sub>adj</sub>	SE	Mean <sub>adj</sub>	SE	Mean <sub>adj</sub>	Mean <sub>adj</sub>	
Impulse (Bw*s)	<b>1</b> .01 <sup>all</sup>	0.04	0.82	0.03	0.84	0.04	0.85	0.03	
Peak (Bw)	2.30 <sup>2</sup>	0.08	1.97 <sup>1</sup>	0.06	2.07	0.08	2.13	0.06	

**All**: significantly different from all the other phenotypes (p < 0,05); **1**: significantly different from group 1 (C) (p < 0,05); **2**: significantly different from group 2 (NA) (p < 0,05); **3**: significantly different from group 3 (VGD) (p < 0,05); **4**: significantly different from group 4 (VMD) (p < 0,05)

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#### **Knee internal contact forces across groups**

	VMD (1)		VGD (2)		NA (3)		C (4)	
	Mean <sub>adj</sub>	SE						
Lateral CF Impulse (Bw*s)	0.39	0.04	0.42	0.03	0.49	0.04	0.48	0.03
Lateral CF peak (Bw)	1.00 <sup>3,4</sup>	0.1	1.134	0.08	1.34 <sup>1</sup>	0.1	1.44 <sup>1,2</sup>	0.08
Total CF impulse	1.40 <sup>2</sup>	0.05	1.24 <sup>1</sup>	0.04	1.33	0.06	1.33	0.04
Total CF peak	3.25	0.12	3.104	0.1	3.40	0.12	3.50 <sup>2</sup>	0.10

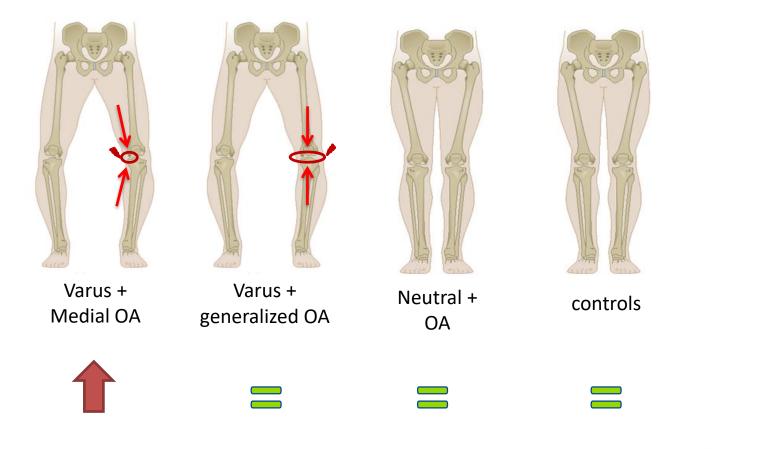
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#### **Knee medial contact forces across groups**

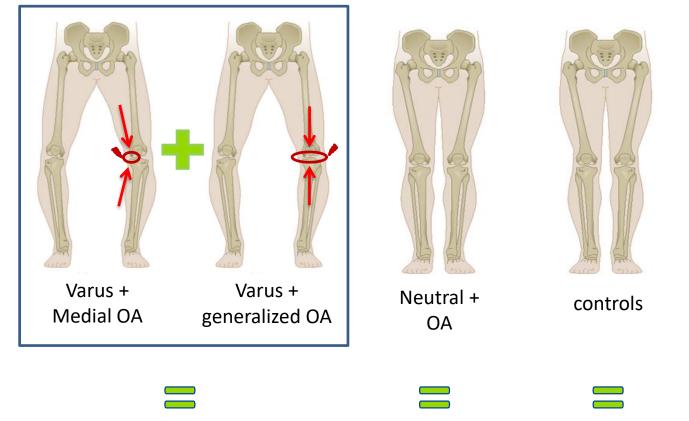






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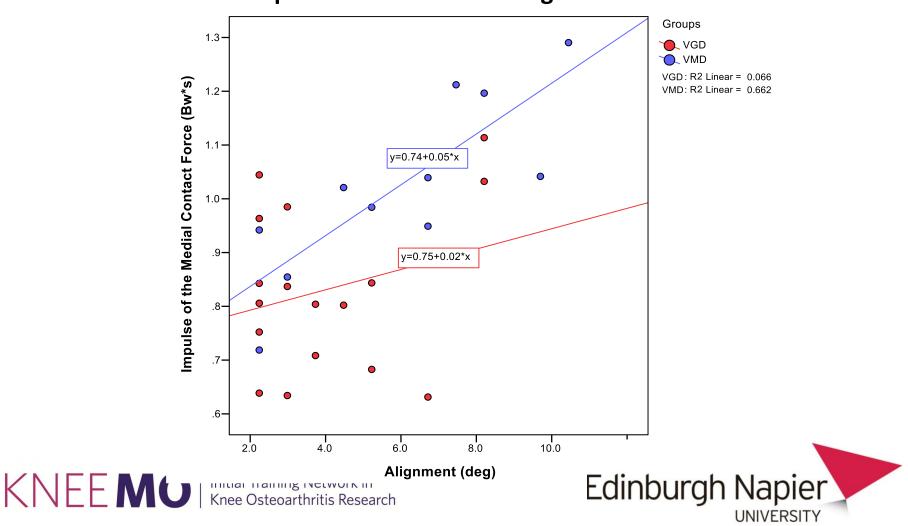






### **SECONDARY ANALYSIS**

Mediation effect of the group membership on the relationship between the impulse of the MCF and alignment



### **SECONDARY ANALYSIS**

BML



#### **Meniscal maceration**







#### RESULTS

Prevalence of medial compartment large bone marrow lesions (BML):

VMD	VGD	NA	С
83%	29%	0%	6%
58%	18%	10%	6%



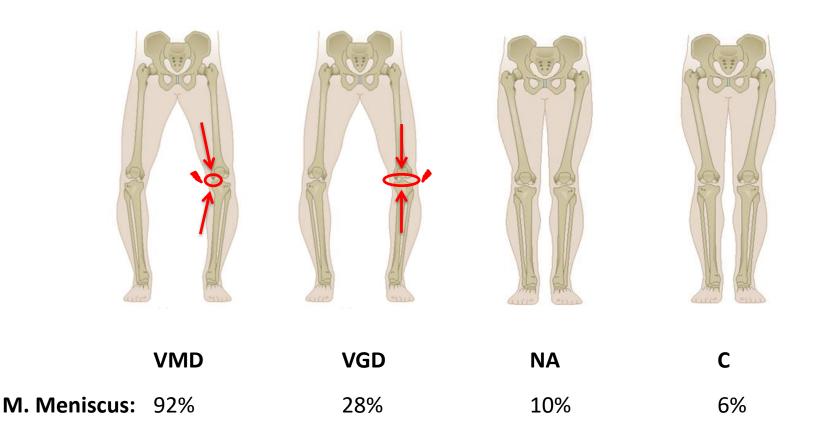
Tibia:

Femur:





#### Prevalence of medial compartment meniscal maceration







### **DISCUSSION 1**

- Our results suggest that varus malalignment, in the presence of lateral compartment degeneration, is not associated with the CF of the medial compartment.
  - This may explain the different response to biomechanical intervention showed in subjects with medial disease.





### **DISCUSSION 2**

- The impulse of the CF was more sensitive than the peak in identifying differences between the analysed groups.
  - This finding suggests that the impulse may be a better variable to analyse the difference in load pattern between groups and, therefore, to measure treatment effectiveness.





### **DISCUSSION 3**

The higher prevalence of large BML's and meniscal maceration in the medial compartment of the VMD supports the link between increased load and knee disease





### LIMITATIONS

- 1. MRI costs limit clinical applicability
- 2. Due to the cross-sectional study design, inferences of causality cannot be made
- 3. CFs are estimated
- 4. Limited sample size.





## **CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS**

- Malalignment alone is not sufficient to identify subjects characterized by high medial knee CFs
- The identification of a biomechanical phenotype characterized by higher internal CF may lead to improved treatment effectiveness





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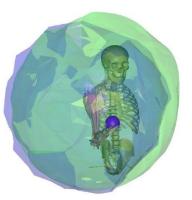




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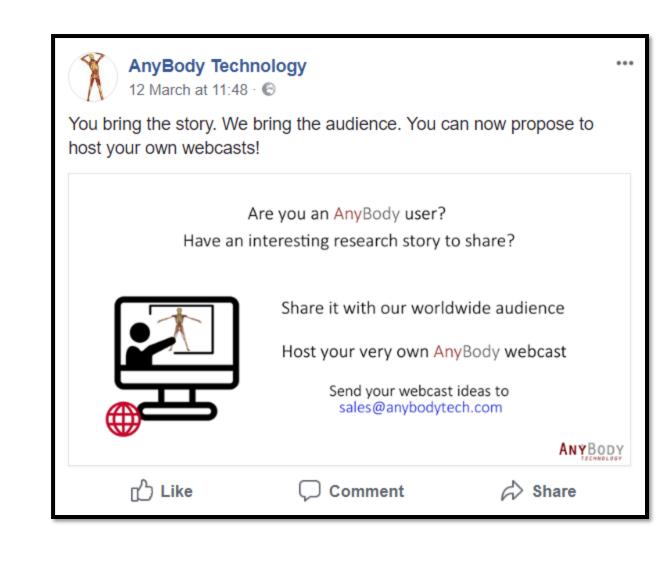
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