

Return to play with *R2Play*: A dynamic multidomain simulated sport assessment tool for youth with concussion.

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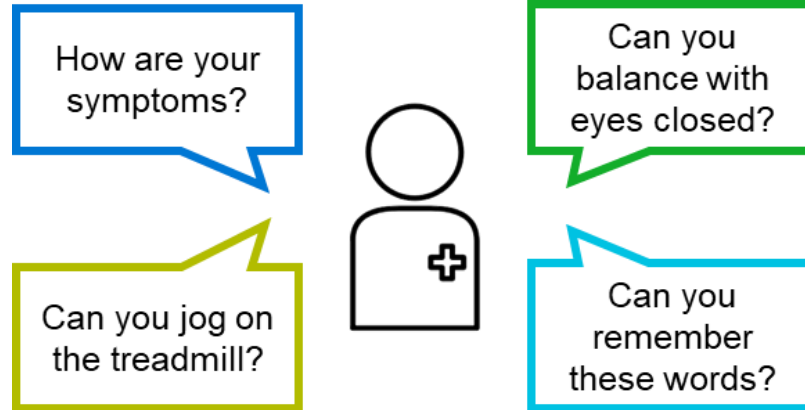
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Return to Play

How do we know when a concussion has resolved?

Currently, we assess **one domain at a time**:



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However, research shows that symptoms and changes can be revealed using more ecological **multi-domain assessments.**

Can you run and think and talk at the same time?

The *R2Play* Project



“Can we creatively apply technology to administer a multidomain return-to-play assessment that simulates the demands of sport?”

R2Play Design Objectives

Sport-like

Fun for youth
athletes

Easy to use

Low-cost

Flexible

Clinically
informative



R2Play Development

Overarching user-centered design approach:

1. Problem definition

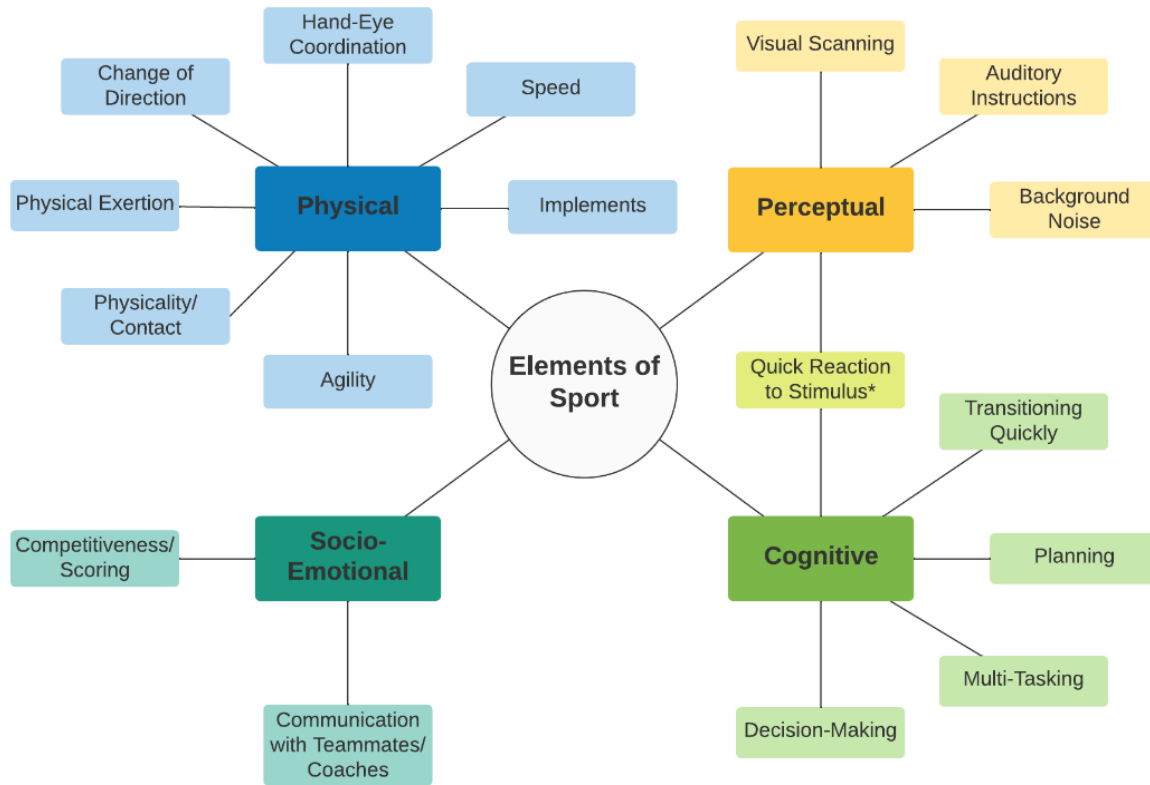


- Scoping review
- Structured team discussion

2. Needs assessment



- Qualitative interviews
- Clinicians (n=6) & sport coaches (n=4)



R2Play Development

Overarching user-centered design approach:

3. Prototype build



- Task refinement
- Hierarchical task analysis & wireframes

4. Usability testing



- Cognitive walkthrough with clinicians (n=5)
- SUS = 81% (SD 8.02)

R2Play Concept

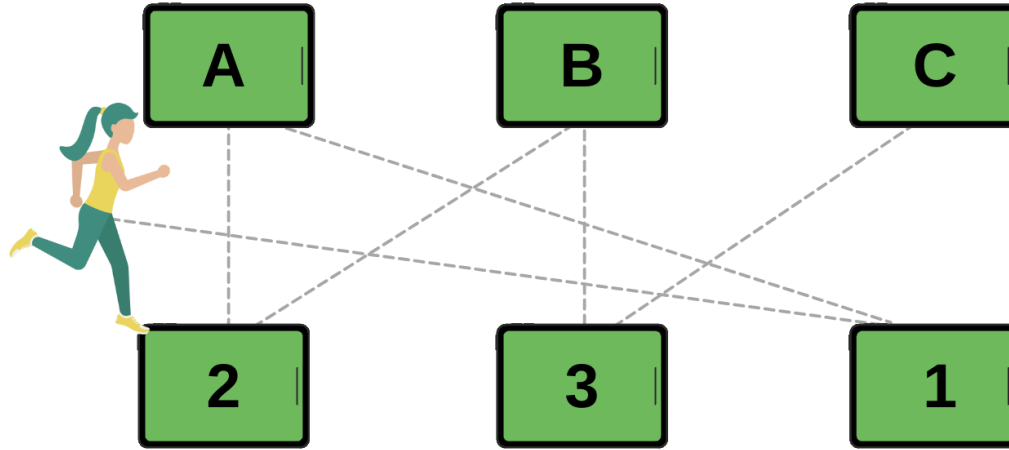
Clinician Interface



Six Tablets

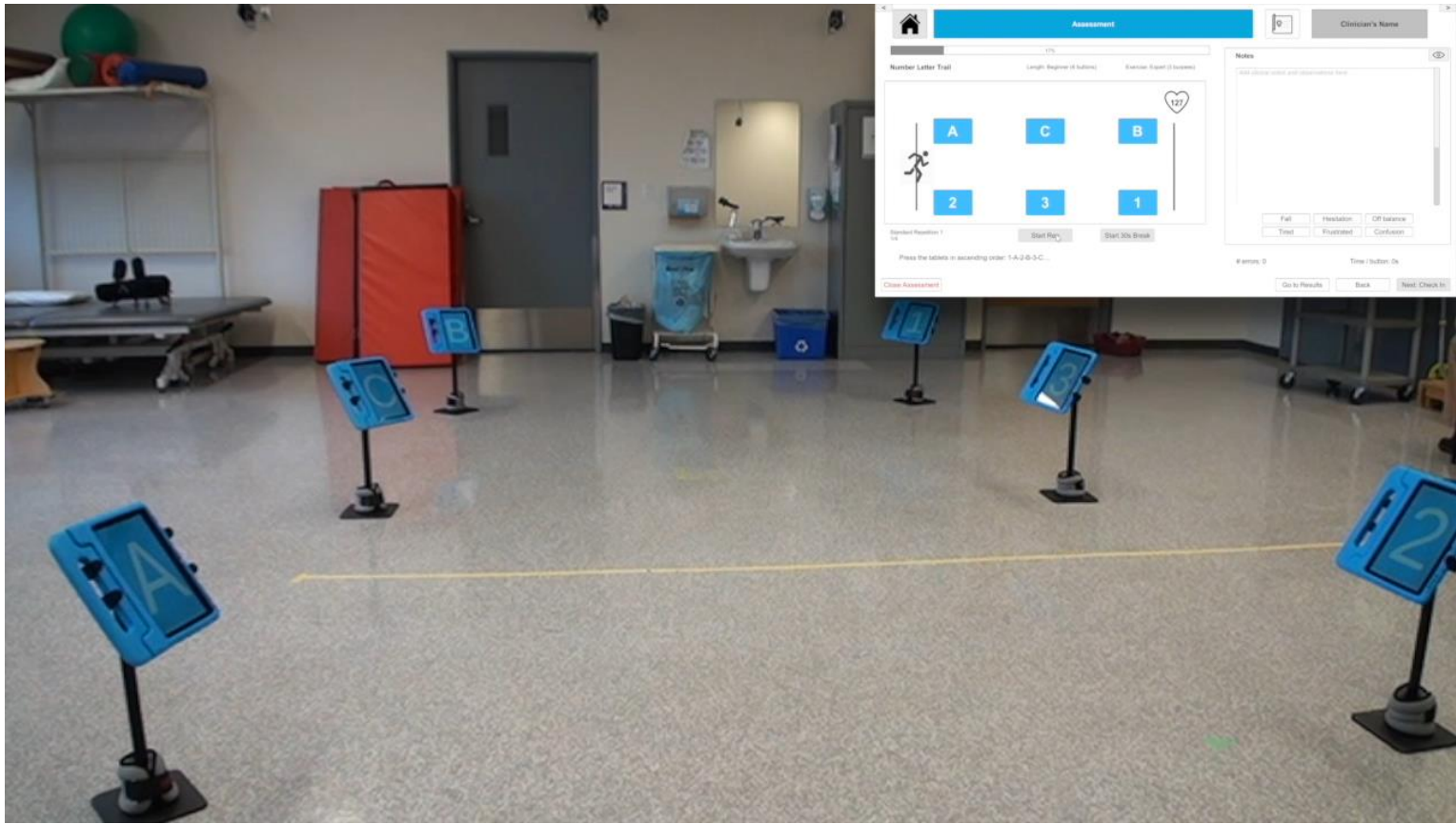


R2Play Concept



Leveling: layered perceptual, cognitive, and exertional demands.

Scoring: Speed, accuracy, and dual-task costs.



Proof-of-Concept Testing

Youth Athletes

(n=10)



- ✓ Fun
- ✓ Easy to understand
- ✓ Sport-like

Clinicians

(n=5)



- ✓ Better simulated sport
- ✓ Integration of cognitive, motor, perceptual skills
- ✓ Rich clinical observation



High Exertion

(63-94% HR_{max})



Moderate duration

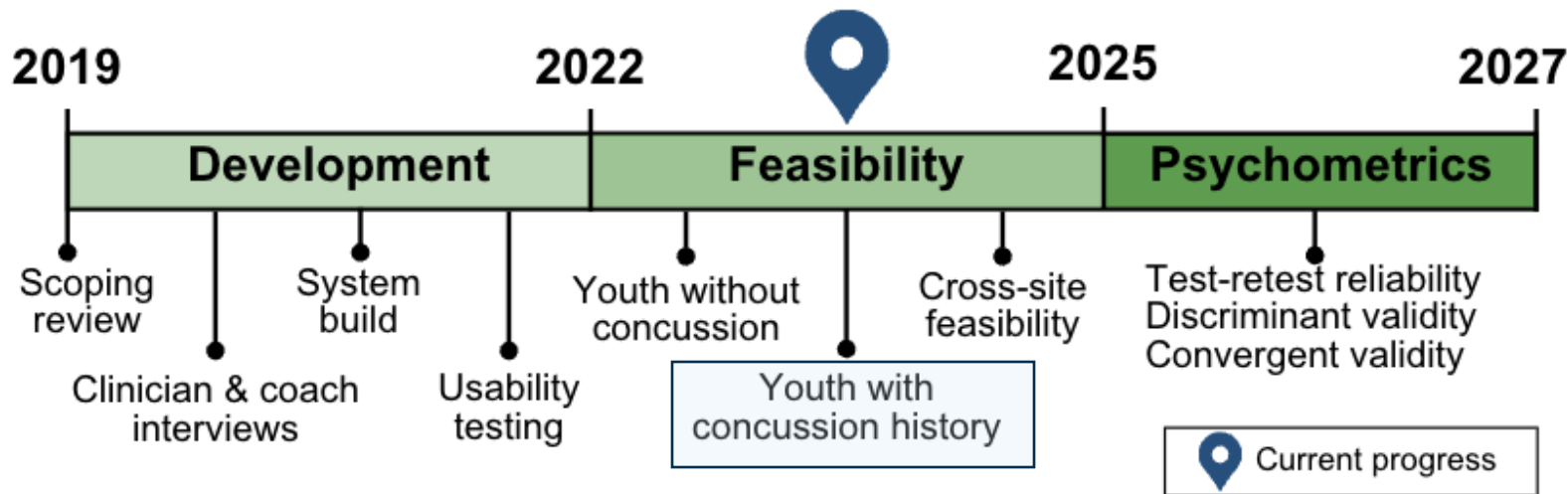
~30-40 minutes



Excellent Usability

(SUS = 81)

Timeline & Next Steps



Cross-Site Testing



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Phase 1 - Pilot

- Feasibility: How well can *R2Play* be used at different sites?
- Face validity: How well does *R2Play* simulate sport?



Phase 2 - Psychometrics

- Test-retest reliability
- Convergent validity
- Discriminant validity

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R2Play Adaptations

R2Play-Para



How can *R2Play* be adapted for para-sport participants?

R2Play-Rehab



How can *R2Play* be used as a therapeutic rehabilitation tool?

Implications for Sport

1. More sport-like assessments are needed to guide return-to-play.
2. Creative applications of low-cost technology can help simulate sport in a clinic environment.
3. Engaging the sport community in research is critical to addressing challenges in sport medicine.



Thank you!



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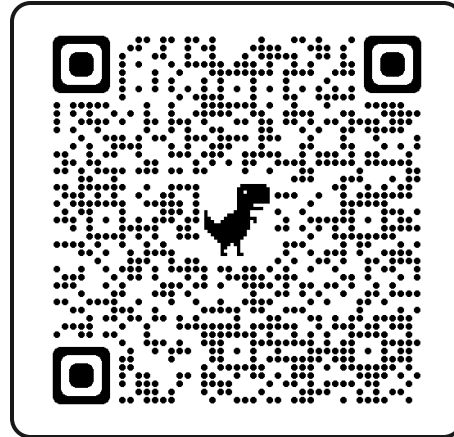
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