

# Precision Medicine for Patients with Rotator Cuff Diseases: Relationship Between Clinical Scores and Shoulder Kinematic Parameters

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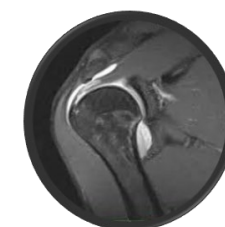
Rotator cuff injury affects about the 50% of the working population and results in pain and high functional disability of the shoulder<sub>1–2</sub>

## DIAGNOSIS

*Functional*

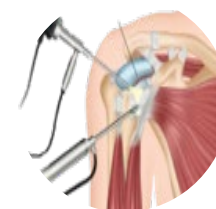


*Structural*



## TREATMENT

*Surgical*



*Conservative*

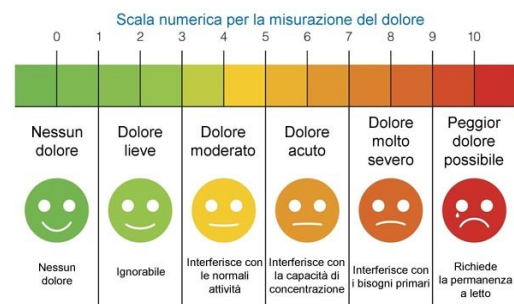




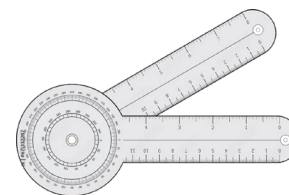
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## EVALUATION

### CLINICAL SCALE



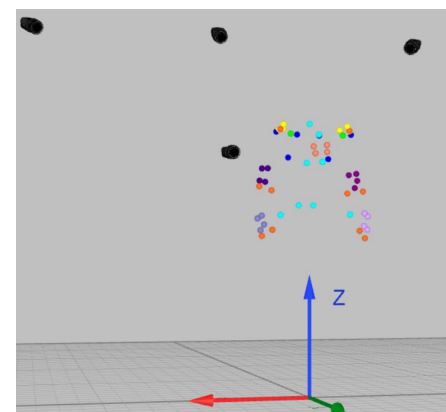
### KINEMATIC ANALYSIS



Goniometer



Inertial sensors



Optoelectronic system



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# Aim

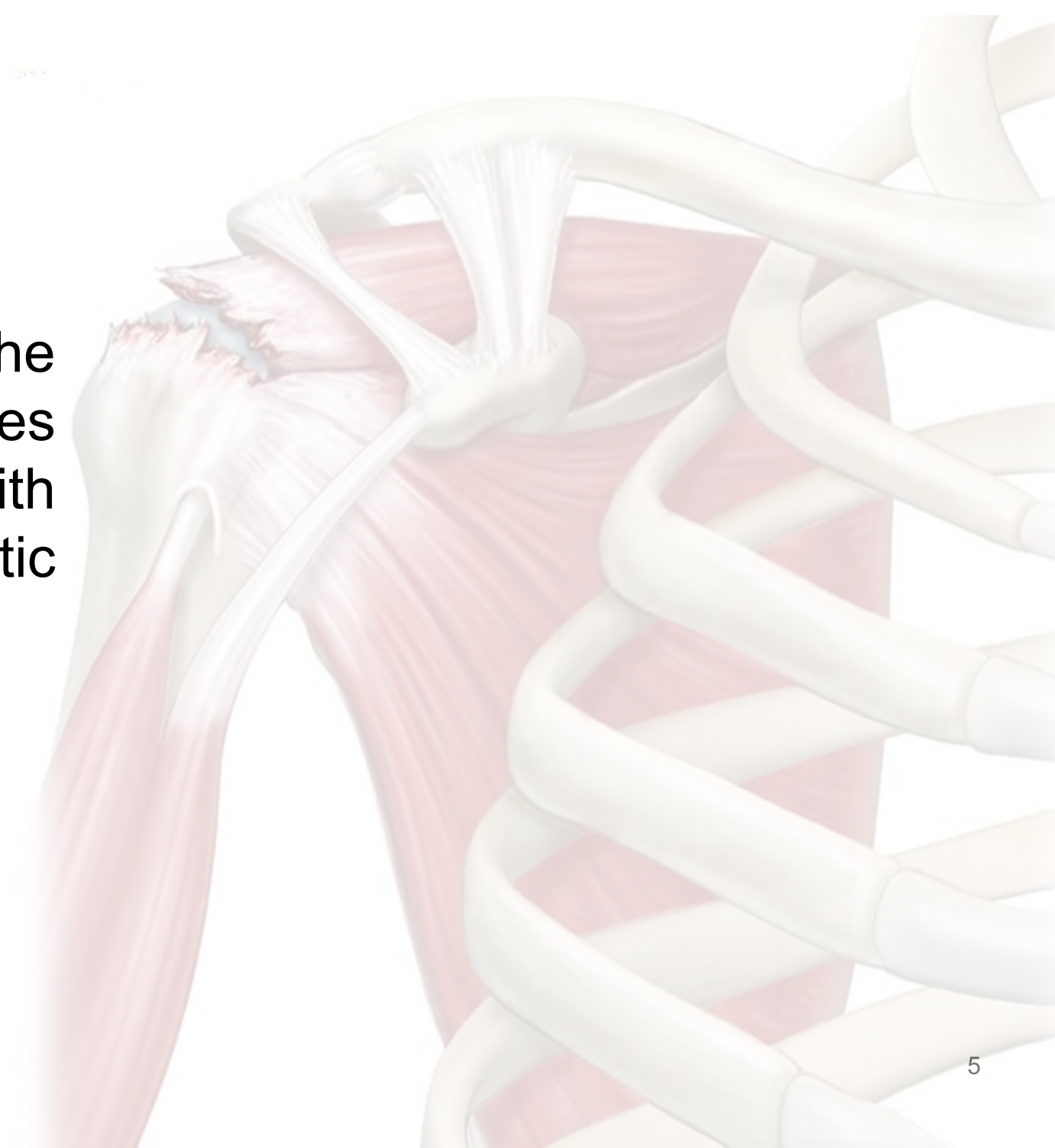
**Correlation analysis** between the most commonly used clinical scales for the assessment of patients with cuff tear and objective kinematic measures



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# Methods

## Study design and enrollment

Population: 102 patients enrolled



### INCLUSION CRITERIA

- ✓ Complete supraspinatus tendon injury documented with MRI
- ✓ Age **over 18 years**.
- ✓ **Full Shoulder ROM**

### EXCLUSION CRITERIA

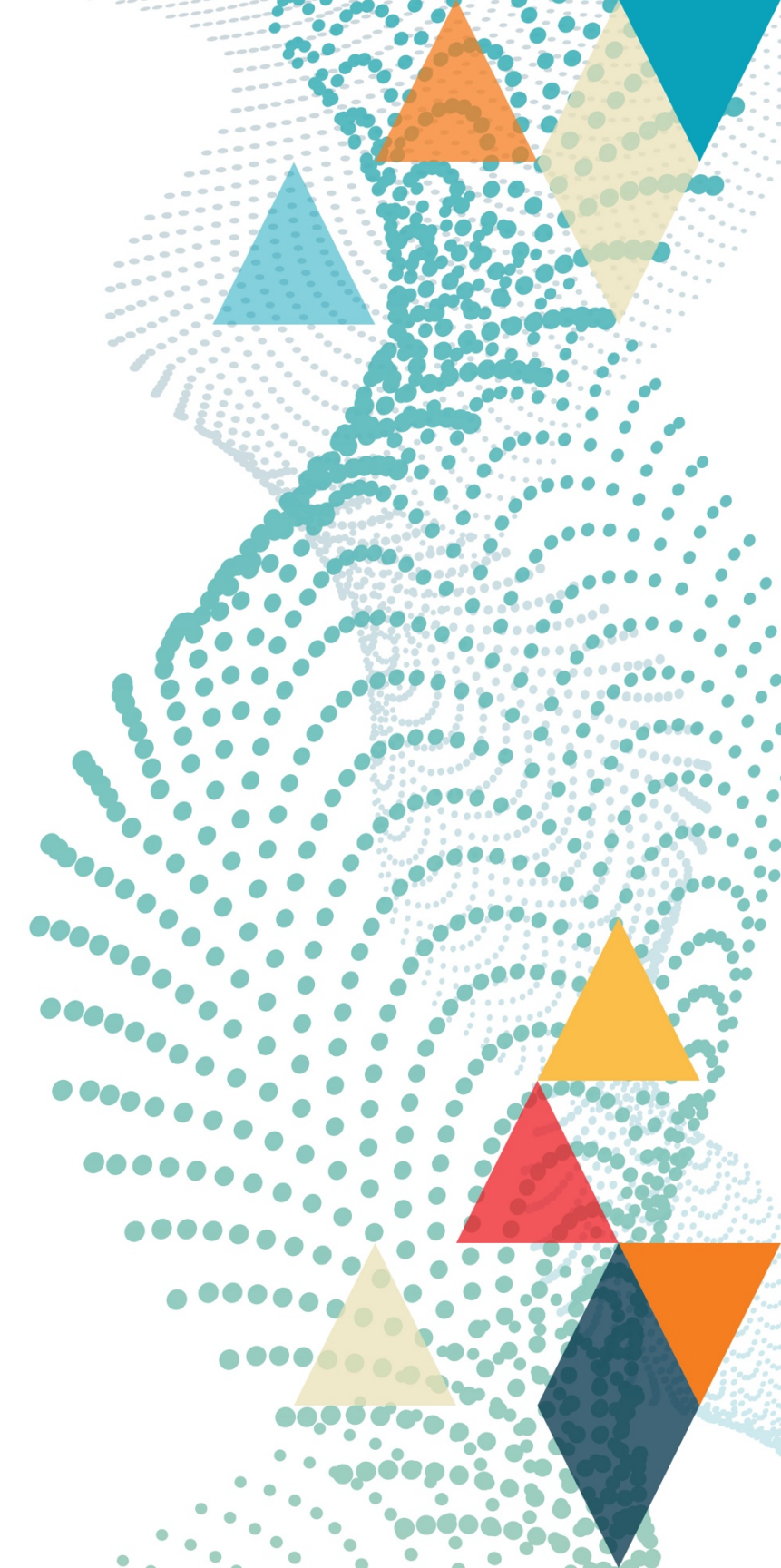
- **Refusal** or inability to provide informed **consent**.
- **Previous surgical treatment** of the shoulder
- Presence of **additional pathological conditions** of the shoulder (adhesive capsulitis, instability)



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## Clinical Scales

ASES

0  
100

3 sections:

- Pain (VAS)
- Instability
- ADL

SF-36

0  
100

3 sections:

- MCS
- PCS
- Health change

CMS

0  
100

4 sections:

- Pain
- ADL
- ROM
- Strength

OSS

60  
12

2 sections:

- Pain
- Shoulder function

SPADI

100  
0

2 sub-scales:

- Pain
- Disability



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## Experimental Setup and Protocol



Each patient performed **4 tasks bilaterally**.

- Flexion
- Scaption
- Abduction
- External Rotation

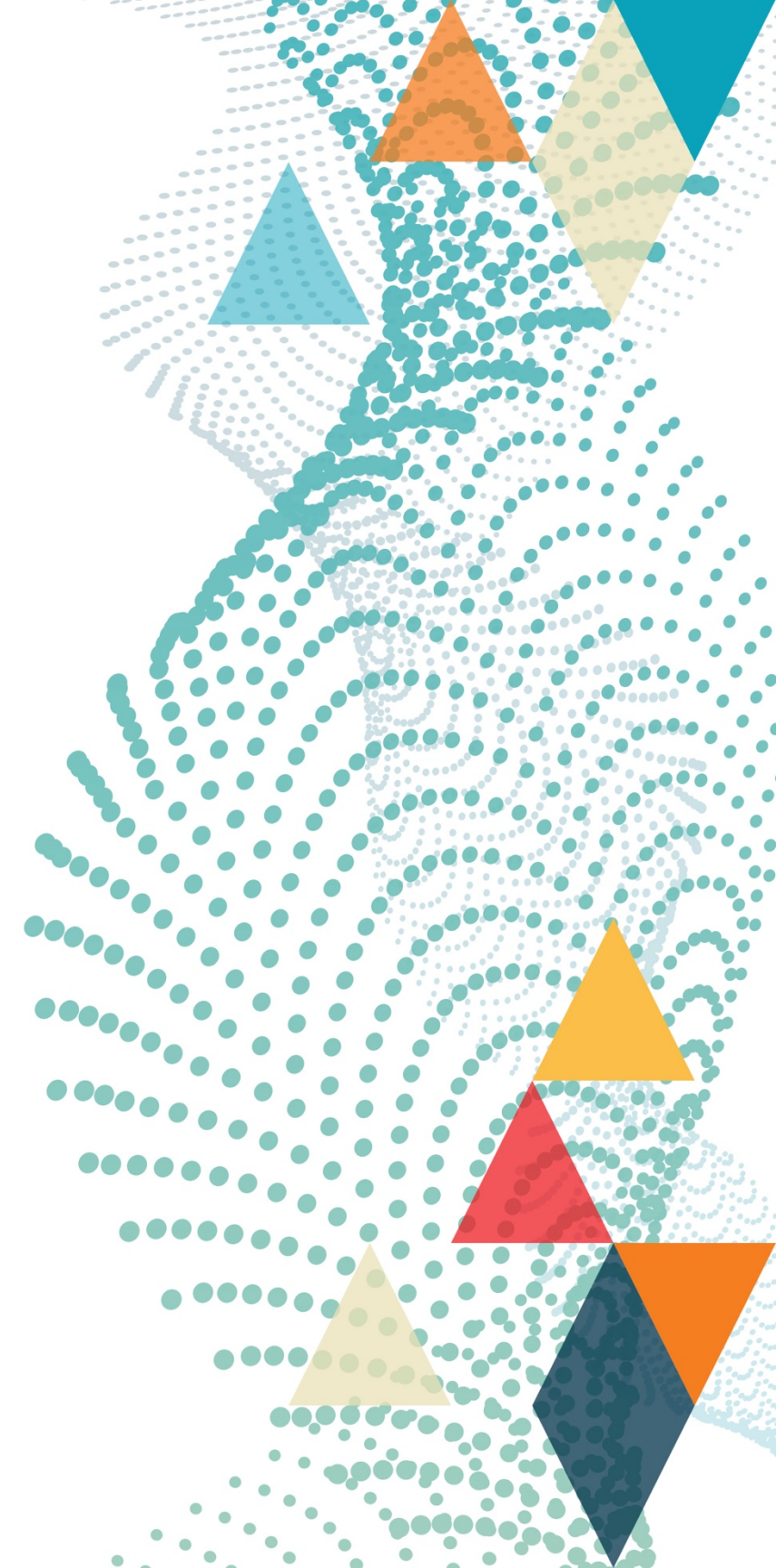
For each task, **5 repetitions** were performed.



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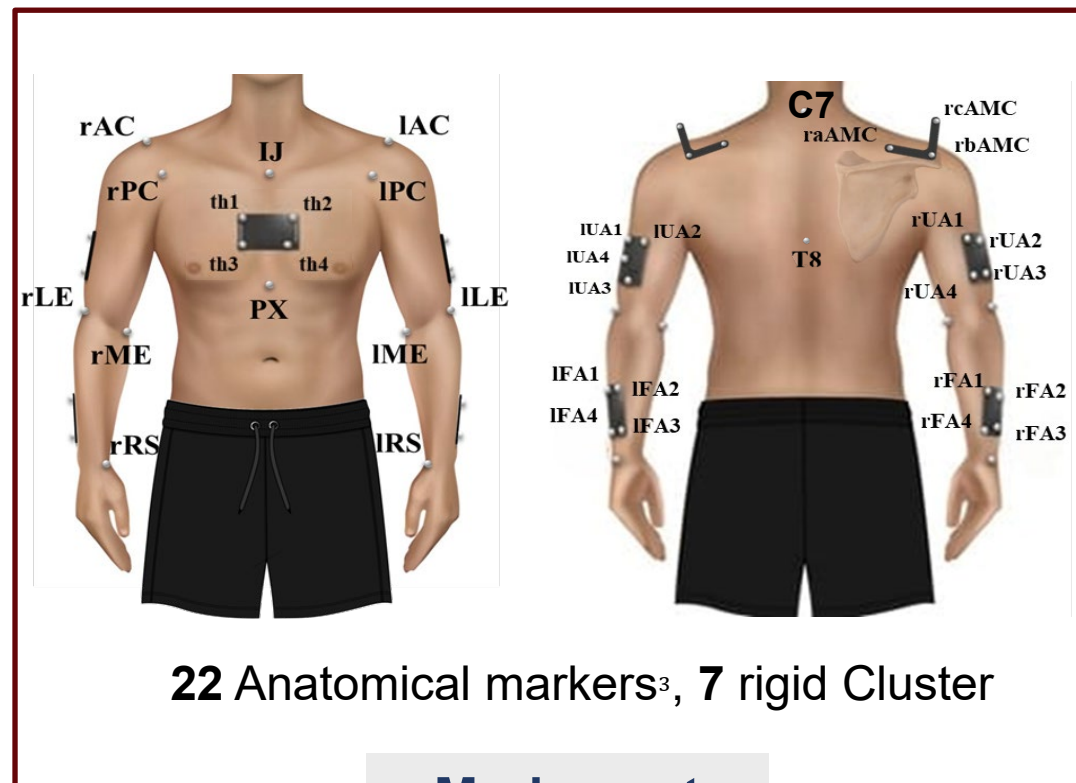


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Stereophotogrammetric System



Marker set



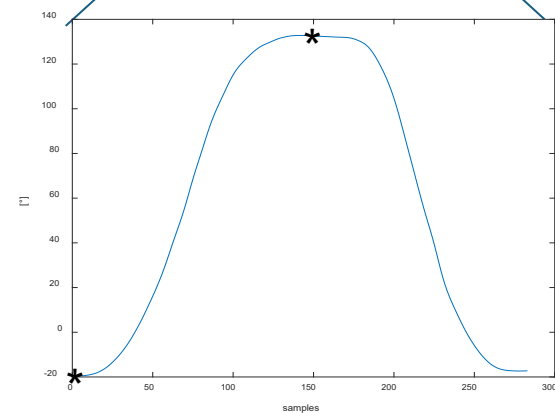
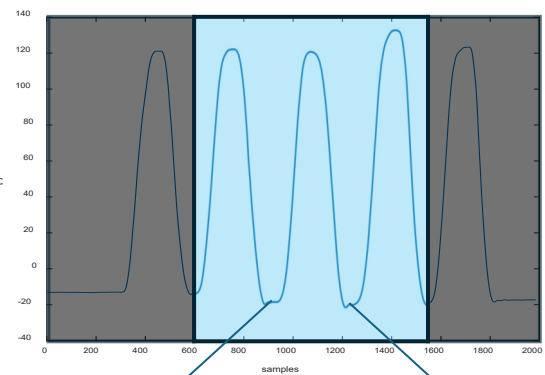
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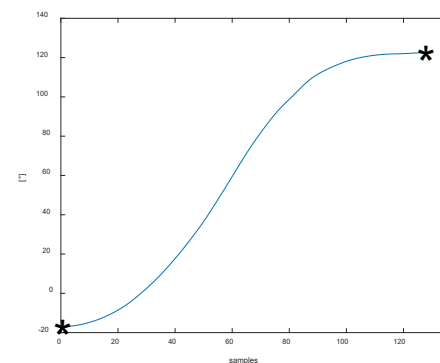
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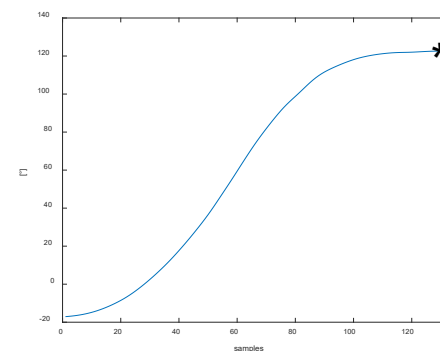
## Kinematic Analysis<sub>4</sub>



$$ROM = \max(x) - \min(x)$$



$$Peaks = \max(x)$$



Considering the 3 central repetitions, for each Task are calculated:

Mean 
$$\mu = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N A_i.$$

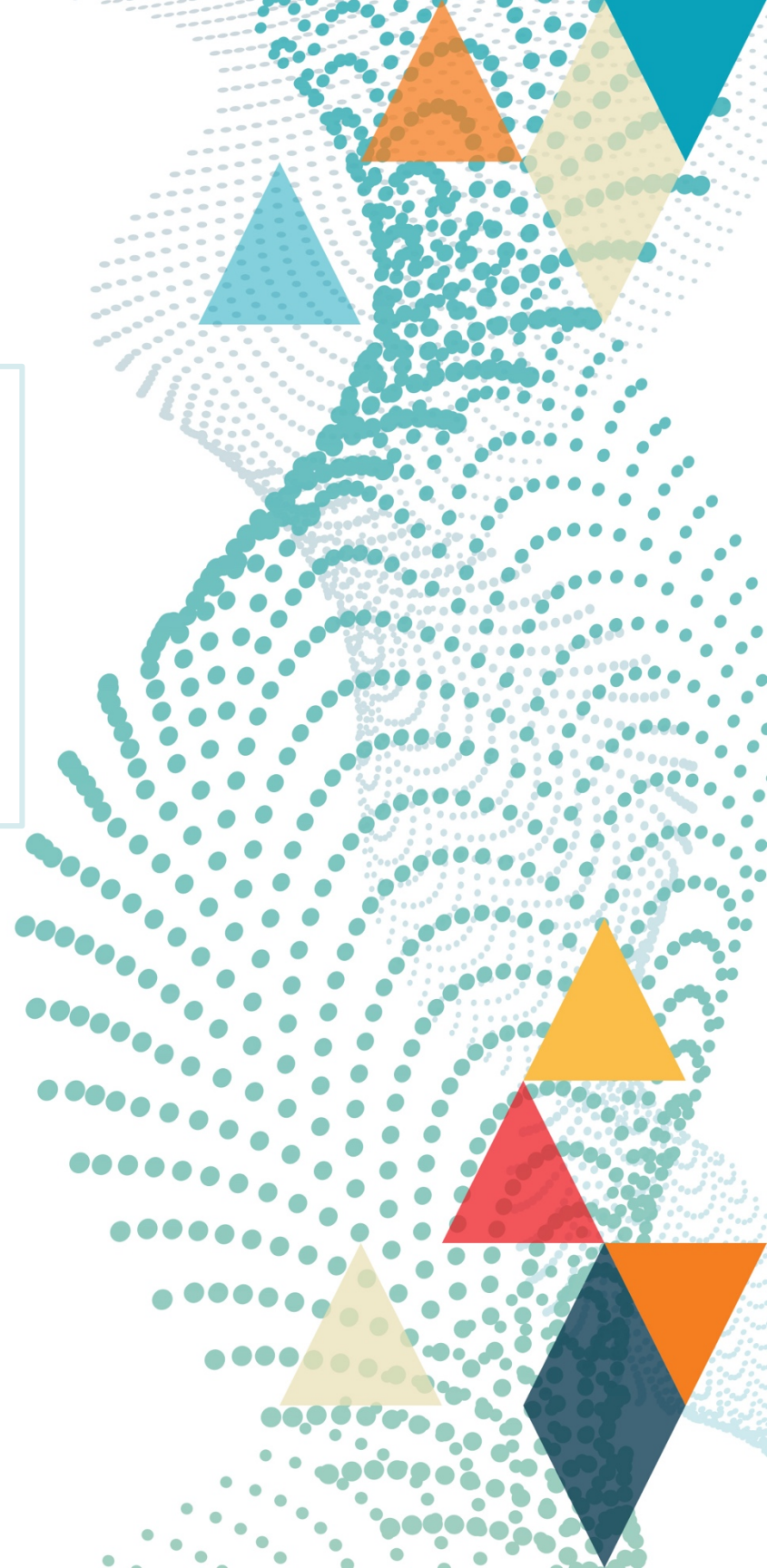
Standard deviation 
$$S = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N |A_i - \mu|^2}$$



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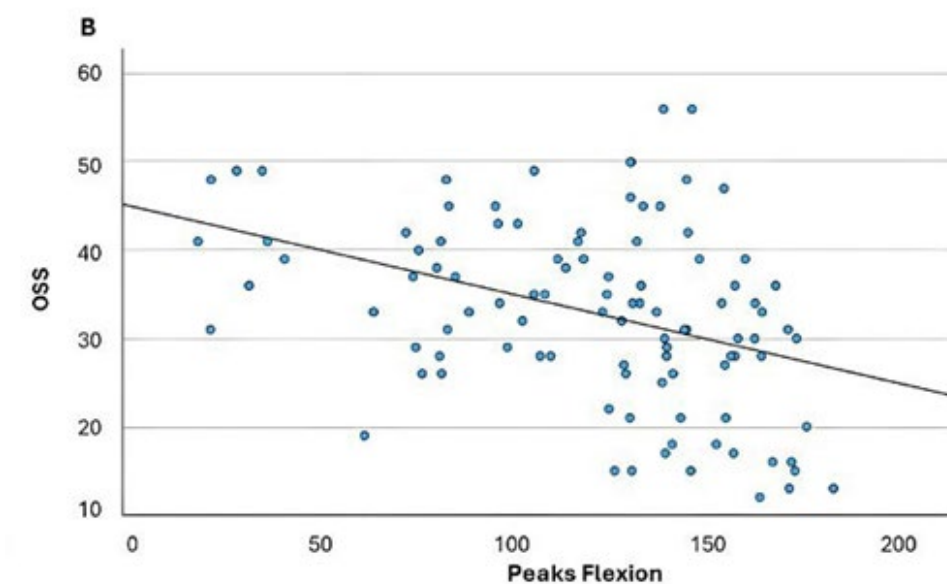
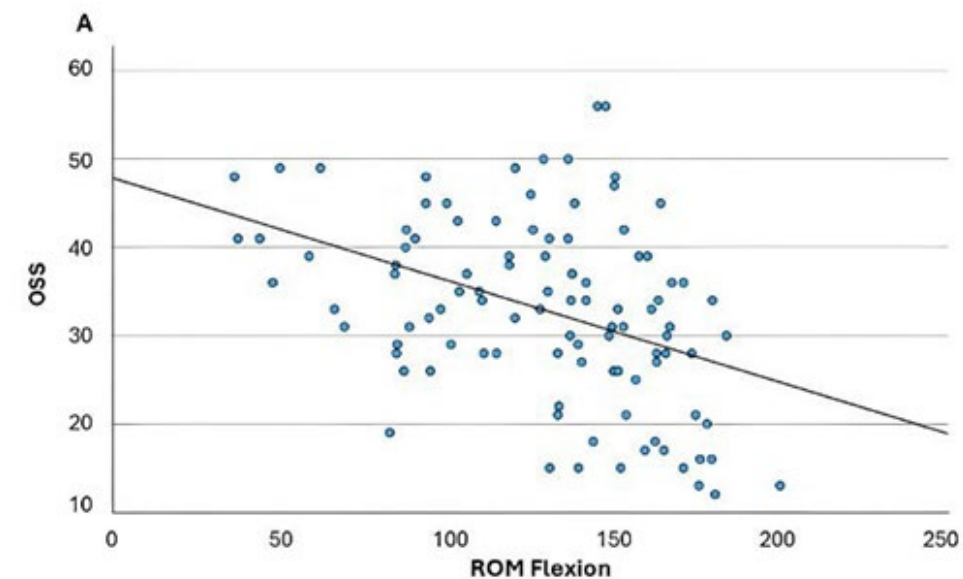
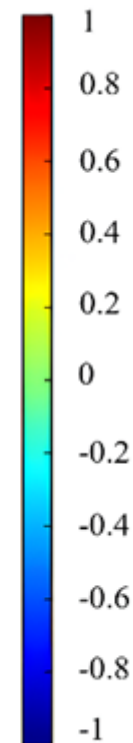




# Results

## Correlation analysis

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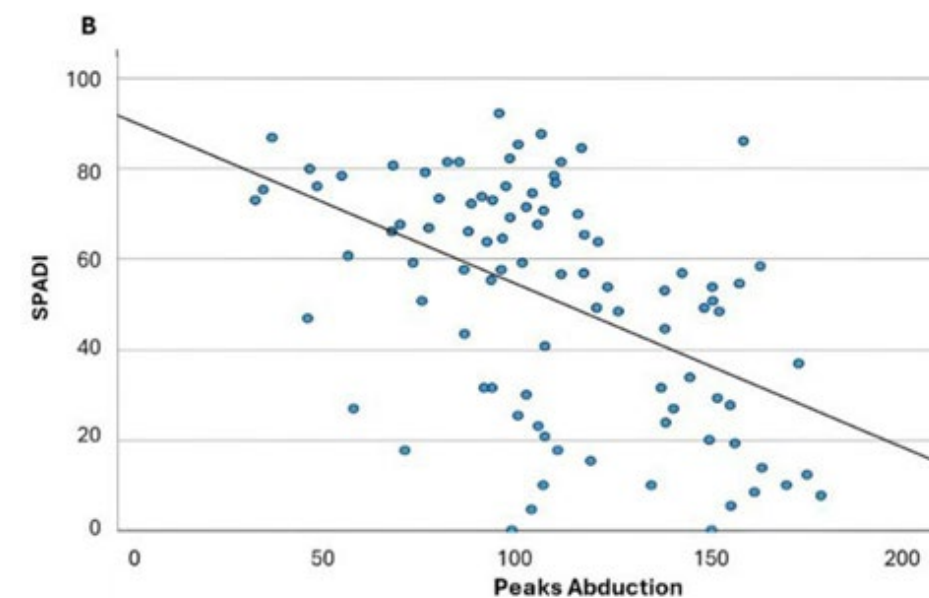
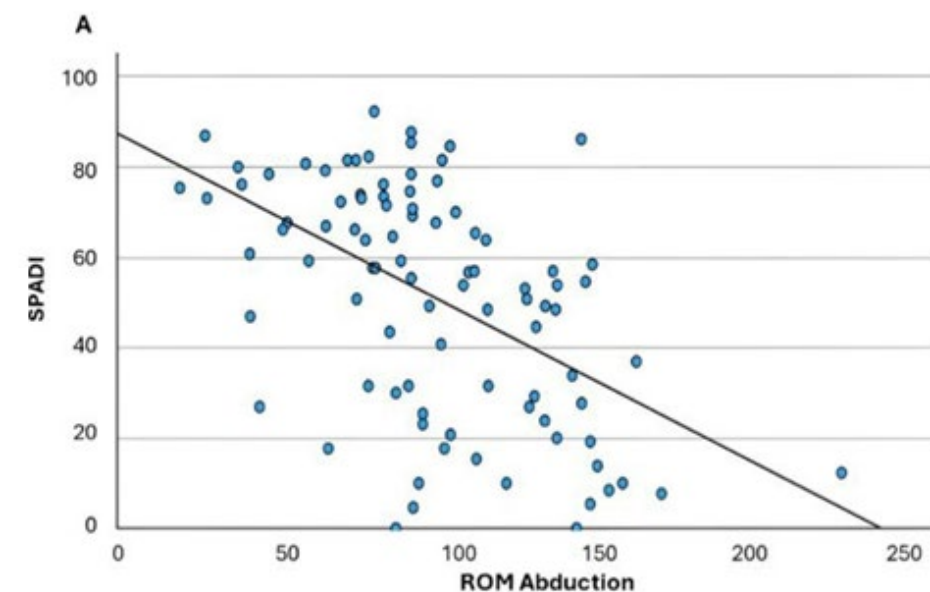
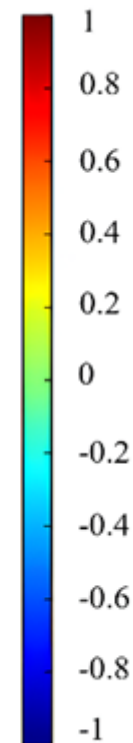
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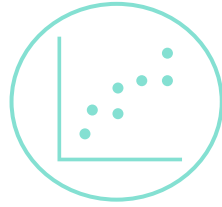
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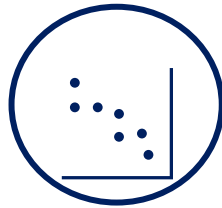
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# Discussion and conclusion



**Moderate correlation** between ROM and peak values and clinical scales (SPADI, OSS)  
assessing strength, pain, disability



**Weak or poor correlation** between ROM and peak values and clinical scales (ASES, SF-36)  
assessing patient's psychological status

This study emphasizes the importance of a multidimensional approach for RCT management, highlighting the complementary role of clinical scores and quantitative shoulder kinematic assessments



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