

Developing an innovative web-based application to classify injured workers

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Every Day Matters

Highlighting the Importance of Timely Interventions and Support

- **Innovative Patient Categorization:**

Developing strategies to classify patients based on their responses to acute injuries can help identify those at risk for poor recovery.

- **Focused Clinical Approach:**

By understanding pain sub-types in both acute and chronic contexts, healthcare providers can streamline clinical histories and investigations.

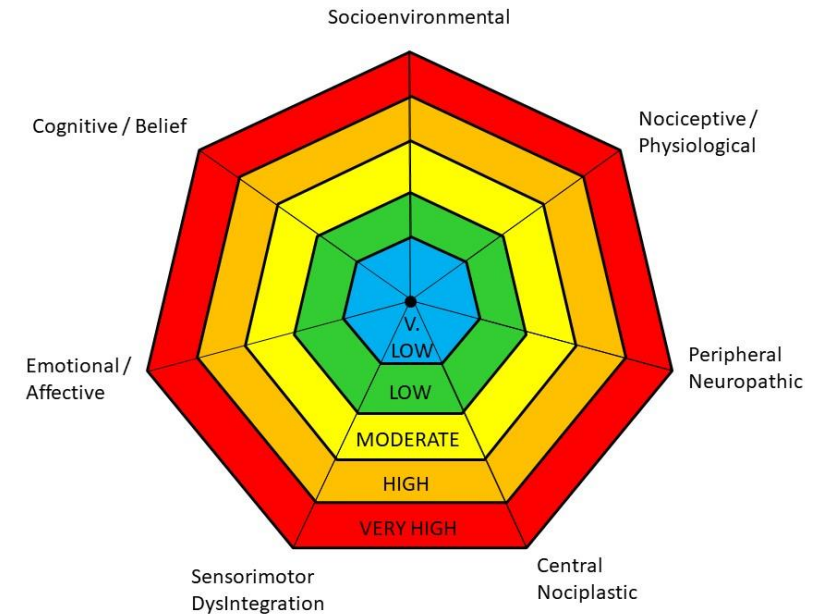
- **Tailored Interventions:**

This targeted approach allows for more effective and personalized treatment plans, enhancing patient outcomes.



Research Informing Innovation

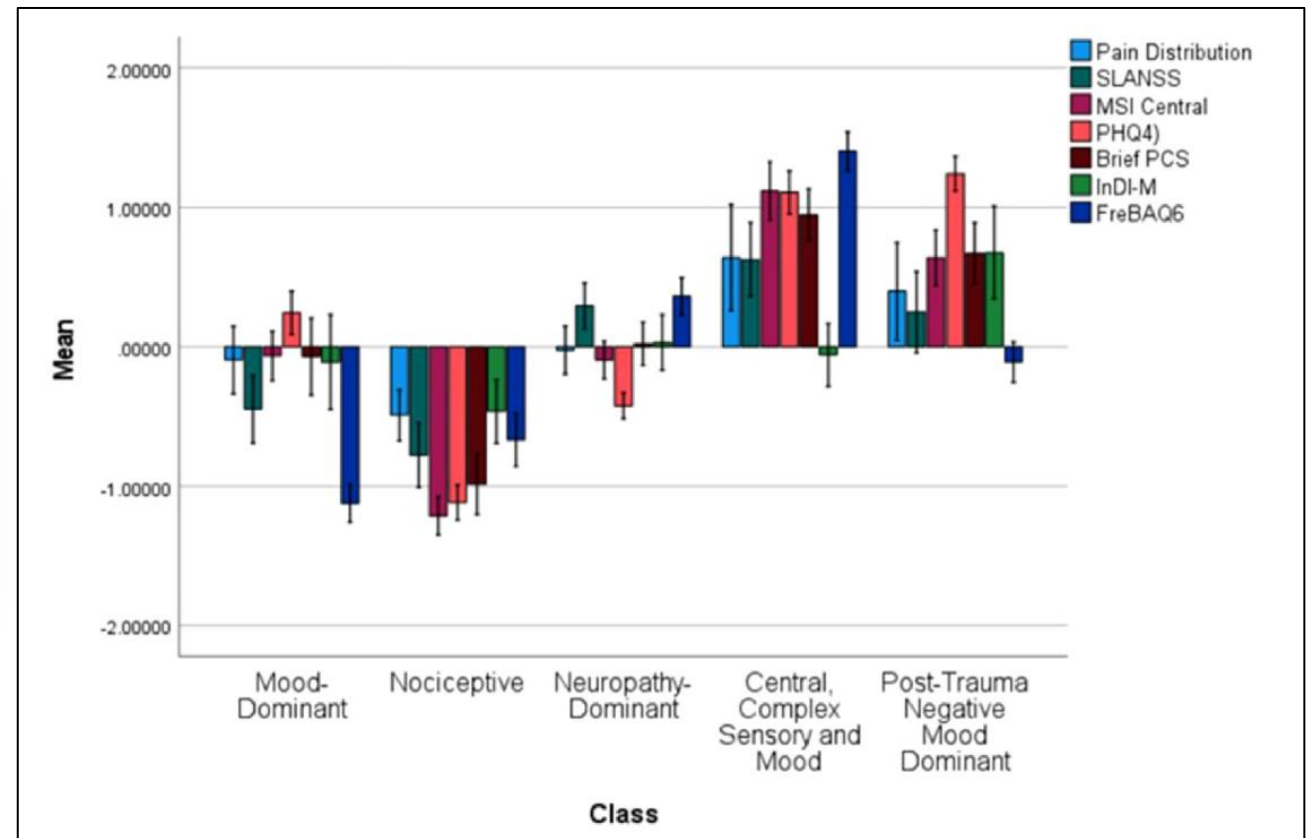
- Two studies to date, two independent cohorts
 - Study 1: Cross-sectional survey of military veterans with chronic pain
 - Study 2: Survey of acutely injured workers with 1 and 2 month follow-up
- Same questionnaires administered to both
- Questionnaires tapped each of the 7 'pain driver' domains (*shown at right*)
- Latent Profile Analysis used to identify response patterns and classify phenotypes



How was it developed?



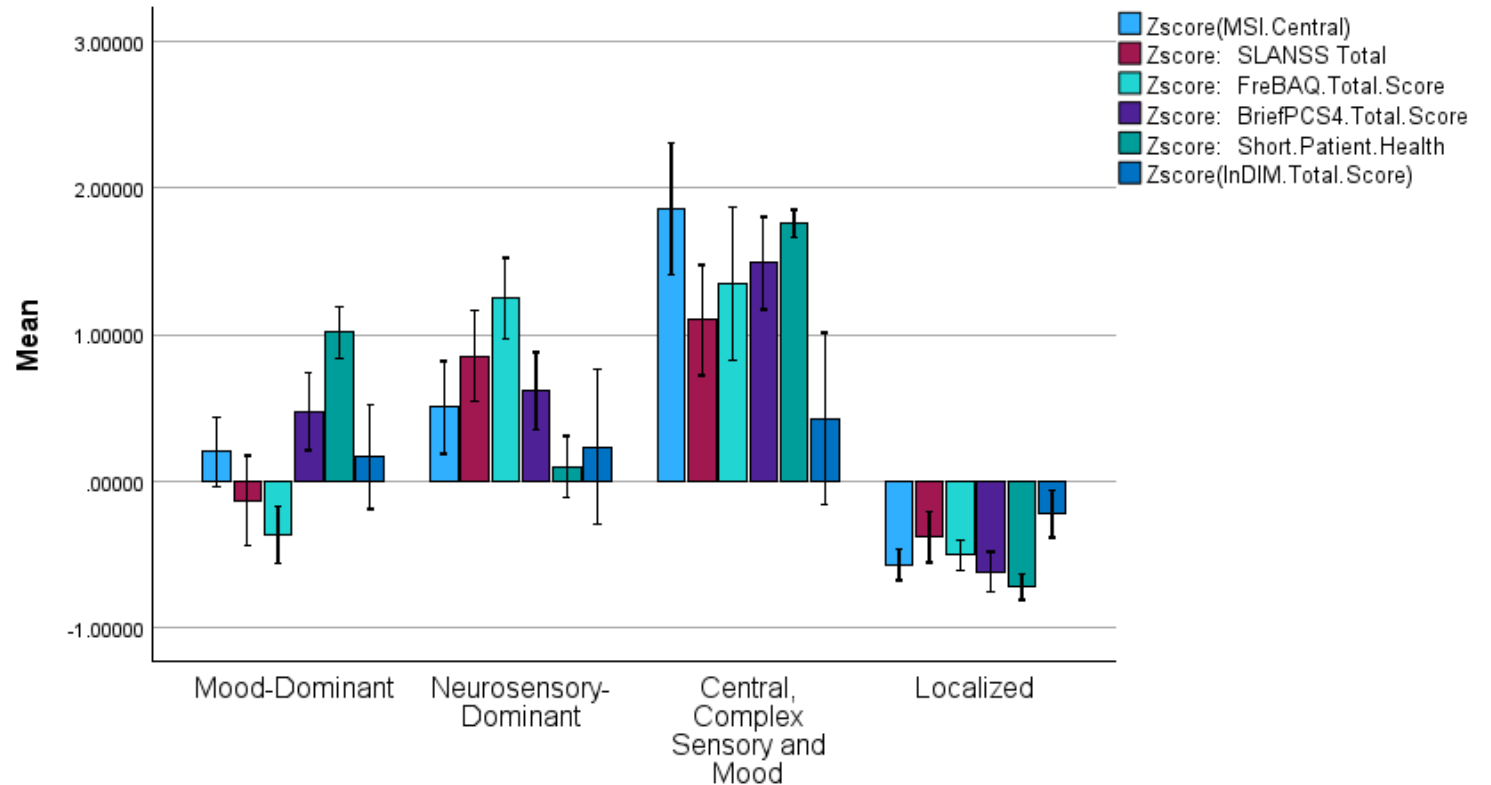
Study 1: Military Veterans with chronic pain (n = 320)



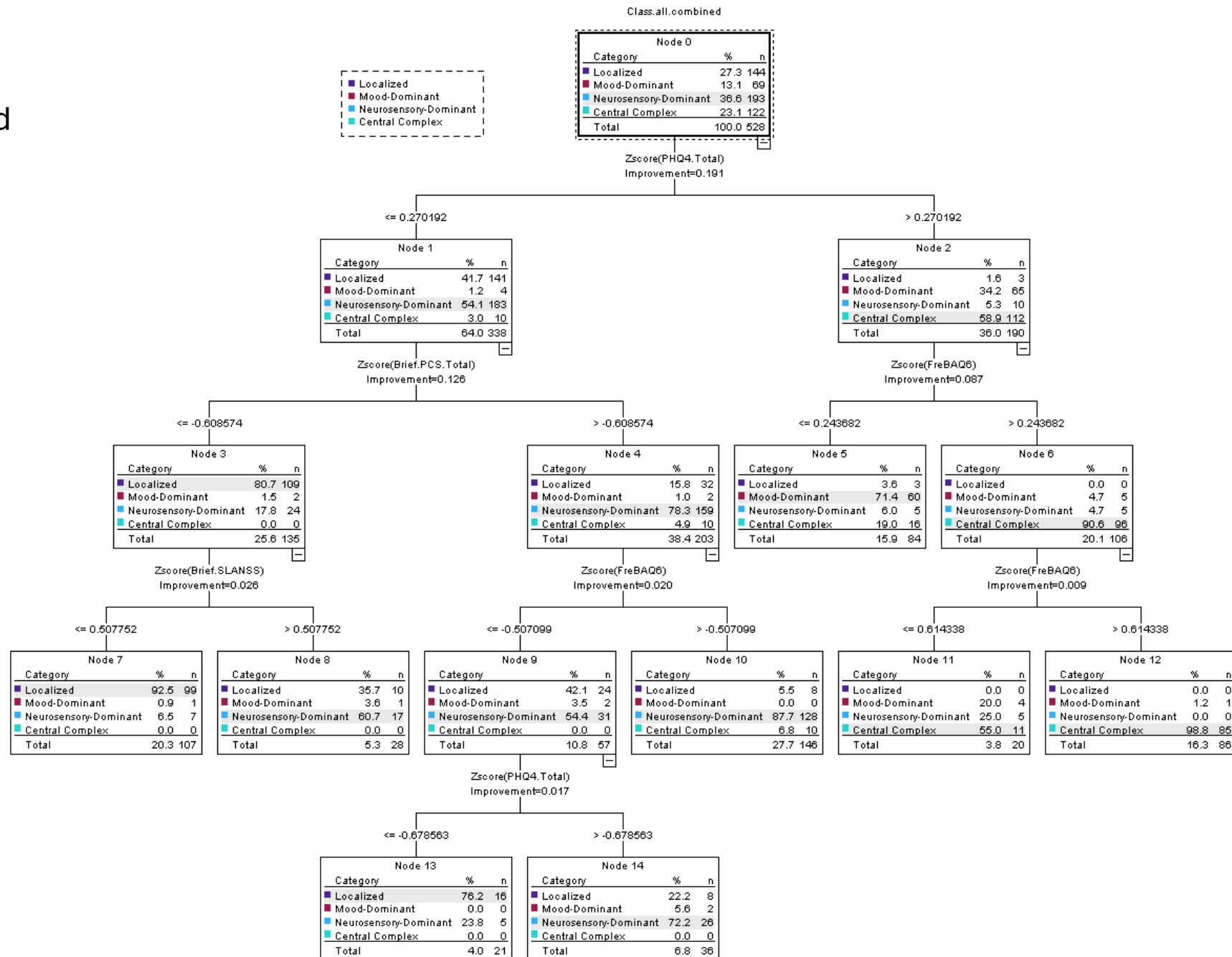
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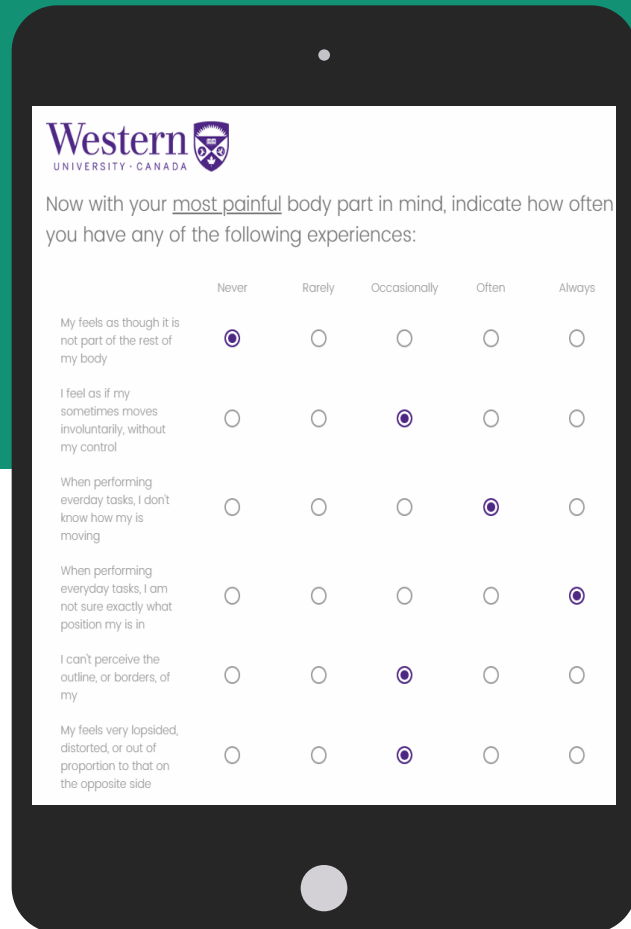
Added 200 acutely injured workers

Total sample = 520



Classification and Regression Tree





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Now with your most painful body part in mind, indicate how often you have any of the following experiences:

	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Often	Always
My feels as though it is not part of the rest of my body	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I feel as if my sometimes moves involuntarily, without my control	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When performing everyday tasks, I don't know how my is moving	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When performing everyday tasks, I am not sure exactly what position my is in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
I can't perceive the outline, or borders, of my	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My feels very lopsided, distorted, or out of proportion to that on the opposite side	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Enhancing Patient Care with the App

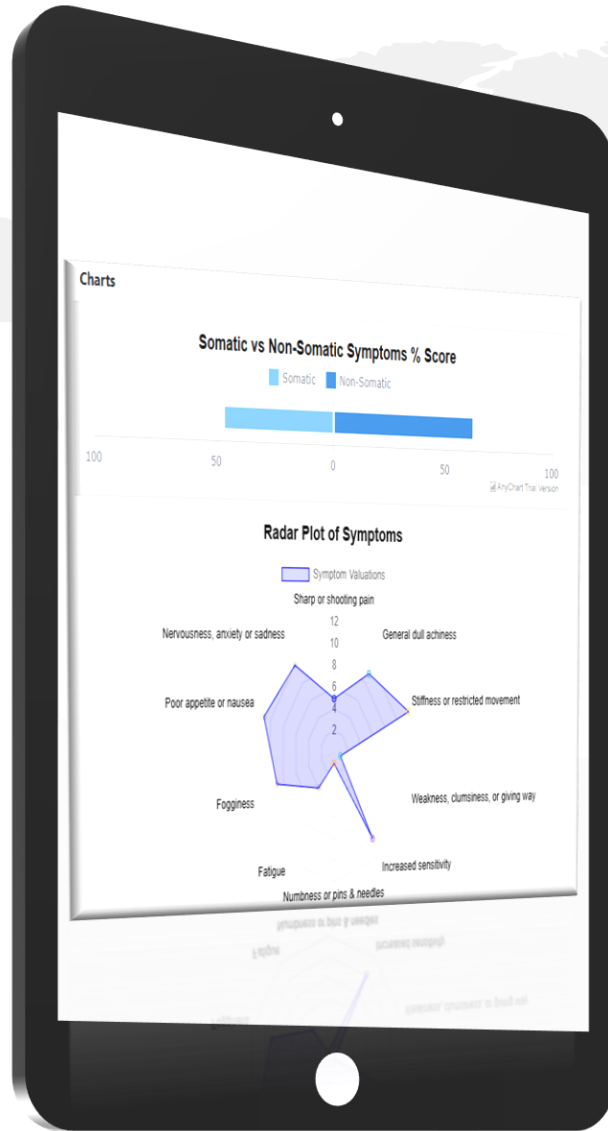
The app will tackle challenges in both acute and chronic contexts.

Analyze patient response patterns

Categorizing patients into specific pain sub-types

With a completion time of approximately 2 minutes, the app has significant potential to enhance clinical efficiency and provide more personalized care experiences.

What is the app?



An interpretation aid for clinicians



Uses algorithms to:

Better understand pain drivers

Triage patients towards the right type of (initial) provider

Help in deciding initial treatment options



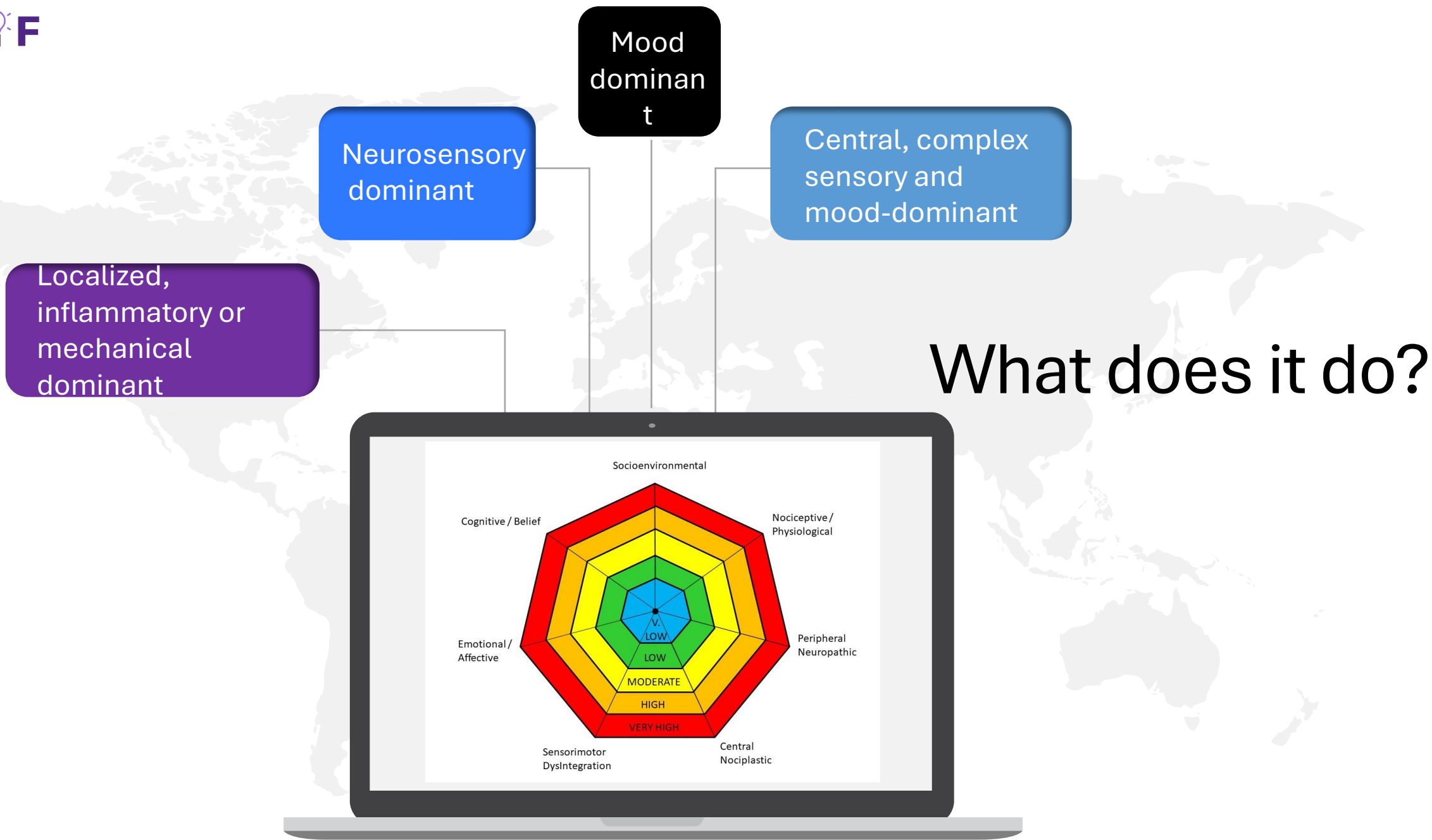
Help patients decide what type of service provider might be the best first option



For researchers: Rapid inclusion/exclusion screening for trials



May have value for funders (e.g., WSIB)



Summative Scores

Number of Symptoms:	10 (100%)	Number of Symptoms:	8
Mean Frequency:	2.1 (70.0%)	Mean Frequency:	1.2
Mean Bothersomeness:	2.5 (62.5%)	Mean Bothersomeness:	1.5
Somatic Symptoms:	28 (47%)	Somatic Symptoms:	20
Non-Somatic Symptoms:	45 (62%)	Non-Somatic Symptoms:	39

Screening Results

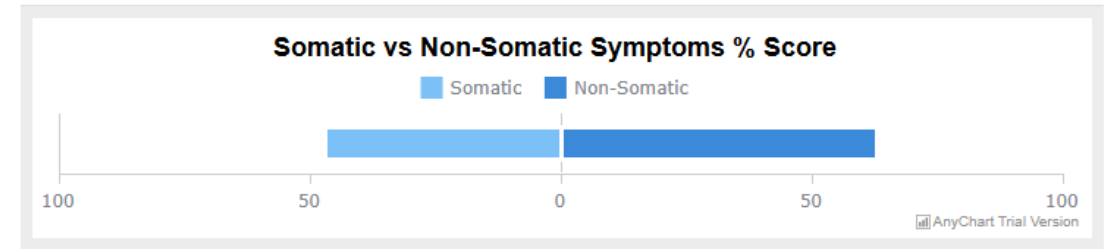
Full Recovery Predicted:	Unlikely
Potential Major Depressive Disorder:	Likely

Other Comments

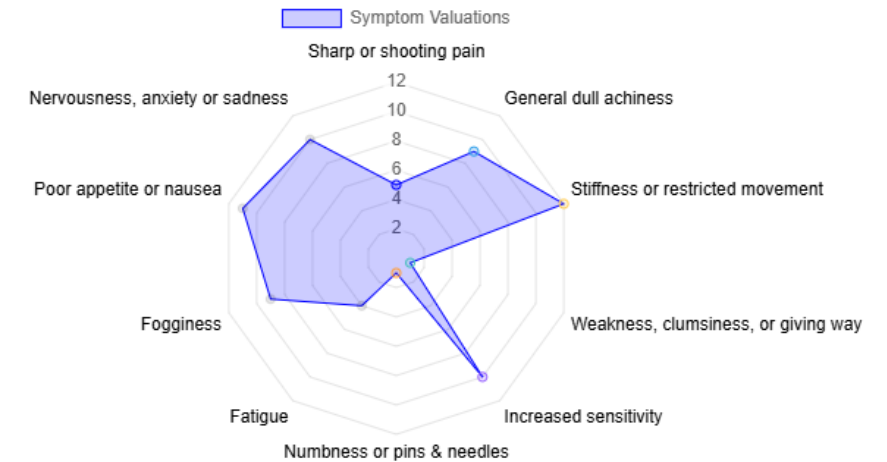
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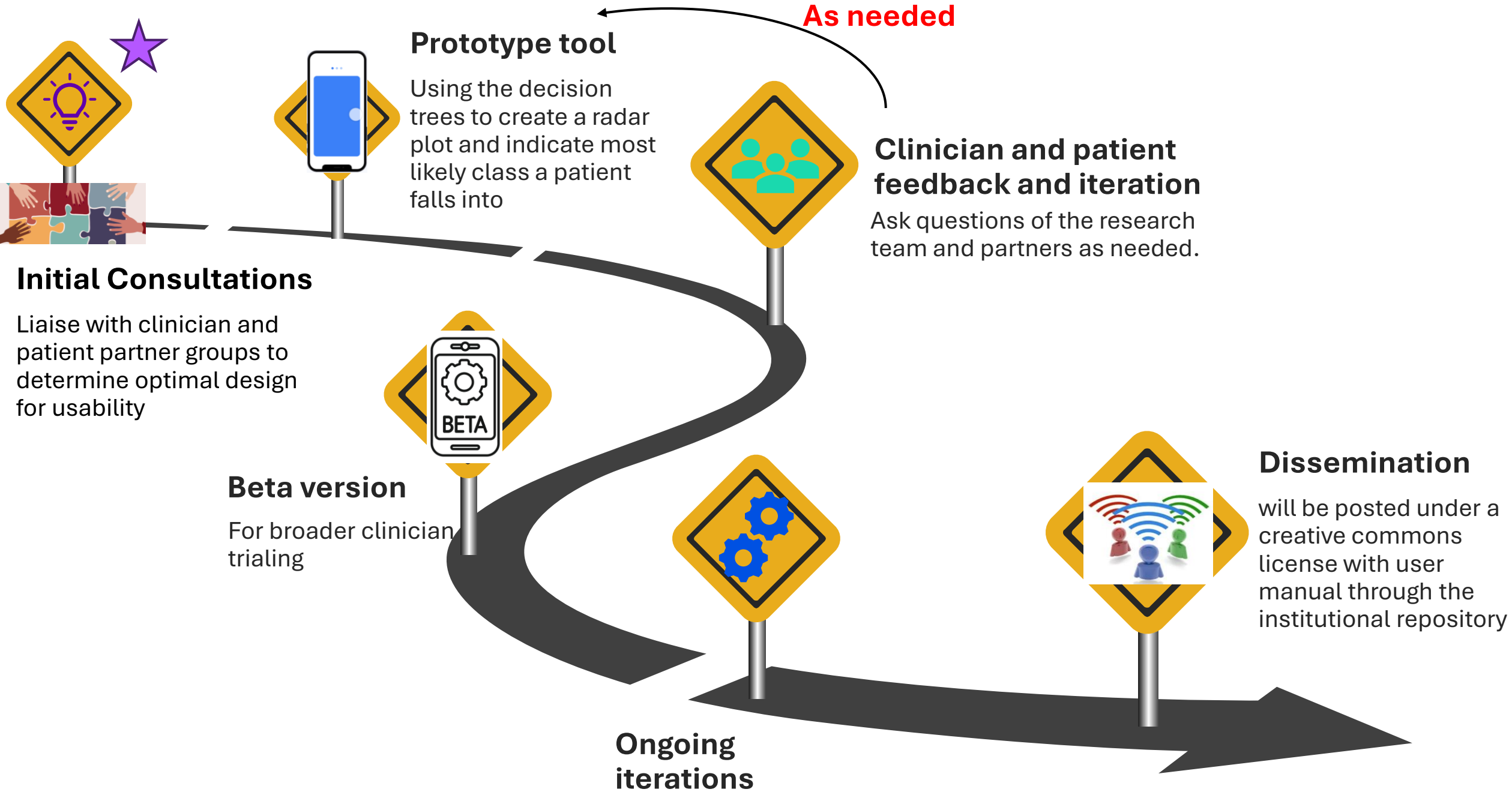
Target Score for Meaningful Change

Charts

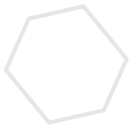
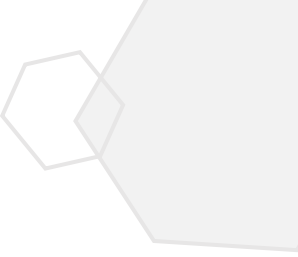


Radar Plot of Symptoms





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Any Questions?