



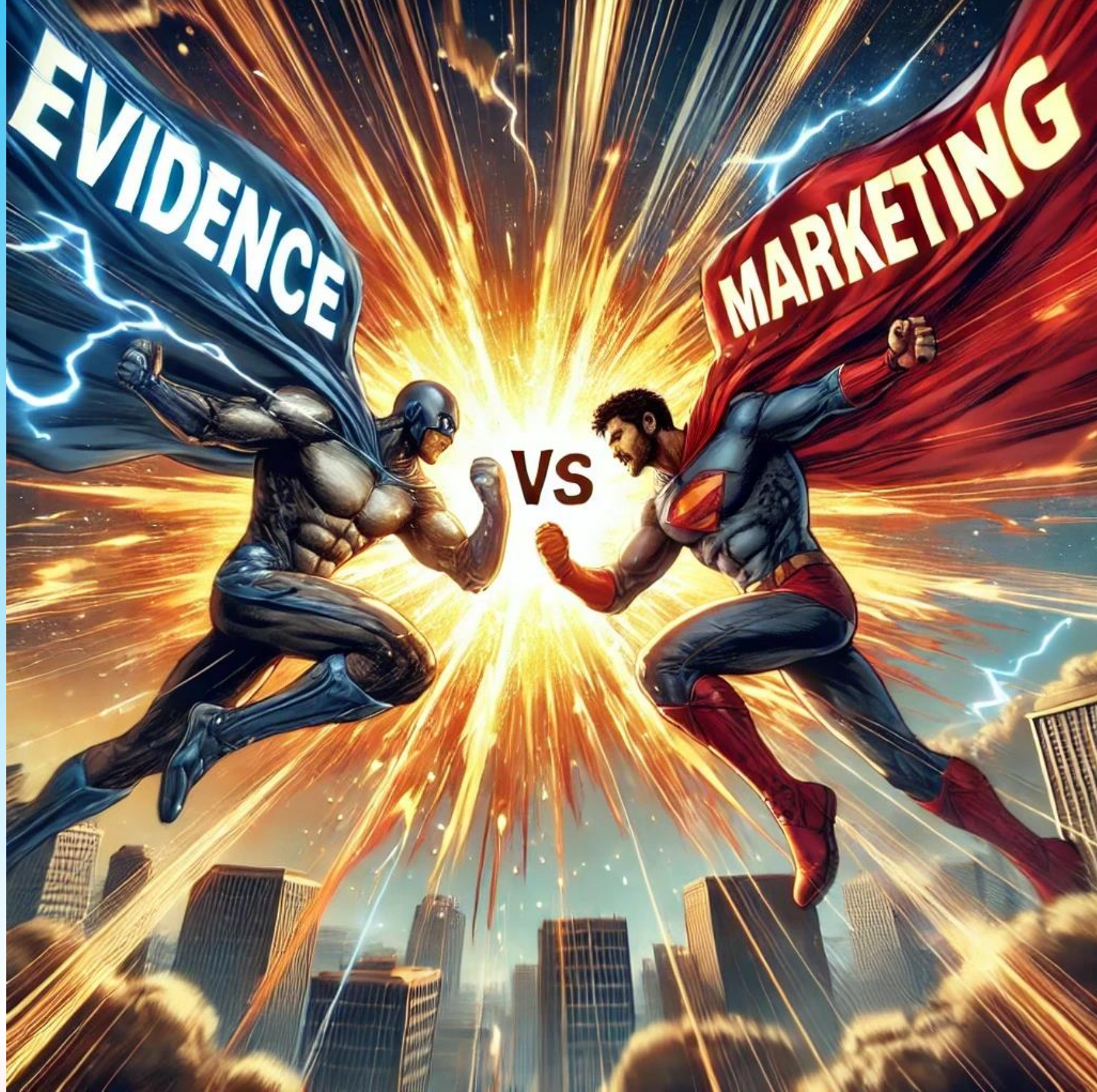
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# WHAT TO DO WHEN THERE IS NO EVIDENCE?

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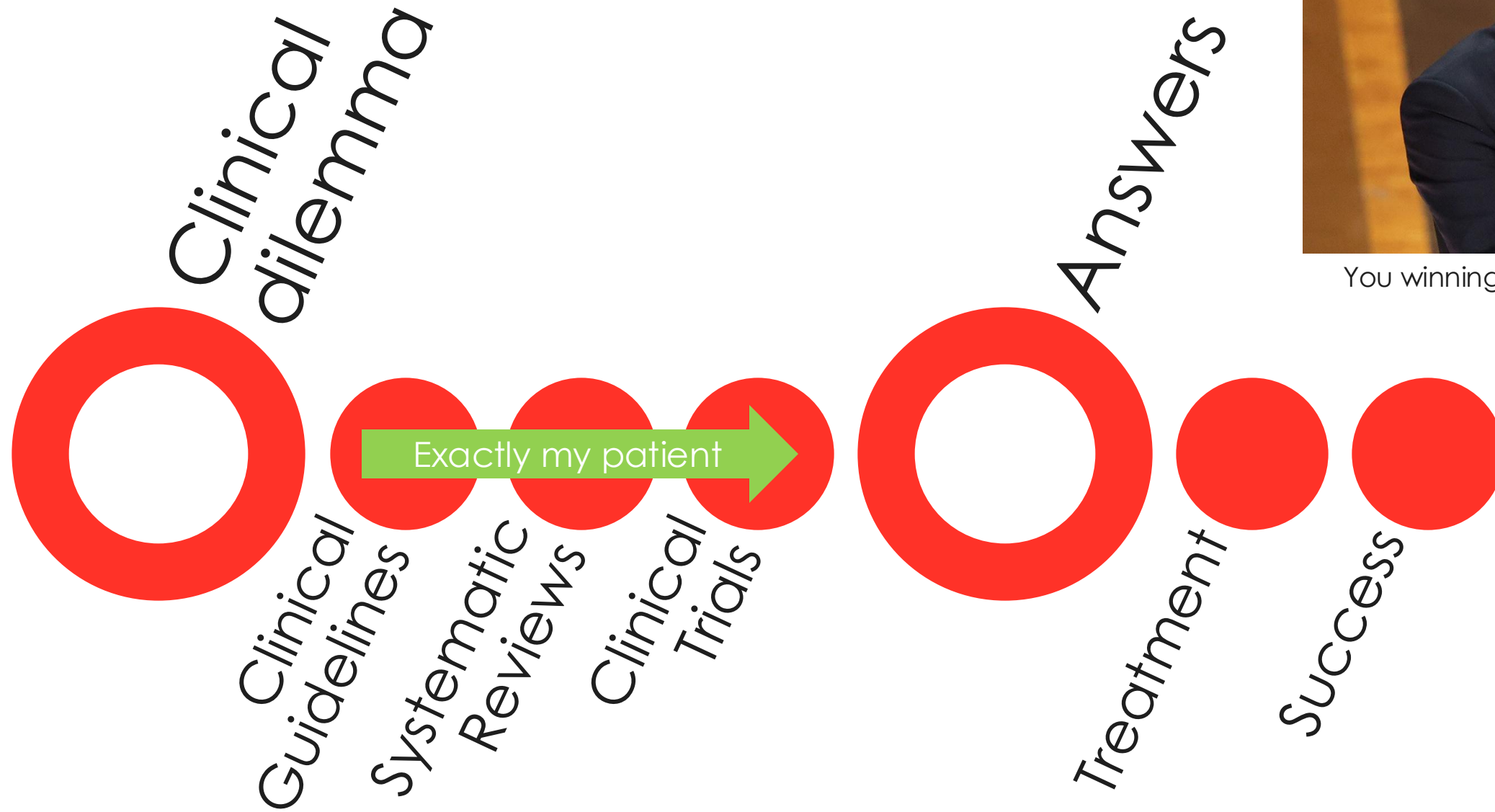




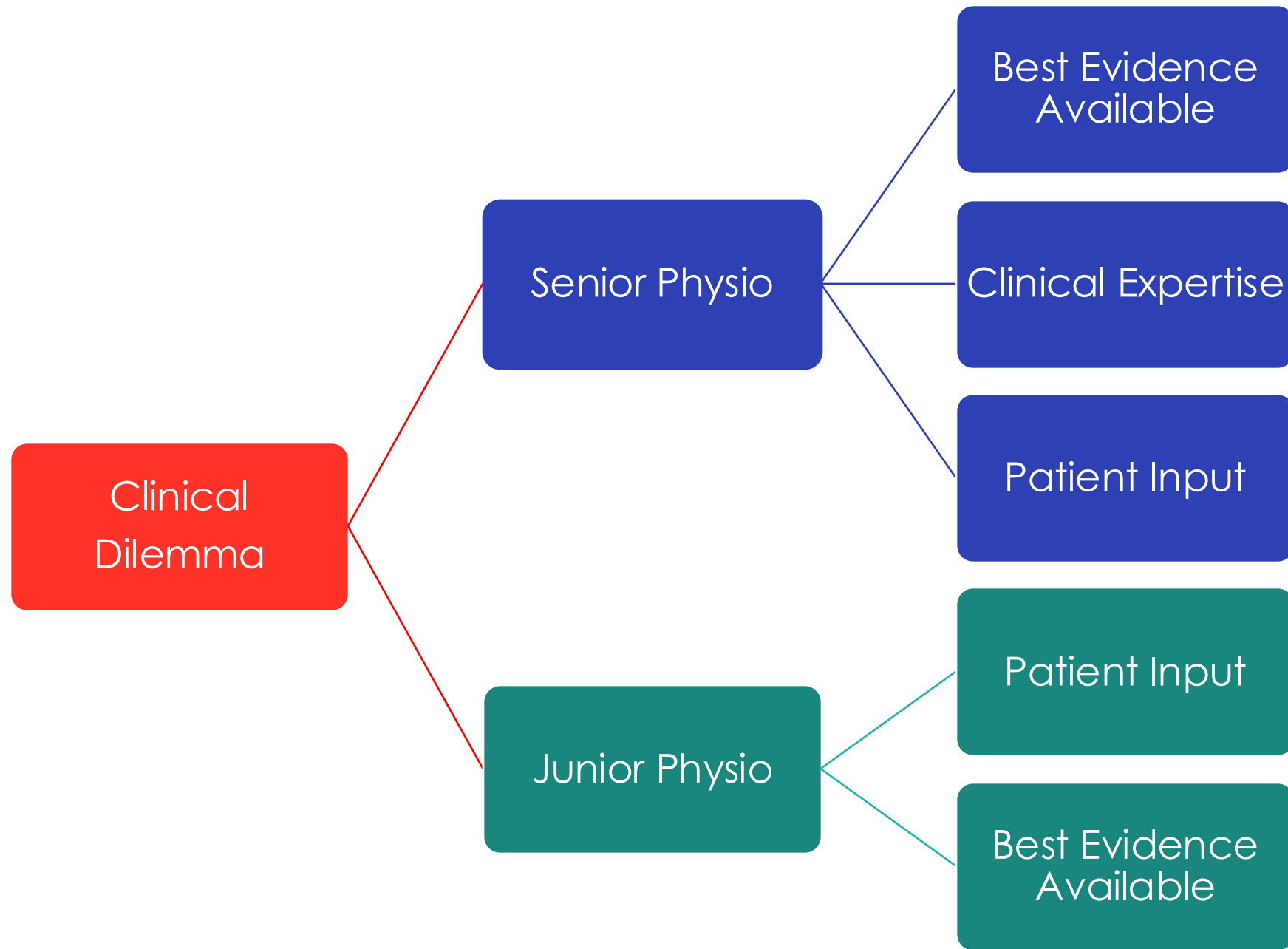
What do we mean by “No evidence”



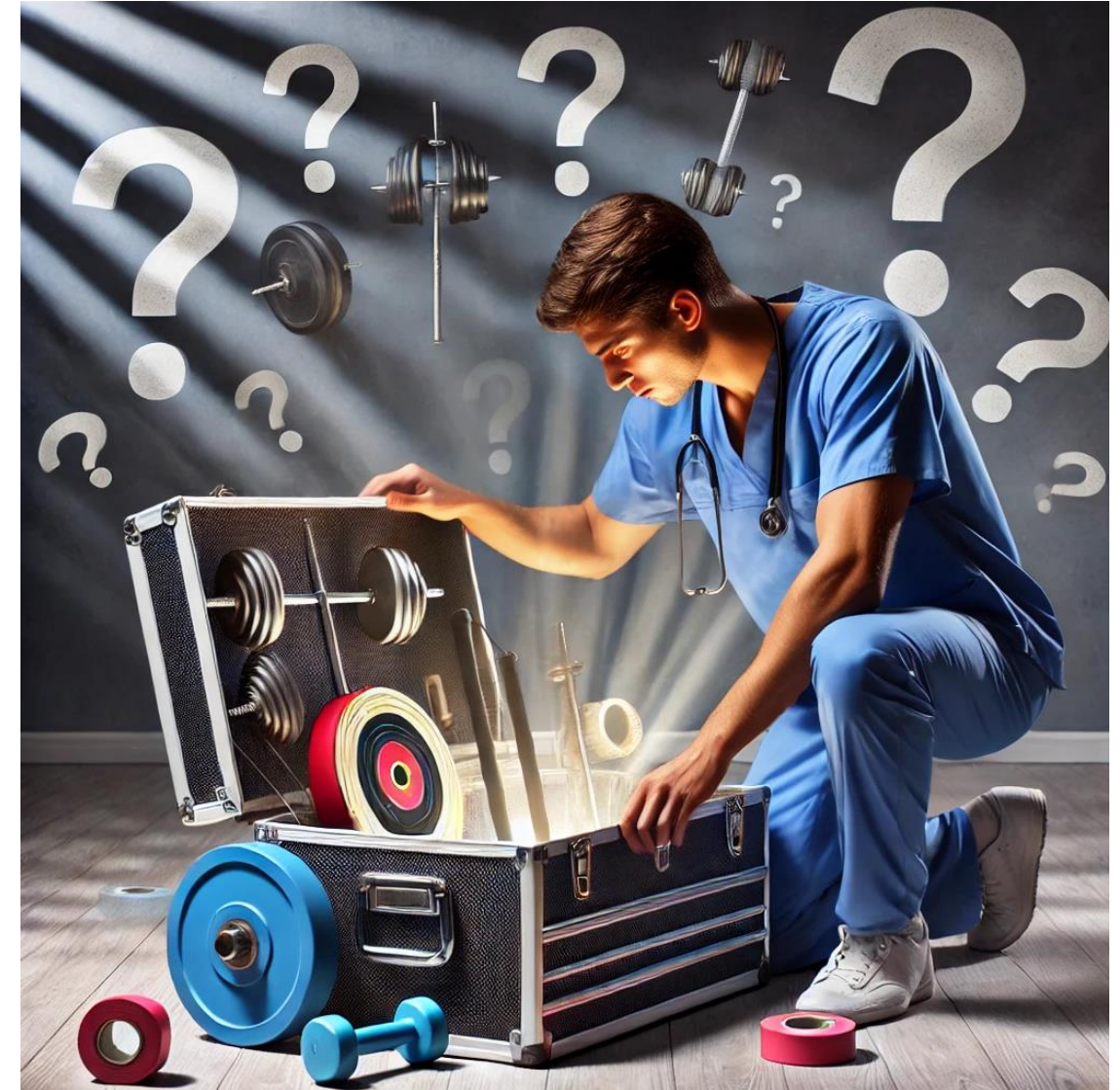
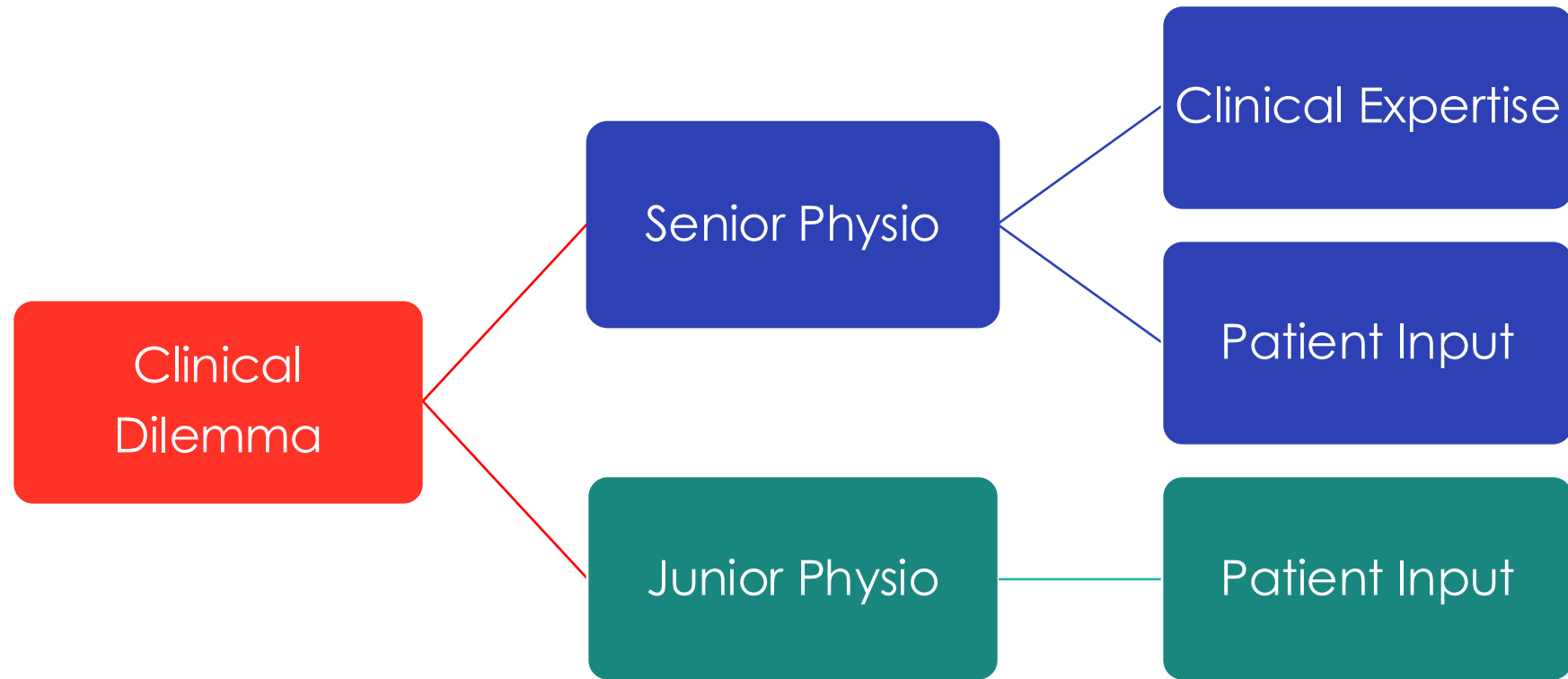
# The Ideal World



You winning the Award for **Best Physio** of the year







# Not our target population

> [Int J Environ Res Public Health](#). 2022 Nov 3;19(21):14426. doi: 10.3390/ijerph192114426.

## Plantar Fasciitis in Soccer Players–A Systemic Review

David C Noriega <sup>1 2</sup>, Ángel Cristo <sup>1</sup>, Alejandro León <sup>1</sup>, Belén García-Medrano <sup>1</sup>,  
Alberto Caballero-García <sup>3</sup>, Alfredo Córdova-Martinez <sup>4</sup>

# Not our injury/problem

Clinical Trial > [J Sport Rehabil.](#) 2022 Nov 21;32(3):265-271. doi: 10.1123/jsr.2022-0021.

Print 2023 Mar 1.

## **Ultrasound-Guided Percutaneous Needle Electrolysis Combined With Therapeutic Exercise May Add Benefit in the Management of Soleus Injury in Female Soccer Players: A Pilot Study**

[Blanca De-la-Cruz-Torres](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Beatriz Romero-Rodríguez](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Carlos Romero-Morales](#)<sup>2</sup>



# Not our segment

Randomized Controlled Trial > Br J Sports Med. 2015 Oct;49(19):1277-83.

doi: 10.1136/bjsports-2014-094386. Epub 2015 May 15.

## Isometric exercise induces analgesia and reduces inhibition in patellar tendinopathy

Ebonie Rio <sup>1</sup>, Dawson Kidgell <sup>2</sup>, Craig Purdam <sup>3</sup>, Jamie Gaida <sup>4</sup>, G Lorimer Moseley <sup>5</sup>, Alan J Pearce <sup>6</sup>, Jill Cook <sup>1</sup>

# Not our treatment

Review > [Int J Environ Res Public Health](#). 2022 Feb 7;19(3):1859.  
doi: 10.3390/ijerph19031859.

## The Effectiveness of Ultrasound Deep Heat Therapy for Adhesive Capsulitis: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

[Jung-Ha Sung](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Jung-Min Lee](#)<sup>1 2 3</sup>, [Jung-Hyun Kim](#)<sup>1 4</sup>

# Not evidence at all

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**PARTIAL VASTUS LATERALIS TEAR AFTER A DIRECT IMPACT IN A FEMALE PROFESSIONAL SOCCER PLAYER. WITH HEMATOMA, PARTIAL LOSS OF FUNCTION, PAIN, MID SEASSON, WITH THREE IMPORTANT MATCHES AHEAD.**



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2. Anatomy

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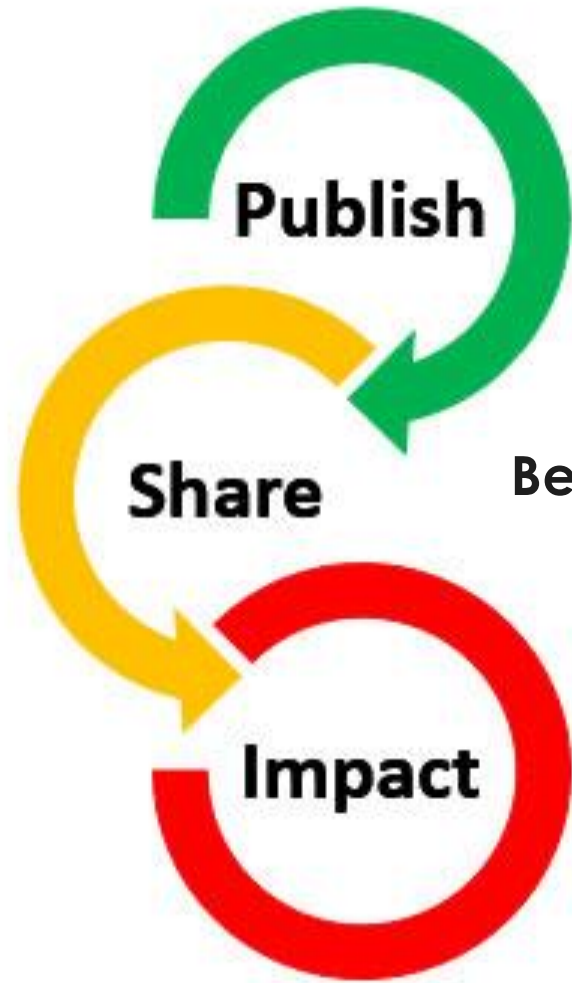


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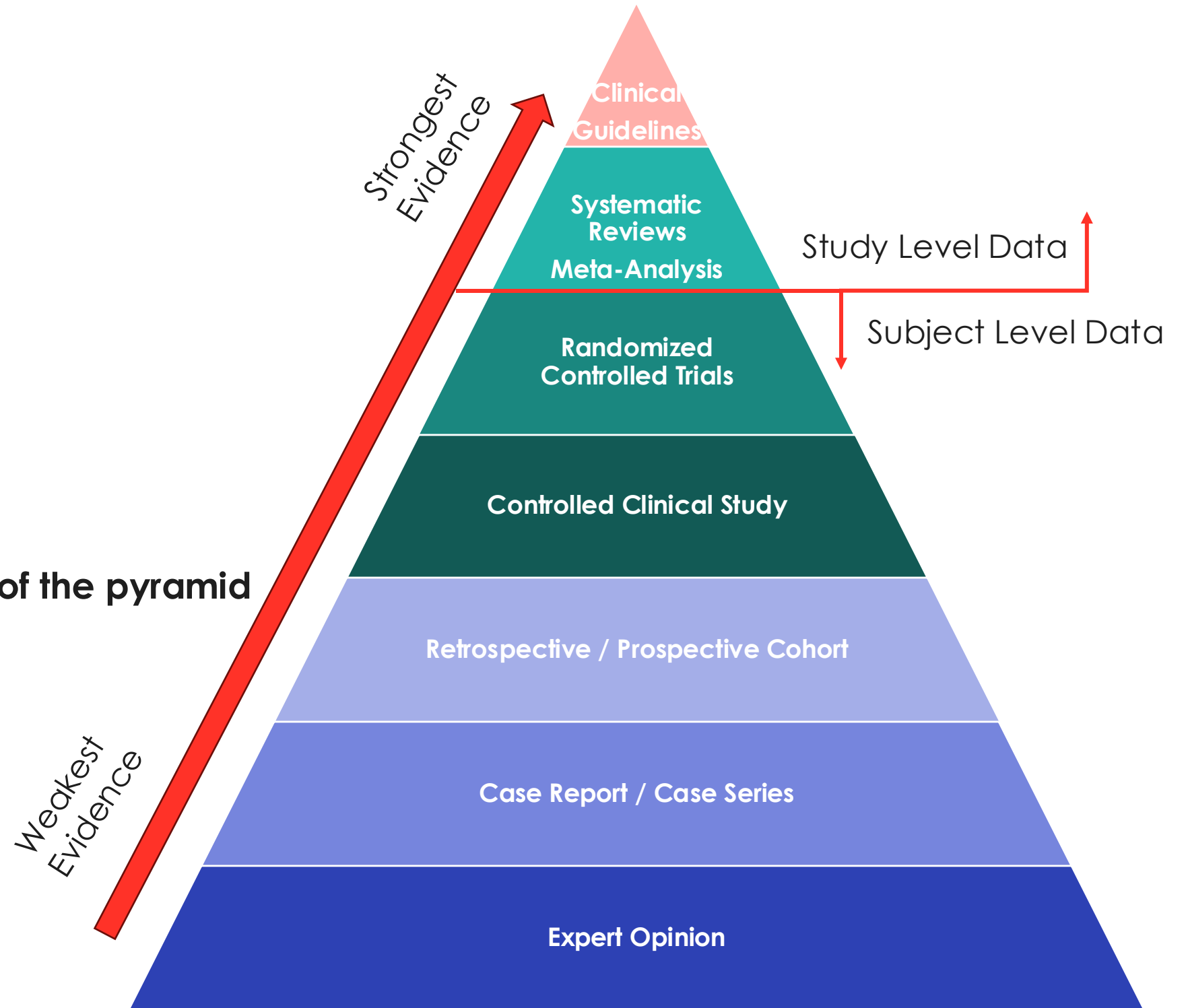
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# And now:



Become part of the pyramid





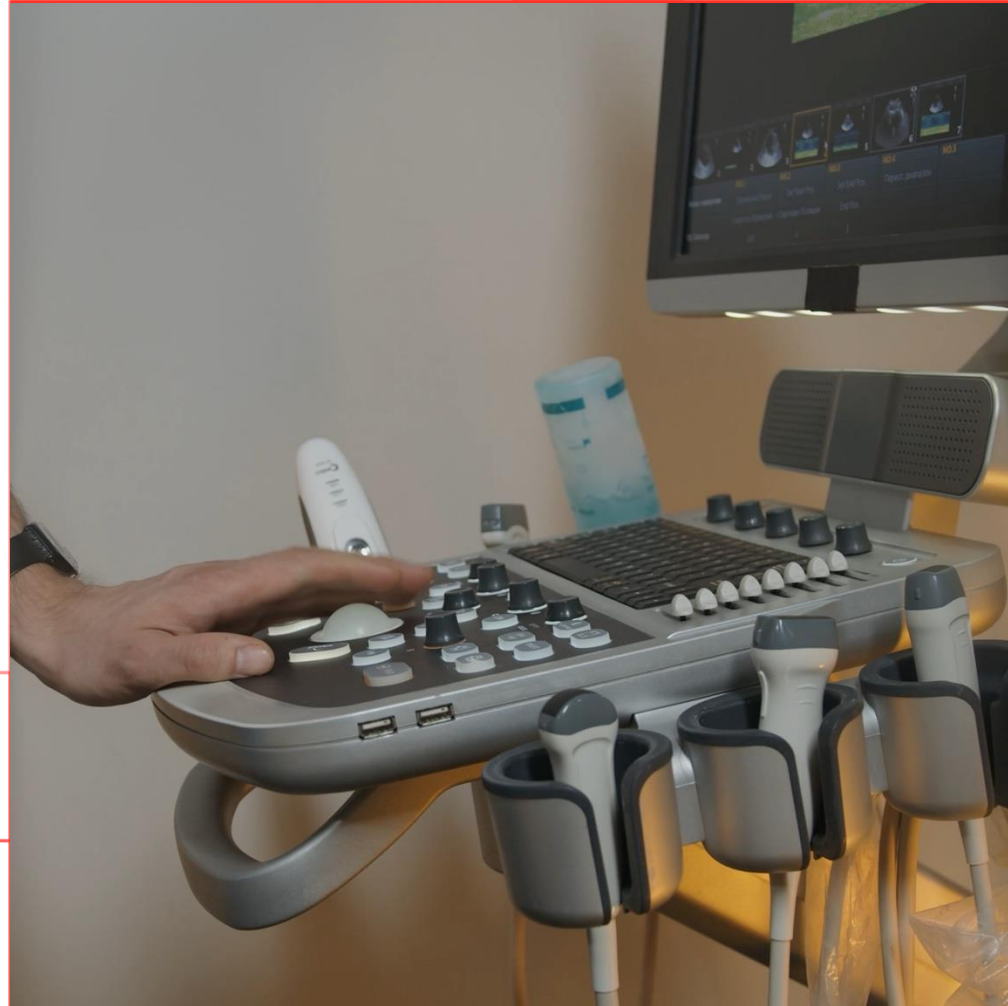


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# REHABILITATIVE ULTRASOUND IMAGING - RUSI

Is it EBP? When and Why  
use it?

# What is it?



**The use of US in order to get dynamic or static images of the MSK system.**

- **Is it a trend?**
- **Is it legal?**
- **Is it useful?**
- **Is it necessary?**

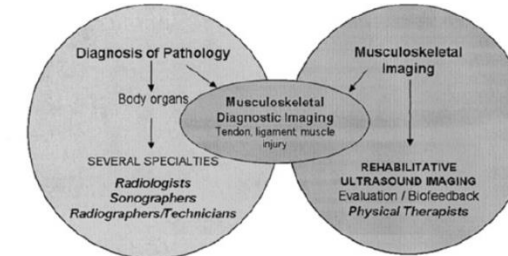
# When did it Start?

Rehabilitative Ultrasound Imaging Symposium: Overview

## Rehabilitative Ultrasound Imaging Symposium

San Antonio, TX  
 May 8-10, 2006

Guest Editor  
 Deydre Teyhen, PT, PhD, OC



Adapted from the University of Southampton, with permission.

2024

31 research papers publish in the last 5 years using the words "Rehabilitative Ultrasound Imaging"  
 >1000 results "muscle" and "ultrasound"  
 Several Masters and Doctorate programs

2016

2nd International symposium on RUSI hosted in Madrid

2009

ISEAPT: created and admitted to the WCPT in 2011 recognizes US as part of physiotherapy for **diagnostic + treatment**

2006

US Army-Baylor University hosted an international symposium on RUSI

1990s

Resurgence in the interest of rehabilitative applications of USI amongst clinical therapists.

1980s

Dr Archie Young et al at sowed the seeds for the use of USI by physical therapists.

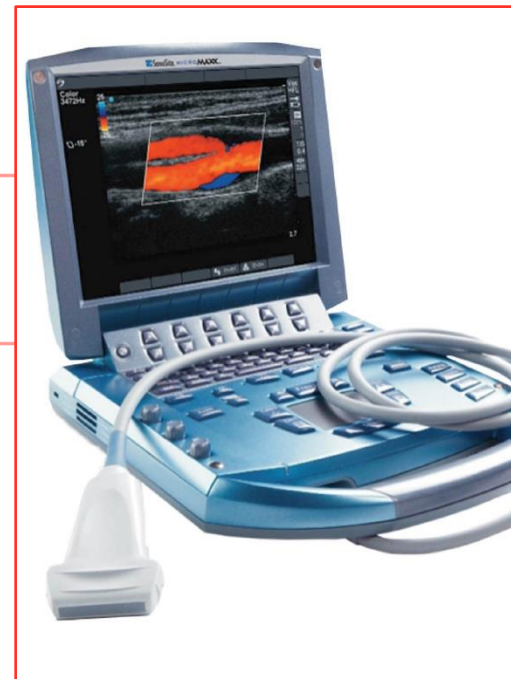
1968

The first report of muscle imaging linked to rehabilitation

# Types of UltraSound



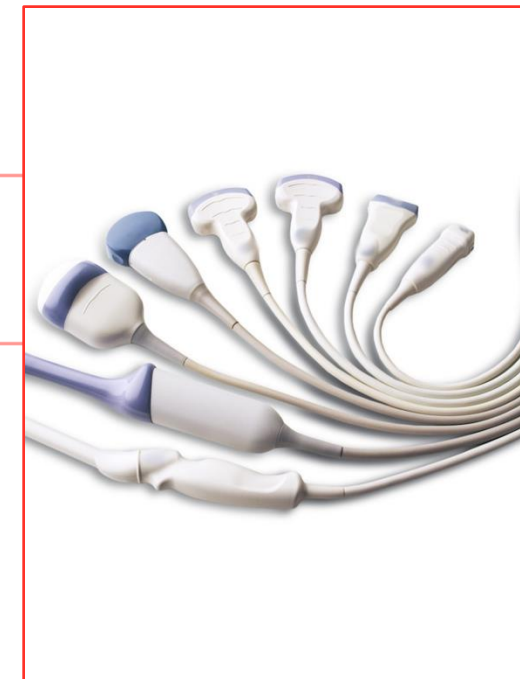
**Stationary US**



**Portable US**



**Wireless Us**

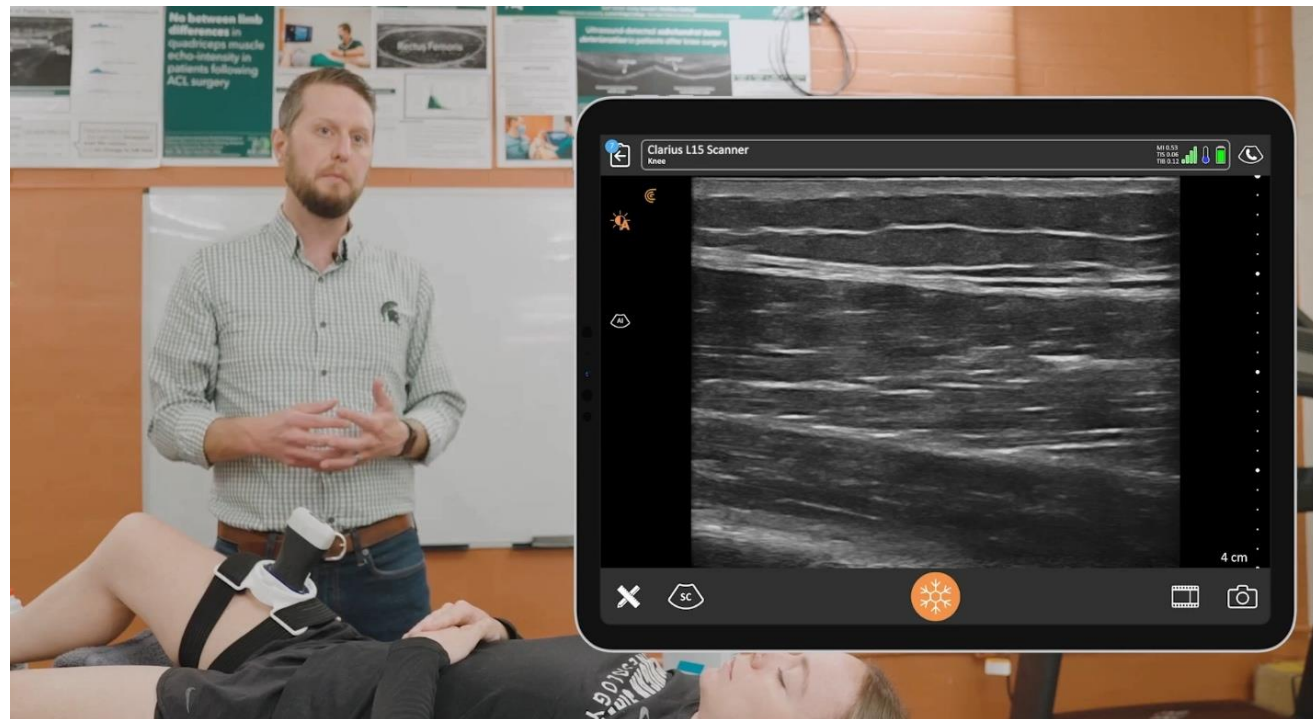


**US Probes**



# Possible Applications

Include (but are not limited to): assist with physical therapy diagnosis, guide treatment procedures and evaluate treatment outcomes.



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xie-jH4G\\_\\_k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xie-jH4G__k)

# Weak Points



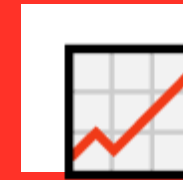
## Extra Education

Needs further education.  
Not taught in Bachelors  
Degree



## Expensive

Initial Investment is high.  
Most US cost > 15000€



## Long Learning Curve

Hugely related to  
experience  
Needs a lot of time to  
master

# Strong Points



## Portable

Easy to transport and use in non hospital/standard spaces.



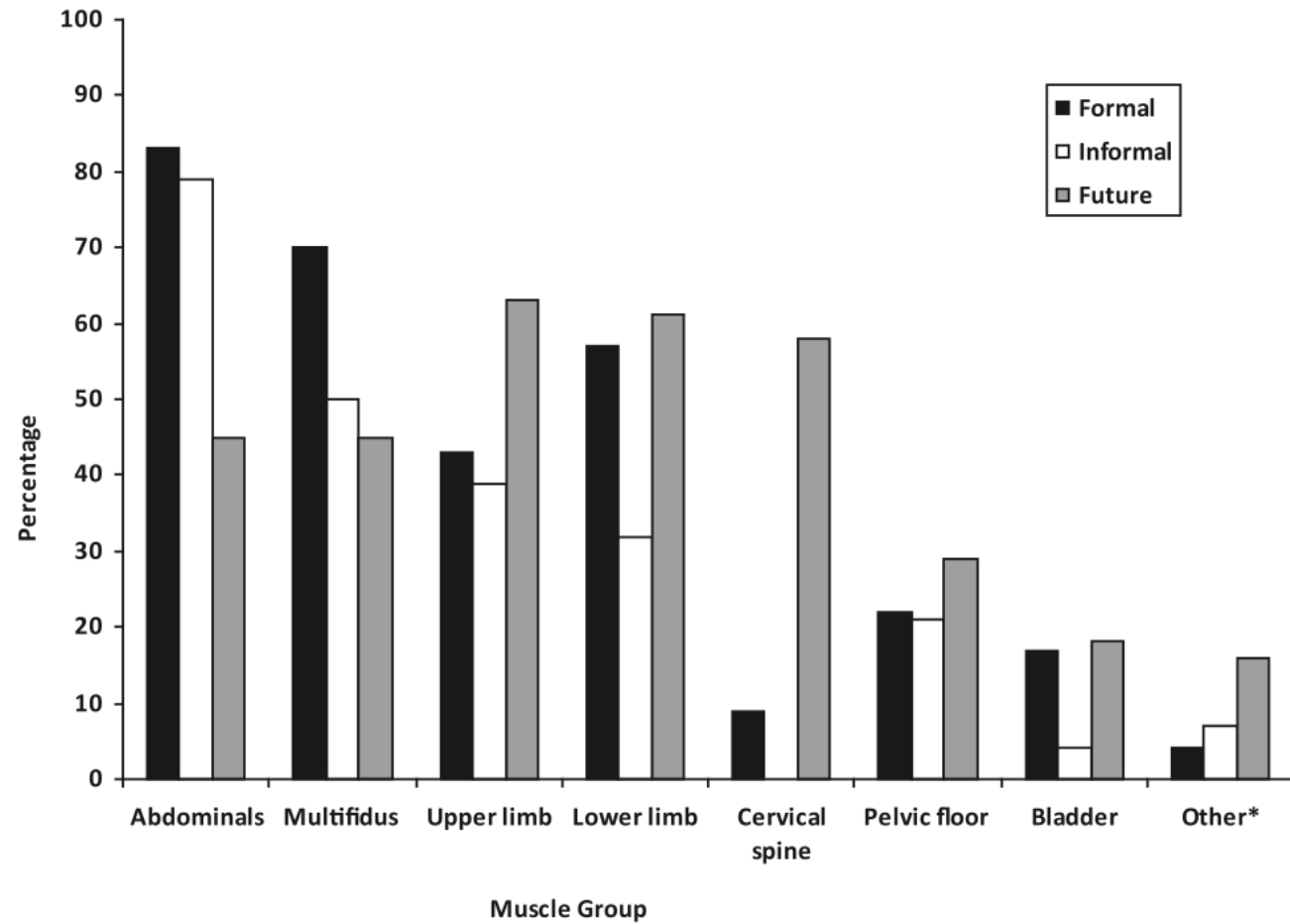
## Dynamic

You can see changes and tissue behaviour onsite



## Cost - Efficient

One of the cheapest diagnostic by image there is



\*upper abdominals, pleura, lungs

Fig. 1. Percentage of respondents trained to image specific muscles between formal, informal and future training needs.

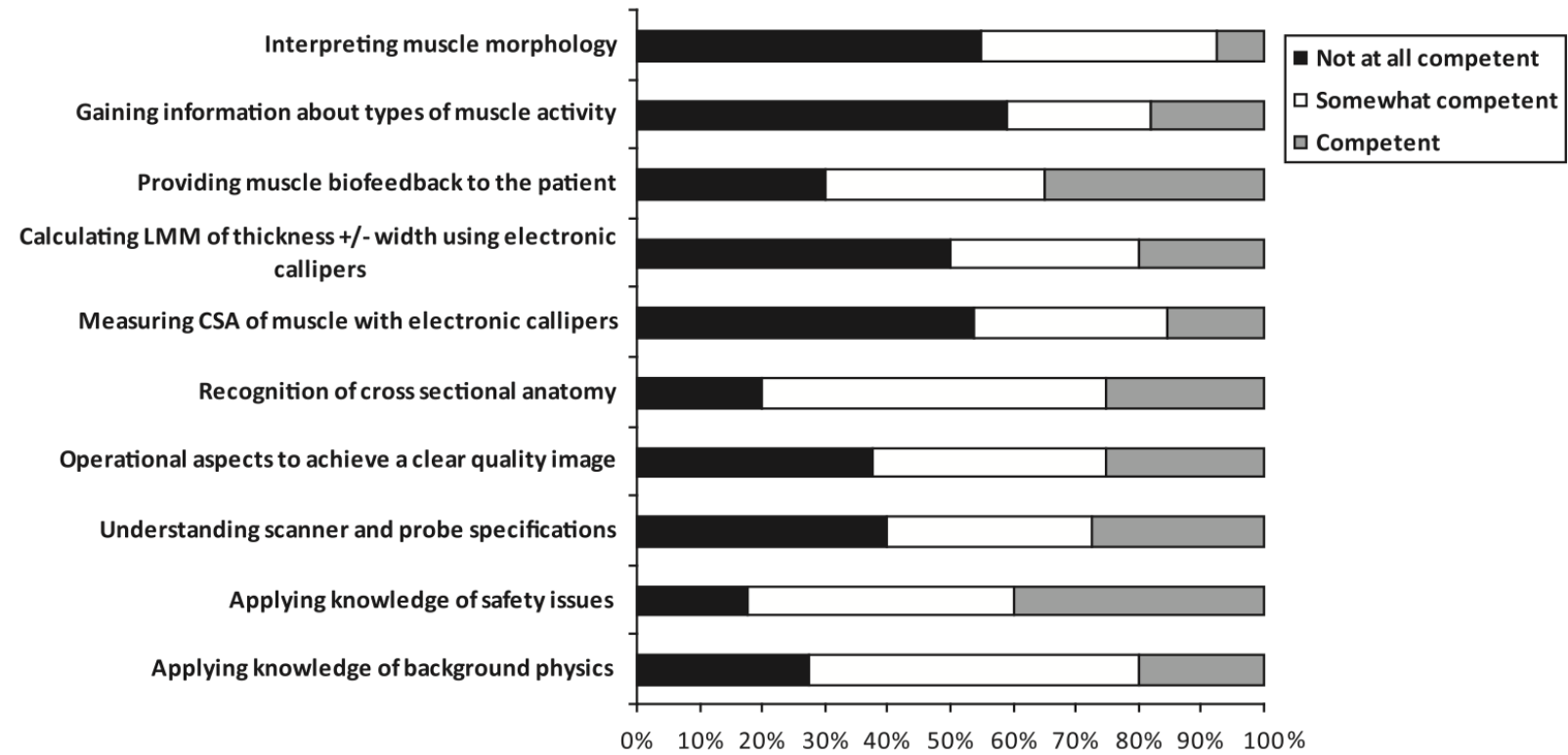
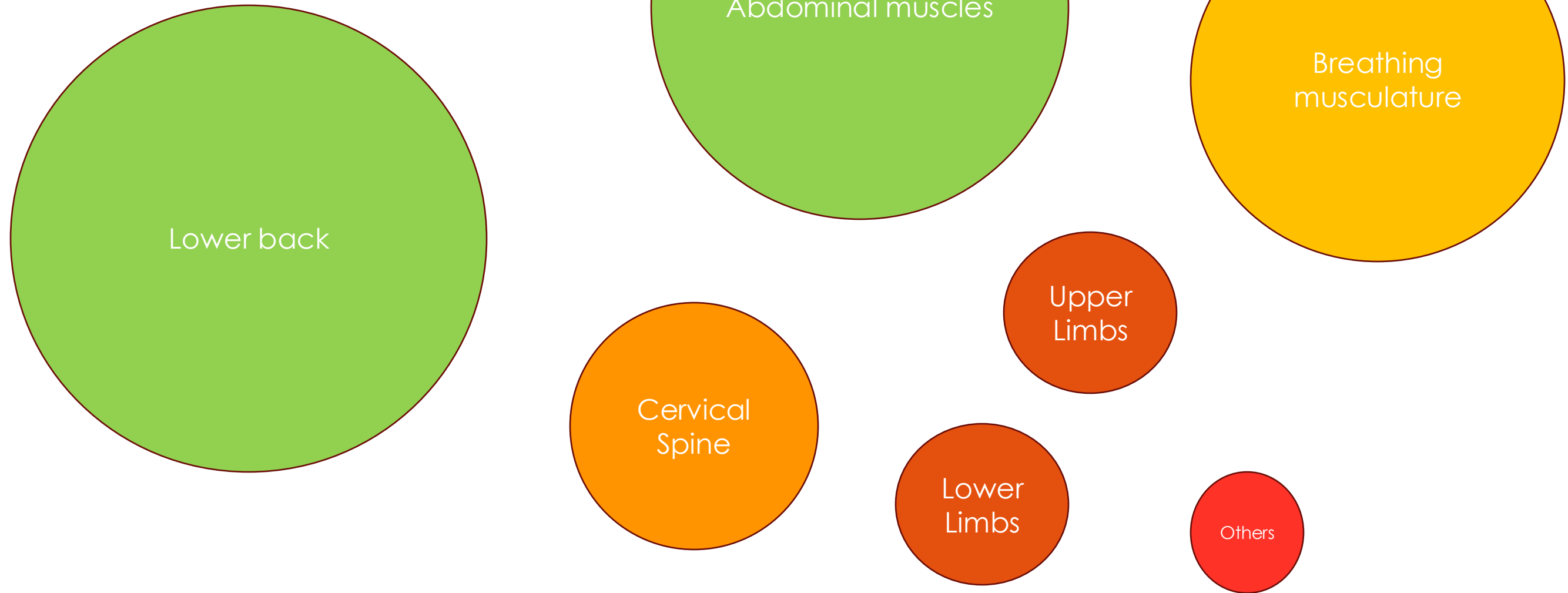


Fig. 2. Respondents perceived competency of specific skills, n = 40.





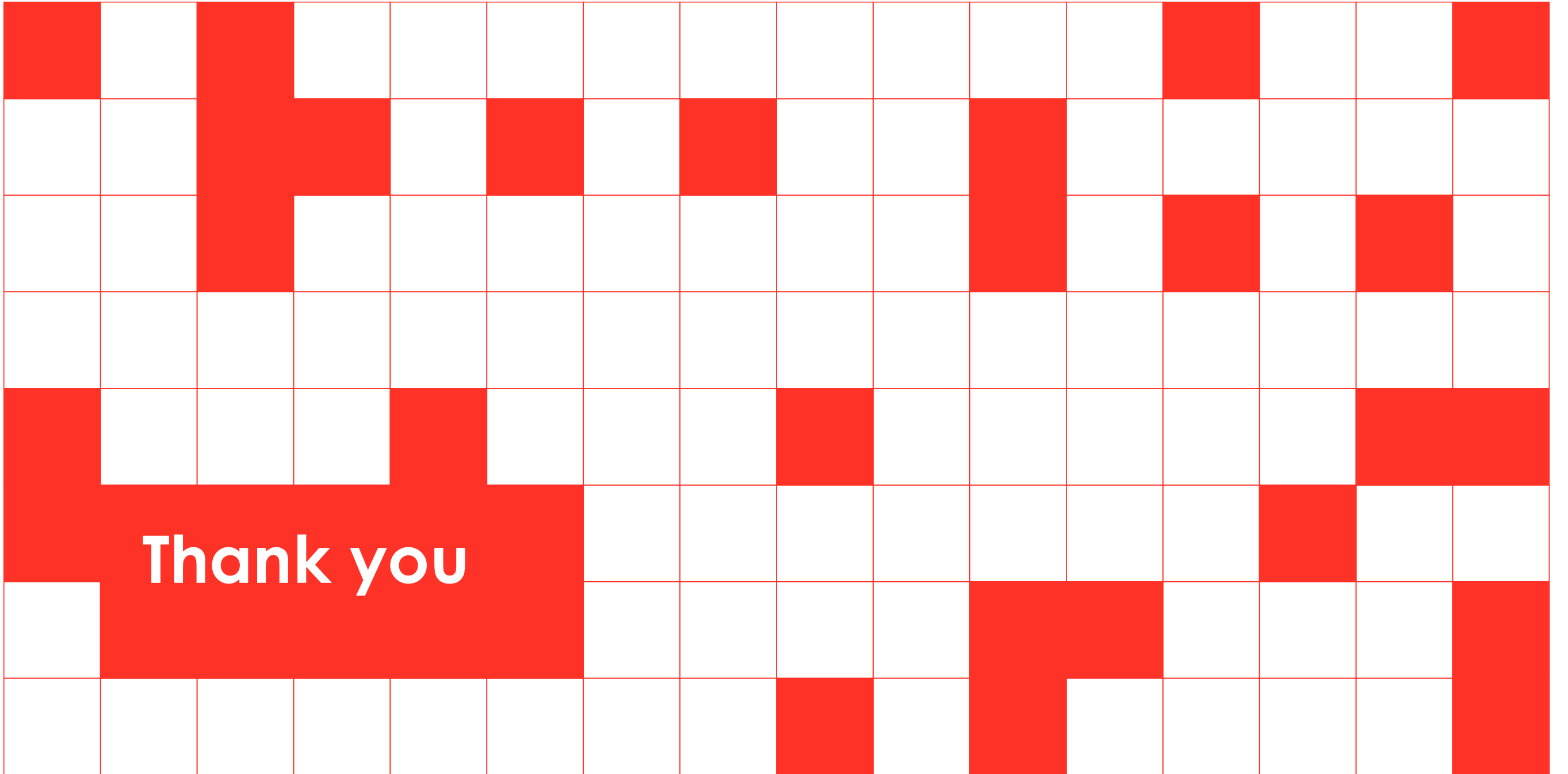
# EBP in RUSI



# In conclusion

RUSI can:

- Provide feedback to both the physical therapist and patient that may help determine which verbal or tactile cues are most effective to facilitate proper performance of therapeutic exercises during the early phase of rehabilitation.
- Assist physical therapists in their decision-making process related to exercise prescription and progression.
- Help determine when specific injuries have been sufficiently addressed to permit the exercise progression necessary to achieve maximal pain-free function



Thank you

