

Strategies for Integrating Wearable Technologies into Behavior Change Interventions

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Kinesiology, Physiological Psychology, Biostatistics, Vascular Biology, Genetics, RCTs, mHealth, Machine-Learning

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- BEAT (Kelechi) wound care patients that are minimally able to move.
- Consumer off the shelf
 - Fitbit for GOAL (Ford, Peterson, Turner, Magwood)
- **Industry Partner**
 - STEPS for Healthy Empowered Active Lifestyles (Gregoski, Turner)

Adherence and Wound Therapy (Kelechi)

BEAT (Bluetooth Enabled Acceleration Tracker)

- No previous studies with accelerometers & smartphones to examine physical activity adherence in chronic, minimally ambulatory underserved populations with severely deconditioned legs such as those with leg and foot ulcers.
 - Utilizes Conditioning Activities for Lower-leg Function (CALF) exercises previously shown to significantly increase ankle range of motion and leg strength through internet coaching.



Challenges

- Commercial Accelerometers not designed to capture lower acceleration levels that occur during CALF exercises in this population.
- Commercial Accelerometers only provide energy expenditure output.
- System must be easy to put on and easy to use.



FIGURE 1-Schematic of the two common piezosloctric accelerometer configurations.



Solutions:

- Design our own unit.
- Use signal detection to classify CALF exercises rather than energy expenditure.

Human-Centered Approach

- Provide guided CALF program via Smartphone.
- Easy to wear slipper mounted device.



Exercise	Exercise done	Exercise set-up to	Number of	Purpose of	Total Across
set	by each	be recognized by	one-way	experiment	Participants
	volunteer	BEAT	motions		(%)
1	Exercise 1	Exercise 1	50	Exercise 1	100%
				true positives	
2	Exercise 1	Exercise 2	50	Exercise 1	.02%
				false positives	
3	Exercise 2	Exercise 1	60	Exercise 2	.003%
				false positives	
4	Exercise 2	Exercise 2	60	Exercise 2	100%
				true positives	



Feasibility Study GOAL Intervention on Reducing Levels of Advanced Glycation End Products in Overweight Breast Cancer Survivors



Marvella E. Ford, David P. Turner, Gayenell Magwood, Lindsay Peterson

Advanced Glycation End Products (AGEs) PROTEIN **GLYCATED** SUGAR HC=0 PROTEINS NH₂ A.G.E. **METABOLITES Protein crosslink** Proteolytic degradation **DNA damage Cell signaling** RESTROOMS

Lifestyle AGE's

- Consuming foods that are heavily cooked, high in sugar/fat or are highly processed substantially increases the levels of AGEs in our bodies









- Processed/manufactured foods, for reasons of safety and convenience or to enhance flavor and appearance, have high AGE levels
- Dietary AGE's are naturally present in raw animalderived foods but grilling, broiling, roasting, searing, and frying propagate and accelerate new AGE formation
- Alcohol and smoking elevates AGE accumulation in our bodies
- Carbohydrate-rich foods such as vegetables, fruits, whole grains, and milk contain few AGEs even after cooking





APPLE VS BACON (kilounits/serving)





13 vs. 11,905!!!!



What does an excess in AGES do?





- NOTES:
- Include people with BRCA, Stages I-III
- Include people with diabetes
- Analyze pre/post-menopause separately (months since last period)
- Many women gain weight during chemotherapy due to intake of

comfort foods

Application will look at rural, underserved, AA (a lot), Sea Island

Secure automated login by Patients via MUSC Cardiac Rehabilitation Site. Fitbit Zip data encrypted data sent via low-energy Bluetooth 4.0







Data sent secure & encrypted to Fitbit database servers



Data pulled from Fitbit encrypted server using National Science Foundation VITAL Collaborative with 2stage authentication and then saved via Redcap for analyses



GOAL Study: Getting Onboard with an Active Lifestyle

Fitbit Zip: What it is and How to Use it



Just tap the device face with your fingertip to change the display.



Please remember to *always wear your Fitbit Zip* and record your information to help you meet your physical activity goals!

STEPS (Academic + Industry)

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- 12-week group based wellness program that teaches proper selfmanagement skills
- Daily workout as a team with mentors and trainers
 - Trainers are certified
 - Mentors are previous participants
- 1x week weight-in and educational session



Post

Pre

AGES

90

 One on One with Dietician "Clean Diet"







Steps Feasibility

phone





Steps Screenshots



EMA with real-time components

Table 2 Outcomes of STEPS					
Weight Loss		Application and Adherence to Intake			
lbs	%				
-8.2	-3.57	Strong user, did not always eat enough			
-11	-5.16	Strong user, consistently followed			
		recommendations			
-6	-1.95	Minimal use, struggled with intake			
		recommendations			
-2.8	-1.41	Used, struggled with intake recommendations			
-8	-3.84	Used, struggled with intake recommendations			
-9.8	-5.08	Strong user, consistently followed			
		recommendations			
-2.4	-1.36	Used, struggled with intake recommendations			
-8.6	-4.96	Strong user, consistently followed			
		recommendations			

Lessons Learned

- Academic Development
- Off the shelf
- Industry Partner

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Lessons learned for integrating wearables into behavioral research

- Be clear of what is intervention and what is assessment (and whether they overlap)
- Be clear of what behavior you are trying to change (and whether your sensor is suitable for it)

 Consider context/wearability for <u>your</u> target population



Eric Hekler, Arizona State University

- Precision behavior change
 - Just-in-time adaptive interventions
 - Self-experimentation

Agile Science

- www.agilescience.org

Wearable Take Home Messages

- Some data is better than no data
- Physical activity is NOT physical activity
- One person's noise is another person's signal



Precision Medicine Enabler Wearables - Devices or Systems



Wearables – Potential for Rich Data, however Use Cases Need to be Carefully Thought Through



Wearables Learnings from Various Implementations

- 1) Define use cases. Lots of data may not be the answer.
- 2) Wearables are SYSTEMS and are not alone
- 3) API based approach (wearables to individual app)
- 4) Real-time wearables integration directly with mobile applications
- 5) Privacy
- 6) Security
- 7) HIPAA compliance
- 8) Battery Life





Features

- View and Analyze Data
- Dashboard Monitoring
- Easy to Navigate Report Pages
- Reports Latest Sync & Battery
 Level
- Export Participant or Batch Data
 - Export Data to .CSV

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