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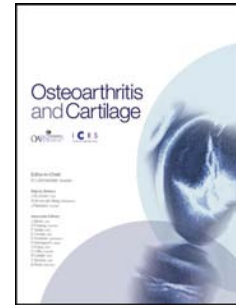
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27 Performance measures when at risk of OA.

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30 **ABSTRACT**

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32 *Objectives:* To systematically appraise the evidence on measurement properties of
33 performance-based outcome measures to assess physical function in young and
34 middle-aged people known to be at high risk of hip and/or knee OA.

35 *Methods:* Electronic searches were performed in MEDLINE, CINAHL, Scopus and
36 SPORTDiscus in May 2013. Two reviewers independently rated the measurement
37 properties using the 4-point COSMIN checklist. Best evidence synthesis was made
38 using COSMIN quality, consistency and direction of findings and sample size.

39 *Results:* Twenty of 2736 papers were eligible for inclusion and 24 different
40 performance-based outcome measures knee or obese populations were evaluated.
41 No tests related to hip populations were included. Twenty-five measurement
42 properties including reliability (9 studies), construct validity (hypothesis testing) (9
43 studies), measurement error (3 studies), structural validity (2 studies),
44 interpretability (1 study) and responsiveness (1 study) were evaluated. A positive
45 rating was given to 12,5% (30/240) of all possible measurement ratings. Tests were
46 grouped into two categories based on the population characteristics. The *one-legged*
47 *hop for distance*, followed by the *6-meter timed hop* and *cross over hop for distance*

48 were the best-rated tests for the knee-injured population. Whereas the *six-minute*
49 *walk test* was the only included test for the obese population.

50 *Conclusion:* This review highlights the many gaps in knowledge about the
51 measurement properties of performance-based outcome measures for young and
52 middle-aged people known to be at high risk of hip and/or knee OA. There is a need
53 for consensus on which outcome measures should be used and/or combined when
54 assessing physical function in this population. Further good quality research is
55 required.

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57 *Keywords:* Physical function; performance-based outcome measures; measurement
58 properties; systematic review; knee-injury; obesity.

1 Introduction

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3 Robust, population-specific, health outcome measures are an integral part of clinical
4 research and practice. For people with osteoarthritis (OA), outcomes that specifically
5 assess pain and function are advised¹. Although the results from self-reported
6 questionnaires and performance tests of physical function are related they measure
7 two distinct different constructs, and assessment of both self-reported and
8 objectively measured physical function is recommended²⁻⁴. In light of this, a set of
9 performance-based measures to assess physical function in people diagnosed with
10 hip and/or knee OA was recently recommended as complementary to questionnaire
11 data by an international expert advisory group and endorsed by the Osteoarthritis
12 Research Society International (OARSI)⁵. The recommended set for older people
13 with established OA contains three core tests (30-s chair stand test, 40m fast paced
14 walk test, a stair test) and two additional tests (timed up and go test, six-minute walk
15 test). The recommended set of tests was selected based on global expert opinion,
16 feasibility and available measurement property evidence⁶. The tests were
17 considered to require moderate levels of functional demands in that they were
18 neither too easy nor too hard for older people with OA.

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20 Two of the most common populations known to be at high risk of developing OA are
21 people with a previous hip and/or knee injury and people who are obese⁷⁻¹⁵. A
22 recent meta-analysis that included approximately 21,000 people found a history of
23 knee injury to be associated with a four-fold increased risk of developing knee OA⁷.
24 Obese or overweight persons have nearly 3 times the risk of incident knee OA

25 compared with those who are of normal weight⁸ and this risk accumulates from
26 exposure to a high body mass index from a young age¹⁵. Appropriate assessment
27 of physical function and its response to treatment in people who present with
28 ongoing knee pain, such as following knee injury or in obese patients, is essential to
29 clinical practice. Since joint injury commonly is sustained during sports these
30 patients often have a higher than average physical activity level while obese patients
31 more commonly have a lower than average physical activity level. These potential
32 differences in physical activity indicate other tests than for those with established
33 OA may be preferable for people at risk of future OA. Additionally, the measurement
34 evidence for physical performance tests for subgroups at risk of OA has yet to be
35 examined.

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37 The aim of this study was to systematically appraise the evidence on the
38 measurement properties of performance-based outcome measures for assessing
39 physical function in young and middle-aged people known to be at high risk of hip
40 and/or knee OA. It was not intended to capture or appraise measurement-property
41 evidence of diagnostic tests that predict the risk factors of developing OA. This
42 review will be used to assist a planned consensus of opinion of a core set of outcome
43 measures that are specific and relevant to younger populations known to be at risk
44 of hip and/or knee OA. Recommendation of a core set/test will encourage clinicians
45 and researchers to more consistently select tests to measure performance-based
46 change in this population. Findings should be seen as complementary to our
47 previous related review⁶ which was used to recommend tests for older people with
48 established OA⁵.

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50 **Methodology**

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52 *Information sources and literature search*

53 The search strategy was developed, reviewed and refined by multiple authors, in
54 accordance with the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-
55 analysis (PRISMA) guidelines¹⁶. With the exception of the target population, a
56 similar methodology was adopted as that described in our previous review⁶. As the
57 present review was targeted to younger people at risk of OA, two distinct groups
58 were pre-identified for searching criteria. These were people with previous hip
59 and/or knee injuries/deformities and people with obesity.

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61 Electronic searches were performed in MEDLINE via PubMed, CINAHL via EBSCO,
62 Scopus via Elsevier and SportDISCUS via EBSCO up to end of May 2013. In addition, a
63 manual search was performed of reference lists from all relevant articles.

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65 Key search terms and synonyms were searched separately in four main filters, which
66 were then combined. These filters are summarized as:

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- 68 1. **Construct:** Physical function OR physical performance OR physical activity
- 69 2. **Target population:** Hip OR knee AND injuries OR surgeries OR deformities OR
70 obesity
- 71 3. **Measurement instrument:** Performance test / measure / instrument /
72 assessment / index OR objective test / measure / assessment OR

73 observational test / measure / assessment / index OR task performance and
74 analysis

75 4. **Measurement properties:** instrument development OR psychometrics OR
76 clinimetrics OR validity OR reliability OR responsiveness OR interpretability
77 OR meaningful change

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79 The search strategy incorporated recommendations for performing systematic
80 reviews of measurement properties¹⁷ and is more fully described in Appendix 1. For
81 MEDLINE (PubMed), we adopted a measurement property search filter shown to
82 retrieve more than 97% of publications related to measurement properties¹⁸.

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84 *Eligibility criteria*

85 Studies were initially screened by title and abstract to filter any articles that were
86 clearly irrelevant. Remaining articles were screened by two independent reviewers
87 followed by an independent full-text review of potentially eligible studies. Any
88 disagreements on eligibility were discussed and resolved with an experienced third
89 reviewer (FD). Studies were included if they met the following criteria:

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- 91 1. **Construct:** the test was a measure of physical function, defined according to
92 the ICF model as *Activities*¹⁹. If the test was a battery of multi-task items,
93 then at least 80 percent of the items were required to assess activities.
- 94 2. **Target population:** the study population was people known to be at high risk
95 of hip and/or knee OA defined as young or middle aged (≥ 80 percent of the
96 study population should be ≥ 18 -60 years of age) with ≥ 80 percent having a

97 history of hip and/or knee injuries/deformities (incl. concomitant/several
98 injuries and surgeries) and/or obesity (at least 80 percent should have a BMI
99 ≥ 30).

100 3. **Measurement instrument:** the measure was a quantitative performance-
101 based test evaluated by an observer as the individual is performing the
102 activity e.g. by timing, counting or distance measures.

103 4. **Setting:** the measure was conducted within the clinic or field and required
104 non-technical, readily available, inexpensive and portable equipment.

105 5. **Measurement properties:** the study aim was to evaluate one or more
106 clinimetric properties of a performance-based measure (e.g. internal
107 consistency, reliability, validity, responsiveness, interpretability).

108 6. **Full text** studies published as original articles.

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110 Studies were excluded if: (1) the focus was on validating self-reported measures of
111 function; (2) the performance-based measure was only compared to non-
112 performance-based measures e.g. self-reported measures; (3) the test
113 predominately targeted the ICF level of impairment or health related quality of life;
114 (4) treatment effectiveness was evaluated without a specific aim to study the
115 measurement properties of performance measures; (5) the test required expensive
116 sophisticated equipment such as 3-dimensional gait analysis or accelerometers not
117 relevant to most clinical/research settings; (6) published only as 'grey literature' such
118 as scientific meeting abstracts, dissertations or unpublished literature; and (7)
119 published in languages other than English due to limited language translational
120 ability.

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122 *Methodological quality evaluation of the studies*

123 The COSMIN tool was used to evaluate the methodological quality of included
124 studies²⁰. Two raters independently assessed the quality of included studies using
125 the four-point scored COSMIN checklist²¹. This standardized and validated tool
126 contains multiple items to assess the quality of individual measurement properties
127 such as reliability, measurement error, validity, responsiveness and overall
128 interpretability. Each measurement property is allocated a separate rating (excellent,
129 good, fair or poor) using the “worse-score counts method” for items assessed under
130 the property.

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132 *Evaluation of the measurement property results*

133 In addition to a methodological quality evaluation with COSMIN, the quantitative
134 results for each measurement property was assessed using a criteria²². These
135 criteria consist of positive (+), indeterminate (?) and negative ratings (-) for each
136 measurement property as defined in Appendix 2.

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138 *Best evidence synthesis: levels of evidence*

139 To synthesize the evidence, “a best evidence synthesis”¹⁷ was performed by
140 consensus of two reviewers using the criteria outlined in Appendix 3. The possible
141 levels of evidence for a measurement property are “strong”, “moderate”, “limited”,
142 “conflicting” and “unknown” (Appendix 3). These levels were derived using the
143 methodological quality of the studies (COSMIN score), the rating and consistency of
144 the measurement property result from Appendix 2 (+/?/-), the number of related

145 studies evaluating each measurement property and sample size. Multiple studies
146 were only combined when the same variation of the performance-based measure
147 was evaluated for the same measurement property, that is they were comparable
148 with regards to activity and procedure, and they had comparable populations in
149 regards to diagnosis. As recommended, measurement properties from studies that
150 were rated “poor” on the COSMIN were not eligible to be combined in evidence
151 synthesis¹⁷.

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153 Following recommendations by the developers of the COSMIN tool and similar
154 procedures applied to performance-based measurement properties employed in our
155 previous review ⁶, the sample size item was not used to determine the “worst score
156 counts” for the COSMIN quality score, but instead was accounted for at the evidence
157 synthesis stage. This process, similar to those employed in meta-analysis, enabled
158 the majority of otherwise fair, good or excellent studies to be considered for
159 evidence synthesis, but still enabled sample size to inform the final level of evidence.
160 Evidence could only be assigned as: “strong” when consistent findings were found in
161 multiple good or at least one excellent quality study and the total sample size of
162 eligible combined studies was ≥ 100 ; “moderate” when consistent findings in
163 multiple fair or one good quality study with a total sample ≥ 50 , or at least one good
164 or excellent quality study with a total sample of 50-99; “limited” when findings were
165 found in at least one fair, good or excellent quality study and the total samples
166 between 25-49; and “unknown” when findings were of indeterminate rating, in
167 studies with poor methodological quality or with a sample of ≤ 25 .

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169 **Results**

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171 ***Description of included studies and performance-based measures***

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173 Twenty eligible studies were identified and are described in Table 1. The selection
174 procedures are summarized in Figure 1.

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176 Measurement properties from 23 single-activity measures were investigated in 19
177 studies²³⁻⁴¹ and one multi-activity measure was investigated in one study⁴².

178 Fourteen studies included participants with ACL reconstructions^{24,28-31,33-37,39-42},
179 three with ACL injuries^{27,38,42}, two with meniscectomy^{23,27}, one with patellofemoral
180 pain syndrome (PFPS)²⁵ and one following knee arthroscopy²⁷. These studies were
181 grouped as they were all related to knee injuries. Two studies included obese
182 participants^{26,32} and formed a second group. No hip-related population was
183 identified, whereas two studies included a population with more than one type of
184 knee injury^{27,42}.

185

186 The knee-injured group included 23 different performance-based tests with a wide
187 range of variations. Tests were grouped for convenience into the following
188 categories: (1) *knee bends* (e.g. number of knee bends on one leg²³), (2) *sitting to*
189 *standing* (e.g. one-legged rising from a chair²³), (3) *stepping* (e.g. step up and down
190 a platform²⁵, (4) *hopping* (e.g. one-legged hop^{23,24,27,28,30,34-37,39-41}), (5) *stairs running*
191 (e.g. run a number of stairs³¹) or (6) *running* (e.g. run a figure-of-eight³¹). There

192 were also variations in performance within each category e.g. one- or two-legged
193 performances²³⁻⁴².

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195 The demands of the activities varied from (1) *slow controlled movements* (e.g. single-
196 leg wall slide²³) to (2) *fast coordinated movements* (e.g. six-meter timed hop^{28-30,39}),
197 (3) *accelerative demanding movements* (e.g. shuttle run test^{33,38}) or (4) *repetitive*
198 *movements* (e.g. knee bends²³)

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200 The method of scoring included (1) *timing* (total time for completion of test,
201 difference in time between involved and uninvolved leg), (2) *counting* (maximum
202 repetitions in a defined time) and measures of (3) *lengths* (maximum distance
203 performed), (4) *heights* (lowest height from succeeded rising, highest jump
204 performed) or (5) *angles* (maximum angle of knee flexion during test)²³⁻⁴².

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206 Required equipment varied in different lengths of walkways, numbers and heights of
207 stairs, stools or step-up boards, accessible walls, a Velcro-belt and measuring
208 instruments such as stopwatch, measuring tape, goniometer and different marks or
209 lines on floors or walls²³⁻⁴².

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211 The *six-minute walk test* was the only test evaluated in the obese group. This test
212 included variations in length of walkway (20 and 40 meters)^{26,32}.

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214 ***Measurement properties***

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216 Six of the 10 measurement properties outlined in COSMIN were evaluated in the 20
217 included studies (Table 1). These were reliability^{23-26,28-30,32,40} and hypothesis testing
218^{27,33-39,41} in nine studies each, measurement error in three studies^{25,30,32}, structural
219 validity in two studies^{31,42}, and interpretability²³ and responsiveness³⁰ in one study
220 each. Other measurement properties described in COSMIN such as internal
221 consistency, criterion validity, content validity or cross-cultural validity were not
222 assessed in any of the included studies.

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224 The inter-rater agreement of the independent COSMIN ratings was good (absolute
225 agreement = 85%, kappa = 0.77, 95% CI = 0.51-1.0). Disagreements were mainly due
226 to reading errors and were easily resolved. Measurement properties were rated as
227 “excellent” in one study⁴², as “good” in eight studies^{24-26,28-30,32,40}, as “fair” in eight
228 studies^{23,27,31,36-39,41} and as “poor” in four studies^{23,33-35}.

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230 ***Knee-injured group***

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232 *Reliability and measurement error (Table 2)*

233 The *one-legged hop for distance* was the most frequently evaluated test in this group
234^{23,24,27,28,30,34-37,39-41} and was performed with variations in (1) method of
235 measurement (best of two or three trials (cm), mean value of three trials (cm),
236 measure from great toe to heel, and (2) performance (hands behind back or arms
237 free, warm up or not, visible tape measure or not). It was rated positive (i.e. ICC >
238 0.70) for intra-rater reliability in three “good” and one “fair” quality studies on
239 people with meniscectomy²³ and ACL reconstructions^{28,30,40}. Reliability for this test

240 was also rated positive (ICCs from 0.88 – 0.97) in another “good” quality study²⁴,
241 however the type of reliability tested was not specified.
242
243 Additionally in studies on people with ACL reconstructions, a positive result rating
244 was reported for intra-rater reliability of the *six-meter timed hop* (ICCs from 0.82-
245 0.97) in three “good” quality studies²⁸⁻³⁰, the *crossover hop for distance* (ICC 0.84
246 and 0.98) in two “good” quality studies^{29,30} and the *triple hop for distance* (ICC 0.88)
247 in one “good” quality study³⁰. In people with PFPS, a positive result rating was
248 reported for intra-rater reliability for the *balance and reach test* (ICC 0.92), the
249 *bilateral squat* (ICC 0.83), the *antero-medial lunge* (ICC 0.82) and *step down test*
250 (0.94) in one “good” quality study²⁵. In people with meniscectomy, a positive result
251 rating was reported for intra-rater reliability for the *knee bend test* (ICC 0.92) and the
252 *one-leg rise test* (ICC 0.84) in one “fair” quality study²³.

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254 Measurement error was assessed in eight studies (Table 2). As minimal important
255 changes have not been defined for any of these performance measures,
256 interpretation of the findings for measurement error is undetermined.

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258 *Validity studies (Table 3)*

259 In people with ACL reconstructions, the *one-legged hop for distance* was rated
260 positive on hypothesis testing in two “fair” quality studies^{39,41}. Two other “fair”
261 quality studies were rated negative^{27,36} and one was rated indeterminate³⁷. The *six-*
262 *meter timed hop test* and the *crossover hop for distance* were positive rated for
263 hypothesis testing in one “fair” quality study³⁹, but the *crossover hop for distance*

264 was rated negative in another “fair” quality study³⁶. The *triple hop for distance* was
265 rated positive for both hypothesis testing and structural validity in two “fair” quality
266 studies^{31,41} and the *stairs hopple test* was rated positive for structural validity in one
267 “fair” quality study³¹. The *vertical jump test* was rated positive for structural validity
268 in one “fair” quality study³¹ and rated negative for hypothesis testing in another
269 “fair” quality study³⁶. The *figure-of-eight* and *stairs-running test* were rated positive
270 in one “fair” quality study on structural validity³¹, whereas negative ratings were
271 reported on hypothesis testing for the *co-contraction test*, *shuttle run test* and
272 *carioca test* in one “fair” quality study³⁸. For the *test-battery*, an indeterminate
273 rating was reported for structural validity in one “excellent” quality study with ACL
274 reconstructions and ACL injuries⁴².

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276 *Responsiveness*

277 In studies on people with ACL reconstructions, responsiveness was reported in one
278 “good” quality study for the *one-legged hop for distance*, *six-meter timed hop*,
279 *crossover hop for distance* and *triple hop for distance*³⁰. All were rated
280 “indeterminate” as a result of the correlations being determined only with unrelated
281 constructs.

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283 *Interpretability*

284 Interpretability was reported in 7/24 of the performance measures in one “poor”
285 quality study²³. As such, evidence could only be rated as indeterminate in evidence
286 synthesis.

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288 **Obesity group**

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290 The *six-minute walk test* was the only test evaluated in the obese group^{26,32}. It was
291 rated positive for intra-rater reliability (ICC 0.96) in one “good” quality study³² and
292 for test-retest reliability (ICC 0.94) in another “good” quality study²⁶.

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294 **Best evidence synthesis: levels of evidence**

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296 A summary of best evidence synthesis is provided in Table 4. Given the large variety
297 of performance-based measures, results were rarely combined. The exceptions were
298 for the *one-legged hop for distance*, the *six-meter timed hop*, *crossover hop for*
299 *distance* and the *6-minute walk test* as the populations and procedures for these
300 tests were comparable across studies (Table 1). Although the *one-legged hop for*
301 *distance test* was described with two different procedures (arms behind back
302 ^{23,27,28,30,34,35,39-41} and arms free ²⁴), this test was collapsed into one group because of
303 missing information about the procedure in two other studies^{36,37}. A positive rating
304 was given to 30 out of 240 possible ratings (12.5%).

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306 **Discussion**

307

308 Twenty studies reported the measurement properties of 24 performance-based
309 outcome measures of physical function for young and middle-aged people known to
310 be at high risk of hip and/or knee OA. Overall, a great deal of measurement property
311 evidence is unknown for many of the tests identified in the review either because of

312 no available information, indeterminate information or because evidence was rated
313 as poor quality. No performance-based test in this review contained evidence on all
314 measurement properties. Intra-rater reliability was most frequently reported and a
315 number of tests had acceptable levels of evidence for this measurement property.
316 This provides useful, but limited, information for clinicians and researchers about
317 which performance-based tests are currently the best for use in the target
318 population. Furthermore, it clarifies the need for more comprehensive studies
319 investigating measurement properties.

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321 For the knee-injured group, the strongest positive evidence was found for the *one-*
322 *legged hop for distance test*^{23,24,28,30,40}. This was followed by moderate positive
323 evidence for the *six-meter timed hop*²⁸⁻³⁰ and *crossover hop for distance*^{29,30}. Only
324 limited positive evidence was found for the *figure-of-eight, stairs running* and *stairs*
325 *hopple tests*³¹, *the knee bends* and *one-leg rise test*²³, *the six-meter timed hop*³⁹
326 and the *triple hop for distance*^{30,31,41}. Limited negative evidence was found for the
327 *co-contraction test, shuttle run test* and *carioca test*³⁸. Remaining possible ratings
328 were “unknown” or not rated because of no available information.

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330 For the obese group the *six-minute walk test* was found to have limited positive
331 evidence on intra-rater reliability³² and unknown evidence on test-retest reliability²⁶.
332 This was the only test identified in the current review that was also a recommended
333 performance-based test for people diagnosed with knee OA⁶. This suggests that it
334 may be a useful candidate test to consider when the objective is to measure across
335 age groups in obese populations.

336

337 For 15 of the 20 identified tests, measurement-property evidence was only
338 evaluated in single studies. Given that many gaps in measurement-property
339 evidence still remain for the performance-based tests included in this review, it is
340 difficult to identify the “best” tests specific for people at high risk of developing OA.
341 Thus, it is only appropriate to highlight those tests with the strongest existing
342 evidence, which may therefore change as further evidence comes to hand.

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344 The difference between being “at risk” or “at high risk” of developing lower limb OA
345 is often subtle and therefore not always easy to differentiate. We also cannot
346 preclude that some participants included in studies captured in this review were at
347 an early stage of the disease when tested. The age cut-offs for the target population
348 of this review reflected the intent to capture younger people than those included in
349 the previous review and therefore a different population from one that has already
350 been diagnosed with OA⁶. As age has an impact on development of OA^{43,44}, it is
351 important to point out that 16 out of 18 studies for the knee-injured group included
352 a population with a mean age ≤ 31 ^{24,25,27-31,33-40,42}. This characterizes the knee-
353 injured population in this review as young rather than middle-aged. In contrast, the
354 mean age for the obese group was ≥ 46 ^{26,32} and would be best characterized as
355 middle-aged, whilst the mean age for the participants diagnosed with OA in the
356 previous review⁶ was ≥ 60 years and better characterized as an older population.

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358 With the intention to capture tests relevant to younger people at risk of OA, two
359 separate and searchable sub-populations that were known to be at high risk were

360 purposely targeted. Other groups, such as people who participate in strenuous
361 running^{45,46} and sports activity^{11,47,48}, were not specifically searched, as these more
362 controversial risk factors have been reported to have no or inconsistent associations
363 with OA. The functional demands of the performance-based tests identified for each
364 included population was distinct. In the knee-injured group, the identified
365 performance tests represented higher functional demands than the test described
366 for obese people, and did not overlap with tests identified for people diagnosed with
367 OA in the previous review⁶. By contrast in the obese group, the performance test
368 identified (six-minute walk test) was one of the recommended tests for people
369 already diagnosed with OA and represented a lower functional demand than tests
370 identified in the current knee-injured group.

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372 A number of limitations are acknowledged. Only tests that required non-technical,
373 readily available, inexpensive and portable equipment were eligible for inclusion. A
374 preference for such simple measures that are possible to perform in most settings
375 was made because they are more likely to be implemented in both research and
376 clinical practice. Although the literature search was not limited to those published in
377 the English language, two non-English studies retrieved from the original search
378 were eliminated due to limited translation ability^{49,50}. It is possible that further
379 evidence on additional tests (the six-minute walk test, shuttle test and a functional
380 scale for resumption of sports activity (COFRAS scale)) may have been identified in
381 these two studies. The COSMIN quality-scoring system was originally developed for
382 self-report questionnaires. However, it has also shown to be useful for evaluation of
383 non-patient reported measures^{6,51}. Consistent with our earlier review⁶, it was

384 modified to enable smaller studies that were otherwise of acceptable quality, to be
385 included in best evidence synthesis. Half of the reliability studies and several validity
386 studies would have been excluded without this modification.

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388 This review highlights a number of areas worthy of future research. Given the
389 shortage of measurement-property evidence for performance-based measures for
390 people at high risk of developing lower limb OA, more quality studies, in particular
391 those that evaluate responsiveness, measurement error and interpretability are
392 required. Importantly, before any recommendations can be made, consensus is still
393 required on which combination of tests best assesses physical function in people at
394 high risk of developing lower limb OA.

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396 **Conclusion**

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398 A large variety of outcome measures are used for young and middle-aged people
399 known to be at high risk of developing hip and/or knee OA and few measurement
400 properties for these tests have been evaluated. For the knee-injured group the *one-*
401 *legged hop for distance* was the best-rated test followed by *six-meter timed hop* and
402 *crossover hop for distance*. For the obese group only the *six-minute walk test* was
403 evaluated, with moderate positive evidence on intra-rater reliability. This review
404 highlights current gaps in our knowledge about the measurement properties and
405 need for consensus of opinion on which performance tests should be used when
406 assessing physical function in people known to be at high risk of hip or knee OA.

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Appendix 1. Search strategy

Filter 1: Construct Terms

("motor activity"[MH] OR "physical activity"[tw] OR "physical activities"[tw] OR "physical function*"[tw] OR "physical performance*"[tw] OR "functional activity"[tw] OR "functional activities"[tw] OR "functional performance*"[tw] OR "activity limitation*"[tw] OR "functional limitation*"[tw] OR disability[Title/Abstract] OR disabilities[Title/Abstract] OR "Activities of daily living"[MH])

Filter 2 – Target Population

(((((hip injur*[Title/Abstract]) OR (hip injuries[MeSH Terms])) OR (((knee injur*[Title/Abstract]) OR (knee injur*[MeSH Terms])) OR (((medial* AND collateral ligament* AND knee[Title/Abstract]) OR (tibial* AND collateral ligament*[Title/Abstract]) OR (Medial collateral ligament, knee[MeSH Terms])) OR (((Patellofemoral pain syndrome[Title/Abstract]) OR (Patellofemoral pain syndrome[MeSH Terms])) OR (((anterior* AND cruciate ligament*[Title/Abstract]) OR (ACL[Title/Abstract]) OR (Anterior cruciate ligament[MeSH Terms])) OR (((Posterior* AND cruciate ligament*[Title/Abstract]) OR (Posterior cruciate ligament[MeSH Terms])) OR (((semilunar cartilage*[Title/Abstract]) OR (lateral* AND menisc*[Title/Abstract]) OR (Menisc* AND tibial*[Title/Abstract]) OR (Menisci, tibial[MeSH Terms])) OR (((genu varu*[Title/Abstract]) OR (bow leg*[Title/Abstract]) OR (genu varum[MeSH Terms])) OR (((femoracetabular impingement*[Title/Abstract]) OR (femoracetabular impingement[MeSH Terms])) OR (((genu valgum[MeSH Terms]) OR (genu valg*[Title/Abstract]) OR (knock knee*[Title/Abstract]) OR (((anterior* AND cruciate ligament* AND reconstruction[Title/Abstract]) OR (ACL reconstruction[Title/Abstract]) OR (Anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction[MeSH Terms])))) OR (obesity[Title/Abstract]))

Filter 3: - Instrument Terms

("physical performance measure*"[tw] OR "performance test*"[tw] OR "performance-based test"[tw] OR "performance-based tests"[tw] OR "performance based test*"[tw] OR "performance measure*"[tw] OR "performance-based measure"[tw] OR "performance-based measures"[tw] OR "performance instrument*"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based instrument"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based instruments"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based method"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based methods"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance based method*"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance index"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance indices"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based index"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based indices"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based assessment"[Title/Abstract] OR "performance-based assessments"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective test*"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective instrument*"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective method*"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective measure*"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective evaluation*"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective function*"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective disability"[Title/Abstract] OR "objective assessment*"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational test*"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based test"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based

tests"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational testing"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational instrument*"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based instrument"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based instruments"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational method*"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based method"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based methods"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational measure*"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based measure"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational-based measures"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational index"[Title/Abstract] OR "observational indices"[Title/Abstract] OR "observation-based index"[Title/Abstract] OR "observation-based indices"[Title/Abstract] OR "observed disability"[Title/Abstract] OR "observed function"[Title/Abstract] OR "gait analysis"[Title/Abstract] OR "gait evaluation"[Title/Abstract] OR "walk* test"[Title/Abstract] OR "task performance and analysis"[MH] OR Outcome Assessment[MH])

Filter 4: Sensitive search filter for measurement properties

(instrumentation[sh] OR methods[sh] OR validation studies[pt] OR Comparative Study[pt] OR psychometrics[MH] OR psychometr*[tiab] OR clinimetr*[tw] OR clinometr*[tw] OR "outcome assessment (health care)"[MH] OR "outcome assessment"[tiab] OR "outcome measure*"[tw] OR "observer variation"[MH] OR "observer variation"[tiab] OR "Health Status Indicators"[MH] OR "reproducibility of results"[MH] OR reproducib*[tiab] OR "discriminant analysis"[MH] OR reliab*[tiab] OR unreliab*[tiab] OR valid*[tiab] OR coefficient[tiab] OR homogeneity[tiab] OR homogeneous[tiab] OR "internal consistency"[tiab] OR (cronbach*[tiab] AND (alpha[tiab] OR alphas[tiab])) OR (item[tiab] AND (correlation*[tiab] OR selection*[tiab] OR reduction*[tiab])) OR agreement[tiab] OR precision[tiab] OR imprecision[tiab] OR "precise values"[tiab] OR test-retest[tiab] OR (test[tiab] AND retest[tiab]) OR (reliab*[tiab] AND (test[tiab] OR retest[tiab])) OR stability[tiab] OR interrater[tiab] OR inter-rater[tiab] OR intrarater[tiab] OR intra-rater[tiab] OR intertester[tiab] OR inter-tester[tiab] OR intratester[tiab] OR intra-tester[tiab] OR interobserver[tiab] OR inter-observer[tiab] OR intraobserver[tiab] OR intraobserver[tiab] OR intertechnician[tiab] OR inter-technician[tiab] OR intratechnician[tiab] OR intra-technician[tiab] OR interexaminer[tiab] OR inter-examiner[tiab] OR intraexaminer[tiab] OR intra-examiner[tiab] OR interassay[tiab] OR inter-assay[tiab] OR intraassay[tiab] OR intra-assay[tiab] OR interindividual[tiab] OR inter-individual[tiab] OR intraindividual[tiab] OR intra-individual[tiab] OR interparticipant[tiab] OR inter-participant[tiab] OR intraparticipant[tiab] OR intra-participant[tiab] OR kappa[tiab] OR kappa's[tiab] OR kappas[tiab] OR repeatab*[tiab] OR ((replicab*[tiab] OR repeated[tiab]) AND (measure[tiab] OR measures[tiab] OR findings[tiab] OR result[tiab] OR results[tiab] OR test[tiab] OR tests[tiab])) OR generaliza*[tiab] OR generalisa*[tiab] OR concordance[tiab] OR (intraclass[tiab] AND correlation*[tiab]) OR discriminative[tiab] OR "known group"[tiab] OR factor analysis[tiab] OR factor analyses[tiab] OR dimension*[tiab] OR subscale*[tiab] OR (multitrait[tiab] AND scaling[tiab] AND (analysis[tiab] OR analyses[tiab])) OR item discriminant[tiab] OR interscale correlation*[tiab] OR error[tiab] OR errors[tiab] OR "individual variability"[tiab] OR (variability[tiab] AND (analysis[tiab] OR values[tiab])) OR (uncertainty[tiab] AND (measurement[tiab] OR measuring[tiab])) OR "standard error of measurement"[tiab] OR sensitiv*[tiab] OR responsive*[tiab] OR

((minimal[tiab] OR minimally[tiab] OR clinical[tiab] OR clinically[tiab]) AND (important[tiab] OR significant[tiab] OR detectable[tiab])AND(change[tiab] OR difference[tiab])) OR (small*[tiab] AND (real[tiab] OR detectable[tiab]) AND (change[tiab] OR difference[tiab])) OR meaningful change[tiab] OR “ceiling effect”[tiab] OR “floor effect”[tiab] OR “Item response model”[tiab] OR IRT[tiab] OR Rasch[tiab] OR “Differential item functioning”[tiab] OR DIF[tiab] OR “computer adaptive testing”[tiab] OR “item bank”[tiab] OR “cross-cultural equivalence”[tiab])

Filter 5 - Exclusion filter

(“addresses”[PT] OR “biography”[PT] OR “case reports”[PT] OR “comment”[PT] OR “directory”[PT] OR “editorial”[PT] OR “festschrift”[PT] OR “interview”[PT] OR “lectures”[PT] OR “legal cases”[PT] OR “legislation”[PT] OR “letter”[PT] OR “news”[PT] OR “newspaper article”[PT] OR “patient education handout”[PT] OR “popular works”[PT] OR “congresses”[PT] OR “consensus development conference”[PT] OR “consensus development conference, nih”[PT] OR “practice guideline”[Publication Type]) NOT (“animals”[MeSH Terms] NOT “humans”[MeSH Terms])

Appendix 2 Quality criteria for rating the results of measurement properties

Property	Rating	Quality Criteria
Reliability		
Internal consistency	+	Cronbach's alpha(s) ≥ 0.70
	?	Cronbach's alpha not determined
	-	Cronbach's alpha(s) < 0.70
Reliability	+	ICC / weighted Kappa ≥ 0.70 OR Pearson's r ≥ 0.80
	?	Neither ICC / weighted Kappa, nor Pearson's r determined
	-	ICC / weighted Kappa < 0.70 OR Pearson's r < 0.80
Measurement error	+	MIC $>$ SDC OR MIC outside the LoA
	?	MIC not defined
	-	MIC \leq SDC OR MIC equals or inside LoA
Validity		
Content validity	+	The target population considers all items in the questionnaire to be relevant AND considers the questionnaire to be complete
	?	No target population involvement
	-	The target population considers items in the questionnaire to be irrelevant OR considers the questionnaire to be incomplete
Structural validity	+	Factors should explain at least 50% of the variance
	?	Explained variance not mentioned
	-	Factors explain $<$ 50% of the variance
Construct validity Hypothesis testing	+	Correlation with an instrument measuring the same construct ≥ 0.50 OR at least 75% of the results are in accordance with the hypotheses AND correlation with related constructs is higher than with unrelated constructs
	?	Solely correlations determined with unrelated constructs
	-	Correlation with an instrument measuring the same construct < 0.50 OR $<$ 75% of the results are in accordance with the hypotheses OR correlation with related constructs is lower than with unrelated constructs
Cross-cultural validity	+	Original factor structure confirmed OR no important DIF between language versions
	?	Confirmatory factor analysis not applied and DIF not assessed
	-	Original factor structure not confirmed OR important DIF found between language versions
Criterion validity	+	Convincing arguments that gold standard is "gold" AND correlation with gold standard ≥ 0.70
	?	No convincing arguments that gold standard is "gold" OR doubtful design or method
	-	Correlation with gold standard < 0.70 , despite adequate design and method
Responsiveness		
Responsiveness	+	Correlation with an instrument measuring the same construct ≥ 0.50 OR at least 75% of the results are in accordance with the hypotheses OR AUC ≥ 0.70 AND correlation with related constructs is higher than with unrelated constructs
	?	Solely correlations determined with unrelated constructs
	-	Correlation with an instrument measuring the same construct < 0.50 OR $<$ 75% of the results are in accordance with the hypotheses OR AUC < 0.70 OR correlation with related constructs is lower than with unrelated constructs

MIC minimal important change, SDC smallest detectable change, LoA limits of agreement, ICC intraclass correlation coefficient, DIF differential item functioning, AUC area under the curve.

+ positive rating, ? indeterminate rating, - negative rating

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Appendix 3 Levels of evidence for the quality of the measurement property

Level	Rating [†]	Criteria
Strong	+++ or ---	Consistent findings in multiple good or at least one excellent quality study and a total sample of ≥ 100 .
Moderate	++ or --	Consistent findings in multiple fair or one good quality study with a total sample of ≥ 50 or at least one good or excellent quality study with a total sample of 50-99.
Limited	+ or -	Findings in studies of fair, good or excellent methodological quality with a total sample of 25-49.
Conflicting	+/-	Conflicting findings
Unknown	?	Only findings of indeterminate rating, studies of poor methodological quality or with a total sample of ≥ 25 .

† + = positive rating, - = negative rating

Adapted from Terwee et al. J Clin Epidemiol. 2007;60(1):34-42.

LIST OF FIGURES

Figure 1. Flowchart of the selection and inclusion criteria of studies

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Table 1 Characteristics of included studies

Author (Year)	Sample size	Mean age \pm SD (range)	Population type	Performance measure	Activity	Quantification measure	Equipment required	Measurement property assessed
Knee-injured group								
Andrade 2002 ³⁸	14 f/0	32 \pm 18	ACLR 4-8 mo. post-op.	One-legged hop Triple hop	Hop on one leg Three hops on one leg	Length (cm) Length (cm)	MT MT	Hypothesis testing Hypothesis testing
Borsa 1998 ²⁴	29 f/14	28,7 \pm 1,7	ACLI, A-SCOPY, MEN. 41,7 \pm 11,7 mo. Post-inj.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Hypothesis testing
Bremander 2007 ²⁰	285 f/59	54 \pm 11,2	MEN. 15-21 y post-op.	One-leg rising One-legged hop		Height (cm) Length (cm)	A bench A stool	Intra-reliability Interpretability Intra-reliability Interpretability
				Single-leg wall slide Heel raising Lateral step-Up Climbing a stool Knee bends	Slide down against a wall Number of heel raises Step up and down Climbing up/down on stool. Knee bends	Angles (°) Repetitions Repetitions Height (cm) Repetitions	A free wall Step-up board MT Step-up board Goniometer, Stool SW	Interpretability Interpretability Interpretability Interpretability Interpretability Intra-reliability Interpretability
Brosky 1999 ²⁵	15 f/0	26 \pm 7,3	ACLR 15-39 mo. Post-op.	One-legged hop 6 meter timed hop	Hop on one leg Hop on one leg for 6 m.	Length (cm) Time (sec)	MT SW	Intra-reliability Intra-reliability
Gustavsson 2006 ^{*39}	Injury: 30 f/12 Surgery: 35 f/10	31 \pm 9 27 \pm 7	ACLI 4-44 mo. Post-inj. ACLR 6 mo. Post-op.	One-legged hop Vertical jump Drop jump Square hop Side hop	Hop on one leg Vertical jump on both legs Jump down, then double hop Jump in and out of square Side to side jump	Length (cm) Height (cm) Length (cm) Repetitions Repetitions	MT MT MT Square Marks on floor	Structural validity
Hopper 2002 ²⁶	19 f/6	26,8 \pm 8,4	ACLR 6-18 mo. Post-op.	6 meter timed hop Crossover hop Stair hop	Hop on one leg for 6 m. 3 hops on one leg across a line Hop three steps up and down	Length (cm) Length (cm) Time (sec)	MT MT, line Three steps, SW	Intra-reliability Intra-reliability Intra-reliability
Jamshidi 2005 ³³	11 f/?	30 \pm 8	ACLR > 6 mo. Post-op.	One-legged hop Crossover hop Vertical jump	NS NS NS	(cm) (cm) (cm)	MT MT MT	Hypothesis testing Hypothesis testing Hypothesis testing
Järvelä 2002 ³⁴	86 f/21	30,4 \pm 9,4	ACLR 5-9 yrs. post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Hypothesis testing
Kong 2012 ³⁰	30 f/0	23,4 \pm 3,1	ACLR \geq 6 mo. post-op.	One-legged hop Cocontraction test Shuttle run test Carioca test	Hop on one leg Run with Velcrobelt Run back and forth (6,1 m) Run laterally (2 x 12 m)	Length (cm) Time (sec) Time (sec) Time (sec)	MT Velcrobelt, SW Marked way, SW Marked way, SW	Hypothesis testing Hypothesis testing Hypothesis testing Hypothesis testing

Kramer 1992 ²¹	38 f/16	25 ± 7	ACLR 15-29 yrs. post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Reliability (NS)
Lephart 1991 ³⁵	41 f/9	22,7 (16-32)	ACLI 10-36 mo. Post-inj.	Contraction test	Run with Velcrobelt	Time (sec)	Velcrobelt, SW	Hypothesis testing
				Shuttle run test	Run back and forth (6,1 m)	Time (sec)	Marked way, SW	Hypothesis testing
				Carioca test	Run laterally (2 x 12 m)	Time (sec)	Marked way, SW	Hypothesis testing
Loudon 2002 ²²	15 f/max. 15	27,6 ± 5,3	PFPS Average 5,2 mo.	Anteromedial lunge	Lunge forward to 90° flex	Length (cm)	MT, SW	Intra-reliability
				Step-down	Step forward and down	Repetitions	Step-up board, SW	Measurement error
								Intra-reliability
				Bilateral squat	Lower body to 90° knee flex	Repetitions	MT, SW	Measurement error
								Intra-reliability
				Balance and reach	One step forward, only heel	Repetitions	MT, SW	Measurement error
								Intra-reliability
Paterno 1996 ³⁷	13 f/3	22,4 ± 3,2	ACLR 20-52 wks. Post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Measurement error
Petschnig 1997 ^{*31}	62 f/0	Gr. B 28,4 ± 1,6 Gr. C 29,3 ± 1,1	ACLR 12-14 wks. Post-op. 51-59 wks. Post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Intra-reliability
				Triple hop	Triple hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Hypothesis testing
								Hypothesis testing
Petschnig 1998 ^{*32}	55 f/0	Gr B. 27,8 ± 9 Gr. C 29,9 ± 5,8	ACLR 10-16 wks. Post-op. 41-67 wks. Post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Hypothesis testing
				Triple hop	Triple hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Hypothesis testing
Reid 2007 ²⁷	42 f/19	25,6 ± 9,2	ACLR ≤ 16 wks. Post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Intra-reliability
				6 meter timed hop	Hop on one leg for 6 m.	Time (sec)	6 m walk way, SW	Measurement error
				Triple hop	Triple hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Responsiveness
				Crossover hop	3 hops on one leg across a line	Length (cm)	A marked line, MT	
Risberg 1994 ²⁸	35 f/max. 18	26 ± 8,2	ACLR 14-22 mo. Post-op.	Vertical jump	Vertical jump on both legs	Height (cm)	MT, wall	Structural validity
				Figure-of-eight	Run in a figure of eight	Time (sec)	SW, two circles	Structural validity
				Stairs running	Up/down 55 steps	Time (sec)	Staircase, SW	Structural validity
				Triple hop	Triple hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Structural validity
				Stairs hopple	Up/down 22 steps	Time (sec)	Staircase, SW	Structural validity
Wilk Ke Fau 1994 ³⁶	50 f/16	24,5 (15-52)	ACLR 21-30 wks. Post-op.	One-legged hop	Hop on one leg	Length (cm)	MT	Hypothesis testing
				6 meter timed hop	Hop on one leg for 6 m.	Time (sec)	6 m walk way, SW	Hypothesis testing
Obese group								
Larsson 2008 ²⁹	43 f/27	46,8 (21-62)	Obesity	6 min. walk test	6 min. walk	Distance (m)	SW, walk way	Intra-reliability
								Measurement error
Beriault 2009 ²³	21 f/15	55,7 ± 11,2	Obesity	6 min. walk test	6 min. walk	Distance (m)	Marked walk way SW	Test-retest reliability

(ACLI) ACL injury, (ACLR) ACL reconstruction, (A-SCOPY) arthroscopy, (MEN.) meniscectomy, (PFPS) patellofemoral pain syndrome, (F) Number of females, (NS) not specified, (post-op.): post-operated, (post-inj.): post-injured, (wks.) weeks, (Mo.) Months, (yrs.) years, (*) both groups performed all tests, (MT) measuring tape, (SW) stopwatch.

Table 2 Results of measurement properties of performance-based measures (reliability and measurement error)

Performance-based measure	Reliability				Measurement error		
	Study n	Results	Design	Time interval	COSMIN score	Results	COSMIN score
Knee-injured Group							
Knee bends ²⁰	50	ICC _{2,1} : 0.92 (0.86-0.96)	Intra-rater	45 min	Fair	-	
Single-leg wall slide ²⁰		-				-	
Heel raise ²⁰		-				-	
Balance and reach ²²	15	ICC _{3,1} : 0.83	Intra-rater	48-72 hours	Good*	SEM 0.68	Good*
Bilateral squat ²²	15	ICC _{3,1} : 0.79	Intra-rater	48-72 hours	Good*	SEM 0.47	Good*
Lateral step-up ²⁰		-				-	
One-leg rise ²⁰	30	ICC _{2,1} : 0.84 (0.69-0.92)	Intra-rater	45 min.	Fair	-	
Climbing a stool ²⁰		-				-	
Antero-medial lunge ²²	15	ICC _{3,1} : 0.82	Intra-rater	48-72 hours	Good*	SEM 0.38	Good*
Step-down ²²	15	ICC _{3,1} : 0.94	Intra-rater	48-72 hours	Good*	SEM 0.53	Good*
One-legged hop for distance (**) ^{20, 21, 25, 27, 37}	30	ICC _{2,1} : 0.93 (0.87-0.97)	Intra-rater	45 min.	Fair	-	
	38	ICC _{2,1} : 0.93	Not specified	< 5 days	Good*	-	
	15	ICC: 0.88-0.97	Intra-rater	Initial test, 1 day, 1 week and 2 weeks	Good*	-	
	13	ICC _{2,1} : 0.89	Intra-rater	> 24 hours	Good*	-	
	42	ICC _{2,1} : 0.92 (low end 0.87)	Intra-rater	>24 hours	Good*	SEM: 3.49% (4.37 upper 95%CI) MDC 90: 8.09%	Good*
6 meter timed hop ²⁵⁻²⁷	15	Between and within session reliability (0.88-0.97)	Intra-rater	Initial test, 1 day, 1 week, 2 weeks	Good*	-	
	19	ICC _{3,1} : 0.96	Intra-rater	7 days	Good*		
	42	ICC _{2,1} : 0.82 (low end 0.70)	Intra-rater	>24 hours	Good*	SEM: 5.59% (7.01 upper 95%CI) MDC 90%: 12.96%	Good*
Crossover hop for distance ^{26, 27}	42	ICC _{2,1} : 0.84 (low end 0.74)	Intra-rater	>24 hours	Good*	SEM: 5.28% (6.62 upper 95%CI) MDC 90%: 12.25%	Good*
Triple hop for distance ²⁷	19	ICC _{3,1} : 0.98	Intra-rater	7 days	Good*	-	
	42	ICC _{2,1} : 0.88 (low end 0.80)	Intra-rater	>24 hours	Good*	SEM: 4.32% (5.41 upper 95%CI) MDC 90: 10.02%	Good*
Vertical jump ^{28, 33}		-				-	
		-				-	

Stair hop ²⁶	19	ICC _{3,1} : 0.96	Intra-rater	7 days	Good*	-	
Stairs hopple test ²⁸		-				-	
Co-contraction test ^{30, 35}		-				-	
Shuttle run test ^{33,34}		-				-	
Carioca test ^{33,34}		-				-	
Figure-of-eight ²⁸		-				-	
Stairs-running test ²⁸		-				-	
Test battery ³⁹		-				-	
6 min. walk test ^{23, 29}	21	ICC: 0.94 (0.87-0.97)	Test-retest	>2 hours	Good*	-	
	43	ICC _{1,1} : 0.96	Intra-rater	5 (2-14) days	Good*	Coefficient of variation (CV) 4.7	Good*

* Denotes a change of COSMIN score after removal of sample size item from the rating.

** More than one reported procedure of the test (arms behind back/arms free when performing the test).

Table 3 Results of measurement properties of performance-based measures (validity, responsiveness and interpretability)

Performance-based measure	Study n	Validity			Responsiveness			Interpretability	
		Design	Result	COSMIN score	Treatment	Result	COSMIN score	Result (%)	COSMIN score
Knee bends ²⁰	277		-			-		f/c:3/0	Poor
Single-leg wall slide ²⁰	160		-			-		f/c: 4/33	Poor
Heel raise ²⁰	153		-			-		f/c:5/0	Poor
Balance and reach ²²			-			-		-	
Bilateral squat ²²			-			-		-	
Lateral step-up ²⁰	153		-			-		f/c: 5/0	Poor
One-leg rise ²⁰	160		-			-		f/c: 2/1	Poor
Climbing a stool ²⁰	157		-			-		f/c: 8/69	Poor
Antero-medial lunge ²²			-			-		-	
Step-down ²²			-			-		-	
One-legged hop for distance ^{20,24,27,31-34,36,38}	50	Hypo. Test.	Positive correlation with knee extensor peak torque at 180°/sec (r=0.62 P<0.003)	Fair		-		-	
	86	Hypo. Test.	A correlation was seen between extension deficit and hop performance (p= <0.001-0.003)	Fair		-		-	
	11	Hypo. Test.	No significant correlation with isokinetic strength.	Fair*		-		-	
	62	Hypo. Test.	Correlation with peak torque (r=0.3785-0.5019)	Poor		-		-	
	39		-		Rehab. Program	Corr. with GRC 0,48 (range 0.26-0.58)	Good*	-	
	29	Hypo. Test.	Negative correlation with strength index (r=0.06)	Fair*		-		-	
	202		-			-		f/c: 9/0	Poor
	55	Hypo. Test.	Positive (significant) correlation with peak torque (r=0.45-0.51)	Poor		-		-	
	14	Hypo. Test.	Positive correlation with quadriceps performance (r=0.51-0.63)	Fair*		-		-	
6 meter timed hop ^{27,36}	50	Hypo. Test.	Positive correlation with knee extensor peak torque at 180°/sec (r=0.60 P<0.001)	Fair		-		-	
	39		-		Rehab. Program	Corr. with GRC 0.46 (0.26-0.58)	Good*	-	
Crossover hop for	50	Hypo. Test.	Positive correlation with knee	Fair		-		-	

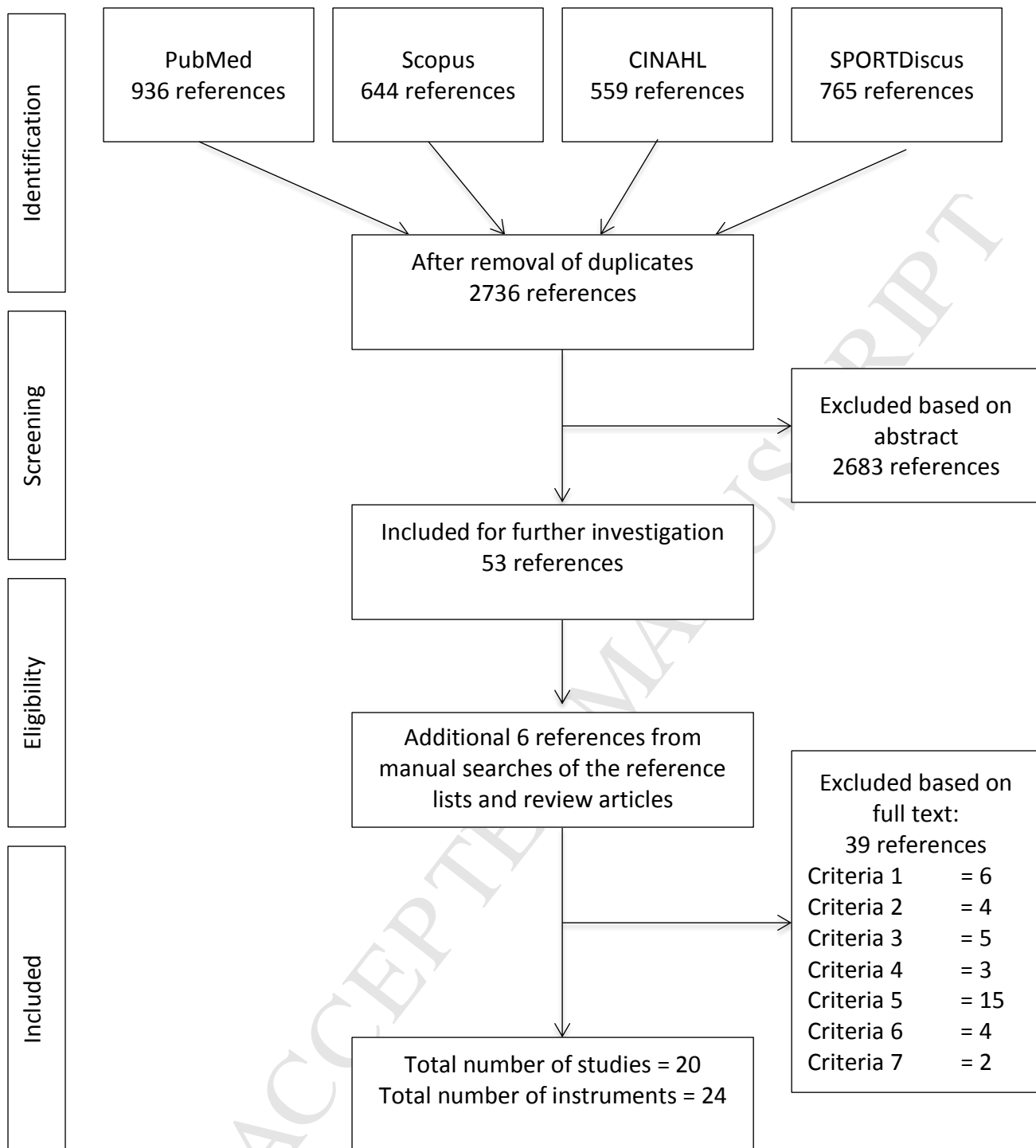
distance ^{27,33,36}			extensor peak torque at 180°/sec (r=0.69 P<0.0001)					
	39		-		Rehab. Program	Corr. with GRC 0.45 (0.26-0.58)	Good*	-
	11	Hypo. Test.	No significant correlation with isokinetic strength	Fair*		-		-
Triple hop for distance ^{27,28,31,32,38}	39		-		Rehab. Program	Corr. with GRC 0.44 (0.26-0.58)	Good*	-
	62	Hypo. Test.	Correlation with peak torque (r=0.3565-0.3937)	Poor		-		-
	55	Hypo. Test.	Positive (significant) correlation with peak torque (r=0.48-0.55).	Poor		-		-
	37	Structural	Factor 1: 0.33 Factor 2: 0.86	Fair		-		-
	14	Hypo. Test	Positive correlation with quadriceps performance (r=0.51-0.63)	Fair*		-		-
Vertical jump ^{28,33}	11	Hypo. Test	No significant correlation with isokinetic strength	Fair*		-		-
	37	Structural	Factor 1: -0.79 Factor2: 0.02	Fair		-		-
Stair hop ²⁶	-		-			-		-
Stairs Hopple test ²⁸	37	Structural	Factor 1: 0.03 Factor 2: 0.88	Fair		-		-
6 min. walk test ^{23,29}	-		-			-		-
Co-contraction test ^{30,35}	41	Hypo. Test	Lack of any strong correlation with isokinetic strength (r=-0.31-0.31)	Fair		-		-
	30	Hypo. Test	Positive correlation with isokinetic strength(r=0.499, p<0.008)	Poor		-		-
Shuttle run test ^{30,35}	41	Hypo. Test	Lack of any strong correlation with isokinetic strength (r=-0.32-0.08)	Fair		-		-
	30	Hypo. Test	Positive correlations with isokinetic strength(r=0.268, p<0.177)	Poor		-		-
Carioca test ^{30,35}	41	Hypo. Test	Lack of any strong correlation with isokinetic strength (r=-0.20-0.05)	Fair		-		-
	30	Hypo. Test	Positive correlation with isokinetic strength(r=0.297, p<0.132)	Poor		-		-
Figure-of-eight ²⁸	37	Structural	Factor 1: 0.83 Factor 2: 0.37	Fair		-		-
Stairs-running test ²⁸	37	Structural	Factor 1: 0.86 Factor 2: 0.22	Fair		-		-
Test battery ³⁹	65	Structural	Factor 1: Max. hop tests (vertical, hop for dist., drop jump with double hop) Factor 2: Endurance hop tests (square hop and side hop)	Excellent		-		-

* Denotes a change of COSMIN score after removal of sample size item from the rating.
(Hypo. Test.) Hypothesis testing, (GRC) global rating of change, (f/c) floor and ceiling effects.

Table 4 Levels of evidence of included performance-based measures

Performance-based measure	Reliability			Measurement Error	Validity		Responsiveness	Interpretability
	Intra	Inter	Retest		Structural	Hypothesis testing		
Strong evidence								
One-legged hop for distance ^{20,21,24,25,27,31-34,36-38}	+++ (k)	0	0	?	0	+/- (k)	?	0
Moderate evidence								
6 meter timed hop ^{18,19,36,30}	++ (k)	0	0	?	0	+ (k)	?	0
Crossover hop for distance ^{19,21,23,30}	++ (k)	0	0	?	0	+/- (k)	?	0
Limited positive evidence								
6 min walk test ^{23,29}	+ (o)	0	?	?	0	0	0	0
Triple hop for distance ^{27,28,31,32,38}	+ (k)	0		?	+ (k)	+ (k)	?	0
Knee bends ²⁰	+ (k)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
One-leg rise ²⁰	+ (k)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vertical jump ^{28,33}	0	0	0	0	+ (k)	?	0	0
Stairs hopple test ²⁸	0	0	0	0	+ (k)	0	0	0
Figure-of-eight ²⁸	0	0	0	0	+ (k)	0	0	0
Stairs-running test ²⁸	0	0	0	0	+ (k)	0	0	0
Limited negative evidence								
Co-contraction test ^{30,35}	0	0	0	0	0	- (k)	0	0
Shuttle run test ^{33,34}	0	0	0	0	0	- (k)	0	0
Carioca test ^{33,34}	0	0	0	0	0	- (k)	0	0
Unknown evidence								
Balance and reach ²²	?	0	0	?	0	0	0	0
Bilateral squat ²²	?	0	0	?	0	0	0	0
Antero-medial lunge ²²	?	0	0	?	0	0	0	0
Step down ²²	?	0	0	?	0	0	0	0
Stair hop ²⁶	?	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Test Battery ³⁹	0	0	0	0	?	0	0	0
Heel raise* ²⁰	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?
Single-leg wall slide* ²⁰	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?
Climbing a stool* ²⁰	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?
Lateral step-up* ²⁰	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	?

+ = positive rating, - = negative rating; +++ or --- strong evidence, ++ or -- moderate evidence, + or - limited evidence, +/- conflicting evidence, ? unknown, 0 no information, (k) = knee, (o) = obesity. Unknown ratings due to: sample size ≤25 (reliability/hypothesis testing), indeterminate result rating (measurement error/structural validity/responsiveness), poor COSMIN ratings (interpretability).



Criteria 1: Construct: not physical function measure

Criteria 2: Population: not 80% hip/knee injury/surgery and/or obesity and being between the age of 18 and 60

Criteria 3: Instrument: not performance-based

Criteria 4: Clinical test: not a field/clinic test (incl. equipment)

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