Pilot Study of a Technological Approach to Rehabilitation of Cancer Patients with Chemotherapy-Induced **Peripheral Neuropathy** PRESENTER:



BACKGROUND

Why this matters

CIPN affects over one-third of cancer patients

Symptoms can persist long after chemotherapy ends

Pharmacological options are limited and often ineffective

Exercise can help — but patients **need support to do it safely at home**

Digital tools + nursing supervision may enable personalized rehabilitation

OBJECTIVE

To evaluate a **mobile application** for:

- Feasibility
- Usability
- Personalized exercise-based rehabilitation
- ...in adult cancer patients receiving neurotoxic chemotherapy

METHODS

Design: Single-center, longitudinal **pilot study, n = 10** adult cancer patients

receiving neurotoxic chemotherapy

Intervention: 12-week **digital rehabilitation program** using a mobile application

Supervised by **rehabilitation nurses**

Assessment Timeline

- → **Baseline**: Initial patient condition
- → **Week 6**: Progress review and adaptation
- → **Week 12**: Final feedback

Outcomes measured

FACT-GOG Ntx (CIPN symptoms)

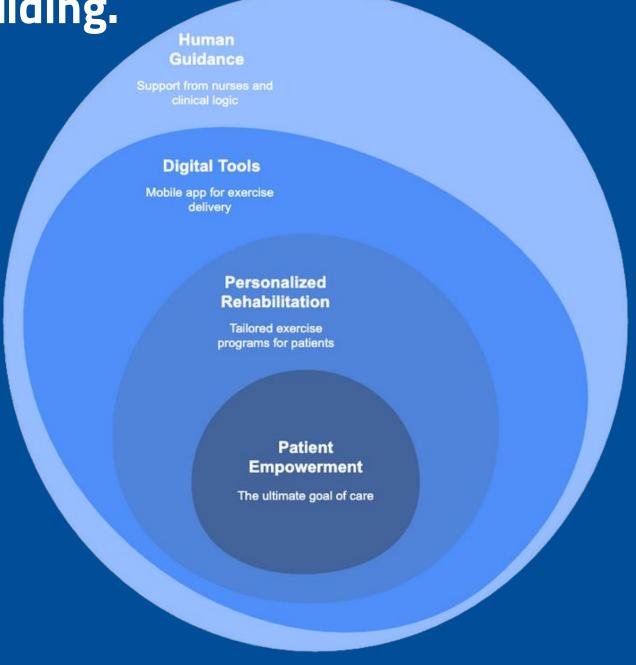
EORTC QLQ-C30 (Quality of Life)

System Usability Scale (SUS)

Adherence rates and patient feedback

Digital rehabilitation can support cancer **patients with CIPN** — when technology is guided by **clinical logic** and **nursing care**. This pilot study explores a **mobile app** that delivers personalized exercise plans, adapted by nurses and based on real patient feedback.

Empowering patients starts with listening and guiding.

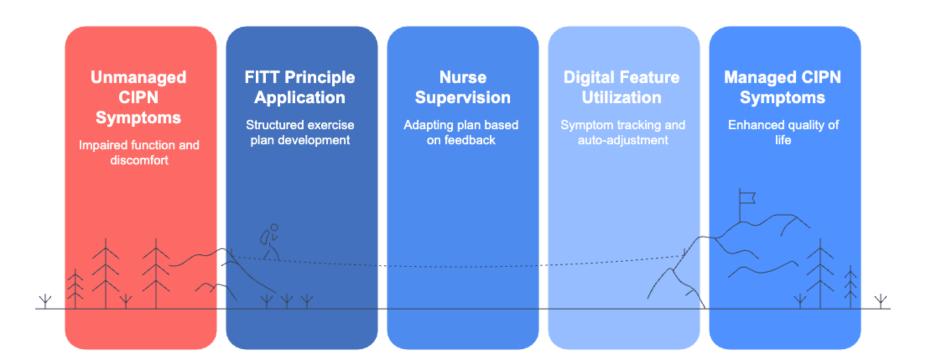




Want to know more? I'm happy to discuss during or after the session. anabelaamarelo@gmail.com

INTERVENTION LOGIC

The clinical engine behind the mHealth solution



Next Steps:

- Test feasibility and **adherence** over 12 weeks
- Collect feedback to refine usability
- Use findings to plan a larger multicenter study
- Strengthen nursing roles in digital rehabilitation

Co-authors: Duarte Lopes, Marta Campos Ferreira,

Carla Sílvia Fernandes.









