Patients' Experiences of Using a Smartphone App for Remote Monitoring of Rheumatoid Arthritis, Integrated into the Electronic Medical Record, and its Impact on Consultations



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REMORA: REmote MOnitoring in Rheumatoid Arthritis

"How have you been in the last six months?"

'Oh…alright, I suppose."



Treatment decisions are currently shaped by how a patient presents at the time of consultation

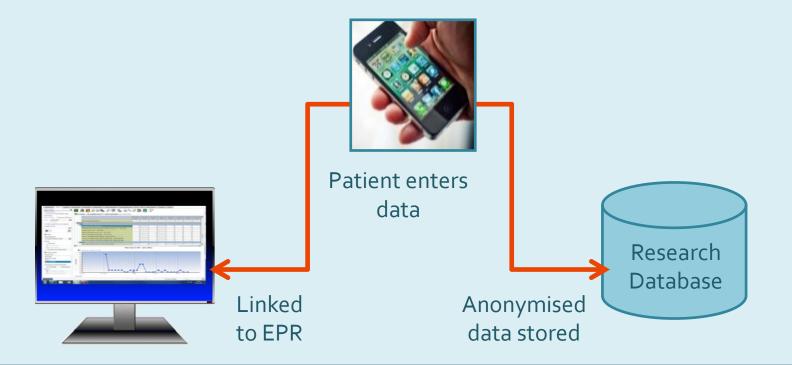
> Patients have limited access to data that can help them understand their disease and inform self-management

Data that provide a contemporaneous record of patient disease activity are not currently available for research

Aims of the study

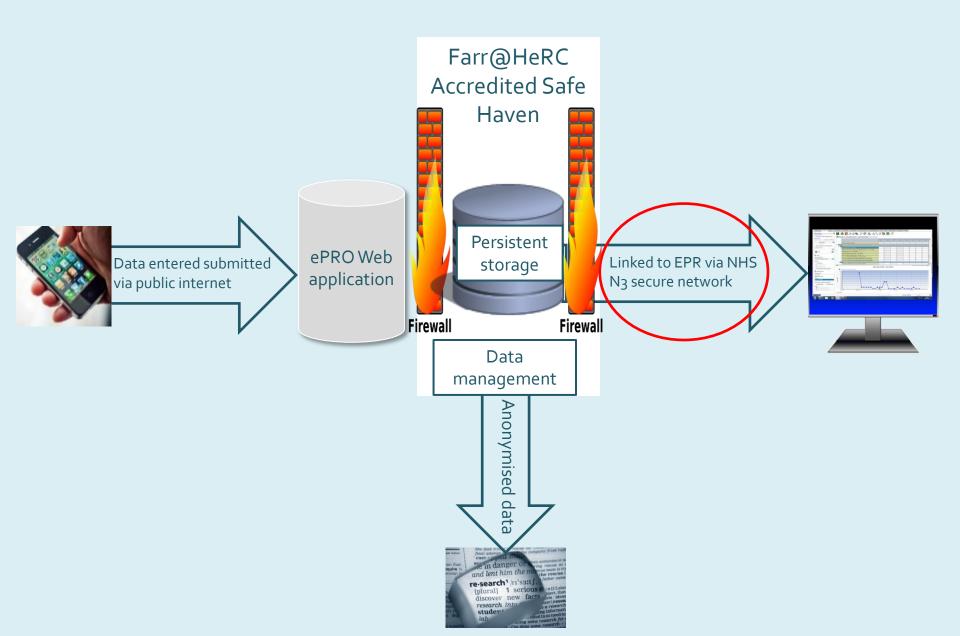


To develop and evaluate a smartphone app for people with rheumatoid arthritis to facilitate regular recording of their symptoms between clinic visits



Collect data once and use for multiple purposes

REMORA: 'end to end' processes



REMORA

Overview of the study



Stage 1 Stage 2 \odot Reaching agreement on the components of the app

 Developing the systems required to link the data entered to the Electronic Patient Record

• Testing the app for 1 month with 8 patients

Checking system for `end to end' processes

`Bug fixing' & refining the app in response to feedback



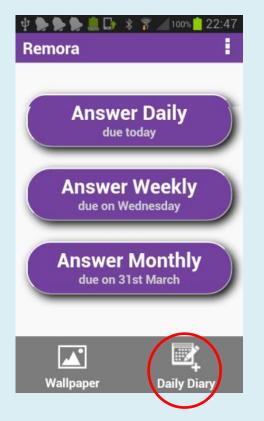
Evaluating the refined app for 3 months with 20 patients

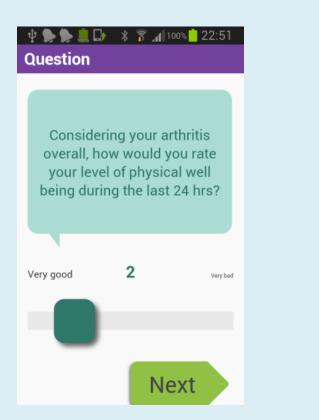
Summarising feedback from a range of stakeholders

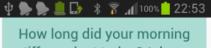
 Producing an implementation toolkit for the app developed

The REMORA app







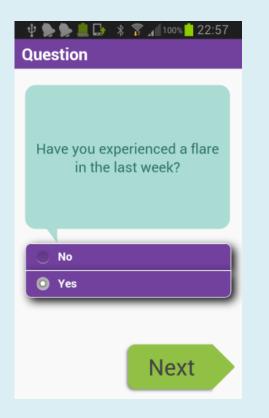


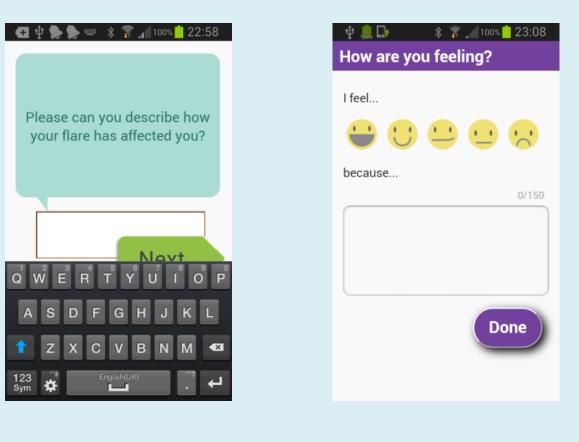
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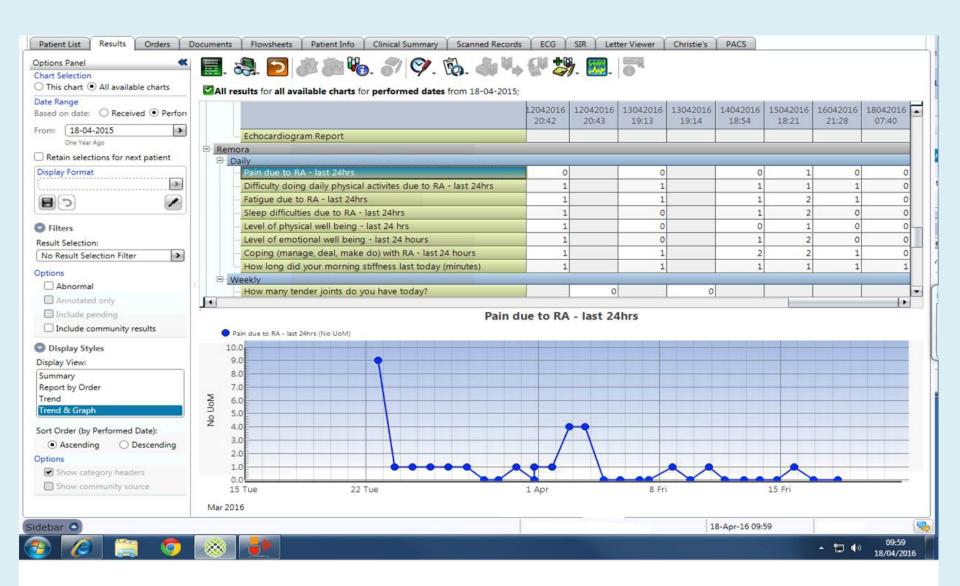
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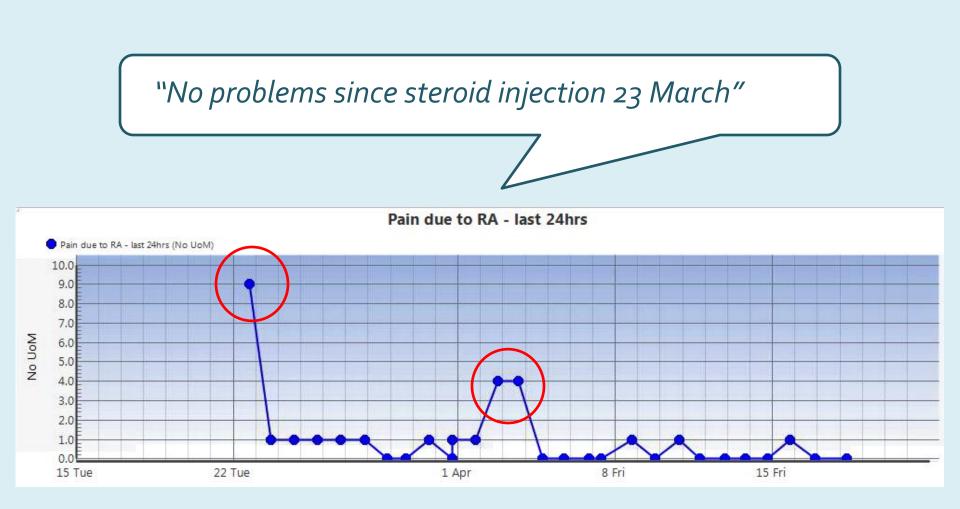








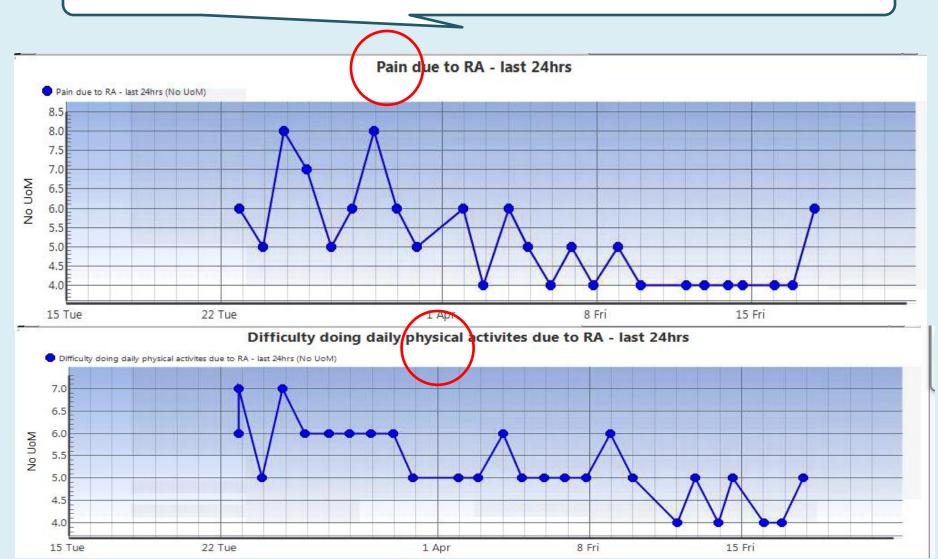




Post app use consultation

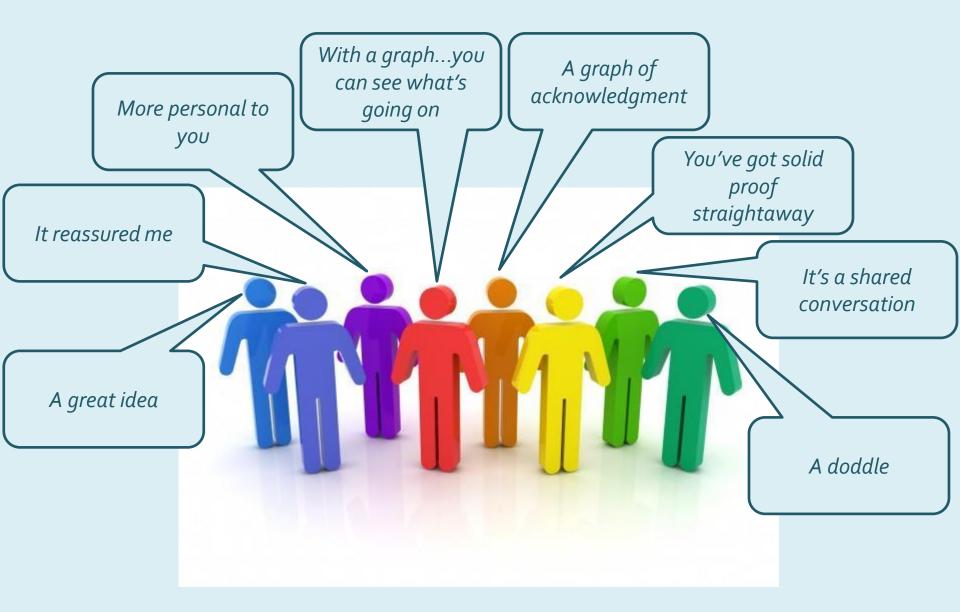


"No improvement in last month since restarting Tocilizumab"



Stage 2: Early feedback on using the app





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