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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This reviewer think that this study includes an interesting attempt. The detailed analysis for gait is valuable. However, this reviewer would like to show several concerns regarding this manuscript. Major 1. If the authors aim to provide analyzed data in this study as “reference” values, the participants should be selected more strictly. For example, “healthy” and “mature gait pattern” should be defined more exactly. And how gait speed of each individual was controlled during data collection? Inclusion and exclusion criteria in Table 1 seems to be inadequate obtain reference values. 2. It seems that difference in spatiotemporal parameters between males and females might partially depends on the difference in height, amount of muscle mass, and lower extremity morphology/alignment etc. To discuss the sex difference, match of height between males and females could be necessary at least. 3. This reviewer recommends the authors to add drawings that explain kinematics parameters in three joints. This help the readers with various specialties to understand the parameters at a glance. Minor 1.

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To certify the term “reference” in the title the following corrections are expected to be done by the authors. This reviewer think that the following explanations should be included in the method in the main manuscript including references 1-2. 'Healthy' refers to the maturity of gait patterns and adherence to the World Health Organization's normal weight criteria, excluding underweight and overweight populations. 'Mature gait pattern' typically emerges at the age of 7 in individuals1. However, after the age of 40, certain gait parameters, such as walking speed, tend to decline2. This study primarily focuses on university students whose age falls within the range associated with a mature gait pattern. This reviewer think that the following sentences including references also should be added in the discussion after shortening. We have selected three assessment tools to evaluate participants' physical activity functionality: 1. The development of the Foot and Ankle Ability Measure (FAAM) aims to fulfill the need for a self-report assessment tool that comprehensively evaluates the muscular and musculoskeletal function of the lower extremities, feet, and ankle joints3. 2. The Lysholm knee score, invented by Lysholm J, Gillquist J, and others in 1982, was initially used to assess joint functionality after knee ligament surgery4. A systematic review study concerning 41 knee scoring tools indicated that the Lysholm knee score is the most suitable evaluation instrument for general knee joint conditions and functionality5. 3. The Harris Hip Score (HHS) was developed to assess postoperative conditions after hip surgery and to evaluate different hip disorders in the adult population. It includes evaluations of pain, function, deformity, and mobility. The functional domain encompasses activities of daily living (using stairs, public transportation, sitting/standing, and putting on/taking off shoes and socks) and gait (limping, requiring support, and walking distance).
deformity domain observes hip flexion, adduction, internal rotation, and limb length discrepancy, while the mobility domain assesses hip range of motion. Therefore, the Harris Hip Score (HHS) is one of the most widely used measures for assessing health-related quality of life in hip pathology. The aforementioned three assessment tools have all been validated as responsive, reliable, and effective evaluation instruments, thereby supporting the definition of healthy and mature gait pattern. Meanwhile, we have consulted previous research on gait reference values for inclusion and exclusion criteria. For major 2 and 3, The authors responded adequately to my comments. Thank you. These additions improved the quality of this article. All minors concerns were responded adequately.