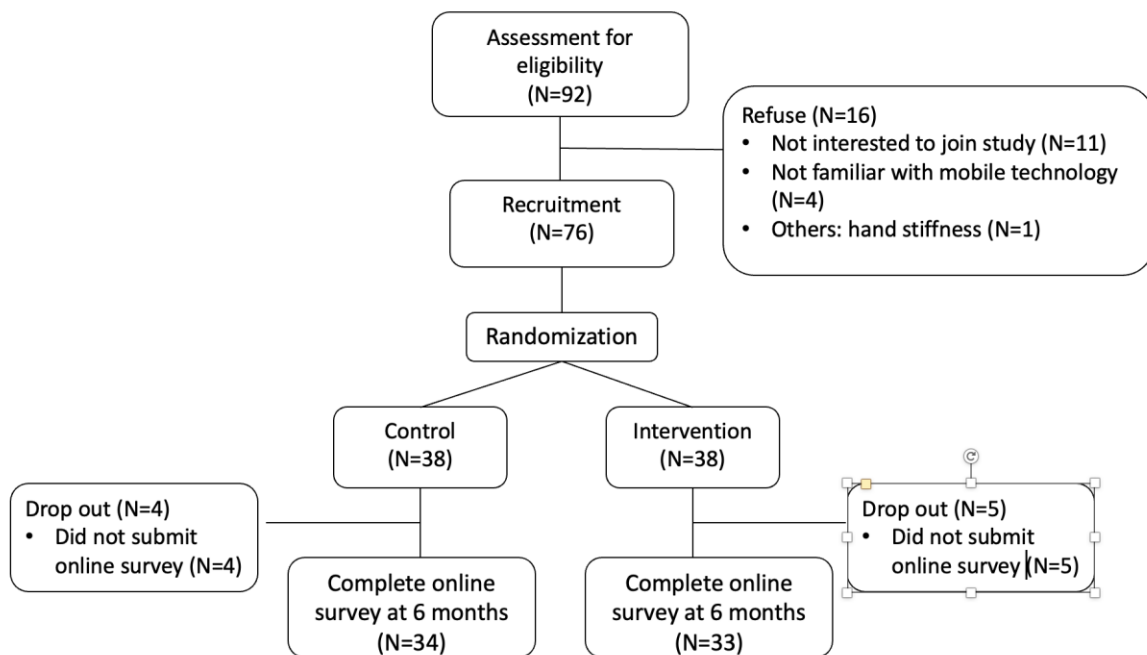


Participant Flow



Baseline Characteristic (mean \pm standard deviation (SD) / count (col %))^a

| | Intervention (n=38) | Control (n=38) | Total (n=76) | Mann Whitney U | X ² | P value |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|
| Age (years) | 61.0 \pm 8.8 | 63.1 \pm 8.3 | 62.1 \pm 8.6 | 610 | | 0.249 |
| Female | 27 (71.1%) | 20 (52.6%) | 47 (61.8%) | | 2.73 | 0.156 |
| Male | 11 (28.9%) | 18 (47.4%) | 29 (38.2%) | | | |
| Symptoms duration (months) | 5.2 \pm 2.9 | 3.6 \pm 2.6 | 4.42 \pm 2.9 | 430 | | 0.002 |
| Chronic illness | 30 (78.9%) | 33 (86.8%) | 63 (82.9%) | | 0.83 | 0.544 |
| Working class | 18 (47.4%) | 16 (42.1%) | 34 (44.7%) | | 0.21 | 0.818 |
| Hx injection | 2 (5.3%) | 5 (13.2%) | 7 (9.2%) | | 1.42 | 0.430 |
| Quickdash | 16.8 \pm 14.4 | 14.4 \pm 13.0 | 15.6 \pm 13.7 | 655 | | 0.487 |
| Quinelle | | | | | | |
| 0 | 24 (63.2%) | 26 (68.4%) | 50 (65.8%) | | 0.805 | |
| 1 | 13 (34.2%) | 10 (26.3%) | 23 (30.3%) | | | 0.708 |
| 2 | 1 (2.6%) | 2 (5.3%) | 3 (3.9%) | | | |
| NPRS | 0.61 \pm 0.9 | 0.71 \pm 0.9 | 0.66 \pm 0.9 | 673 | | 0.575 |

^a, continuous variables were compared between study group using the Mann Whitney U test; categorical variables were compared between study groups using the chi-square test.

Outcome measures:

Exercise log response rate and compliance rate from intervention group (mean \pm standard deviation (SD) / count (col %))

| Exercise log no. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | Total |
|--|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Week | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 20 | |
| No. of response to online exercise log N=33 | 25 | 30 | 30 | 31 | 28 | 28 | 28 | 26 | 28.6 ± 2.2 |
| Response rate (%) | 75.8 | 90.9 | 90.9 | 93.9 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 84.8 | 78.8 | 85.6 |
| Mean no. of exercise entries N=14 | 8.6 ± 5.7 | 10.4 ± 4.4 | 10.5 ± 4.5 | 11.0 ± 4.1 | 9.8 ± 5.4 | 9.3 ± 5.6 | 8.9 ± 5.5 | 8.5 ± 5.5 | 9.6 ± 5.1 |
| Compliance rate (%) | 61.4 | 74.3 | 75.0 | 78.6 | 70.0 | 66.4 | 63.6 | 60.7 | 68.6 |

Trigger finger outcomes at 6 months

| Outcome | | Intervention | Control | P value |
|----------------------------------|--------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|
| improvement | Same | 1 (3%) | 1 (2.9%) | 0.691 |
| | Better | 15 (45.5%) | 12 (35.3%) | |
| | Worse | 17 (51.5%) | 21 (61.8%) | |
| Recurrent of same finger | no | 11 (33.3%) | 10 (29.4%) | 0.734 |
| | yes | 22 (66.7%) | 24 (70.6%) | |
| Repeated injection | no | 26 (78.8%) | 30 (88.2%) | 0.297 |
| | yes | 7 (21.2%) | 4 (11.8%) | |
| New occurrence of trigger finger | no | 28 (84.8%) | 30 (88.2%) | 0.684 |
| | yes | 5 (15.2%) | 4 (11.8%) | |
| 6m grading | 0 | 8 (24.2%) | 9 (26.5%) | 0.817 |
| | 1 | 8 (24.2%) | 10 (29.4%) | |
| | 2 | 10 (30.3%) | 6 (17.6%) | |
| | 3 | 6 (18.2%) | 8 (23.5%) | |
| | 4 | 1 (3%) | 1 (2.9%) | |
| 6m NPRS | | 3.27 \pm 2.9 | 3.79 \pm 3.2 | 0.848 ^a |

^a Duration of symptoms as covariate

Adverse event

There were no adverse events associated with this study