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🌟 Exciting Research Opportunity: Virtual Reality Rehabilitation for SMA (Vrehab SMA) 🌟

Vrehab SMA is a research study exploring a new virtual reality as a gamified rehabilitation tool for individuals living with spinal muscular atrophy (SMA).
Led by Professor Servais and Charlotte Lilien in collaboration with biomedical engineers at the University of Oxford, this study invites young people living with SMA to participate in an innovative virtual reality experience at the University of Oxford.
Over six months, with just two on-site visits, individuals with SMA will engage in a specially designed virtual reality game tailored to each inidvidual's functional abilities. Throughout the process, a team of physiotherapists and biomedical engineers will provide expert monitoring and support.

- Who can participate?

Individuals living with SMA from 6-18 years of age, with parental consent as required (below 16 years of age).

- What does participation involve?
    - A pre-visit meeting comprising a questionnaire to assess functional abilities and brief medical history.
    - Two visits at the University of Oxford to engage in the virtual reality experience of 120 minutes each.
    - Satisfaction, experience and relevance questionnnaires.
    - A follow-up safety questionnaire after each visit.

This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to cutting-edge research while experiencing a new, engaging approach to rehabilitation!
Interested or just curious? To learn more about the study, please contact the research team

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🙌 ***Join us in shaping the future of rehabilitation for SMA!***