1. What is PEDro?
The Physiotherapy Evidence Database (or ‘PEDro’ for short) provides physiotherapists around the world with easy access to high-quality clinical research so they can practise and teach effectively. PEDro is a well-established, robust and trusted site that provides access to over 58,000 randomised controlled trials, systematic reviews and evidence-based clinical practice guidelines relevant to physiotherapy.

In 2022, users from over 200 countries performed a PEDro search every 7 seconds (over 3.8 million in total). PEDro is freely available to the global physiotherapy community and is used by students, researchers, educators, clinicians and policy makers.

All trials in PEDro are rated for quality using the PEDro scale. These ratings mean users can quickly and easily identify relevant and valid trials to guide their practice. As the body of physiotherapy research is growing rapidly, this has become even more important for busy clinicians and academics.

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