



ORS 2020 - Research Interest Group

F.A.I.R.ness and Credibility in Computational Biomechanics:

Introductory remark

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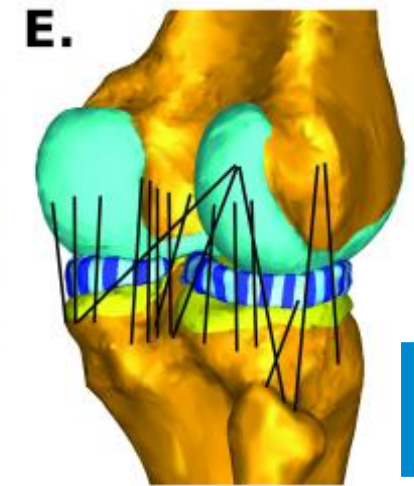
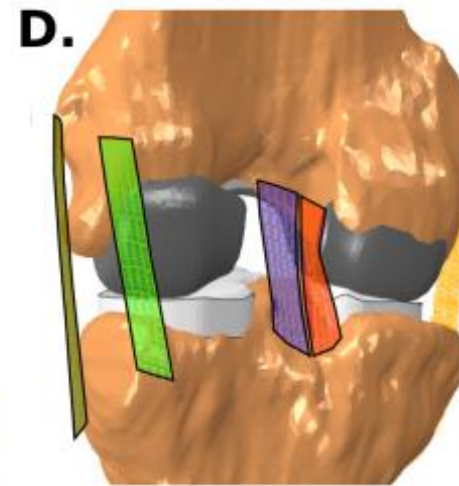
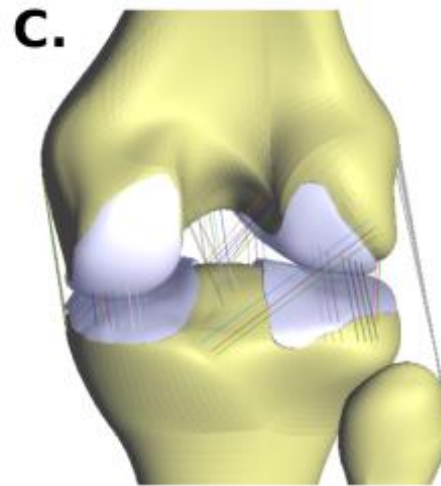
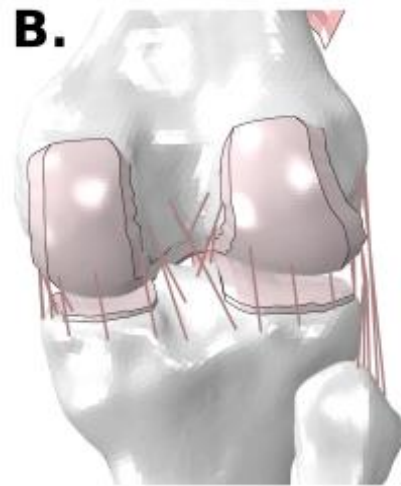
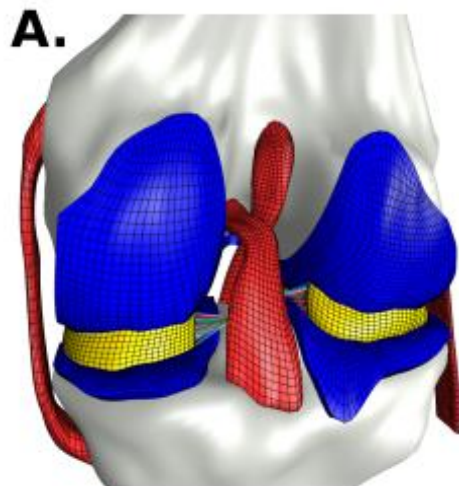
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Enhancing Reproducibility

NIH plans to enhance reproducibility

Francis S. Collins and Lawrence A. Tabak discuss initiatives that the US National Institutes of Health is exploring to restore the self-correcting nature of preclinical research.

- Reviewer checklist for sound study design
- Scientific premise in NIH Grants
- Greater transparency and data sharing

ANNOUNCEMENT

Reducing our irreproducibility

- Checklist for rigor in methods and statistics
- Increased space for methods
- Include numbers populating figures



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Reproducibility in simulation-based prediction of natural knee mechanics

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- Are knee models reproducible?

<https://simtk.org/projects/kneehub>



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Overarching Question

- Do the predictions of natural knee biomechanics depend on the modeling decisions of separate development teams when using the same target simulation scenarios and source data to build models?

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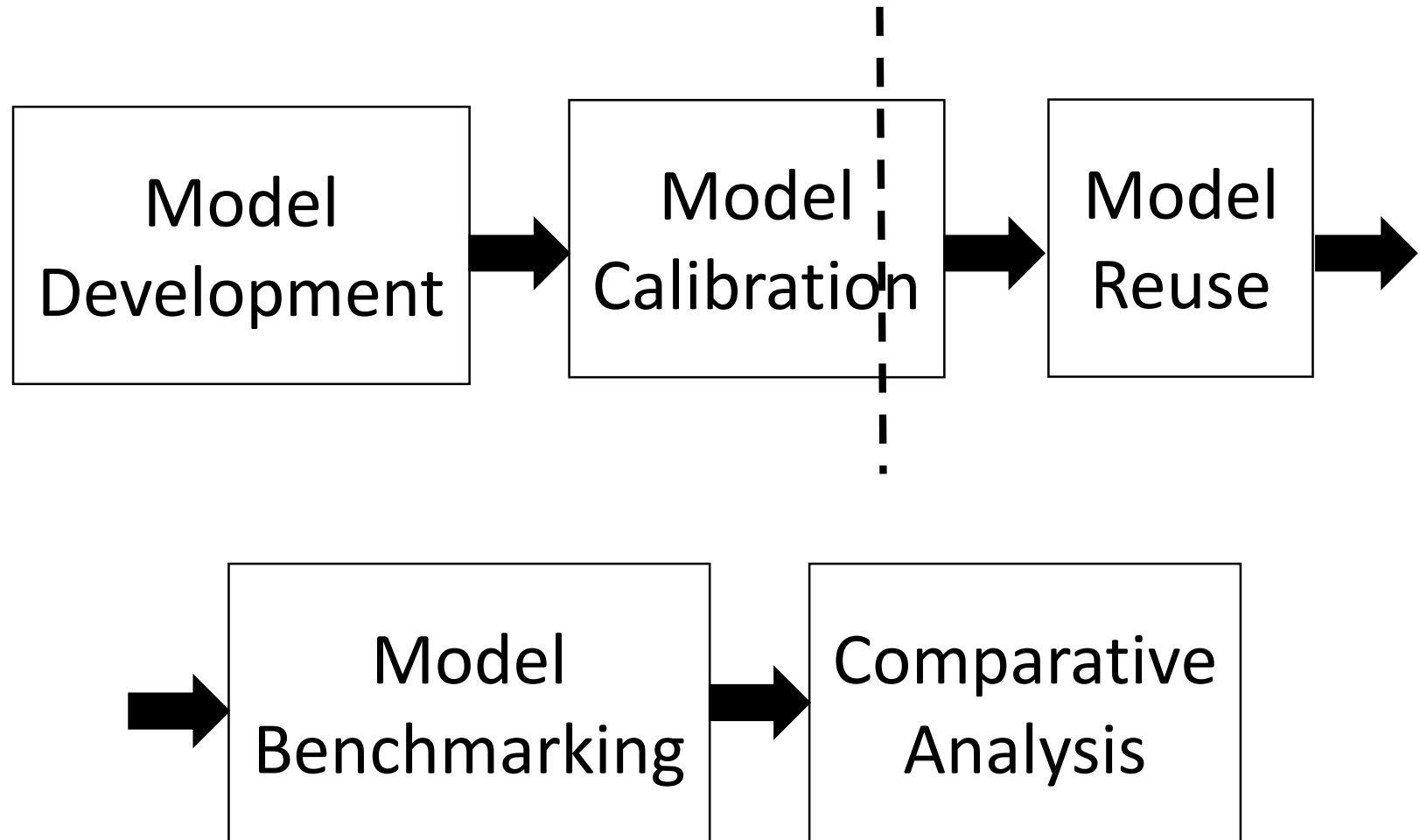
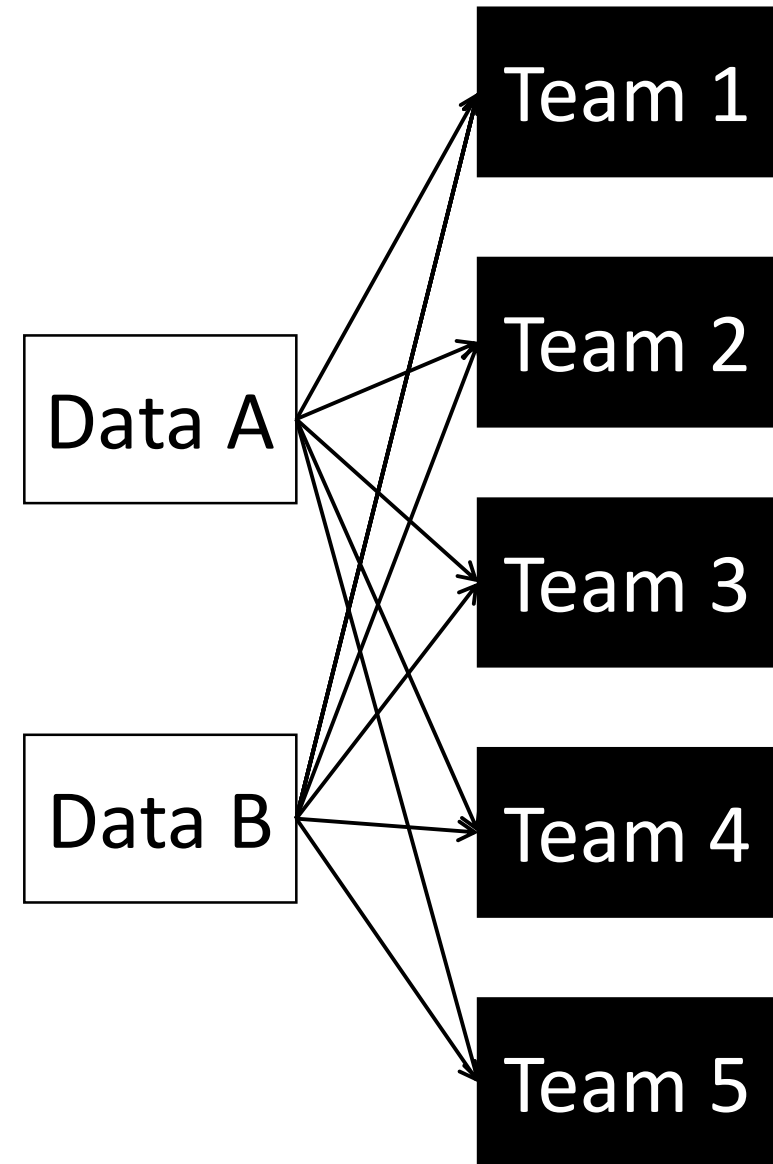
Deciphering the “Art” in Modeling and Simulation of the Knee Joint: Overall Strategy

Recent explorations of knee biomechanics have benefited from computational modeling, specifically leveraging advancements in finite element analysis and rigid body dynamics of joint and tissue mechanics. A large number of models have emerged with different levels of fidelity in anatomical and mechanical representation. Adapted modeling and simulation processes vary widely, based on justifiable choices in relation to anticipated use of the model. However, there are situations where modelers' decisions seem to be subjective, arbitrary, and difficult to rationalize. Regardless of the basis, these decisions form the “art” of modeling, which impact the conclusions of simulation-based studies on knee function. These decisions may also hinder the reproducibility of models and simulations, impeding their broader use in areas such as clinical decision making and personalized medicine. This document summarizes an ongoing project that aims to capture the modeling and simulation workflow in its entirety—operation procedures, deviations, models, by-products of modeling, simulation results, and comparative evaluations of case studies and applications. The ultimate goal of the project is to delineate the art of a cohort of knee modeling teams through a publicly accessible, transparent approach and begin to unravel the complex array of factors that may lead to a lack of reproducibility. This manuscript outlines our approach along with progress made so far. Potential implications on reproducibility, on science, engineering, and training of modeling and simulation, on modeling standards, and on regulatory affairs are also noted.

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Keywords: computational modeling, reproducibility, knee biomechanics, finite element analysis, joint mechanics, tissue mechanics

Research Plan



Reproducibility in simulation-based prediction of natural knee mechanics

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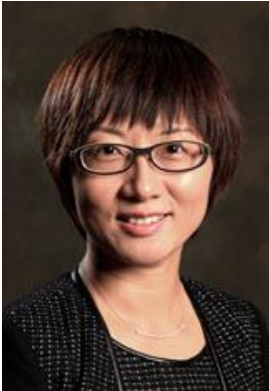
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Reproducibility in Modeling and Simulation



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5 Minute Flash Opinions



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- Inadequate model sharing is the biggest hurdle to reproducibility
- First, one must define what outputs you are trying to reproduce



Nico Verdonschot, Ph.D.
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- We must understand how to interpret model predictions
- Ranking outputs may be more valuable than actual magnitude



Jeffrey Bischoff, Ph.D.
Zimmer Biomet

- Complexity and high number of model parameters may hinder reproducibility
- Reproducibility depends on skill of modeler

2019 Workshop: Survey Summary



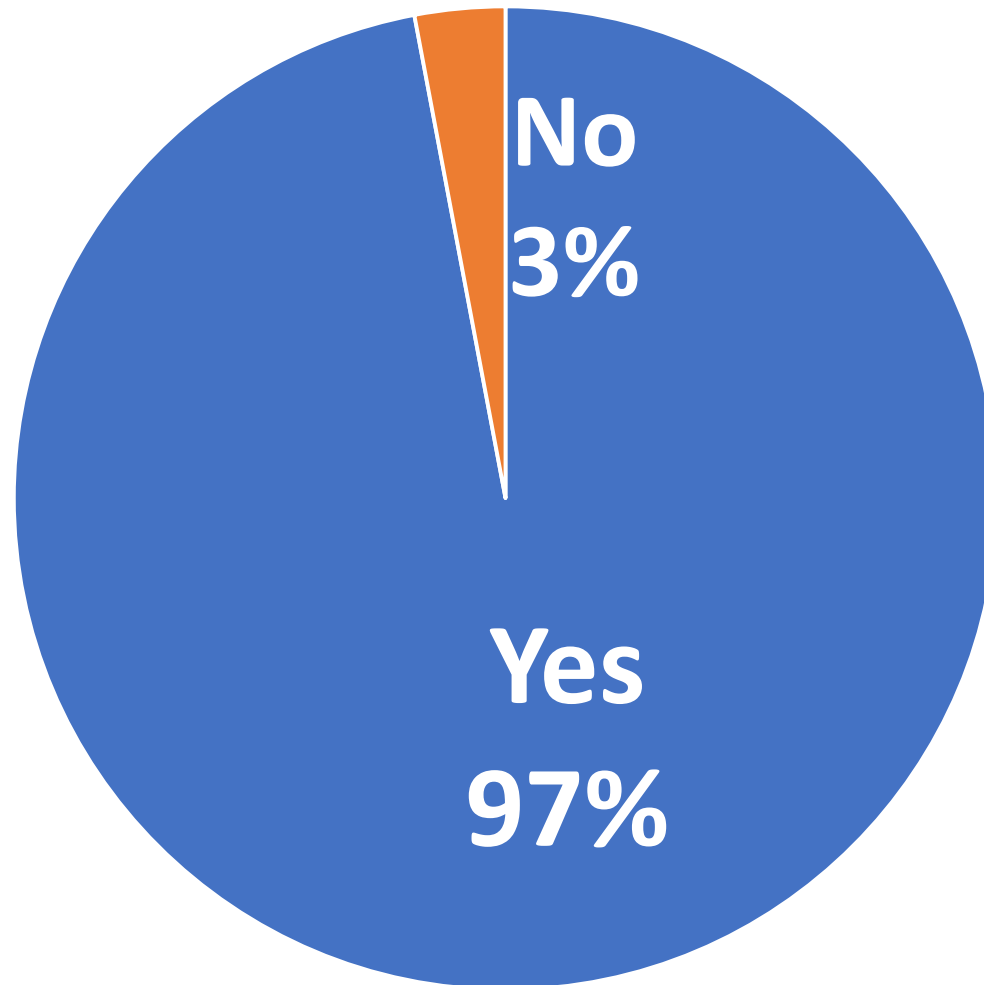
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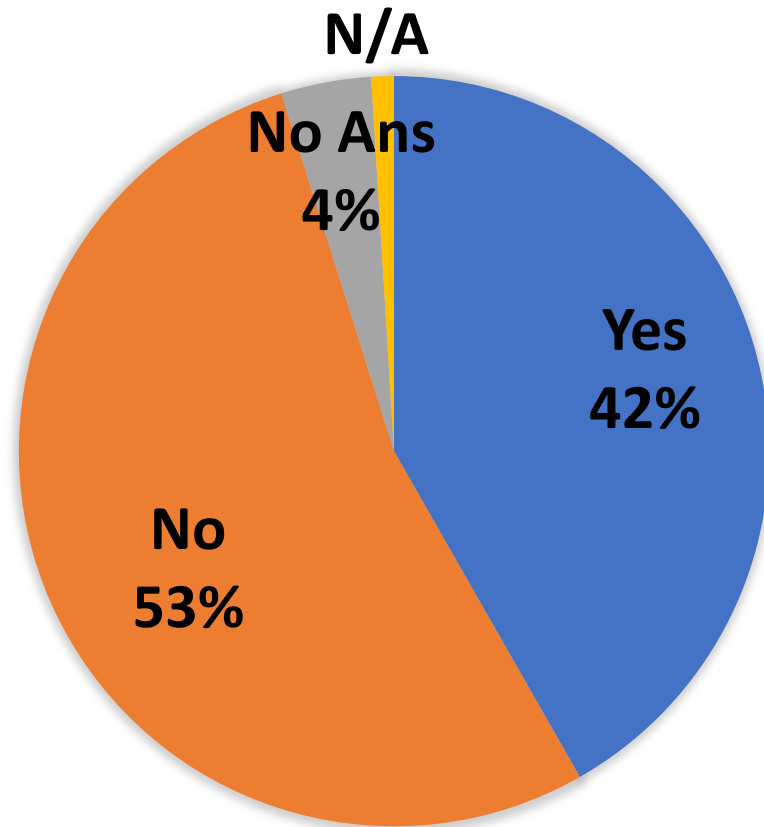


**102 surveys
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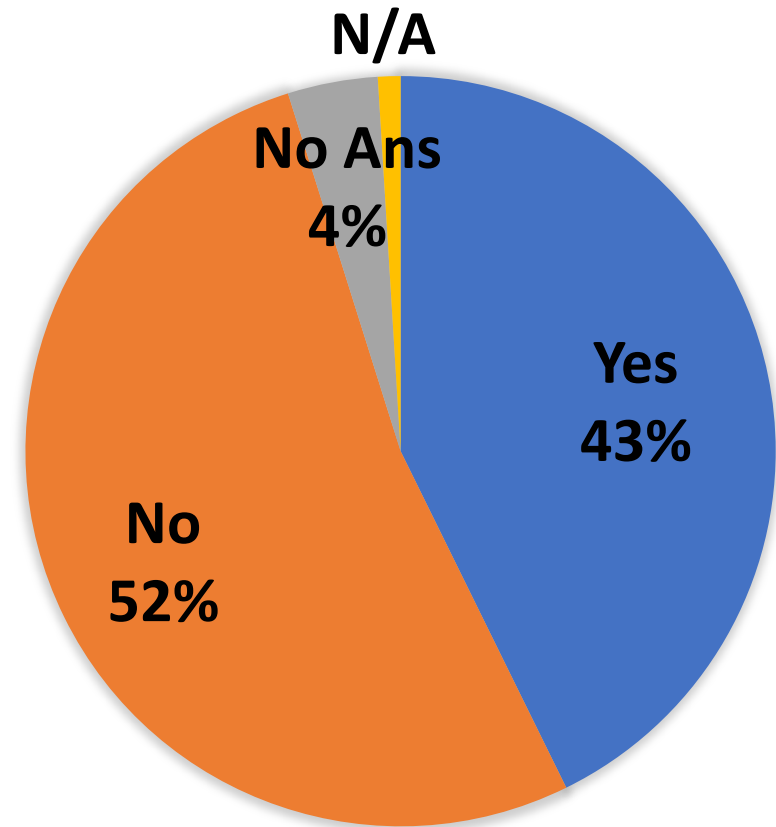
Do you consider reproducibility of Knee M&S to
be an important issue?



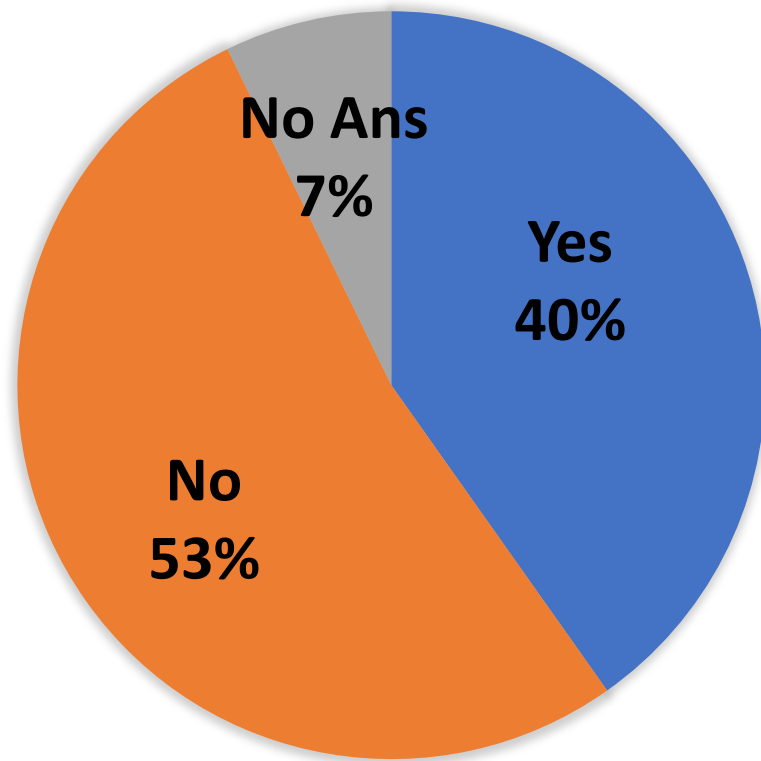
Does your lab have
established procedures for
reproducibility?



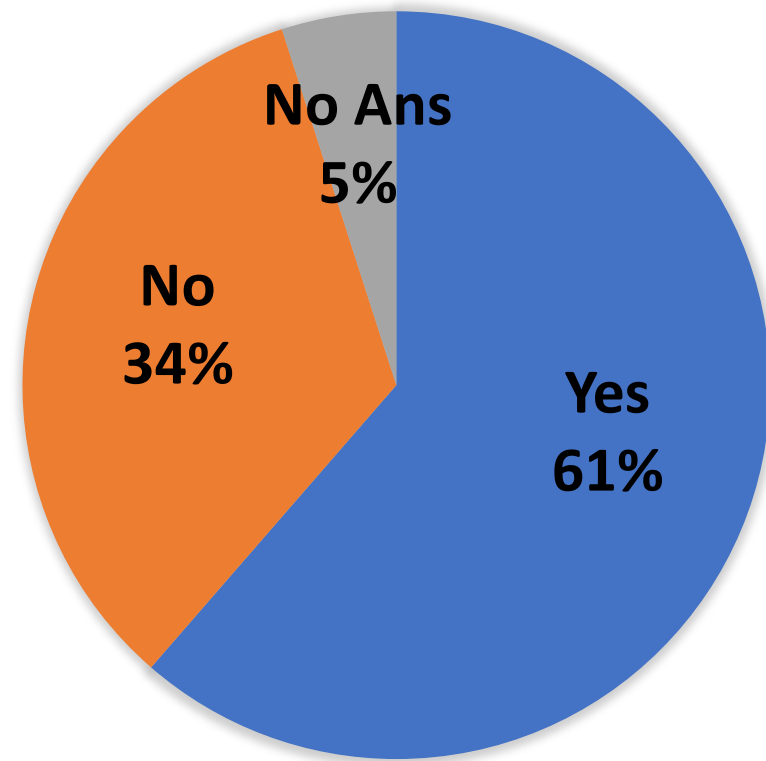
Have you tried to
reproduce the work of
others and failed?



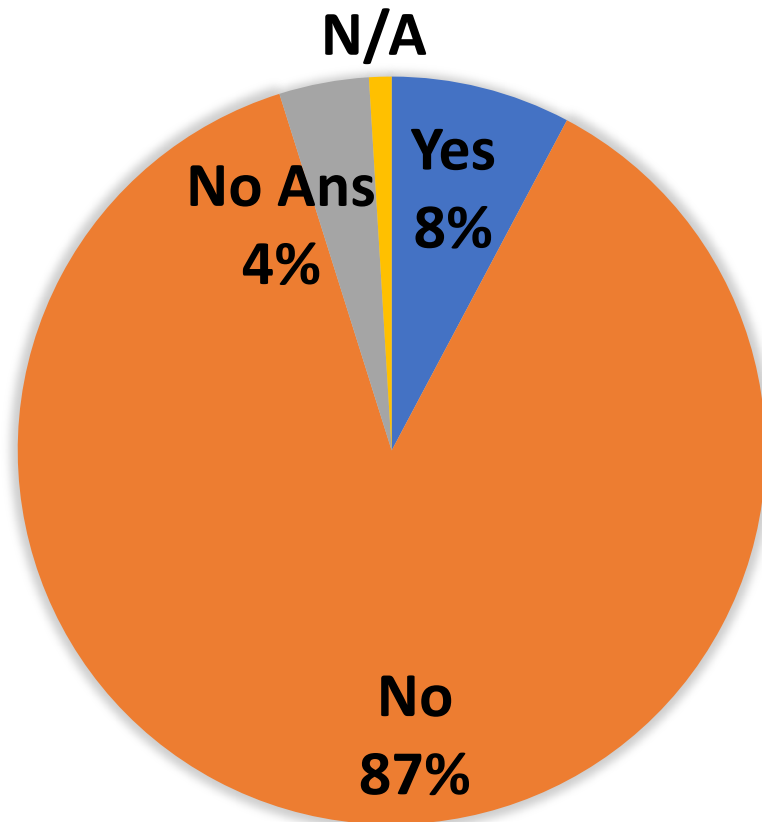
Do you think rigorous rules
for reproducibility in Knee
M&S will hinder
progress/innovation?



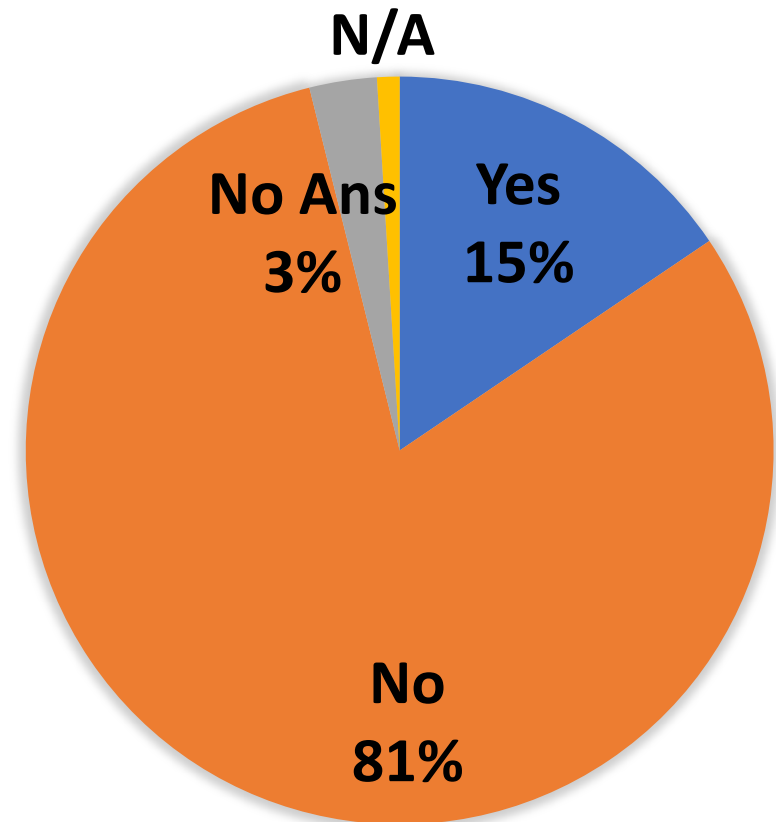
Should all Knee M&S
publications provide access to
primary (raw) data and
modelling code?



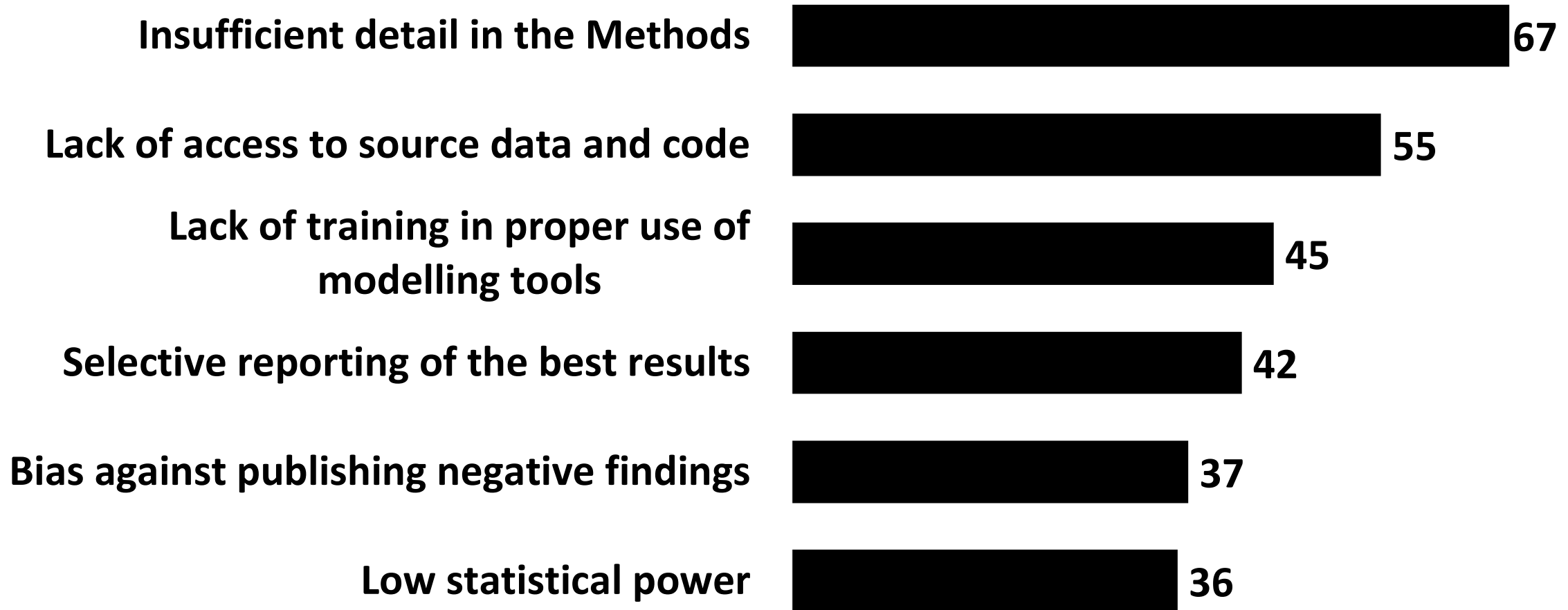
Have you ever tried to
publish a reproduction
attempt?



Have you ever been
contacted by another lab
that has tried to reproduce
your work?



What are the biggest causes of irreproducibility in Knee M&S, in your opinion?



Out of 102

What aspect of developing a knee model do you find hardest to reproduce?



M&S community in ORS 2020



54 poster presentations



5 podium presentation

Goals of this RIG

- To promote computational modeling as an indispensable tool in orthopaedics research
- To identify resources for more unified and effective computational modeling in orthopaedics
- To build a community of modelers in orthopaedics

What will happen in the next two hours?

- Talk: *F.A.I.R.ness and Credibility in Computational model*
- Panel Discussion
- Filling the feedback form

Thank
you!

