

# Reliability and validity of the Turkish version of the Performance-Oriented Mobility Assessment I

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**Abstract** The Performance-Oriented Mobility Assessment (POMA)-I is widely used assessment tool for evaluation of balance and gait properties. The aim of this study was to translate POMA-I to Turkish and to assess its reliability and validity. People with amputated

lower extremities using prosthetics, those who underwent orthopedic surgery within the last 6 months, those dependent on wheel chairs and also bed-ridden patients, subjects with dementia and Alzheimer's disease, and illiterate people were excluded. After translation into Turkish, the Turkish version of the scale was applied on the participants at 2-week intervals. Volunteers  $\geq 65$  years of age were enrolled in the study. Internal consistencies of POMA subscale scores of postural balance and gait, and total score were calculated using Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficient. The Turkish version was evaluated with respect to inter- and intrarater reliability and test-retest reliability intra-class correlation coefficient (ICC). For validation, Pearson's correlation coefficient between POMA and Berg Balance Scale (BBS) and Timed Up and Go Test (TUGT) was estimated. Eighty participants enrolled in the study with a mean age of  $76.5 \pm 6.75$  years. In the reliability evaluation of the scale, considering postural balance, gait, and total score, Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficients were found to be 0.72, 0.83, and 0.88, respectively. ICCs were detected above 0.70 for test-retest reliability and also for interrater and intrarater reliability. In validation study POMA total score had a strong positive correlation with BBS total score ( $r=0.86$ ,  $p<0.0001$ ), and also a negative correlation with TUGT ( $r=-0.75$ ,  $p<0.0001$ ). According to the results of this study, the Turkish version of the POMA-I scale has been found to be a reliable and a valid scale for elderly Turkish people.

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## Introduction

Age-related impairments in balance and postural control affect the safe performance of daily activities, and they are the primary reasons responsible for falls [1, 2]. Every year an average of 28–35% of the community-living older people (>65 years) are experiencing falls. This incidence increases to 50% up to 80 years of age. Falls are responsible for 10% of admissions to emergency rooms, and 6% of hospitalizations in people aged  $\geq 65$  years [3–6].

In many studies, risk factors for falls have been determined. These are classified as intrinsic and extrinsic factors. Muscular weakness of the lower extremities, decreased grip force, impaired postural balance, functional, and cognitive disorders, and visual problems constitute intrinsic factors, while extrinsic factors consist of multiple drug use ( $\geq 4$  drugs) and environmental factors such as inadequate illumination, slippery floors, and lack of safety equipments in bathrooms. Besides, a decrease in the ability to perform daily living activities and usage of walking aids contribute to the frequency of falls [3, 5, 7].

Tests and functional scales used in proportion to variations in risk factors for falls, and excess numbers of components of postural control are also numerous [8]. One of these scales [Performance-Oriented Mobility Assessment (POMA)-I, see Appendix 1] was developed by Tinetti in 1986 so as to determine the risk of falls [9]. Within a few years (1986–1994), Tinetti made some modifications in the components of POMA to be used as an outcome measure in her research population, developed, tested, and released its various versions [1, 9–14]. Some maneuvers were included or excluded in compliance with the conditions of the population under investigation. These inclusions and exclusions were agreed upon in consideration of consensus among raters.

One of the most widely used versions of POMA is POMA-I or the Tinetti Assessment of Balance and Gait Scale. The POMA-I is used to evaluate older people's ability to maintain postural balance and gait, to identify required interventions to remedy existing disabilities or to document the response to the treatment applied. It is composed of two separate categories as balance and gait tests [15–19]. Balance and gait are evaluated with nine and eight items, respectively. Total score of balance category consists of sitting balance, balance on arising to stand, immediate standing balance (within first 5 s), standing balance, maintenance of balance when nudged, standing balance while eyes closed, balance when the subject turns  $360^\circ$  around him/herself,

and tries to sit down from standing position is 16 points. Total score of the gait category which evaluates initiation of gait, step length and height, step symmetry and continuity deviation from a specified path, sways of patient's trunk, and the position of heels while walking is 28 points. As a result, the total score of the scale amounts to 28 points. The highest score indicates the best performance [10]. The aims of this study are both to translate the original English version POMA-I scale into Turkish and also ensure its cross-cultural adaptation by the Turkish population in order to establish its validity and reliability.

## Material and method

Etiler Nursing and Rest Home residents and attendants of the older people referred to our clinics (total  $n=80$ ; aged  $\geq 65$  years) who consented to participate were included in the study. Written informed consent was obtained from all participants. People with amputated lower extremities using prosthetic leg(s), those who underwent orthopedic surgery within the last 6 weeks, those dependent on wheel chairs and also bed-ridden patients, subjects with dementia and Alzheimer's disease demonstrating difficulty in understanding commands, and illiterate people were excluded from the study.

### Evaluation parameters

In the first examination, age, gender, educational level, occupation, existing diseases of the participants, walking aids used, and the number of falls within the last 6 months were recorded. Ambulatory status of the patients was evaluated using functional ambulation classification (FAC). FAC classifies ambulation in six separate levels as: level 0—nonfunctional ambulation and level 5—ambulator-independent ambulation [20]. Self-assessment scale of well-being evaluated health status of individuals on a five-item scale as: (1) I feel myself very well, (2) my general health status is fine, (3) my health state is of moderate degree, (4) I feel myself sick, and (5) I feel myself very sick.

Balance scale (Berg Balance Scale—BBS) was used for evaluation of balance, and also Timed Up and Go Test (TUGT) was used for measurement of functional mobility. BBS has been developed to be used for the evaluation of functional balance in older people, and it is efficiently employed in many fields of rehabilitation [15, 21, 22]. The BBS scale has been developed with

the consideration of its fundamental role in the maintenance of different bodily postures during activities of daily life, self-driven spontaneous response to voluntary movements of the trunk and extremities, and postural control. It consists of 14 items. Scoring is done on 5 points allocated according to the ability of the individual to perform tasks independently and/or within a specified time interval. Scores range from 0 (inability to perform the task) to 4 points (ability to achieve the task independently within specified time interval), and total score varies between 0 and 56 points [15, 16, 18–19, 21–23]. The BBS scale can be used also for stroke patients and cases with Parkinson's disease or cerebral injuries, in addition to patients at fall risk [17, 23, 24]. The validity and reliability of the Turkish version of this scale which has received a global acceptance in the field of rehabilitation have been already established [23].

TUGT is an easy-to-use balance and gait scale not requiring professional expertise and training. In this test the patient sits in a armchair with a stiff back support whose seat is about 46 cm above the floor. A marker is placed 3 m away from the chair. The patient is told to stand from the sitting position, walk to the marker 3 m away, and then turn around and walk back to the chair, and sit down without hesitation. The time passed during this maneuver is recorded [25–27].

#### Translation of the original scale into Turkish

Translation and cultural adaptation phases of the Turkish version of the scale were utilized according to previously published articles of Guillemin et al., Beaton et al., and recommendations of the EORTC Quality of Life Group [8, 28, 29].

At the first step POMA scale was translated independently into Turkish by two native Turkish speakers with a good command of English. Differences between these two Turkish translations were eliminated by a native speaker Turkish physiatrist with a good command of English, and a common Turkish version was formulated. At the second step, the Turkish version was retranslated into English by two native English speakers with a good command of Turkish. Differences between two translated texts were eliminated, and a satisfactory concordance between the Turkish and the original English version was ensured.

#### Cultural adaptation

After completion of the translation process, the Turkish version was evaluated by eight psychiatrists, and ineligible

guidelines were pinpointed and reported by each physiatrist individually. Two experienced psychiatrists with a good command of English reevaluated ineligible guidelines and made appropriate modifications. The resultant translation was accepted as the final format of the Turkish version.

#### Reliability study

For the reliability study, the final Turkish version of POMA scale was applied on 80 participants. To establish its interrater reliability, 20 participants were randomized out of 80 and were tested the same day at 15–30-min intervals by two separate assessors. To determine intrarater reliability, 20 participants were randomized out of 80 and were evaluated by the same assessor two times (in the morning and afternoon) in the same day. For the determination of test–retest reliability, all participants were reevaluated 2 weeks after the first assessment.

#### Validation study

For construct validity, correlation of the Turkish version of POMA with BBS and TUGT was examined.

#### Statistical evaluation

Data obtained from this study were analyzed using SPSS 13.0 Statistical Package program. For the evaluation of demographic characteristics of the participants, descriptive statistical methods (means, standard deviation) were used. Internal consistency and inter- and intrarater reliability of the scale were estimated by using Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficient and intraclass correlation coefficient (ICC), respectively. ICC was calculated for the evaluation of test–retest reliability of the scale. Construct validity of the scale with BBS and TUGT was evaluated by using Pearson's correlation. The results were assessed at a significance level of  $p < 0.05$  with a 95% confidence interval.

## Results

Eighty participants (64 women, 16 men) were enrolled in the study. Mean age of the participants including 43 housewives and 27 pensioners was  $76.5 \pm 6.75$  years (min 65 years, max 95 years). Educational levels of the participants were as follows: primary school ( $n = 35$ ; 43.8%), high school ( $n = 27$ ; 33.8%), and university

( $n=4$ ; 5%). Sixteen participants (20%) had not ever attended a school, but all of them were literate. Participants were living in their own homes ( $n=31$ , 38.8%), in an intimate's home ( $n=3$ , 3.8%), or in a nursing home ( $n=46$ , 57.5%).

A medical problem was not encountered in seven participants. The remaining 73 participants had at least one and at most five concomitant diseases. The most frequently seen conditions were hypertension ( $n=42$ ), heart disease ( $n=21$ ), osteoarthritis (total  $n=16$ ; hip prosthesis  $n=6$ , knee prosthesis  $n=2$ ), and osteoporosis ( $n=14$ ). Other concomitant conditions reported in participants were thyroid diseases, hyperlipidemia, cerebrovascular disease, cataract, epilepsy, vertigo, benign prostatic hyperplasia, Parkinson's disease, renal failure, and pulmonary disease. When evaluated according to FAC, majority ( $n=51$ , 63.8%) of the participants were fully independent (level 5). Nine subjects (11.3%, level 4) were independently ambulatory on a level floor, 13 patients (16.3%, level 3) were dependent under supervision. The remaining seven individuals (8.8%, level 2) were dependent on an assistant permanently or occasionally. Of the participants 76.3% evaluated their general health status as well or moderate.

Fifty-six (70%) participants did not use any walking aids, while the remaining participants used canes ( $n=20$ ; 25%), Lofstrand ( $n=3$ ; 3.6%), and walkers ( $n=1$ ; 1.2%). When the number of falls occurring within the last 6 months were interrogated, 58 (72.5%) of them did not mention any incident of fall, while 13 participants (16.3%) reported one fall incident. Scores assigned to the participants based on assessment scales during their first examinations were shown in Table 1.

The Cronbach's  $\alpha$  value estimated for internal consistency in the reliability test was above 0.70 for balance, gait, and total score (Table 2). Estimated inter- and intrarater ICC values for balance, gait, and total scores of the POMA scale were still above 0.70 (Table 3). Test-retest reliability analyses were per-

**Table 1** Scores allocated to the participants

	Minimum	Maximum	Mean $\pm$ standard error
POMA balance	6.00	16.00	14.6 $\pm$ 2.4
POMA gait	5.00	12.00	11.1 $\pm$ 1.5
POMA total	11.0	28.00	25.6 $\pm$ 3.6
BBS	13.00	56.00	49.4 $\pm$ 8.3
TUGT	6.93	36.00	12.9 $\pm$ 5.5

**Table 2** Internal consistency of the POMA scale

	Cronbach's $\alpha$
POMA balance	0.83
POMA gait	0.72
POMA total	0.88

formed for each item of the scale, and ICCs of the total score and subscale scores of balance and gait were calculated (Table 4).

ICCs estimated in the balance subscale for attempts to stand up from a sitting position (item 3), turn around 360° (item 8), in the walking subscale for step length and height (items 2,3), step symmetry (item 4), step continuity (item 5), and walk stance (item 8) ranged between 0.63 and 0.66, while ICCs were above 0.70 for other items. Total score was found to be 0.99. Construct validity was evaluated by using Pearson's correlation. POMA total score had strong positive correlation with BBS total score ( $r=0.86$ ,  $p<0.0001$ ), and also negative correlation with TUGT ( $r=-0.75$ ,  $p<0.0001$ ; Table 5).

## Discussion

Since balance is a multifactorial function, a single test cannot be sufficient for its evaluation. Different types of tests measure diverse aspects of postural control. Balance tests can be grouped based on their types. Static standing balance tests evaluate maintenance of balanced state while standing on different support platforms. However dynamic standing balance tests evaluate continuity of balanced state during movements requiring weight transfer [16, 29]. Sensorial manipulation tests assess various positions of the trunk and head, eye movements, and also limitations imposed on visual, vestibular, and somatosensorial functions. However tests evaluating functional balance are related to

**Table 3** Inter- and intrarater reliability

	Interrater intraclass correlation coefficient (95% CI)	Intrarater intraclass correlation coefficient (95% CI)
POMA balance	0.86 (0.69–0.94)	0.92 (0.83–0.97)
POMA gait	0.80 (0.58–0.91)	0.75 (0.48–0.89)
POMA total	0.86 (0.69–0.94)	0.90 (0.78–0.96)

**Table 4** Test–retest reliability

POMA	Test–retest reliability Intraclass correlation coefficient (95% CI)
Balance 1	1.00
Balance 2	0.88 (0.83–0.92)
Balance 3	0.65 (0.51–0.76)
Balance 4	0.79 (0.70–0.86)
Balance 5	0.70 (0.57–0.80)
Balance 6	0.76 (0.65–0.84)
Balance 7	0.74 (0.62–0.82)
Balance 8	0.65 (0.51–0.76)
Balance 9	0.84 (0.77–0.90)
Balance total	0.88 (0.83–0.92)
Gait 10	1.00
Gait 11	0.65 (0.50–0.76)
Gait 12	0.66(0.51–0.76)
Gait 13	0.66 (0.52–0.77)
Gait 14	0.64 (0.49–0.75)
Gait 15	0.79 (0.69–0.86)
Gait 16	0.94 (0.92–0.96)
Gait 17	0.63 (0.48–0.74)
Gait total	0.92 (0.87–0.94)
POMA total	0.94 (0.90–0.95)

the scales of mobility and gait, sitting and standing, walking, and stepping over objects which involve ability to perform tasks requiring mobility of the body as a whole [16]. POMA is one of the functional scales used to assess fall risk and functions of postural balance which had been developed firstly in a study where falls had been evaluated prospectively [9].

Before the development of POMA, conventional approaches for the evaluation of mobility disorders were focused on either standard neuromuscular assessment methods (i.e., manual muscle test) or analytic estimations such as computerized gait analyses, while

**Table 5** Correlations of the POMA with Berg Balance Scale and Timed Up and Go Test

	Berg Balance Scale	Tmed Up and Go Test
POMA balance	$r=0.840$ $p<0.0001$	$r=-0.675$ $p<0.0001$
POMA gait	$r=0.770$ $p<0.0001$	$r=-0.772$ $p<0.0001$
POMA total	$r=0.866$ $p<0.0001$	$r=-0.759$ $p<0.0001$

performance ability of the individuals was not rated. Tinetti proposed an assessment method based on direct observation of composite maneuvers involving ability of the individual to move safely within the boundaries of his/her vicinity. This method examines components of mobility which an individual might strive hard to perform during his/her daily living activities, and >investigates responses to varying degrees of difficulties imposed by certain maneuvers and at the same time helps to determine potential regulatory interventions such as organization of exercises and/or correction of domestic conditions so as to increase patient's mobility [1, 9, 10]. POMA is an easy-to-use evaluation scale which can be completed after a few trials within less than 15 min and requires not more than a chair and a chronometer [30].

As is the case in other fields of rehabilitation, to obtain accurate and objective measurements from functional scales used in the evaluation of fall risks and balance impairments, these scales should have certain clinometric properties [8, 15, 31]. Reliability, validity, and sensitivity to change lead the way among these required characteristics. Implementation of the scales for diverse population groups requires, in addition to accurate translation cross-cultural validity, interpretation of the original scale in easily comprehensible terms for the target population and culture [8, 15, 31, 32]. During the process of cultural adaptation phase implemented after the Turkish translation of POMA, appropriateness of the terms used was examined. At this phase the translation of item 7 (“eyes closed at maximum position #6”) of the balance subscale posed a problem. At item 6 standing balance against a slight nudging is tested, and testing of the item 7 is required in case the subject has obtained the best score from testing in item 6. Therefore if the item 7 is translated into Turkish merely as “gözler kapalı (eyes closed),” it might mean testing individual's balance against nudging while eyes closed. However when the Tinetti's original text is reviewed, this item does not test individual's balance when his/hes eyes closed, but it evaluates his/her standing balance. Therefore the translation of the item 7 was corrected as “standing balance while eyes closed.” In the English version of the scale, measurement units “inch” and “feet” are used. When these units are converted to centimeters and meters used in our country, whole numbers cannot be obtained. Therefore complying with the recommendations of the translation committee, values were expressed in both measurement units, and included in the relevant items in order to be faithful to the original version and render the scale more comprehensible.



Interrelated items of the scale assessing the same functional parameters (i.e., gait or balance) and each item which represents the conceptual frame to be evaluated in a way demonstrate internal consistency of the scale [33]. In our study, internal consistency of balance and gait subscales of POMA was calculated using Cronbach's  $\alpha$  coefficient which was 0.83 for balance, 0.72 for gait subscales, and 0.88 for the total score. These estimates demonstrate improved internal consistency of the POMA scale. In the literature any study estimating the internal consistency of POMA scale has not been encountered.

With prolongation of life expectancies, individuals are living longer senescent periods. Since during this relatively longer duration of time the elder people will be probably monitored by different physicians at various time spans, intra- and interrater reliabilities of the scales used should be established. POMA was firstly developed in 1986, and it was then applied on 15 ambulatory participants by two separate assessors and interrater reliability was evaluated. These two assessors were  $\geq 90\%$  in consensus for the scores assigned to the participants [9, 10, 15]. Besides, the POMA scores assigned to the patients were found to be correlated with parameters of musculoskeletal system and neurologic variables (muscular strength of the lower extremities, lumbar extension, neck examination findings, and self-reported mobility status of the patients). In our study, we calculated intraclass correlation coefficient for the study of inter- and intrarater reliability studies, and determined intrarater ICC values for subscale scores of balance (0.86), gait (0.80), and total score (0.86), respectively. ICC values of  $\geq 0.70$  are acceptable, and the values we obtained prove the reliability of the Turkish version [34]. In three separate studies involving old population where interrater reliability was tested, higher interrater ICC values of 0.75 and 0.97 were found [30, 35–37]. Another study reported higher ICC values ( $>0.80$ ) for both intra- and interrater reliability of the POMA scale in Parkinson's disease [38]. In patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, intra- and interrater reliability of the balance subscale were found to be excellent as assessed by ICCs ( $>0.90$ ) [39].

The Test–retest reliability method means testing the scale used at short or long intervals depending on the components of the scale. For tests evaluating physical performance, instrument usage, and measurement of strength, this time interval should be at least 7 days. For test–retest correlation, usage of intraclass correlation method is advised. The test–retest correlation coefficient should be at least 0.80. Some authors reported that a reliability coefficient of 0.70 might be sufficient [34]. In related articles, ICC values for test–retest reliability of

POMA scale were found to be 0.88 [36] and 0.93 [40] for total and balance subscale scores, respectively. In our study ICC values for test–retest reliability were above 0.80 (for balance subscale scores 0.88, CI 95% 0.83–0.92; gait subscale scores 0.92, CI 95% 0.87–0.94; and total score 0.94, CI 95% 0.90–0.95).

To demonstrate the validity of POMA scale, the BBS scale developed for the assessment of balance impairment in the elderly with its proven validity and reliability of the Turkish version was used [21–23]. A very significant positive correlation was noted between POMA and BBS total scores ( $r=0.86$ ) and also balance ( $r=0.84$ ) and gait ( $r=0.77$ ) subscale scores. Previous studies conducted by Berg et al. [22, 23] also arrived at a similar conclusion ( $r=0.91$ ).

TUGT is used widely in the assessment and monitorization of functional mobility in the elderly. In our study, as an another indicator of validity, the correlation between POMA and TUGT scale which is an important tool in the evaluation of risks of fall and can be used in the assessment and monitorization of functional mobility, was investigated. A very significant negative correlation was found between total score, and also balance and gait subscales of POMA with the corresponding parameters of TUGT. This negative correlation means that in case of improvement of postural balance of the individual, higher POMA scores are obtained together with decreased time intervals required for the performance of TUGT tasks. Similarly, in a study conducted by Faber et al. [30], a significant association was found between TUGT and POMA total scores ( $r=-0.68$ ), balance ( $r=-0.66$ ), and gait subscale scores ( $r=-0.56$ ). Also, in a study conducted by Cho et al. [41] a significant negative correlation was detected between total scores of POMA and TUGT ( $r=-0.65$ ) [41].

In conclusion, in this study, POMA-I scale which is used widely in the prediction of postural balance and risk of fall in the elderly was translated into Turkish, and appropriateness of the Turkish version for the Turkish population was demonstrated. Based on the results of this study, the Turkish version of POMA-I scale was shown as a reproducible, reliable, and a valid scale.

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**Appendix 1: Performance-Oriented Mobility  
Assessment-I—Tinetti Balance and Gait Evaluation**

**Balance**

**Instructions: Subject is seated in a hard, armless chair. The following maneuvers are tested:**

1. Sitting Balance

0 = Leans or slides in chair

1 = Steady, safe

2. Arise

0 = Unable without help

1 = Able, but uses arm to help

2 = Able without use of arms

3. Attempts to Arise

0 = Unable without help

1 = Able, but requires more than one attempt

2 = Able to arise with one attempt

4. Immediate Standing Balance (first 5 seconds)

0 = Unsteady (staggers, moves feet, marked trunk sway)

1 = Steady, but uses walker/cane or grabs other object for support

2 = Steady without walker or cane or other support

5. Standing Balance

0 = Unsteady

1 = Steady, but wide stance (medial heels > than 4 inches apart) or uses cane/walker or other support

2 = Narrow stance without support

6. Nudge (Subject at maximum position with feet as close together as possible.

Examiner pushes lightly on subject's sternum with palm of hand 3 times.)

0 = Begins to fall

1 = Staggers, grabs, but catches self

2 = Steady

7. Eyes Closed (at maximum position #6)

0 = Unsteady

1 = Steady

8. Turn 360°

0 = Discontinuous steps

1 = Continuous steps

0 = Unsteady (grabs, staggers)

1 = Steady

9. Sit Down

0 = Unsafe (misjudged distance; falls into chair)

1 = Uses arms or not a smooth motion

2 = Safe, smooth motion

/16 BALANCE SCORE

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**Performance – Oriented Mobility Assessment I****Tinetti Balance and Gait Evaluation****Gait**

**Instructions: Subject stands with examiner. Walks down hallway or across room, first at his/her usual pace, then back at a “rapid but safe” pace (using usual walking aid such as cane/walker).**

10. Initiation of Gait (immediately after told 'go')

0 = Any hesitancy or multiple attempts to start

1 = No hesitancy

11. Step Length and Height (Right foot swing)

0 = Does not pass L. stance foot with step

1 = Passes L. stance foot

0 = R. foot does not clear floor completely with step

1 = R. foot completely clears floor

12. Step Length and Height (Left foot swing)

0 = Does not pass R. stance foot with step

1 = Passes R. stance foot

0 = L. foot does not clear floor completely with step

1 = L. foot completely clears floor

13. Step Symmetry

0 = R. and L. step length not equal (estimate)

1 = R. and L. step length appear equal

14. Step Continuity

0 = Stopping or discontinuity between steps

1 = Steps appear continuous

15. Path (Estimated in relation to floor tiles, 12 inches wide. Observe excursion of one foot over about 10 feet of course.)

0 = Marked deviation

1 = Mild/moderate deviation or uses a walking aid

2 = Straight without walking aid

16. Trunk

0 = Marked sway or uses walking aid

1 = No sway, but flexion of knees or back or spreads arms out while walking

2 = No sway, no flexion, no use of arms and no walking aid

17. Walk Stance

0 = Heels apart

1 = Heels almost touching while walking

/12 GAIT SCORE

/28 TOTAL MOBILITY SCORE (BALANCE AND GAIT)

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## Appendix 2: Performansa Yönelik Hareket Değerlendirmesi I (POMA-I) Tinetti Denge ve Yürüme Değerlendirmesi

### Denge Testi

Yönergeler: Katılımcı sert, kolsuz sandalyeye oturtulur. Aşağıdaki hareketler test edilir.

1. Oturma dengesi
  - 0 = Sandalyede yaslanıyor veya yana doğru kayıyor
  - 1 = Sabit, güvenilir duruyor
2. Ayağa kalkma
  - 0 = Yardımsız kalkamıyor
  - 1 = Kalkabilir, fakat kollarından yardım alır
  - 2 = Kollarını kullanma dan kalkabilir
3. Ayağa kalkma denemeleri
  - 0 = Yardımsız yapamıyor
  - 1 = Yapabiliyor, fakat 1'den fazla kez denemesi gerekiyor
  - 2 = Tek denemede kalkabiliyor
4. İlk ayağa kalktığı andaki denge (ilk 5 saniye)
  - 0 = Sabit değil (dengesi bozuk, ayağını oynatıyor, gövdesi sallanıyor)
  - 1 = Sabit, fakat yürüteç/baston kullanıyor veyadestek için başka nesnelere tutuyor
  - 2 = Yürüteç, baston veya başka bir destek olmaksızın sabit
5. Ayakta durma dengesi
  - 0 = Sabit değil
  - 1 = Sabit fakat geniş tabanlı duruş (topukların iç kısmı 4 inç (10,16 cm)' ten fazla ayırık) veya baston/yürüteç veya başka bir destek kullanıyor
  - 2 = Desteksiz dar tabanlı duruş
6. İteleme dengesi (katılımcı ayakları olabildiğince yakın bir şekilde ayakta dururken, değerlendirici katılımcının göğsünden avuç içiyle 3 defa yavaşça iter)
  - 0 = Düşmeye başlıyor
  - 1 = Sendeliyor, tutunuyor, fakat kendini tutuyor
  - 2 = Sabit
7. Gözler kapalı ayakta denge (madde 6'nın skorunun 2 olması durumunda uygulayınız)
  - 0 = Sabit değil
  - 1 = Sabit
8. 360 Derece dönme
  - 0 = Devamlı olmayan adımlarla
  - 1 = Devamlı adımlarla
  - 0 = Sabit değil (tutunuyor, sendeliyor)
  - 1 = Sabit
9. Oturma
  - 0 = Güvensiz (uzaklığı ölçemiyor, sandalyeye düşüyor)
  - 1 = Kollarını kullanıyor veya yumuşak bir hareketle oturmuyor
  - 2 = Güvenli, yumuşak hareketlerle oturuyor

DENGE SKORU: \_\_\_\_/16

## Yürüyüş Testi

Yönergeler: Katılımcı değerlendiriciyle beraber ayakta durur, koridorda veya odada yürür, önce “normal” yürüyüş hızıyla gider, sonra “hızlı fakat güvenli” bir şekilde yürüyerek geri gelir (baston/yürüteç gibi her zamanki yürüyüş desteklerini kullanarak)

10. Yürüyüş başlangıcı (yürümeye başlaması söylendikten hemen sonra)

- 0 = Herhangi bir tereddütü varsa veya başlamak için birden çok deneme yapıyorsa
- 1 = Tereddütü yoksa

11. Adım uzunluğu ve yüksekliği (Sağ ayağını atarken)

- 0 = Sol ayağını sağ adımıyla geçemiyorsa
- 1 = Sol ayağını geçiyorsa
- 0 = Sağ ayağını yerden tamamen kaldıramıyorsa
- 1 = Sağ ayağını tamamen yerden kaldırabiliyorsa

12. Adım uzunluğu ve yüksekliği (Sol ayağını atarken)

- 0 = Sağ ayağını sol adımıyla geçemiyorsa
- 1 = Sağ ayağını geçiyorsa
- 0 = Sol ayağını yerden tamamen kaldıramıyorsa
- 1 = Sol ayağını tamamen yerden kaldırabiliyorsa

13. Adım simetrisi

- 0 = Sağ ve sol adım uzunluğu eşit değil (görsel tahmin)
- 1 = Sağ ve sol adım uzunluğu eşit görünüyor

14. Adım devamlılığı

- 0 = Adımlar arasında duraksama veya kopukluk var
- 1 = Adımlar devamlı görünüyor

15. Yol {12-inç, (30,09 cm) genişliğindeki yer karelerine göre tahmin ederek, 10'lık (3,048 metre) alandaki 1 adımdan fazla olan sapmaları gözlemleyin}

- 0 = Belirgin sapma
- 1 = Orta derecede sapma veya yürümeye yardımcı cihaz kullanıyor
- 2 = Yardımcı cihazsız düz yürüyor

16. Gövde

- 0 = Belirgin biçimde sallanıyor veya yürümeye yardımcı cihaz kullanıyor
- 1 = Sallanmıyor fakat dizlerini veya belini fleksiyona getiriyor veya yürürken kollarını yana açıyor
- 2 = Sallanmıyor, fleksiyon yok, kollarını kullanmıyor ve yürüme cihazı kullanmıyor

17. Yürüme durumu

- 0 = Topuklar birbirinden ayrı
- 1 = Topuklar yürürken neredeyse birbirine değiyor

YÜRÜYÜŞ SKORU = \_\_\_\_/12

DENGE SKORU = \_\_\_\_/16

TOPLAM SKOR (Yürüyüş + Denge) = \_\_\_\_/28

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