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# Supplementary: Accuracy of postoperative recall by degenerative cervical myelopathy patients using the modified Japanese Orthopaedic Association scale

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### Modified JOA17 Scoring Table (1994 version)

(please mark "√" on the corresponding evaluation score)

#### Note:

When the selection is between two scores, the lower score shall be selected;

When the left and right nerve disorders are different, the lower score side score shall be recorded.

Scoring items	Scoring items	
A. Sports function	B. Sensory function	
I.Fingers:		
*Can't use any tableware, including	I.Pain:	
chopsticks, spoons or forks, and/or fasten	<b>★</b> Sensation of upper limbs completely	
buttons (0 point)	disappears (0 point)	
*Can't use chopsticks or write, can barely	<b>★</b> Only 50% or less of normal sensation and	
use spoons and knives and forks (1 point)	(or) severe pain and numbness (0.5 point)	
*Can use chopsticks to hold large pieces of	<b>★</b> Only 60% or less of normal sensation and	
food, can barely write, can fasten large	(or) moderate pain and numbness (1 point)	
clothes (2 points)	<b>★</b> Only slight numbness (normal touch) (1.5	
<b>★</b> Can use chopsticks, can't write words	point)	
quickly, can fasten buttons (3 points)	<b>★</b> Normal (2 points)	
*Normal (4 points)		

#### II.Shoulder and elbow joints:

Six grade muscle strength evaluation (MMT) I Muscle strength of trunk ,deltoid muscle and biceps brachii muscle, select the weaker one to record.

- **★**Deltoid muscle or biceps brachii muscle strength ≤ Grade 2 (- 2 points)
- **★**Deltoid muscle or biceps brachii muscle strength=Grade 3 (- 1 points)
- **★**Deltoid muscle or biceps brachii muscle strength=Grade 4 (- 0.5 points)
- **★**Deltoid muscle or biceps brachii muscle strength=Grade 5 (0 points)

#### II.Trunk:

- **★**The sense of tenderness disappears completely (0 point)
- \*Only 50% or less of normal feeling and/or severe pain and numbness are completely disappeared (0.5 point)
- **★**Only 60% or less of normal feeling and/or moderate pain and numbness (1 point)
- **★**Only slight numbness (normal touch) (1.5 point)
- **★**Normal (2 points)

#### $\coprod$ . The lower limbs:

- **★**Cannot stand and walk independently (0 point)
- \*Able to stand, but unable to walk (0.5 point)
- \*Walking on the flat ground requires crutches or other supports (1 point)
- **★**Walking on flat ground without support, but with unstable gait (1.5 points)
- \*Do not support when walking on the flat ground, but must grasp the handrail when

#### **Ⅲ.** The lower limbs:

- **★**The sense of tenderness of lower limbs disappears completely (0 point)
- \*Only 50% or less of normal feeling and (or) severe pain and numbness (0.5 point)
- \*Only 60% or less of normal feeling and (or) moderate pain and numbness (1 point)
- \*Only slight numbness (normal touch) (1.5 point)
- **★**Normal (2 points)

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climbing the stairs (2 points)		
*Able to go up stairs by oneself, only when	only when	
going down stairs must grasp the railings by	railings by	
hand (2.5 points)		
*Able to walk at a fast pace, but not fast,	it not fast,	
and has a clumsy gait (3 points)		
*Normal (4 points)		• 4
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