

FUGL-MEYER ASSESSMENT
UPPER EXTREMITY (FMA-UE)
Assessment of sensorimotor function

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A. UPPER EXTREMITY , sitting position				
I. Reflex activity		none	can be elicited	
Flexors: biceps and finger flexors		0	2	
Extensors: triceps		0	2	
Subtotal I (max 4)				
II. Volitional movement within synergies , without gravitational help		none	partial	full
Flexor synergy: Hand from contralateral knee to ipsilateral ear. From extensor synergy (shoulder adduction/ internal rotation, elbow extension, forearm pronation) to flexor synergy (shoulder abduction/ external rotation, elbow flexion, forearm supination). Extensor synergy: Hand from ipsilateral ear to the contralateral knee	Shoulder retraction	0	1	2
	elevation	0	1	2
	abduction (90°)	0	1	2
	external rotation	0	1	2
	Elbow flexion	0	1	2
	Forearm supination	0	1	2
	Shoulder adduction/internal rotation	0	1	2
	Elbow extension	0	1	2
	Forearm pronation	0	1	2
	Subtotal II (max 18)			
III. Volitional movement mixing synergies , without compensation		none	partial	full
Hand to lumbar spine	cannot be performed, hand in front of SIAS hand behind of SIAS (without compensation) hand to lumbar spine (without compensation)	0	1	2
Shoulder flexion 0°-90° elbow at 0° pronation-supination 0°	immediate abduction or elbow flexion abduction or elbow flexion during movement complete flexion 90°, maintains 0° in elbow	0	1	2
Pronation-supination elbow at 90° shoulder at 0°	no pronation/supination, starting position impossible limited pronation/supination, maintains position complete pronation/supination, maintains position	0	1	2
Subtotal III (max 6)				
IV. Volitional movement with little or no synergy		none	partial	full
Shoulder abduction 0 - 90° elbow at 0° forearm pronated	immediate supination or elbow flexion supination or elbow flexion during movement abduction 90°, maintains extension and pronation	0	1	2
Shoulder flexion 90°- 180° elbow at 0° pronation-supination 0°	immediate abduction or elbow flexion abduction or elbow flexion during movement complete flexion, maintains 0° in elbow	0	1	2
Pronation/supination elbow at 0° shoulder at 30°-90° flexion	no pronation/supination, starting position impossible limited pronation/supination, maintains extension full pronation/supination, maintains elbow extension	0	1	2
Subtotal IV (max 6)				
V. Normal reflex activity evaluated only if full score of 6 points achieved on part IV				
biceps, triceps, finger flexors	0 points on part IV or 2 of 3 reflexes markedly hyperactive 1 reflex markedly hyperactive or at least 2 reflexes lively maximum of 1 reflex lively, none hyperactive	0	1	2
Subtotal V (max 2)				
Total A (max 36)				

B. WRIST support may be provided at the elbow to take or hold the position, no support at wrist, check the passive range of motion prior testing		none	partial	full
Stability at 15° dorsiflexion elbow at 90°, forearm pronated shoulder at 0°	less than 15° active dorsiflexion dorsiflexion 15°, no resistance is taken maintains position against resistance	0	1	2
Repeated dorsiflexion / volar flexion elbow at 90°, forearm pronated shoulder at 0°, slight finger flexion	cannot perform volitionally limited active range of motion full active range of motion, smoothly	0	1	2
Stability at 15° dorsiflexion elbow at 0°, forearm pronated slight shoulder flexion/abduction	less than 15° active dorsiflexion dorsiflexion 15°, no resistance is taken maintains position against resistance	0	1	2
Repeated dorsiflexion / volar flexion elbow at 0°, forearm pronated slight shoulder flexion/abduction	cannot perform volitionally limited active range of motion full active range of motion, smoothly	0	1	2
Circumduction	cannot perform volitionally jerky movement or incomplete complete and smooth circumduction	0	1	2
Total B (max 10)				

C. HAND support may be provided at the elbow to keep 90° flexion, no support at the wrist, compare with unaffected hand, the objects are interposed, active grasp		none	partial	full
Mass flexion from full active or passive extension		0	1	2
Mass extension from full active or passive flexion		0	1	2
GRASP				
A – flexion in PIP and DIP (digits II-V) extension in MCP II-V	cannot be performed can hold position but weak maintains position against resistance	0	1	2
B – thumb adduction 1-st CMC, MCP, IP at 0°, scrap of paper between thumb and 2-nd MCP joint	cannot be performed can hold paper but not against tug can hold paper against a tug	0	1	2
C - opposition pulpa of the thumb against the pulpa of 2-nd finger, pencil, tug upward	cannot be performed can hold pencil but not against tug can hold pencil against a tug	0	1	2
D – cylinder grip cylinder shaped object (small can) tug upward, opposition in digits I and II	cannot be performed can hold cylinder but not against tug can hold cylinder against a tug	0	1	2
E – spherical grip fingers in abduction/flexion, thumb opposed, tennis ball	cannot be performed can hold ball but not against tug can hold ball against a tug	0	1	2
Total C (max 14)				

D. COORDINATION/SPEED after one trial with both arms, blind-folded, tip of the index finger from knee to nose, 5 times as fast as possible		marked	slight	none
Tremor		0	1	2
Dysmetria	pronounced or unsystematic slight and systematic no dysmetria	0	1	2
		> 5s	2 - 5s	< 1s
Time	more than 5 seconds slower than unaffected side 2-5 seconds slower than unaffected side maximum difference of 1 second between sides	0	1	2
Total D (max 6)				

TOTAL A-D (max 66)				
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H. SENSATION, upper extremity blind-folded, compared with unaffected side		anesthesia	hypoesthesia dysesthesia	normal
Light touch	upper arm, forearm palmar surface of the hand	0 0	1 1	2 2
		absence less than 3/4 correct	3/4 correct considerable difference	correct 100% little or no difference
Position small alterations in the position	shoulder elbow wrist thumb (IP-joint)	0 0 0 0	1 1 1 1	2 2 2 2
Total H (max12)				

J. PASSIVE JOINT MOTION, upper extremity				J. JOINT PAIN during passive motion, upper extremity		
Sitting position, compare with unaffected side	only few degrees (less than 10° in shoulder)	decreased	normal	pronounced constant pain during or at the end of movement	some pain	no pain
Shoulder						
Flexion (0° - 180°)	0	1	2	0	1	2
Abduction (0°-90°)	0	1	2	0	1	2
External rotation	0	1	2	0	1	2
Internal rotation	0	1	2	0	1	2
Elbow						
Flexion	0	1	2	0	1	2
Extension	0	1	2	0	1	2
Forearm						
Pronation	0	1	2	0	1	2
Supination	0	1	2	0	1	2
Wrist						
Flexion	0	1	2	0	1	2
Extension	0	1	2	0	1	2
Fingers						
Flexion	0	1	2	0	1	2
Extension	0	1	2	0	1	2
Total (max 24)				Total (max 24)		

A. UPPER EXTREMITY	/36
B. WRIST	/10
C. HAND	/14
D. COORDINATION / SPEED	/6
TOTAL A-D (motor function)	/66

H. SENSATION	/12
J. PASSIVE JOINT MOTION	/24
J. JOINT PAIN	/24