

neurostatus scoring

Scoring Sheet for a standardised, quantified neurological examination and assessment of Kurtzke's Functional Systems and Expanded Disability Status Scale in Multiple Sclerosis

STUDY NAME

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Patient										
Date of Birth (04-Jun-1980)	□	□	-	□	□	□	-	□	□	□
Centre Nr/Country										
Name of EDSS rater										
Date of Examination	□	□	-	□	□	□	-	2	0	□

SYNOPSIS

1. Visual	□	1	Ambulation Score	□
2. Brainstem	□		EDSS Step	□
3. Pyramidal	□			
4. Cerebellar	□			
5. Sensory	□			
6. Bowel/Bladder	□	1	Signature	□
7. Cerebral	□			

1. VISUAL (OPTIC) FUNCTIONS

OPTIC FUNCTIONS	OD	OS	
Visual acuity	□ CC	□ SC	□ □
Visual fields	□	□	□ □

Scotoma	□	□
* Disc pallor	□	□
FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE	□	→ □

2. BRAINSTEM FUNCTIONS

CRANIAL NERVE EXAMINATION			
Extraocular movements (EOM) impairment	□		
Nystagmus	□		
Trigeminal damage	□		
Facial weakness	□		

Hearing loss	□
Dysarthria	□
Dysphagia	□
Other cranial nerve functions	□
FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE	□

3. PYRAMIDAL FUNCTIONS

REFLEXES	R	> <	L
Biceps	□	□	□
Triceps	□	□	□
Brachioradialis	□	□	□
Knee	□	□	□
Ankle	□	□	□
Plantar response	□	□	□
Cutaneous reflexes	□	□	□
* Palmomental reflex	□	□	□

Knee extensors	□	□
Plantar flexion (feet/toes)	□	□
Dorsiflexion (feet/toes)	□	□
* Position test UE, pronation	□	□
* Position test UE, downward drift	□	□
* Position test LE, sinking	□	□
* Able to lift only one leg at a time (grade in °)	○	○
* Walking on heels	□	□
* Walking on toes	□	□
* Hopping on one foot	□	□

LIMB STRENGTH	R	L
Deltoid	□	□
Biceps	□	□
Triceps	□	□
Wrist/finger flexors	□	□
Wrist/finger extensors	□	□
Hip flexors	□	□
Knee flexors	□	□

Arms	□	□
Legs	□	□
Gait	□	□
OVERALL MOTOR PERFORMANCE	□	
FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE	□	

CC = corrected

* = optional part of the examination

SC = without correction

1 = converted FS Score

4. CEREBELLAR FUNCTIONS

CEREBELLAR EXAMINATION			
Head tremor			Rapid alternating movements UE impairment
Truncal ataxia			Rapid alternating movements LE impairment
		R L	Tandem walking
Tremor/dysmetria UE			Gait ataxia
Tremor/dysmetria LE			Romberg test
			Other, e. g. rebound
FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE			

5. SENSORY FUNCTIONS

SENSORY EXAMINATION		R	L	
Superficial sensation UE				Position sense UE
Superficial sensation trunk				Position sense LE
Superficial sensation LE				* Lhermitte's sign
Vibration sense UE				* Paraesthesiae UE
Vibration sense LE				* Paraesthesiae trunk
				* Paraesthesiae LE
				FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE

6. BOWEL/ BLADDER FUNCTIONS

Urinary hesitancy/retention		Bowel dysfunction	
Urinary urgency/incontinence		* Sexual dysfunction	
Bladder catheterisation		FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE	→

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7. CEREBRAL FUNCTIONS

MENTAL STATUS EXAMINATION			
◦ Depression		Decrease in mentation	
◦ Euphoria		* Fatigue	
		FUNCTIONAL SYSTEM SCORE	

AMBULATION

Distance reported by patient (in meters)		Assistance	
Time reported by patient (in minutes)		Distance measured (in meters)	
		AMBULATION SCORE	

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¹ = converted FS Score

◦ Depression and Euphoria are not taken into consideration for FS and EDSS calculation.

+ Because fatigue is difficult to evaluate objectively, in some studies it does not contribute to the Cerebral FS score or EDSS step. Please adhere to the study's specific instructions.

UE = upper extremities

LE = lower extremities