

# Validation of a combined arm leg ergometer for assessing and training physical fitness

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<b>Status</b>	Completed
<b>Health condition type</b>	Other condition
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON53324

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Validation arm leg ergometer

### Condition

- Other condition

### Synonym

No deficit

### Health condition

Geen aandoening

### Research involving

Human

## Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen

**Source(s) of monetary or material Support:** Ministerie van OC&W, Stichting Beatrixoord

## Intervention

**Keyword:** Ergometry, Exercise testing, Physical fitness

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Mean oxygen consumption ( $\text{VO}_2$ ), Respiratory Exchange Ratio ( $\text{RER}:\text{VCO}_2/\text{VO}_2$ ), ventilation (VE), heart rate (HR), and rate of perceived exertion (RPE) at 50 W and maximal load (peak power output).

### Secondary outcome

Mean muscle activity (EMG) over the full cycle of 16 muscles:

Arm: m. brachioradialis, m. biceps caput longum, m. triceps caput longum, m.

deltoideus pars clavicularis & m. deltoideus pars spinata

Trunk: m. rectus abdominis, m. pectoralis major, m. erector spinae, m.

trapezius transversa & m. latissimus dorsi

Leg: m. gastrocnemius medialis, m. tibialis anterior, m. rectus femoris, m.

vastus lateralis, m. biceps femoris & m. semitendinosus

Kinematic description of the movement:

The mean joint angles over the full cycle of the following joints will be

described: Knee, Hip/Trunk, Elbow, and Shoulder

## Study description

### Background summary

For persons with balance problems, such as persons with a lower limb amputation, no suitable alternative for a bicycle ergometer test is available. Therefore, a prototype for a new arm leg ergometer was developed based on previous ergometer designs. We hypothesize that the physiological outcomes of an incremental exercise test (e.g. maximal oxygen uptake) are similar for a bicycle ergometer and the current prototype.

### Study objective

Our first aim is to evaluate the validity of the developed arm leg ergometer prototype during an incremental exercise test by comparing the outcomes with a regular bicycle ergometer test. The second objective is to describe the movement of participant on this new device.

### Study design

Observational study

### Study burden and risks

This first experiment will be conducted with healthy participants. The participants visit the lab twice, once per incremental exercise test. This type of test requires maximal effort, but no additional health risks are to be expected.

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## Trial sites

### Listed location countries

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

### Inclusion criteria

Age >18 years

No medical contradictions on the physical activity readiness questionnaire (PAR-Q): All questions answered with no.

### Exclusion criteria

Age < 18 years

Answered one of the questions on the PAR-Q with yes.

A body mass index of more than 30

Viral or bacterial infection for less than 10 days

Wounds on the arm or legs

Neurological or orthopedic conditions that affect exercise performance

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Other

## Recruitment

NL  
Recruitment status: Completed  
Start date (anticipated): 12-10-2023  
Enrollment: 22  
Type: Actual

## Medical products/devices used

Generic name: Corival ALT  
Registration: No

## Ethics review

Approved WMO  
Date: 26-07-2023  
Application type: First submission  
Review commission: METC Universitair Medisch Centrum Groningen (Groningen)

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

## In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL83731.042.23