

Upper Limbs evaluation in hereditary Neuropathies: the ULNA project

Charcot Marie Tooth (CMT) is the most frequent inherited neuropathy. Familial Amyloid Polyneuropathy (FAP), less frequent, is increasingly diagnosed and is becoming a significant health problem. Patients frequently present weakness in the upper limbs (UL) and legs. Altered functioning and deformities of the hands strongly influence the patients' disability and quality of life. This multicentric, transnational (French/Italian) project aims to study the efficacy of the different tests to evaluate the UL dysfunction. The final objective will be to develop a unique clinical protocol and an instrumental quantification of UL dysfunction in patients affected by CMT/FAP. We aim to disseminate the results of this research nationally and internationally to improve the quality of health care to patients affected by inherited neuropathies.