

EFFECT OF THERAPEUTIC EXERCISES IN PLEXITIS OF PL.BRACHIALIS

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PURPOSE

To monitor the effect of a comprehensive kinesitherapy approach in patients with plexitis of pl.brachialis.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

The study was conducted with 16 patients (mean age 49.1 \pm 6.8 years) with plexitis of pl.brachialis in the subacute stage and stable hemodynamics (blood pressure is below 140/90 mmHg).

The early (10th day) and late (1st month) effect of the application of specialized kinesitherapy in unilateral manifestation of symptoms is evaluated, in which exercises are introduced for:

Reduction of pain and compensatory spasm;

For gradual adaptation of the musculoskeletal system;

To normalize muscle imbalance;

To stimulate proprio- and exteroreceptors;

For analytical effect on muscle strength;

To improve normal postural mechanisms;

For relaxation and body recovery after exercises, through breathing and relaxing exercises.

Functional examinations are manual muscle test, centimetry and goniometry.

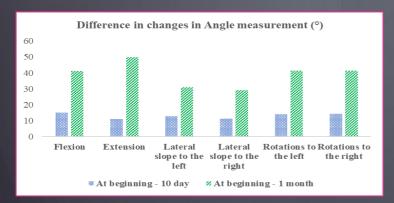


Fig. 1 Graphical representation of differences in changes in Angle measurement (°)

RESULTS

The present study shows that a comprehensive kinesitherapy approach permanently improves functional capabilities of motor recovery in patients with plexitis of pl.brachialis. The results are most pronounced at 1 month of treatment (p <0.001).

CONCLUSION

The improvement is related to the long-term application of the methodology in relation to the modern principles of kinesitherapy and the application of specialized techniques for mobilization of the cervical part and shoulder complex.

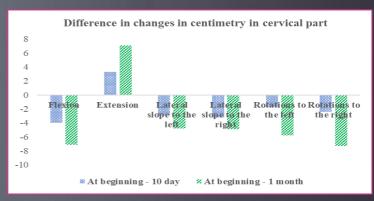


Fig. 2 Graphical representation of differences in changes in centimetry in cervical part

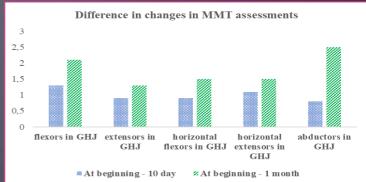


Fig. 3 Graphical representation of differences in changes in MMT assessments