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Research Summary – Frenchay Activities Index (FAI) – Self Care and Daily Living

Author Year Research Design Setting (country)	Demographics and Injury Characteristics of Sample	Validity	Reliability	Responsiveness Interpretability
Hsieh et al. 2007 Prospective interview; convenience sample Taiwan, community setting	N = 233 (193M, 40F) Mean (SD) age = 41.1 (12.6) Mean (SD) years post- injury = 9.4 (9.2) Complete tetraplegia = 33 Incomplete tetraplegia = 57 Complete paraplegia = 151 Incomplete paraplegia = 48	Rasch analysis was used to determine whether items of the FAI measure a unidimensional construct. 2 (reading books, and going outside) of the 15 items were found to be poorly fitting. After removal of these items, the 13 remaining items fit the model's expectations. The original 4 category response of the FAI was not appropriate because the items exhibited disordering of the step difficulties. After reorganizing the	Test-retest, Interrater: Rasch analysis reliability coefficient = 0.78	Floor/ceiling effect: Floor = 9.9% Ceiling = 0% Interpretability: FAI score: mean (SD), range 15-item FAI raw score: 15.4 (10.2), range: 0-44 Revised 13-item FAI raw score: 8.0 (5.0), range: 0-22 Standard Error (SE) of the items: Item: SE Logit: Item

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		response categories with 4 items using a dichotomous scale and 9 using a trichotomous scale, there was no disordering and therefore appropriate. After making revisions, the 13-item FAI constituted a unidimensional construct		10 0.16 11 0.15 12 0.15 13 0.15
Chern et al. 2013 Secondary data analysis; purpose to examine the properties of FAI (including score distribution, internal consistency, construct validity,	N = 342 (3 months post injury); 213 male Age (SD) = 43.7 (18.5) N = 1,010 (6 months post injury); 630 male Age (SD) = 45.3 (18.6) N = 987 (12 months post injury); 611 male Age (SD) = 45.7 (18.5)	Pearson's r Relationships between the R-FAI administered at 3, 6, and 12 months after injury and the 4 domains of the WHOQOL- BREF administered at 12 months after injury: See table 1.	Internal Consistency: High level of internal consistency ($\alpha > 0.90$).	Responsiveness: See table 2. Floor/ceiling effect: # % % mon Ceili Floor ths ng post injur y 3 0.3 7.3 6 3.5 4.3 12 2.5 2.4

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predictive validity, and responsiveness) Teaching hospital in southern Taiwan	Traumatic limb injuries All musculoskeletal or neurovascular injuries involving upper or lower extremities.					Interpretability: R-FAI: revised Frenchay Activities Index (travel outings, gardening, household/car maintenance, reading books, and gainful work) were deleted because of low Hi values (<0.30) See table 3.
	Table 1.					
	WHOQOL-BREF 12 months post injury	FAI 3 n injury	nonths post	FAI 6 months injury	•	FAI 12 months post injury
	Physical	0.39		0.41	(0.50
	Psychology	0.38		0.28		0.37
	Social relations	0.20		0.28	(0.35
	Environment	0.39		0.31	(0.37
	Table 2. Item		Effect size			lized Response Mean
	3 months post injury 6 months post injury		0.10 0.35		0.20	

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		12 months post injury		0.15		0.23	
		Il paired-t value Mean values ass	,	I with each item	in R-FA	λl:	
	Item:	em: 3 months post injury		6 months post	injury	12 months post in	jury
	1	1.9		2.1		2.2	
	2	2.0		2.2		2.4	
	3	2.0		2.3		2.5	
	4	2.2		2.5		2.6	
	5	2.1		2.4		2.6	
	6	2.5		2.8		2.8	
	7	2.6		2.8		2.9	
	8	2.6		2.8		2.9	
	9	2.5		2.8		3.0	
				1		3.2	