

Validation of the Omron M6W upper arm blood pressure monitor, in oscillometry mode, for self measurement in a general population, according to the European Society of Hypertension International Protocol revision 2010

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Abstract

The Omron M6W(HEM-7213-E), an upper arm blood pressure monitor, in oscillometry mode, for clinical use and self measurement, was validated, in a general population, according to the European Society of Hypertension International Protocol revision 2010. The protocol requirements were followed precisely. The device passed all of the requirements and, fulfilling the standards of the protocol, is recommended

Device Details

Brand	Omron
Model	M6W (HEM-7213-E)
Manufacturer	OMRON Healthcare Co., Ltd.
Location	Upper Arm
Method	Oscillometry
Purpose	Clinic Measurement, Self/ Home Measurement
Operation	Fully Automatic
Arm Cuff	Standard Adult: 22.0 cm to 42.0 cm
Other Features	The function to detect body motion. The function to guide cuff wrapping. The function to detect irregular heartbeat. The indicator for blood pressure level. Memory capacity for 100 readings for two users . 3 readings average value within 10 minutes. Confirmation by second sensor that device is accurate.



Methodology

Familiarisation

Hundreds of test-measurements were carried out. No problems were encountered.

Recruitment

Hypertensive subjects were recruited from outpatients clinic in department of cardiology in the Kansai Medical University, Hirakata Hospital (Osaka, Japan). Some participated immediately without appointment. Normotensive subjects were recruited from outpatients and volunteers. There were some difficulties in recruiting subjects with DBP in the high range.

Screening and Recruitment Details

Screening and Recruitment			Recruitment Ranges		
Total Screened	57		mmHg	All	On Rx
Total Excluded	24		< 90	1	0
Ranges Complete	0	Low	90 - 129	11	
Ranges Adjustment	0	SBP	Medium 130 - 160	10	2
Arrhythmias	2		High 161 - 180	11	3
Device Failure	0		> 180	0	
Poor Quality Sounds	0		< 40	0	1
Cuff Size Unavailable	0	Low	40 - 79	10	
Observer Disagreement	0	DBP	Medium 80 - 100	11	2
Distribution	0		High 101 - 130	12	
Other Reasons	22		> 130	0	2
Total Recruited	33				

Procedure

The European Society of Hypertension International Protocol revision 2010 for the validation of blood pressure measuring devices in adults was followed precisely.[1] Overseen by an independent supervisor, measurements were recorded by two observers blinded from both each other's readings and from the device readings.

Results**Subject Details**

Sex		
Male : Female	19 : 14	
Age (years)		
Range (Low : High)	28 : 77	
Mean (SD)	50.8 (10.1)	
Arm Circumference (cm)		
Range (Low : High)	22.8 : 39.7	
Mean (SD)	31.0 (4.1)	
Cuff for test device		
Standard	33	(22.0 - 42.0 cm)
	SBP	DBP
Recruitment BP (mmHg)		
Range (Low : High)	88 : 180	48 : 120
Mean (SD)	141.7 (25.6)	90.3 (16.8)

Observer Measurements in each Recruitment Range

SBP (mmHg)	DBP (mmHg)
Overall Range (Low : High)	Overall Range (Low : High)
90 : 178	49 : 120
Low (< 130)	Low (< 80)
34	33
Medium (130 – 160)	Medium (80 – 100)
42	37
High (> 160)	High (> 100)
23	29
Maximum Difference	Maximum Difference
19	8

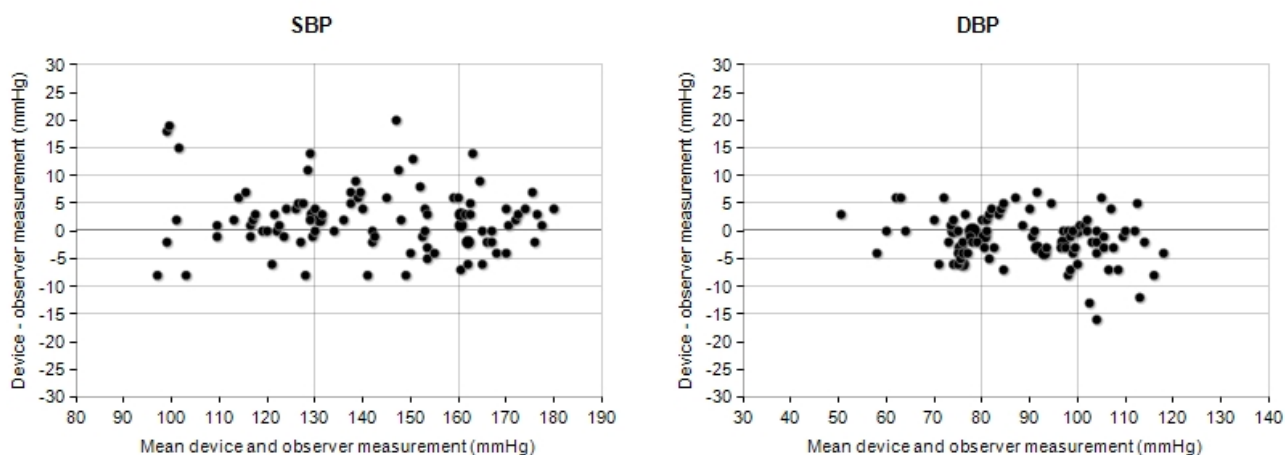
Observer Differences

	SBP (mmHg)	DBP (mmHg)	Repeated measurements
Observer 2 – Observer 1			
Range (Low : High)	-2 : +2	-2 : +2	
Mean (SD)	0.1 (1.3)	0.1 (1.3)	0

Validation Results

Part 1	≤ 5 mmHg	≤ 10 mmHg	≤ 15 mmHg	Grade 1	Mean (mmHg)	SD (mmHg)
Pass Requirements						
Two of	73	87	96			
All of	65	81	93			
Achieved						
SBP	69	90	96	Pass	2.2	5.8
DBP	78	96	98	Pass	-1.3	4.2
Part 2	2/3 ≤ 5 mmHg	0/3 ≤ 10 mmHg	Grade 2	Grade 3		
Pass Requirements						
	≥ 24	≤ 3				
Achieved						
SBP	27	2	Pass			Pass
DBP	28	2	Pass			Pass
Part 3						Result
						PASS

Plots



Discussion

Recruitment of subjects with high BP, particularly high DBP, proved to be difficult and accounted for most of the extra screened subjects; this is reflected in the overall distribution, as shown in the DBP plot, in which most of the points are below 115mmHg.

Conclusion

As the device has reached the required standards, it is recommended for clinical and personal use in a general population.

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