


Please complete Section 1 to Section 3 of this form and return it to dabl® Educational Trust with copies of the validation plots and a digital photograph of the device used for the study showing its front face. Please follow the instructions for each section. The requirements for each table entry are described, by box number, under the respective table.

Study Ref. 1308 Do Not Fill

Maker	Microlife Co., Ltd.	Manufacturer	Microlife Co., Ltd.
Brand	Microlife	Model	BP A3 PC
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Signed		Date	13 Feb 2015

Section 1: Methodology

Familiarisation

A brief description of the familiarisation session should be provided. Any difficulties should be reported.

Twenty test-measurements were carried out and no problems were encountered.

Recruitment

The population should be outlined and the method of selecting the sample should be described. Difficulties in recruitment should be described and how they were overcome.

Population **General** Details if "Other"

Hypertensive subjects were recruited from inpatients and outpatients in a general hospital in Xi'an of China. Normotensive subjects were recruited from accompanying relatives or friends and from the hospital staff. Patients on antihypertensive treatment were also recruited and recorded.

Procedure

Two observers with an independent supervisor

Observers blinded from each other's readings and from the device readings

The European Society of Hypertension International Protocol revision 2010 for the validation of blood pressure measuring devices in adults was followed precisely.

Enter protocol adjustments, as necessary, when the study population is not general with sex, age and blood pressure distribution stated in detail. These adjustments should be justified, with references where possible. Because children and adolescents have wide range of body size and blood pressure levels, the sample size for a validation study should depend on the study inclusion criteria. Thus, for example, a 33-subject study would be appropriate only if a narrow age range of children is included.

None.

Section 2: Results

Note 1: The data from *Form 2 – Subject Data* for each subject should be analysed so that the results on this form can be completed. All references to boxes 201-289 refer to values obtained from all of the Forms 2 from the relevant subjects.

Table 1: Screening and Recruitment Details

Screening and Recruitment		Recruitment Ranges				
Total Screened	40 <small>301</small>		<i>mmHg</i>			
Total Excluded	7 <small>302</small>		All	On Rx		
Ranges Complete	5 <small>303</small>	SBP	Low	< 90		
Range Adjustment	0 <small>304</small>		90 – 129	0 <small>314</small>	7 <small>324</small>	
Arrhythmias	2 <small>305</small>		130 – 160	12 <small>315</small>	10 <small>325</small>	
Device Failure	0 <small>306</small>		161 – 180	11 <small>316</small>	9 <small>326</small>	
Poor Quality Sounds	0 <small>307</small>		> 180	10 <small>317</small>	0 <small>318</small>	
Cuff Size Unavailable	0 <small>308</small>			High		
Observer Disagreement	0 <small>309</small>			Low	< 40	
Distribution	0 <small>310</small>		DBP	Medium	40 – 79	
Other Reasons*	0 <small>311</small>			80 – 100	11 <small>321</small>	10 <small>328</small>
Total Recruited	33 <small>312</small>			101 – 130	10 <small>322</small>	9 <small>329</small>
		> 130		0 <small>323</small>		

***Explanation Summary**

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- Box 301: The total number of subjects screened, regardless of whether or not they were included in the study.
- Box 302: The total number excluded. This equals the sum of Boxes 303 to 311
- Box 303: The number of subjects excluded with *Ranges Complete* circled in *Box 287 (Form 2 for each excluded subject)*.
- Box 304: The number of subjects excluded with *Range Adjustment* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 305: The number of subjects excluded with *Arrhythmias* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 306: The number of subjects excluded with *Device Failure* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 307: The number of subjects excluded with *Poor Quality Sounds* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 308: The number of subjects excluded with *Cuff Size Availability* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 309: The number of subjects excluded with *Observer Disagreement* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 310: The number of subjects excluded with *Distribution* circled in *Box 287*.
- Box 311: The number of subjects excluded with *Other Reasons* circled in *Box 287*. A summary of those reasons must be provided in *Box 313*.
- Box 312: The total recruited equals the number screened (*Box 301*) less the number excluded (*Box 302*). This should equal 33 except in validations in some specific populations.
- Box 313: A summary of why those counted in *Box 311* were excluded. (*Box 288*)
- Boxes 314-323: In a completed study in a general adult population, the sum of Boxes 314 & 315, *Box 316*, the sum of Boxes 317 & 318, the sum of Boxes 319 & 320, *Box 321* and the sum of Boxes 322 & 323 must each be between 10 and 12. The sum of Boxes 314, 318, 319 & 323 must be at most 4. The sum of Boxes 314 to 318 and the sum of Boxes 319 to 323 must each be exactly 33. Studies in specific populations may have different restrictions and totals. (*Boxes 219 and 220 – Form 2 for each included subject*)
- Boxes 324-329: The number of subjects in each range on antihypertensive medication. (*Boxes 207, 219 and 220*)

Table 2: Subject Details

Sex	Male:Female	18 : 15 330	
	Range (Low:High)	26 : 87 331	
Age (years)	Mean (SD)	68.7 (14.1) 332	
	Range (Low:High)	20 : 34 333	
Arm Circumference (cm)	Mean (SD)	26.7 (3.4) 334	
	Small	3 335	17 – 22 cm
Cuff for Test Device	Standard	30 336	22 – 42 cm
	Large	0 337	32 – 52 cm
	Other	<input type="text"/> 338	- cm
Wrist Circumference (cm) (Wrist devices only)	Range (Low:High)	<input type="text"/> : <input type="text"/> 339	
	Mean (SD)	<input type="text"/> (<input type="text"/>) 340	
Recruitment BP (mmHg)		SBP	DBP
	Range (Low:High)	91 : 180 341	49 : 121 342
	Mean (SD)	141.8 (23.4) 343	84.3 (18.3) 344

Note 2: The values in Boxes 314–380 refer only to the final recruited subjects, each of whom contributes SBP and DBP measurements for analysis. Excluded subjects are not included in any of this analysis.

- Box 330: Enter the number of males, a colon and the number of females. They should total 33 except in validations in some specific populations. If the minimum requirements (10 for a general population) are not met, subjects must be replaced as necessary. (Box 206)
- Box 331: Enter the age of the youngest subject, a colon and the age of the oldest subject e.g. 31:74. Subjects outside the required range (25 and over for a general population) are not permitted. (Box 205)
- Box 332: Enter the mean and, in parentheses, the SD of the subject ages. Values should be rounded to one decimal place e.g. 52.3 (11.9). (Box 205)
- Box 333: Enter the smallest arm circumference, a colon and the largest arm circumference e.g. 24:34. (Box 208)
- Box 334: Enter the mean and, in parentheses, the SD of the subject arm circumferences. Values should be rounded to one decimal place e.g. 29.0 (3.1). (Box 208)
- Box 335: If a small cuff was supplied, enter the number of subjects on whom it was used. If it was not supplied, enter an "X". Enter the arm sizes for which it is recommended beside it. (Box 209)
- Box 336: Enter the number of subjects on whom a standard (or medium) cuff was used. Enter the arm sizes for which it is recommended beside it. (Box 209)
- Box 337: If a large cuff was supplied, enter the number of subjects on whom it was used. If it was not supplied, enter an "X". Enter the arm sizes for which it is recommended beside it. (Box 209)
- Box 338: If a different size cuff was supplied, enter the number of subjects in whom it was used. If no such cuff was supplied, enter an "X". Enter the arm sizes for which it is recommended beside it. (Box 209)
- Box 339: Enter the smallest wrist circumference, a colon and the largest wrist circumference e.g. 15:22. (Applicable only for wrist devices) (Box 210)
- Box 340: Enter the mean and, in parentheses, the SD of the subject wrist circumferences. Values should be rounded to one decimal place e.g. 18.1 (2.3). (Applicable only for wrist devices) (Box 210)
- Boxes 341-342: Enter the lowest pressure, a colon and the highest pressure from BPA measurements only e.g. 104:180. (Boxes 217 and 218)
- Boxes 343-344: Enter the mean and, in parentheses, the SD of the subject pressures from BPA measurements only. Values should be rounded to one decimal place e.g. 140.4 (20.3). (Boxes 217 and 218)

Table 3: Distribution

This section analyses the distribution of comparative measurements.

SBP		DBP	
Overall Range (mmHg) Low:High	96 : 207 <small>345</small>	Overall Range (mmHg) Low:High	50 : 122 <small>350</small>
Low (< 130 mmHg)	37 <small>346</small>	Low (< 80 mmHg)	40 <small>351</small>
Medium (130 mmHg – 160 mmHg)	36 <small>347</small>	Medium (80 mmHg – 100 mmHg)	35 <small>352</small>
High (> 160 mmHg)	26 <small>348</small>	High (> 100 mmHg)	24 <small>353</small>
Maximum Difference	11 <small>349</small>	Maximum Difference	16 <small>354</small>

- Box 345: Enter the lowest pressure, a colon and the highest SBP from the observer measurements. (Boxes 281, 283 and 285)
- Boxes 346-348: The observer measurements (three per subject) for SBP are categorised similarly to the recruitment ranges. Enter the counts of measurements falling into each range. These must total 99. (Boxes 281, 283 and 285)
- Box 349: Subtract the smallest value from Boxes 346 to 348 from the largest one and enter the result.
- Box 350: Enter the lowest pressure, a colon and the highest DBP from the observer measurements. (Boxes 282, 284 and 286)
- Boxes 351-353: The observer measurements (three per subject) for DBP are categorised similarly to the recruitment ranges. Enter the counts of measurements falling into each range. These must total 99. (Boxes 282, 284 and 286)
- Box 354: Subtract the smallest value from Boxes 351 to 353 from the largest one and enter the result.
- Note 3: In order to ensure a uniform distribution, there must be at least 22 measurements and at most 44 measurements (Boxes 346 to 348 and 351 to 353) in each of the low, medium and high ranges and the maximum differences (Boxes 349 and 354) must be at most 19. If not, further recruitment will be necessary. Subjects to be excluded will be those whose pressures drifted from recruitment pressures.
- Note 4: The overall SBP range must be from ≤ 100 mmHg to ≥ 170 mmHg and the overall DBP range must be from ≤ 50 mmHg to ≥ 120 mmHg. If not, further recruitment will be necessary. Subjects to be excluded will be the last recruited within the relevant ranges.
- Note 5: The minimum number of replacements should take place. If a subject is replaced for either of these reasons, circle *Distribution* in Box 287 of Form 2 for that subject.
- Note 6: In validations carried out in specific populations requiring more than 33 subjects but with similar blood pressure distributions, similar proportions should be used. If the blood pressure distribution in the specific population differs from the standard distribution, ignore this table but comment on the distribution in the discussion.

Table 4: Observer Differences

This section is for the differences in pressures between the two observers.

	SBP (mmHg)	DBP (mmHg)	Repeated Measurements
Observer 2 – Observer 1			
Range Low:High	-4 : 4 <small>355</small>	-4 : 4 <small>356</small>	
Mean (SD)	-0.1 (1.9) <small>357</small>	0.2 (2.0) <small>358</small>	1 <small>359</small>

- Boxes 355-356: Enter the lowest difference, a colon and the highest difference between the observers. Include the signs e.g. -3:+4. (Boxes 247, 249, 251 and 253 and Boxes 248, 250, 252 and 254). If the range is outside -4:+4, then this is a violation. Relevant subjects should be excluded, by reason of *Observer Disagreement*, and replaced.
- Boxes 357-358: Enter the mean and, in parentheses, the SD of the observer differences. Values should be rounded to one decimal place e.g. 0.3 (1.2). (Boxes 247, 249, 251 and 253 and Boxes 248, 250, 252 and 254)
- Boxes 359: Enter the number of measurements that were repeated in the included subjects because observers were more than 4 mmHg apart.

Table 5: Validation Results

Part 1		≤ 5 mmHg	≤ 10 mmHg	≤ 15 mmHg	Grade 1	Mean (mmHg)	SD (mmHg)	
Pass Requirement	Two of	73	87	96				
	All of	65	81	93				
Achieved	SBP	73 360	96 361	99 362	Pass 363	1.61 364	47.3 365	
	DBP	88 366	98 367	99 368	Pass 369	1.20 370	34.3 371	
Part 2		2/3 ≤ 5 mmHg	0/3 ≤ 5 mmHg	Grade 2	Grade 3			
Pass Requirement		≥ 24	≤ 3					
Achieved	SBP	27 372	2 373	Pass 374	Pass 375			
	DBP	32 376	0 377	Pass 378	Pass 379			
Part 3							Result	
							Pass 380	

Note 7: In order for the device to pass, all requirements must be fulfilled. A fail in any part will result in an overall fail.

- Box 360: Enter the number of SBP differences (at most 99) between observer and device measurements falling within 5 mmHg. (The total number of Boxes 273, 275 and 277 circled A in the 33 subjects)
- Box 361: Enter the number of SBP differences (at most 99) between observer and device measurements falling within 10 mmHg. (The total number of Boxes 273, 275 and 277 circled A or B in the 33 subjects)
- Box 362: Enter the number of SBP differences (at most 99) between observer and device measurements falling within 15 mmHg. (The total number of Boxes 273, 275 and 277 circled A, B or C in the 33 subjects)
- Box 363: If Boxes 360, 361 and 362 fulfil the Pass requirements, then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".
- Boxes 364-365: Enter the mean and standard deviation respectively of the 99 SBP differences between observer and device measurements. (Use data from circled Boxes 261 or 267, 263 or 269 and 265 or 271)
- Box 366: Enter the number of DBP differences (at most 99) between observer and device measurements falling within 5 mmHg. (The total number of Boxes 274, 276 and 278 circled A in the 33 subjects)
- Box 367: Enter the number of DBP differences (at most 99) between observer and device measurements falling within 10 mmHg. (The total number of Boxes 274, 276 and 278 circled A or B in the 33 subjects)
- Box 368: Enter the number of DBP differences (at most 99) between observer and device measurements falling within 15 mmHg. (The total number of Boxes 274, 276 and 278 circled A, B or C in the 33 subjects)
- Box 369: If Boxes 366, 367 and 368 fulfil the Pass requirements, then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".
- Boxes 370-371: Enter the mean and standard deviation respectively of the 99 DBP differences between observer and device measurements. (Use data from circled Boxes 262 or 268, 264 or 270 and 266 or 272)
- Box 372: Enter the number of subjects (at most 33) with two or three of the absolute differences between observer and device SBP measurements within 5 mmHg. (Box 279 is 2 or 3)
- Box 373: Enter the number of subjects (at most 33) with none of the absolute differences between observer and device SBP measurements within 5 mmHg. (Box 279 is 0)
- Box 374: If Boxes 372 and 373 fulfil the Pass requirements, then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".
- Box 375: If Boxes 363 and 374 are both "Pass", then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".
- Box 376: Enter the number of subjects (at most 33) with two or three of the absolute differences between observer and device DBP measurements within 5 mmHg. (Box 280 is 2 or 3)
- Box 377: Enter the number of subjects (at most 33) with none of the absolute differences between observer and device DBP measurements within 5 mmHg. (Box 280 is 0)
- Box 378: If Boxes 376 and 377 fulfil the Pass requirements, then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".
- Box 379: If Boxes 369 and 378 are both "Pass", then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".
- Box 380: If Boxes 375 and 379 are both "Pass", then this is "Pass"; otherwise, it is "Fail".

Note 8: In validations carried out in specific populations requiring more than 33 subjects, proportionally equivalent passing criteria should be used.

Section 3: Closeout

Plots

Include the plots with this document. Confirm that they comply with the requirements

SBP	X-axis: Range 80 mmHg to 190 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Reference lines at 130 mmHg and 160 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Y-axis: Range -30 mmHg to 30 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Reference lines every 5 mmHg from -15 mmHg to 15 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DBP	X-axis: Range 30 mmHg to 140 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Reference lines at 80 mmHg and 100 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Y-axis: Range -30 mmHg to 30 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Reference lines every 5 mmHg from -15 mmHg to 15 mmHg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Image

Include a digital photograph, of the device used in the study, with this document. The photograph should show the front face of the device. Use a plain background.

A photograph, of the device used in the study, is included

Discussion

No specific problems were encountered during the validation, and the distribution conditions were fulfilled. However, recruitment of subjects with high blood pressure, particularly high DBP, was difficult. As the device has reached the required standards, it is recommended for clinical and self/home measurement use in a general population.

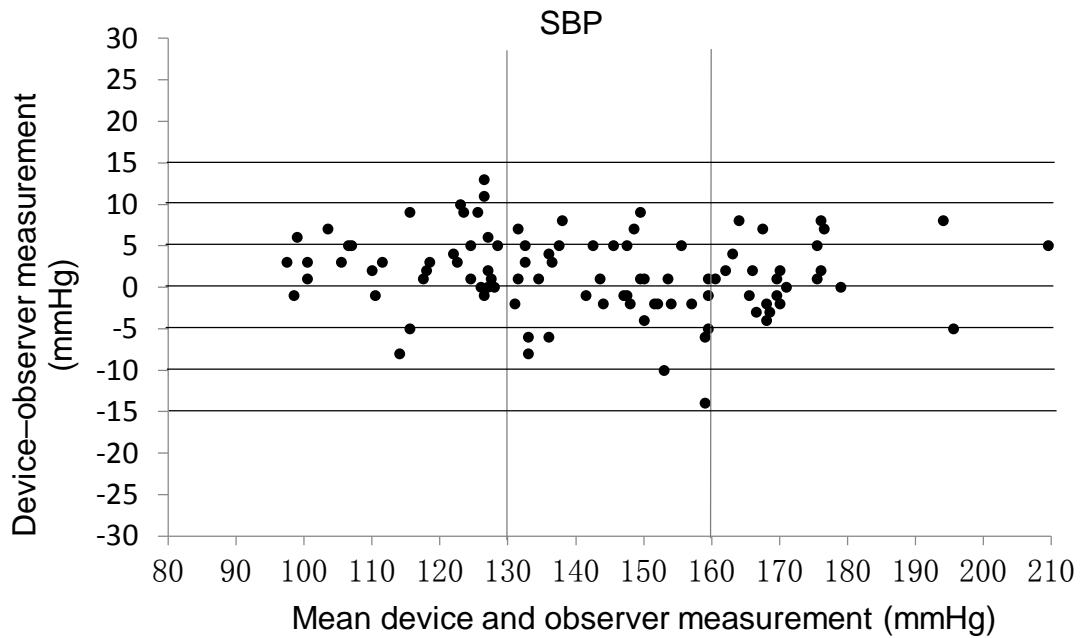
Conclusion

The conclusion as to whether the device is accurate for use in the population should be stated. If the results are particularly sensitive to correct use (e.g. most wrist devices) then this caution must be stated.

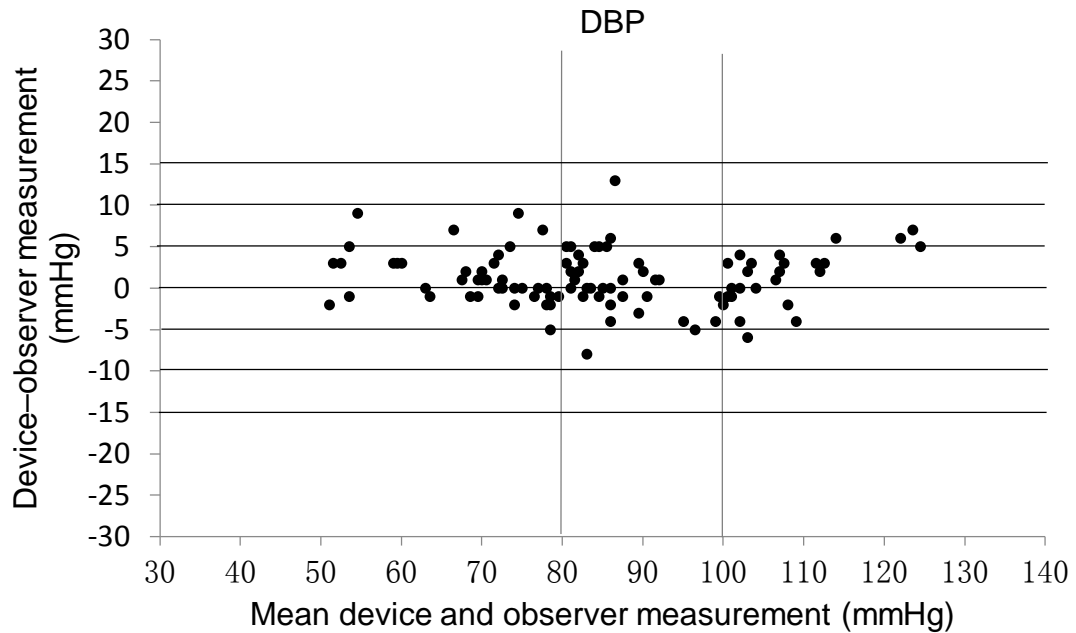
According to the results of the validation study on the basis of the European Society of Hypertension International Protocol revision 2010, the Microlife BP A3 PC upper arm BP monitor can be recommended for self/home measurement in general population.

Figure. (a) systolic and (b) diastolic blood pressure differences between the test device and observer, and the mean pressure of device and observer values.

(a)

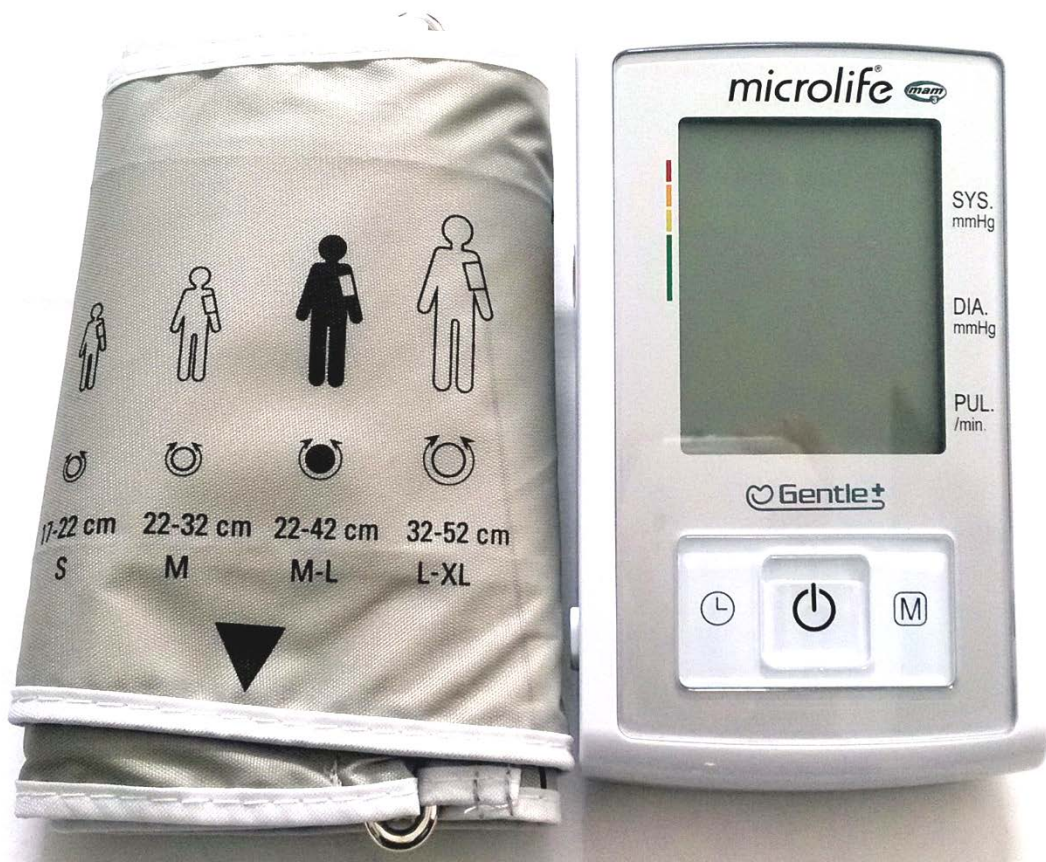


(b)



SBP, systolic blood pressure; DBP, diastolic blood pressure.

Figure. Microlife BPA3 PC device photograph.



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Section 1: Administrative Details

Fully Completed

Yes

Special Group

No

Section 2: Procedure

Protocol Adaptation

None

Problems

None

Problem Areas

BP Detection

Device Failure

Software

Recruitment

Environmental

Patient Discomfort

Other (add details)

Section 3: Screening and Recruitment Details

Fully Completed

Yes

Exclusions Explained

All

Ranges Correct

Yes

Section 4: Subject Details

Fully Completed

Yes

Ages Correct

Yes

Sexes Correct

Yes

Section 5: Validation Results

Fully Completed

Yes

Properly Interpreted

Yes

Plots

Good

Weaknesses

Size

Points

Labels

Ranges

Horizontal Ref. Lines

Vertical Ref. Lines

Other (add details)

Overall Assessment

Recommendation

Recommended

Comments

Assessment completed on the basis of summary data in form DET2. Raw data not seen.

I also have no conflict of interest in this study.

Signed

Gloria Cioque

Date