

AUSCAN[®] Questionnaire

Objectives : The AUSCAN[®] Index is a disease-specific, tri-dimensional self-administered questionnaire, for assessing health status and health outcomes in osteoarthritis of the hand.

Target population : Patients with acute or chronic joint pain in the hands

Method of use :

The questionnaire contains 15 questions, targeting areas of pain, stiffness and physical function, and can be completed in less than 5 minutes. Usually patient self-administered, the Index is amenable to interview administration by telephone. Available in over 30 alternate language forms. Available in 5-point Likert, 100 mm visual analogue or 11-point numerical rating scale format.

Validated languages : Australia, Austria (German), Belgium (French), Belgium (Flemish), Canada (English), Canada (French), Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Lebanon, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Russia, Romania, Slovakia, South Africa (English), South Africa (Afrikaans), Spain Sweden, Turkey, United Kingdom, USA (English), USA (Spanish)

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AUSCAN[®] Questionnaire Content:

Pain Subscale

1. At rest
2. Gripping
3. Lifting
4. Turning
5. Squeezing

Stiffness Subscale

6. After first wakening in the morning

Physical Function Subscale

7. Turning taps/faucets on
8. Turning a round doorknob or handle
9. Doing up buttons
10. Fastening jewellery
11. Opening a new jar
12. Carrying a full pot with one hand
13. Peeling vegetables/fruits
14. Picking up large heavy objects
15. Wringing out wash cloths