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#### **ORIGINAL ARTICLE**

## Translation, cross-cultural adaptation, reliability, and convergent and known-group validity of the Turkish full version of the Hip Disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score in patients with hip osteoarthritis

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#### ABSTRACT

**Objectives:** The study aimed to culturally adapt the full version of the Hip Disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score (HOOS) into Turkish and evaluate its reliability and validity.

Patients and methods: Patients with hip osteoarthritis were included in the methodological cross-cultural adaptation study between May 2022 and December 2022. We translated and adapted the HOOS into a Turkish version and validated it in a cohort of native Turkish-speaking patients with hip osteoarthritis. The HOOS includes five subscales named symptoms, pain, activities of daily living (ADL), sport and recreation (Sport/Rec), and quality of life (QoL). The psychometric properties of the Turkish HOOS were assessed. The reliability was investigated using test-retest reliability (intraclass correlation coefficient; ICC) and internal consistency methods (Cronbach's alpha). The convergent validity of the Turkish HOOS was evaluated by testing the predefined hypotheses using the correlations with the Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC) and the European Quality of Life Scale (EQ-5D-3L), a generic QoL scale.

**Results:** A total of 202 patients (131 females, 71 males; mean age: 55.2±9.7 years; range, 50 to 70 years) were recruited for the study. Cronbach's alpha values for each subscale of the HOOS were as follows: symptoms=0.76, pain=0.94, ADL=0.96, Sport/Rec=0.87, Qol=0.78, and total score=0.98, indicating it has high internal consistency. For all subscales and total score of the HOOS, the ICC values were between 0.77 and 0.86, indicating good to excellent test-retest reliability. All correlations between each subscale and total score of the Turkish HOOS, WOMAC, and EQ-5D-3L were moderate to strong. Therefore, 23 predefined hypotheses out of 24 were confirmed with a confirmation rate of 96%, indicating the Turkish version of the HOOS had adequate convergent validity.

**Conclusion:** This study shows that the Turkish version of the HOOS has a convergent and knowngroup validity, internal consistency, and test-retest reliability. It can be used to assess the patient's perception of their hip and associated difficulties, as well as their symptoms and functional limitations.

Keywords: Assessment, hip osteoarthritis, outcome, reliability, validity.

Hip disability and osteoarthritis are common conditions that significantly impact individuals' quality of life (QoL) and functional abilities. The effective management of hip osteoarthritis is heavily dependent on the relief of pain and increased joint mobilization. To effectively evaluate the outcomes of interventions and treatments, reliable and valid assessment tools are crucial. Therefore, healthcare professionals, hospital administrators, and researchers have a high demand for outcome measures that can accurately assess the efficacy of treatments

for osteoarthritis.<sup>1</sup> A plethora of scales are utilized to evaluate pain and mobility in patients with hip osteoarthritis.<sup>1,2</sup> One such tool, the Hip Disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score (HOOS),<sup>3</sup> has gained recognition for its advantages over other scales in assessing hiprelated disability and osteoarthritis outcomes. The HOOS is specifically designed to capture the multidimensional aspects of hip-related outcomes, focusing on pain, symptoms, activities of daily living (ADL), sports and recreation (Sports/Rec), and hip-related QoL. This

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specificity allows for a comprehensive evaluation that addresses the unique challenges faced by individuals with hip disability and osteoarthritis. The multidimensional approach of the HOOS provides a more holistic assessment, ensuring that all relevant aspects of hip-related outcomes are considered. By encompassing different domains, the HOOS offers a comprehensive perspective on the impact of hip disability and osteoarthritis on individuals' functional abilities and overall well-being.

Furthermore, the HOOS has undergone rigorous validation processes, establishing its validity and reliability.<sup>3</sup> Extensive testing in diverse populations has demonstrated the ability to consistently measure what it intends to measure, ensuring reliable and consistent results.<sup>[2-11]</sup> Importantly, the HOOS demonstrates sensitivity to change, making it suitable for monitoring disease progression, evaluating treatment effectiveness, and assessing the impact of rehabilitation programs.<sup>4</sup> Its ability to detect changes over time enables precise tracking of improvements or deterioration in hip-related outcomes, aiding clinicians and researchers in making informed decisions.

In addition to its comprehensive nature and psychometric properties, the HOOS takes a patient-centered approach. The questionnaire items were developed with patient input, ensuring that they capture the experiences and challenges faced by individuals with hip disability and osteoarthritis. This patient-centered focus enhances the tool's relevance and applicability, allowing for a more meaningful assessment of hip-related outcomes.

Moreover, the availability of translated versions of the HOOS in different languages enhances its usability across diverse cultural and linguistic contexts.<sup>3,5-13</sup> Researchers and healthcare professionals can employ the tool in various populations, facilitating cross-cultural comparisons and enabling a more inclusive approach to data collection. However, only the physical function subscale, which comprises five items, has been validated in Turkish.<sup>14</sup>

The rationale for translating the HOOS into Turkish is multifaceted and driven by several considerations. First and foremost, translating the HOOS into Turkish enhances its

accessibility and usability for researchers and healthcare professionals in Türkiye, allowing them to effectively utilize the tool and obtain reliable data specific to the Turkish population. Additionally, by culturally adapting the HOOS to the Turkish context, the translated version can better capture the experiences and challenges faced by Turkish-speaking individuals with hip disability and osteoarthritis. This cross-cultural adaptation ensures that the tool is relevant and applicable to the Turkish population, improving the accuracy of assessments and the quality of care provided. Furthermore, the translation facilitates comparative studies and international collaboration, enabling researchers in Türkiye to participate in global research efforts and fostering cross-cultural comparisons. By using a standardized tool like the HOOS, the translated version contributes to the standardization and harmonization of outcome measurement in hip disability and osteoarthritis research, allowing for meaningful comparisons between studies and enhancing the generalizability of research findings. Overall, translating the HOOS into Turkish aligns with the goal of promoting inclusivity, improving research methodologies, and providing culturally sensitive care for individuals with hip-related conditions in Türkiye. Therefore, this study aimed to present data on the cross-cultural adaptation and psychometric testing of the full version of the HOOS scale.

#### **PATIENTS AND METHODS**

This was a methodological study including cross-cultural adaptation and psychometric analysis conducted between May and December 2022. Permission was sought from the manufacturer of the HOOS. Data were collected from the Acıbadem Adana Ortopedia Hospital. Patients who were examined and diagnosed by an orthopedic surgeon were included.

This study included patients with osteoarthritis in the hip joint. Inclusion criteria included having hip osteoarthritis diagnosed by an orthopedic surgeon according to the American College of Rheumatology's classification criteria, [17] as well as having the ability to speak and write in Turkish. Patients with hip joint endoprostheses, neurological

disease, and lower extremity surgery were excluded from the study. In a validation study, it is commonly recommended to have a sample size of "at least" five participants per item. In the case of the HOOS, which consists of 40 items, we determined the minimum required sample size to be 200 individuals.<sup>15</sup>

#### **Measures**

Hip Disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score

The HOOS is a scale consisting of five subscales and 40 questions developed to evaluate patients with hip osteoarthritis. The subheadings of the scale are pain, other symptoms, function in ADL, function in sports and recreation (Sports/Rec), and hip-related QoL. The answer given for each question receives a score between 0 and 4. The total score is obtained by summing the scores for each item. A total of 100 points indicates no symptoms, and 0 points indicates that the patient has extreme symptoms.<sup>3</sup>

Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index

The Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index (WOMAC) is used to evaluate functional status and QoL in patients with osteoarthritis. The WOMAC consists of 24 questions into three subscales: pain, stiffness, and function. Higher scores indicate more severe symptoms, more disability, and poorer health. The Turkish validity and reliability of the questionnaire was conducted by Tüzün et al. This questionnaire is widely used by researchers and clinicians working on osteoarthritis.

#### **European Quality of Life Scale**

European Quality of Life Scale (EQ-5D-3L) evaluates QoL in many diseases and was developed by the EuroQoL group, a Western European QoL research society. It consists of five dimensions: movement, self-care, usual activities, pain or discomfort, and anxiety or depression. Each question is evaluated in five dimensions. Responses to each dimension are "okay," "a bit of an issue," and "overkill." In the score calculation, a value of 1 indicates excellent health, while negative values indicate being unconscious, bedridden, or other similar severe states. European Quality of Life Scale is currently available in more than

150 languages, including Turkish (https://euroqol.org/eq-5d-instruments/eq-5d-3l-about/).

#### Tönnis classification system

Patients' hip osteoarthritis severity was assessed using the Tönnis classification system, which categorizes hip osteoarthritis severity into three levels: mild (Grade 1), moderate (Grade 2), and severe (Grade 3).<sup>17</sup> The Tönnis scores were determined by an experienced orthopedic specialist.

## Translation and cultural adaptation

In the translation and cross-cultural adaptation procedure, we followed the guidelines for the process of cross-cultural adaptation of self-report measures published by Beaton et al.<sup>18</sup> This rigorous procedure ensured the linguistic and cultural equivalence of the translated version.

Stage I- Translation: Initially, the English version of the HOOS was translated into Turkish by two individuals. One of the translators was a healthcare professional with expertise in the field and familiarity with the scale. This step aimed to capture different perspectives and ensure accuracy in the translation process.

Stage II- Synthesis: The translations provided by the two individuals were then synthesized and consolidated into a single form. This step involved comparing and reconciling the differences between the translations, considering the intended meaning and relevance to the Turkish-speaking population.

Stage III- Back translation: The resulting Turkish version of the HOOS was back translated into English by two fluent Turkish speakers who were also native English speakers. Back translation helps ensure that the essence and nuances of the original version are maintained in the translated version.

Stage IV- Expert committee review: An expert committee, comprising professionals with expertise in hip-related conditions, measurement development, and cross-cultural adaptation, thoroughly evaluated the differences between the original and final versions of the HOOS in Turkish. This evaluation aimed to identify any discrepancies, inconsistencies, or potential issues that could impact the validity and reliability of the translated version.

Stage V- Pretesting: The finalized Turkish version of the HOOS underwent pilot testing and cognitive debriefing. This involved administering the translated questionnaire to a sample of individuals with hip disability and osteoarthritis who were native Turkish speakers. The participants provided feedback on the clarity, understandability, and relevance of the items through cognitive debriefing interviews. This step helped ensure that the translated version was culturally appropriate and comprehensible to the target population. In the pilot study, 18 participants (8 males and 10 females) evaluated the Turkish HOOS and provided feedback on items that should be deleted or modified. The original author of the scale approved all corrections. At the end of this article, the latest Turkish version of the HOOS is provided. All patients were asked to refill the HOOS seven days after completing the HOOS for the first time. One-week interval was selected to refill the HOOS as it is short enough to allow for obvious clinical changes to occur and long enough to eliminate the learning effects.

## Statistical analysis

Data analyses were conducted using the IBM SPSS version 25.0 (IBM Corp., Armonk, NY, USA) and Jamovi version 2.3 (The jamovi project, Sydney, Australia). Descriptive statistics were used for the demographic characteristics of the participants. Utilizing the Kolmogorov-Smirnov test and visually examining histograms and outliers, the distribution of the data was examined. To assess the presence of floor and ceiling effects, we calculated the proportion of participants who obtained the lowest and highest scores on the HOOS scale. Values greater than 15% showed that a floor or ceiling effect existed. For all analyses, the level of statistical significance was fixed at p<0.05.

The internal consistency was evaluated using Cronbach's alpha coefficient, and a value of ≥0.70 was considered acceptable internal consistency.<sup>20</sup> For relative test-retest reliability, 95% confidence interval and intraclass correlation coefficient (ICC) values were calculated using absolute agreement and two-way mixed effects. Poor (0.50), moderate (0.50-0.75), good (0.75-0.90), and excellent (>0.90) were used to categorize the ICC values.<sup>21</sup> To determine the absolute

test-retest reliability, we evaluated the smallest noticeable change (MDC95%) that goes beyond the level of measurement error and background noise, with a 95% level of confidence. The MDC95% was calculated using the formula:  $1.96\times\sqrt{2}\times\text{SEM}$ . The SEM (standard error of measurement) was estimated as the square root of the mean square error term from the repeated measures of analysis of variance. <sup>22</sup>

Before conducting the investigation on the convergent validity of the HOOS, some preliminary assumptions were made. It was anticipated that there would be a significant correlation, ranging from moderate to strong, between the subscales of the HOOS and the subscales of WOMAC. We hypothesized that related subscales would have a stronger correlation with each other compared to other subscales (i.e., the correlation between HOOS-Pain and WOMAC-Pain be higher than the correlation between HOOC-Pain **WOMAC-Stiffness** and WOMAC-ADL). We expected moderate to strong correlations between each subscale of the HOOC and EQ-5D-3L-Index. Similarly, we hypothesized that EQ-5D-3L-Index has the strongest correlation with HOOC-QoL among other subscales. Spearman correlation coefficients were utilized to assess the intensity of correlations. A correlation below 0.39 was deemed to be weak, while a correlation ranging from 0.40 to 0.69 was considered moderate. A correlation falling between 0.70 and 0.89 was categorized as strong, and any correlation exceeding 0.90 was labelled as very strong.<sup>23</sup>

To assess known-group validity, the Mann-Whitney U test was conducted to compare the median scores on the HOOS between the two Tönnis score groups (Grade 2 and 3), as we did not have any patients with Grade 1.

Confirmatory factor analysis was used to assess structural validity of the HOOS, originally proposed as a five-factor model. Model fit statistics included the Comparative Fit Index (CFI), Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI), and Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA). Model fit was evaluated based on a priori values: CFI  $\geq$ 0.95, TLI  $\geq$ 0.95, and RMSEA  $\leq$ 0.06.<sup>24</sup>

The Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin (KMO) Measure of Sampling Adequacy test was utilized to

**Table 1.** Demographic and clinical characteristics of the participants (n=202)

participants (n=202)			
	n	%	Mean±SD
Age (year)			55.2±9.7
Sex Male Female	71 131	35.1 64.9	
Type of osteoarthritis Primary Secondary	146 56	72.3 27.7	
Tönnis grading Tönnis Grade 1 Tönnis Grade 2 Tönnis Grade 3 Missing data	0 19 36 55	0 9.4 17.8 72.8	
BMI (kg/m²)			27.58±5.46
WOMAC-Pain			12.50±4.42
WOMAC-Stiffness			4.49±2.30
WOMAC-ADL			45.04±13.52
WOMAC-Total			62.38±18.50
EQ-5D-3L-Index			0.14±0.39

SD: Standard deviation; BMI: Body mass index; WOMAC: Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index; ADL: Activities of daily living; EQ-5D-3L: European Quality of Life Scale.

evaluate the adequacy of the sample size in our study. Typically, KMO values ranging from 0.8 to 1 indicate that the sample size is considered sufficient for the analysis and the sample adequately represents the underlying population.<sup>25</sup>

## **RESULTS**

## **Cross-cultural adaptation**

During the pilot study, a total of 18 participants (8 males and 10 females) were enlisted to assess the Turkish version of HOOS and provide their opinions on the items that required modification or removal. All participants found the HOOS to be clear and understandable, except for a few items. Some participants suggested using "friction sound, click, crackle sound" instead of "squeaking sound" in questions about symptoms and changing the expression "difficulty in taking long steps while walking" to "difficulty in taking a normal step" in Question 3. Feedback was also received regarding correcting Questions 9, 13, and 15. For example, "wearing socks" was changed to "wearing short/long socks" in Question 9, and "entering and exiting the toilet" was changed to "exiting a closet" in Question 15. Based on the feedback, patterns of questions related to function, Sports/Rec were updated to a higher level. All revisions made to the scale were authorized by the original author.

On average, the completion of the Turkish version of HOOS takes approximately 4 min. Due to the comprehensibility of the Turkish adaptation of HOOS among patients, all items were completed by the participants, leading to an absence of missing responses.

**Table 2.** Descriptive statistics, internal consistency (expressed by Cronbach's alpha), and test-retest reliability (expressed by ICC, SEM, and MDC95%) of the HOOS

	Baseline	e (n=202)	Retest	(n=57)	ICC (n=57)				
	Median	IQR	Median	IQR	Cronbach's alpha (n=202)	ICC	95% CI	SEM (n=57)	MDC95% (n=57)
Symptoms (5 items)	35.0	25.0-55.0	40.0	35.0-50.0	0.76	0.78	0.63-0.88	5.6	15.6
Pain (10 items)	30.0	17.5-42.5	32.5	12.5-40.0	0.94	0.86	0.77-0.91	5.1	14.0
ADL (17 items)	29.4	19.1-45.6	33.8	13.2-41.2	0.96	0.85	0.72-0.92	5.4	15.1
Sport/Rec (4 items)	12.5	6.25-25.0	12.5	0-25.0	0.87	0.77	0.61-0.87	6.7	18.6
QoL (4 items)	12.5	6.3-25.0	12.5	6.3-31.3	0.78	0.82	0.71-0.89	6.1	16.9
Total (40 items)	25.5	16.2-36.3	25.3	16.1-35.1	0.98	0.84	0.74-0.90	4.1	11.4

ICC: Intraclass correlation coefficient; SEM: Standard error of measurement; MDC: Minimal detectable change; HOOS: Hip Disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score; IQR: Interquartile range; CI: Confidence interval; ADL: Activities of daily living; Sport/Rec: Sport and recreation; QoL: Quality of life.

Table 3. Spearman correlations between each subscale of HOOS, WOMAC, and EQ-5D-3L-Index									
	Symptoms	Pain	ADL	Sport/Rec	QoL	Total			
WOMAC-Pain									
Rho	-0.61	-0.81	-0.80	-0.65	-0.50	-0.80			
p	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*			
WOMAC-Stiffness									
Rho	-0.63	-0.71	-0.63	-0.52	-0.54	-0.71			
p	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*			
WOMAC-ADL									
Rho	-0.61	-0.78	-0.86	-0.73	-0.60	-0.84			
p	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*			
EQ-5D-3L-Index									
Rho	0.40	0.55	0.61	0.59	0.48	-0.60			
p	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*	<0.001*			

HOOS: Hip disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score; WOMAC: Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index; EQ-5D-3L: European Quality of Life Scale; ADL: Activities of daily living; Sport/Rec: Sport and recreation; QoL: Quality of life; \* p<0.05.

## **Participants**

A total of 202 patients (131 females, 71 males; mean age: 55.2±9.7 years; range, 50 to 70 years) with osteoarthritis were recruited as participants for this study. The mean body mass index (BMI) of the participants was 27.58±5.46 kg/m². Of these patients, 146 (72.3%) had primary osteoarthritis, while 56 (27.7%) had secondary osteoarthritis. Table 1 displays information about the participants' demographic and clinical features. The KMO value was 0.908, indicating that sample size was adequate.

## Floor and ceiling effects

Floor effects (indicating the worst possible score) were found in subscales symptoms (2%), pain (3.5%), ADL (3%), Sport/Rec (24.8%), and QoL (18.3%). Ceiling effects were found in subscales pain (1%), ADL (1%), Sport/Rec (1%), QoL (1%), and total score (1%). Floor effects in subscales Sport/Rec and QoL are higher than the proposed cut-off value of 15%.

# Internal consistency and test-retest reliability

Fifty-seven patients refilled the Turkish version of the HOOS for the second time to

assess the test-retest reliability. Cronbach's alpha values of each subscale and total score were above the proposed cut-off value of 0.70. Among the subscales, the total score showed a higher internal consistency. For all subscales of the Turkish HOOS, the ICC values were between 0.77 and 0.86, and for the total score, it was 0.84, indicating a good test-retest reliability. The SEM values ranged from 4.1 to 6.7. In addition, the MDC95% values ranged from 11.4 to 18.6. Table 2 presents the descriptive statistics, internal consistency, and test-retest reliability of the Turkish version of the HOOS.

#### Validity

All correlations between each subscale and total score of the Turkish HOOS, WOMAC, and EQ-5D-3L-Index were moderate to strong (Table 3). Twenty-three predefined hypotheses out of 24 were confirmed with a confirmation rate of 96% (Table 4), indicating the Turkish version of the HOOS had adequate convergent validity.

The known-group validity of the HOOS subscales and total score was assessed by comparing the scores of patients with different severity levels of hip osteoarthritis. Specifically, patients with severe hip osteoarthritis

No.	Predefined hypothesis	Confirmed
	Moderate to strong correlation between	
1	HOOS-Symptoms and WOMAC-Pain	Yes
2	HOOS-Symptoms and WOMAC-Stiffness	Yes
3	HOOS-Symptoms and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
4	HOOS-Symptoms and EQ-5D-3L-Index	Yes
5	HOOS-Pain and WOMAC-Pain	Yes
6	HOOS-Pain and WOMAC-Stiffness	Yes
7	HOOS-Pain and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
8	HOOS-Pain and EQ-5D-3L-Index	Yes
9	HOOS-ADL and WOMAC-Pain	Yes
10	HOOS-ADL and WOMAC-Stiffness	Yes
11	HOOS-ADL and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
12	HOOS-ADL and EQ-5D-3L-Index	Yes
13	HOOS-Sport/Rec and WOMAC-Pain	Yes
14	HOOS-Sport/Rec and WOMAC-Stiffness	Yes
15	HOOS-Sport/Rec and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
16	HOOS-Sport/Rec and EQ-5D-3L-Index	Yes
17	HOOS-QoL and WOMAC-Pain	Yes
18	HOOS-QoL and WOMAC-Stiffness	Yes
19	HOOS-QoL and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
20	HOOS-QoL and EQ-5D-3L-Index	Yes
21	Correlation between HOOS-Pain and WOMAC-Pain is stronger than those with WOMAC-Stiffness and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
22	Correlation between HOOS-Stiffness and WOMAC-Stiffness is stronger than those with WOMAC-Pain and WOMAC-ADL	Yes
23	Correlation between HOOS-ADL and WOMAC-ADL is stronger than those with WOMAC-Pain and WOMAC-Stiffness	Yes
24	EQ-5D-3L-Index has the strongest correlation with HOOS-QoL	No
	Confirmation rate	96%

HOOS: Hip disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score; WOMAC: Western Ontario and McMaster Universities Osteoarthritis Index; ADL: Activities of daily living; EQ-5D-3L: European Quality of Life Scale; QoL: Quality of life.

Table 5. Known-groups validity of the Turkish version of HOOS by osteoarthritis severity

	Tönnis Gra	de 2 (n=19)	Tönnis Gra		
	Median	IQR	Median	IQR	p
Symptoms	45	30-60	32.5	20-48.8	0.278
Pain	37.5	20-42.5	25	15-35	0.060
ADL	36.8	22.1-50	27.2	11.8-35.3	0.006*
Sport/Rec	25	12.5- 31.3	6.3	0-25	0.010*
QoL	12.5	6.3-31.3	12.5	6.3-31.3	0.794
Total	31.1	20.4-36.3	22.6	13.2-30.7	0.035*

HOOS: Hip disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score; IQR: Interquartile range; ADL: Activities of daily living; Sport/Rec: Sport and recreation; QoL: Quality of life; \* p<0.05.

demonstrated significantly worse scores on the ADL subscale (p=0.006), Sport/Rec subscale (p=0.010), and total score (p=0.035) of the HOOS compared to those with moderate

severity. These findings suggest that the ADL and Sport/Rec subscales, as well as the total score, have adequate known-group validity, indicating their ability to discriminate between

Factor	Item	Estimate	SE	Z	p
	S1. Do you feel grinding, hear clicking or any other type of noise from you hip?	0.650	0.0963	6.75	< 0.001
	S2. Difficulties spreading legs wide apart.	0.492	0.0639	7.69	< 0.001
Symptoms (S)	S3. Difficulties to stride out when walking	0.584	0.0645	9.06	< 0.001
	S4. How severe is your hip joint stiffness after first wakening in the morning?	0.890	0.0611	14.55	< 0.001
	S5. How severe is your hip stiffness after sitting, lying or resting later in the day?	0.745	0.0649	11.48	< 0.001
	P1. How often is your hip painful?	0.716	0.0537	13.34	< 0.001
	P2. Straightening your hip fully	0.729	0.0543	13.41	< 0.001
	P3. Bending your hip fully	0.755	0.0583	12.96	< 0.001
	P4. Walking on flat surface	0.726	0.0596	12.17	< 0.001
D . (D)	P5. Going up or down stairs	0.792	0.0519	15.25	< 0.001
Pain (P)	P6. At night while in bed	0.718	0.0700	10.27	< 0.001
	P7. Sitting or lying	0.821	0.0627	13.09	< 0.001
	P8. Standing upright	0.718	0.0587	12.23	< 0.001
	P9. Walking on a hard surface (asphalt, concrete, etc.)	0.770	0.0545	14.13	< 0.001
	P10. Walking on an uneven surface	0.800	0.0509	15.71	< 0.001
	A1. Descending stairs	0.886	0.0717	12.36	< 0.001
	A2. Ascending stairs	0.822	0.0556	14.79	< 0.001
	A3. Rising from sitting	0.811	0.0623	13.03	< 0.001
	A4. Standing	0.667	0.0607	11.00	< 0.001
	A5. Bending to floor/pick up an object	0.868	0.0611	14.21	< 0.001
	A6. Walking on flat surface	0.698	0.0571	12.22	< 0.001
	A7. Getting in/out of car	0.817	0.0568	14.39	< 0.001
	A8. Going shopping	0.844	0.0568	14.86	< 0.001
ADL (A)	A9. Putting on socks/stockings	0.697	0.0606	11.51	< 0.001
	A10. Rising from bed	0.890	0.0600	14.82	< 0.001
	A11. Taking off socks/stockings	0.683	0.0664	10.30	< 0.001
	A12. Lying in bed (turning over, maintaining hip position)	0.793	0.0598	13.25	< 0.001
	A13. Getting in/out of bath	0.816	0.0615	13.26	< 0.001
	A14. Sitting	0.724	0.0591	12.26	< 0.001
	A15. Getting on/off toilet	0.784	0.0608	12.90	< 0.001
	A16. Heavy domestic duties (moving heavy boxes, scrubbing floors, etc.)	0.799	0.0572	13.96	< 0.001
	A17. Light domestic duties (cooking, dusting, etc.)	0.709	0.0600	11.80	< 0.001
	SP1. Squatting	0.686	0.0523	13.13	< 0.001
Sport/Rec (SP)	SP2. Running	0.678	0.0507	13.37	< 0.001
	SP3. Twisting/pivoting on your injured hip	0.797	0.0559	14.24	< 0.001
	SP4. Walking on uneven surface	0.787	0.0606	12.99	< 0.001
	Q1. How often are you aware of your hip problem?	0.610	0.0616	9.90	< 0.001
QoL (Q)	Q2. Have you modified your life style to avoid potentially damaging activities to your hip?	0.527	0.0711	7.41	< 0.001
	Q3. How much are you troubled with lack of confidence in your hip?	0.732	0.0644	11.37	< 0.001
	Q4. In general, how much difficulty do you have with your hip?	0.879	0.0531	16.54	< 0.001

Model Fit Statistics: CFI=0.652, TLI=0.628, and RMSEA=0.145.

HOOS: Hip disability and Osteoarthritis Outcome Score; SE: Standard error; ADL: Activities of daily living; Sport/Rec: Sport and recreation; QoL: Quality of life; CFI: Comparative Fit Index; TLI: Tucker-Lewis Index; RMSEA: Root Mean Square Error of Approximation.

different levels of hip osteoarthritis severity. Further details can be found in Table 5.

The Turkish version of the HOOS did not meet contemporary fit recommendations based on the fit indices when evaluated using the five-factor model. The CFI had a value of 0.652, the TLI had a value of 0.628, and the RMSEA had a value of 0.145. Factor loadings of each item are presented in Table 6. These fit indices indicate that the proposed model did not adequately fit the observed data according to contemporary standards.

#### **DISCUSSION**

This study aimed to translate and culturally adapt the HOOS into Turkish and evaluate its psychometric properties in patients with hip osteoarthritis. The findings of the study indicated that the Turkish version of the HOOS was comparable in terms of convergent and knowngroup validity and reliability to other translated versions.

We found that Sport/Rec and QoL subscales of the Turkish version of the HOOS has a floor effect (worst possible score). Similar results were reported by other validation studies. For example, the Polish validation study<sup>12</sup> of the HOOS found the floor effects for Sport/Rec (24%) and QoL (25%) subscales, French version<sup>5</sup> found a floor effect for the Sport/Rec (17.8%), and Persian version<sup>13</sup> found a floor effect again for the Sport/Rec (18%). This result was not surprising given that these two subscales were created as an expansion of the WOMAC for younger and more active individuals.<sup>3</sup>

Cronbach's alpha values for each subscale of the Turkish version of the HOOS were as follows: symptoms=0.76, pain=0.94, ADL=0.96, Sport/Rec=0.87, and QoL=0.78, indicating it has high internal consistency. While the lowest Cronbach's alpha value was observed in the symptoms subscale, the highest Cronbach's alpha value was seen in the ADL subscale. This result is line with previous validation studies; for example, the ADL subscales has a Cronbach's alpha of 0.94 in the French version, 5 0.98 in the Dutch version, 0.96 in the Korean, German, and Italian versions, 0.97 in the Japanese version, and Italian and Itali

0.95 to 0.97 in the Polish version. 12 A lower value of Cronbach's alpha found in the symptoms and QoL subscales could be due to a heterogeneous construct of these subscales. On the other hand, the presence of a high Cronbach's alpha in subscales does not guarantee that they are homogenous or unidimensional. If Cronbach's alpha is very high (above 0.9), it may indicate that some items in both the 17-item ADL subscale and the 10-item Pain subscale are repetitive and assess the same question in a slightly different way. Since all previous validation studies found similar results and our aim was not to modify the HOOS, we did not attempt a reduction in these subscales to be the same as possible as the original and other validated versions.

For all subscales of the Turkish version the HOOS, the ICC values were between 0.76 and 0.96, indicating good to excellent test-retest reliability. The previous validation studies reported similar test-retest results.3,5,8,10,12,13 In the Turkish version of the HOOS, the SEM values ranged from 5.1 to 6.7. In addition, the MDC95% values ranged from 15.1 to 18.6. Clinicians and researchers can utilize the SEM and MDC95% values we provided as a benchmark when interpreting the HOOS scores following an intervention. It is vital to acknowledge that these values do not represent the minimal clinically important difference, but rather they indicate the level of measurement error. To sum up, these results prove that the HOOS is stable and reproducible in different languages.

The convergent validity of the Turkish HOOS was evaluated by testing the predefined hypotheses using the correlations with the WOMAC and the EQ-5D-3L, a generic QoL scale. As anticipated, we found significant associations between the different aspects of the HOOS and the corresponding sections of WOMAC, which were designed to assess similar concepts. For example, WOMAC-Pain subscale has the strongest correlation coefficient with the HOOS-Pain subscale, and similarly WOMAC-ADL subscale has the strongest correlation coefficient with the HOOS-ADL. We also found moderate correlations between the EQ-5D-3L-Index and HOOS subscales. Since the WOMAC evaluates more similar constructs as in the HOOS, it is not surprising

finding that we found weaker correlations between the HOOS and the EQ-5D-3L-Index compared to the WOMAC. On the other hand, Polish, 12 Dutch, 8 Japanese, 11 and Italian 7 versions showed strong correlation between HOOS and SF-36 (Short Form 36). Unlike other studies, we used the EQ-5D-3L instead of SF-36 since we used WOMAC, which is more related to the HOOS. To decrease the patient burden, we did not use the SF-36, which includes 36 items. Instead, we used a practical and short QoL scale. Although SF-36 and EQ-5D-3L evaluate QoL, they are different in terms of whether they are preference-based or not. Due to these reasons, we believe that the correlations were moderate in our study.

The findings of our study did not support the original five-factor structure of the HOOS scale, which is consistent with the findings of a study conducted by Miley et al.<sup>26</sup> involving 655 participants. These results suggest the need for item rewriting or item removal to improve the model. Additionally, it appears that the items within the constructs may not effectively measure distinct phenomena. It would be worthwhile to investigate the theoretical justifications for the observed correlated errors and determine the circumstances in which their inclusion is warranted in research. Employing exploratory procedures, such as exploratory factor analysis. could be valuable in identifying a more concise instrument from the original item pool, although it was not the focus of our study. Future research should aim to enhance the structural validity of both the original HOOS scale and its Turkish version. Based on our findings, we observed that the total score of the HOOS demonstrated better results in terms of internal consistency, test-retest reliability, and known-groups validity compared to the individual subscales. Therefore, we recommend that clinicians and researchers exercise caution when utilizing the subscales of the HOOS and instead consider using the total score as a more reliable and comprehensive measure. By using the total score, a more accurate assessment of hip disability and osteoarthritis outcomes can be obtained, providing a more comprehensive evaluation for clinical decisionmaking and research purposes.

The current study had some potential limitations that should be considered. One

of these limitations is that all the evaluation measures used to assess the validity were based on self-reporting. While these questionnaires are commonly regarded as trustworthy and dependable methods for examining hip osteoarthritis, utilizing objective measures like an algometer, manual muscle tester, timed up and go test, sit-to-stand test, and step climbing test could have given more precise data on the validity of the Turkish version of the HOOS. Second. the cross-sectional design used in this study limited our ability to examine the changes in participants' behaviors over time and understand the longitudinal effects of the intervention. Lastly, we retrospectively attempted to obtain Tönnis scores to assess disease severity. However, since the collection of these scores was not initially planned, we encountered a significant amount of missing data. The presence of missing data could potentially introduce bias and limit the robustness of our findings related to disease severity, specifically known-groups validity.

In conclusion, the findings derived from our study demonstrate that the Turkish version of the HOOS possesses satisfactory convergent and known-group validity and reliability, congruent with the results obtained from the validation studies in other languages. The Turkish version of the HOOS is now readily accessible and can be effectively utilized for evaluating patients' subjective perception of their hip function, associated difficulties, as well as symptoms and functional limitations. Nevertheless, it is advised that clinicians and researchers proceed with caution when employing the subscales of the HOOS and instead give preference to utilizing the total score.

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## KALÇA YETİYİTİMİ VE OSTEOARTRİT SONUÇ SKORU

**YÖNERGE:** Bu anket kalçanızla ilgili görüşünüzü sormaktadır. Bu bilgi, kalçanız hakkında nasıl hissettiğinizi ve günlük aktivitelerinizi ne kadar iyi yapabildiğinizi takip etmemize yardımcı olacaktır.

Her soruyu uygun bir kutucuğu işaretleyerek cevaplayın. Bir soruyu nasıl cevaplayacağınızdan emin değilseniz, lütfen verebileceğiniz en iyi cevabı verin.

#### **SEMPTOMLAR**

Bu sorular, <b>geçen haftaki</b> kalça semptomlarınız düşünülerek cevaplanmalıdır.											
Soru 1. Kalçanızdan sürtünme sesi, tıkırtı, çıtlama veya benzeri sesler duyuyor musunuz?											
		Hiçbir zaman		Nadiren		Bazen		Sıklıkla		Her zaman	
Soru	Soru 2. Bacaklarınızı yana açarken yaşadığınız zorluk										
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	Soru 3. Yürürken <i>normal</i> adım atmakta zorluk										
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
SER	SERTLİK										
Aşağıdaki sorular kalçanızda <b>geçen hafta</b> yaşadığınız eklem sertliği miktarıyla ilgilidir. Sertlik, kalça ekleminizi hareket ettirme kolaylığınızdaki bir kısıtlama veya yavaşlık hissidir.											
Soru	ı 4.	Sabah uyandıktan so	nra l	kalça eklem sertliğiniz	z ne l	kadar şiddetlidir?					
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Soru	<b>Soru 5.</b> Günün ilerleyen saatlerinde, oturduktan, yattıktan veya dinlendikten sonra kalça sertliğiniz ne kadar şiddetlidir?										
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
AĞR	I										
Sort	ι 1.	Kalçanız ne sıklıkla a	ığrıyo	or?							
		Hiçbir zaman		Nadiren		Bazen		Sıklıkla		Her zaman	
Aşağ	ıdak	i aktiviteler sırasında	geç	<b>en hafta</b> ne kadar ka	alça a	ığrısı yaşadınız?					
Sort	ı 2.	Kalçanızı tamamen d	lüzelt	tirken							
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ι 3.	Kalçanızı tamamen t	oüker	ken							
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ı 4.	Düz zeminde yürürke	en								
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Soru	ι 5.	Merdivenlerden çıkaı	rken	veya inerken							
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ι 6.	Gece yataktayken									
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ι 7.	Otururken veya yataı	rken								
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ı 8.	Dik bir şekilde ayakta	a dur	rurken							
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ι 9.	Sert bir zeminde yür	ürker	n (asfalt, beton vb.)							
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Sort	ւ 10	. Düz olmayan (enge	beli)	bir zeminde yürürken	ı						
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	

## Fonksiyon, günlük yaşam

Aşağıdaki sorular fiziksel fonksiyonla ilgilidir. Fiziksel fonksiyonla, hareket etme ve kendinize bakma yeteneğinizi kastediyoruz. Aşağıdaki aktivitelerin her biri için lütfen **geçen hafta** kalçanızdan dolayı yaşadığınız zorluğun derecesini belirtiniz.

Sor	u 1.	Merdivenlerden inme	e					
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 2.	Merdivenlerden çıkm	na					
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 3.	Oturmadan ayağa ka	alkm	a				
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 4.	Oturmadan ayağa ka	alkm	a				
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 5.	Yere eğilme/bir nesi	neyi	alma				
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 6.	Düz zeminde yürüm	e					
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 7.	Arabaya binme/ arab	bada	n inme				
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 8.	Alışverişe gitme						
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 9.	Kısa/uzun çorap giy	me					
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 10	<b>).</b> Yataktan kalkma						
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 11	<b>l.</b> Kısa/uzun çorap çı	karn	na				
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor			nme,	kalça pozisyonunu ko	orum	a)		
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 13	<ol><li>Küvete girme/küve</li></ol>	etten	çıkma				
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 14	I. Oturma						
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 15	5. Tuvalete girmek/çıl	kmal	k (klozete oturup kalk	mak)			
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 16	5. Ağır ev işleri (ağır l		arı taşımak, zeminleri	fırça	alamak vb.)		
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta	Şiddetli	Aşırı
Sor	u 17	7. Hafif ev işleri (yem						
		Hic		Hafif		Orta	Siddetli	Asırı

Turkish full version of the HOOS

## Fonksiyon, spor ve eğlence aktiviteleri

Aşağıdaki sorul	ar, daha yükse	k düzeyde aktif	olduğunuzdak	i fiziksel fonk	ksiyonunuzla il	lgilidir. <b>So</b> ı	n bir haf	<b>ta</b> içinde	kalçanızdan	dolay:
ne kadar zorluk	yaşadığınız di	işünülerek soru	ılar cevaplandı	rılmalıdır.						

Soru	ı 1.	Çömelme									
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Soru	Soru 2. Koşma										
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Soru	Soru 3. Etkilenmiş bacağınız üzerinde dönme										
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
Soru	ı 4.	Düz olmayan zemind	e yü	rüme							
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	
YAŞ	AM	KALİTESİ									
Sort	ı 1.	Kalça probleminizin	ne sı	klıkla farkında olursu	nuz?						
		Hiçbir zaman		Ayda bir iki kere		Haftada bir iki kere		Günde bir iki kere		Sürekli	
Soru	ı 2.	Kalçanıza potansiyel	olar	ak zarar verebilecek a	ktivi	telerden kaçınmak içi	n ya	şam tarzınızı değiştire	diniz	mi?	
		Hiçbir zaman		Biraz		Orta derecede		Ciddi derecede		Tamamen	
Sort	ı 3.	Kalçanıza olan özgüv	en e	eksikliğinden ne kadar	raha	atsızsınız?					
		Hiçbir zaman		Biraz		Orta derecede		Ciddi derecede		Aşırı derecede	
Soru	ı 4.	Genel olarak, kalçanı	ızla r	ne kadar zorluk yaşıyo	orsun	uz?					
		Hiç		Hafif		Orta		Şiddetli		Aşırı	

Bu anketteki tüm soruları tamamladığınız için teşekkür ederiz.