Assessment of Aphasia in Portugal: Past, present and future

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Background, Aims and Methodology

- Many aphasia assessment tools have been developed and described in literature considering the ICF framework.
- In Portugal, the existing literature on the topic of assessment of aphasia is scarce.
- The aim of this work is to explore the aphasia assessment tools available in Portugal.
- A literature review was conducted to identify all the studies that report the development and/or translation and adaptation of aphasia assessment tools to European Portuguese.
  - Searched the following databases: Medline; Pubmed; B-on; Scielo; Databases of Portuguese journals related with health and social sciences; Open access repositories.

Current Overall Position in Portugal

- In the last decade, there have been many research studies aimed at translating and adapting different aphasia related assessment tools to the Portuguese reality.
  - Language, cognition and mood measures.
  - Functional communication as rated by speech and language therapists and people with aphasia.
  - Good physical, activities and quality of life indices.
- The most recently developed assessment tools are centred in activity limitations, participation restrictions, contextual factors and quality of life.
  - **Come and see the poster for full details on assessment instruments available.**