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# Introduction, Aims and Methodology

#### Introduction

- Social participation of people with aphasia (PWA) is a growing concern in healthcare. The Social Activities Checklist (SOCACT) is an instrument that measures the social participation of the PWA.
- ❖ In Portugal, the number of assessment tools capable of assessing these difficulties is scarce.

#### <u>Aim</u>

The aim of this study was to translate the SOCACT to Portuguese and analyse its validity and reliability for a group of Portuguese people with aphasia (PWA) and a group of neurologically health people (NHP);

#### Methodology

Phase 1 – Translation and Content Validation:

\* Consisting of different phases: Translation of SOCACT to Portuguese; back-translation; experts committee (N=6) evaluation of the different versions; cognitive debriefing with 5 PWA (individual and group interviews; content validation).

<u>Phase 2</u> – Application of the SOCACT to the PWA and NHP groups:

❖ Pilot Study with 15 PWA and 30 NHP.

## Results/Discussion and Conclusion

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#### Phase 1 – Translation and Content Validation:

- ❖ Content Validation: Content Validity Index obtained was 1 for most of the questions;
- ❖ The experts found the SOCACT-EP easy to understand and unambiguous.

#### <u>Phase 2</u> – Application of the SOCACT to the PWA and NHP groups:

- ❖ Internal Consistency: Low for the PWA group and acceptable for the NHP;
- ❖ Differences between Groups: Some activities differ greatly among the groups; PWA reported difficulties as a consequence of aphasia.

#### **Conclusions**

❖ Further research on Social Participation and the SOCACT-EP is required to evaluate and adapt existing activities for Portuguese individuals with aphasia, considering varying degrees of aphasia to ensure effective engagement.

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