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Abstract -

Back ground: The purpose of this study was to examine the effect of hyperbaric oxygen therapy on crouch gait. Thirty spastic diplegic children were assigned randomly into two groups (study and control). Subjects in the study group (n = 15) received traditional physical therapy program (stretching, strengthening, balance and gait training exercises) only, whereas subjects in the control group (n = 15) received the same traditional physical therapy program in addition to hyperbaric oxygen therapy. Gait parameters including hips, knees and ankles joints excursion during initial contact phase, step length (meters), gait velocity (meter/second) and cadence (steps/minutes) were measured before, one month and after three months of treatment program by 3D motion analysis. Results: There was a statistically significant improvement in both groups regarding all the measured variables and a statistically significant difference among both groups in favor to the study group. Conclusion: Physical therapy program in addition to hyperbaric oxygen therapy are effective in improving crouch gait in spastic diplegic children.

Key words: Cerebral Palsy, Crouch gait, 3-d Motion analysis, Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy.

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