

# Adaptation and Validation of the Italian Singing Voice Handicap Index-10 (SVHI-10-IT) (Validation of I-SVHI)

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Study

Finalised

## Administrative details

### PURI

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### EU PAS number

EUPAS41469

### Study ID

41470

### DARWIN EU® study

No

### Study countries

☐ Italy

## Study description

The purposes of this study were to adapt and validate the Italian version of the Singing Voice Handicap Index-10 (SVHI-10-IT) and to determine the cut-off value using videolaryngostroboscopy diagnoses as external criteria. This observational cross-sectional single-center study was conducted in the ENT and Phoniatic private Center of Pisa, Italy. Singers were included from different music genres (Contemporary Commercial Music and Classic) and from a range of experience levels (singing student, amateur or professional). A total of ninety-nine Italian singers who arrived consecutively in the private ENT and Phoniatic Center, were enrolled in the study. The singers showed up at the Center for a voice disorder or for screening. Overall, participants had a mean age of 29.8 yrs (sd 9.7, range 18-54 yrs). All subjects underwent Videolaryngostroboscopic examination and were asked to fill out the self-reported 10-item SVHI-10-IT. Laryngostroboscopic examination was pathological in 56 subjects (study group) (56/99, 56.6%), while it was normal in the remaining 43 singers (control group) (43/99, 43.4%). To confirm test-retest reliability of the SVHI-10-IT, patients were invited to complete the questionnaire for a second time, approximately 2 weeks after the first administration. Medical data was collected by review of medical care records. The researcher checked for absent responses after receiving the questionnaire and asked patients to answer to the missing items.

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## Study status

Finalised

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## Study timelines

### Date when funding contract was signed

Planned: 01/01/2019

Actual: 04/02/2019

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### Study start date

Planned: 01/10/2019

Actual: 02/12/2019

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### Data analysis start date

Planned: 01/02/2020

Actual: 25/02/2020

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### Date of final study report

Planned: 01/05/2020

Actual: 01/06/2020

## Sources of funding

- Other

## More details on funding

Private centre

## Regulatory

### **Was the study required by a regulatory body?**

No

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### **Is the study required by a Risk Management Plan (RMP)?**

Not applicable

## Methodological aspects

### Study type

### Study type list

#### **Study topic:**

Other

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#### **Study topic, other:**

To adapt and validate the Italian version of the Singing Voice Handicap Index-10 (SVHI-10-IT) and to determine the cut-off value using videolaryngostroboscopy diagnoses as external criteria.

#### **Study type:**

Non-interventional study

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**Scope of the study:**

Assessment of risk minimisation measure implementation or effectiveness

**Data collection methods:**

Primary data collection

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**Main study objective:**

The aim of the present study was to adapt and validate the Italian version of Singing Voice Handicap Index-10 (SVHI-10-IT).

## Study Design

**Non-interventional study design**

Cross-sectional

## Population studied

**Short description of the study population**

Singers were included from different music genres (Contemporary Commercial Music and Classic) and from a range of experience levels (singing student, amateur or professional).

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**Age groups**

Adults (18 to < 46 years)

Adults (46 to < 65 years)

Adults (65 to < 75 years)

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**Estimated number of subjects**

100

## Study design details

## **Data analysis plan**

We analyzed the Singing Voice Handicap Index-10 (SVHI-10-IT) statements collected in our study to adapt and validate the Italian version using four standard questionnaire validation steps: 1) Translation procedure of the SVHI-10-IT, 2) Test-Retest Reliability, 3) Internal validity, 4) External validity. Subsequently, 5) we used the Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to explore the SVHI-10-IT factorial structure and identify the latent variables indicated by our observed variables. Finally, we performed a confirmatory factor analysis (CFA) via 6) Structural Equation Modelling (SEM) to confirm the presence of one or more latent variable.

## **Data management**

### **Data sources**

#### **Data sources (types)**

[Spontaneous reports of suspected adverse drug reactions](#)

### **Use of a Common Data Model (CDM)**

#### **CDM mapping**

No

### **Data quality specifications**

**Check conformance**

Unknown

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**Check completeness**

Unknown

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**Check stability**

Unknown

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**Check logical consistency**

Unknown

## Data characterisation

**Data characterisation conducted**

No