





## Comparison of the effect of Core exercises and Auxiliary Respiratory muscles exercises on the rate of Tiffeneau (FEV1 / FVC)

Hasan Gerçek<sup>1</sup>, Özlem Akkoyun Sert<sup>2</sup>, Bayram Sönmez Ünüvar<sup>1</sup>, Kamil Yılmaz<sup>2</sup>, Sinan Bağçacı<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup> KTO Karatay University, Vocational School of Health Services, Department of Physiotherapy, Konya, Turkey <sup>2</sup> KTO Karatay University, School of Health Sciences, Department of Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Konya, Turkey

## **Abstract**

**Objectives:** The aim of this study is to investigate the effect of core exercises and auxiliary respiratory muscles exercises on the rate of Tiffeneau (FEV1 / FVC).

**Materials - Methods:** This study is a randomized controlled double-blind study. 45 healthy people were included in the study. Core Exercise Group 15 people average age  $19.93 \pm 0.79$  years, body mass index (BMI):  $20.58 \pm 2.38$  kg / m2, Auxiliary Respiratory Muscles Exercise Group 15 people average age  $19.86 \pm 0.63$  year, BMI:  $22.48 \pm 2.63$  kg / m2 and Control Group 15 mean age was  $19.80 \pm 0.86$  years, BMI:  $22.89 \pm 3.27$  kg / m2. In this study, exercise was applied twice a week for six weeks. FEV1 / FVC values of the participants were measured with Cosmed Fitmate Med device before and after the study. The difference between the average of the FEV1 / FVC results of the groups was analyzed by one-way ANOVA test. Ethics committee decision numbered 2020/024 was taken from KTO Karatay University Faculty of Medicine, Pharmaceuticals and Non-Medical Devices Research Ethics Committee.

**Results:** At the end of the six-week study, when compared with the control group, a statistically significant difference was found in favor of the auxiliary respiratory muscles exercise group in the difference between the FEV1 / FVC results (p <0.01). When the core group and the control group were compared, a statistically significant difference was found in favor of the Core group in the difference between the average of FEV1 / FVC results. (P <0.01). No statistically significant difference was found between core exercise group and auxiliary respiratory muscles exercise group (p> 0.05).

**Conclusions:** These results showed that auxiliary respiratory muscles exercises and core exercises were effective on FEV1 / FVC value compared to the control group. It was thought that auxiliary breathing muscles exercises and Core exercises should be included in exercise programs to increase FEV1 / FVC value.

Key Words: Core, Auxiliary Respiratory Muscles, Exercise, FEV1 / FVC