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Resumo	<p>Introduction: Duchenne muscular dystrophy(DMD) shows motor and respiratory impairment.</p> <p>Methods: 19 DMD patients (DMDG) (nine ambulatory and 10 non-ambulatory) were evaluated through motor function measure (MFM), 6-minute walk test (6MWT), respiratory muscle strength, cough peak flow, spirometry and volumetric capnography (VCap) tools. Control group that performed spirometry and VCap (CG1-n=17) were different from those that performed the 6MWT (CG2-n=8).</p> <p>Results: The follow tools were assessed ($p<0.05$): (i) MFM: Ambulatory patients showed higher values than non-ambulatory patients; (ii) 6MWT: DMDG walked a shorter distance and showed higher respiratory rate at rest and heart rate (HR) at rest than CG2; (iii) Spirometry: DMDG and non-ambulatory patients had minor values achieved in spirometry when compared with CG1 and ambulatory patients, respectively; (iv) VCap: DMDG when compared with CG1 showed: (<11 years-old) lower values in VCap parameters; (>11 years-old): higher HR and lower slope 2. There was correlation between spirometry, mainly for zFEV1/FVC, and MFM.</p> <p>Conclusion: DMDG showed motor (MFM/6MWT) and respiratory (spirometry/VCap) deterioration when compared with CG. Non-ambulatory condition was associated with worse MFM and spirometry.</p>
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