

# How to choose an instrument the OMERACT way



**understand what you are trying to measure**  
review domain definition and context of measurement



**find the candidate instruments**  
then for each instrument...



**domain match?**  
ask a lot of people; is this instrument capturing the chosen domain well?



**narrow the field**  
set aside any red-flagged instruments. short list the instruments.



**is it feasible to use?**  
is it practical to use this instrument? think about burden, time, cost, equipment.



**gather the evidence**  
find, appraise and synthesize the measurement property evidence. look for consistent findings of good performance from good quality studies.



**identify the winners:**  
those that have passed the Filter 2.1. discuss work with Technical Advisory Group



**get the OMERACT OK**

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# INSTRUMENT OMERACT ENDORSEMENT

The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) of OMERACT agrees that the body of evidence gathered by the CTD-ILD Working Group supports that:

## FORCED VITAL CAPACITY

is endorsed as having passed the OMERACT Filter (2.1) as a measure of Lung Physiology in Systemic Sclerosis-Interstitial Lung Disease

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