

	Patients with Facial Paralysis (FP)	Control Subjects
Inclusion	<p>A diagnosis of virally triggered, acute, unilateral, flaccid facial paralysis (Bell's Palsy) presenting within 14 days of onset and with an estimated potential for recovery between 6-12 weeks</p> <p>Patient interest/willingness to participate in the study</p> <p>An ability to comprehend verbal instructions</p> <p>An age range of 18 to 68 years.</p>	<p>Subject interest/willingness to participate in the study</p> <p>An ability to comprehend verbal instructions</p> <p>An age range of 18 to 68 years.</p>
Exclusion	<p>Facial movement disorders due to primary muscular dysfunction or hemifacial spasm in the absence of synkinesis</p> <p>Complaints of facial paralysis but no evidence of weakness on physical examination</p> <p>Previous facial soft tissue surgery and/or orthognathic surgery</p> <p>Mental or hearing impairment to the extent that comprehension or ability to perform the tests is hampered</p>	<p>Facial soft tissue surgery, orthognathic surgery, and /or facial soft tissue disorder</p> <p>Mental or hearing impairment to the extent that comprehension or ability to perform the tests is hampered.</p>