

# Movement detection thresholds reveal proprioceptive impairments in developmental dyslexia

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## Supplementary Material

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Dyslexic group		Control group	
	N = 17		N = 17
	VRT	ART	VRT
<b>Mean (SD)</b>	334.28 (52.28)	363.41 (50.51)	331.81 (33.41)
<b>Variable (SD)</b>	55.95 (36.26)	47.49 (21.51)	53.83 (27.41)

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15     **Supplementary Table 1.** Mean (SD) and variable (SD) reaction times (in ms) for vision and  
16     hearing. VRT = Visual Reaction Time, ART = Auditory Reaction Time.

Speed ( $^{\circ} \text{s}^{-1}$ )	<b>0.25</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Mean (SD)</b>						
Dyslexic group	6.39 (3.25)	3.62 (2.03)	2.32 (1.43)	0.91 (0.27)	0.83 (0.18)	0.73 (0.12)
Control group	3.41 (1.74)	2.48 (1.21)	1.55 (0.38)	0.75 (0.15)	0.70 (0.10)	0.66 (0.10)
<b>Variable (SD)</b>						
Dyslexic group	5.14 (4.01)	2.06 (1.44)	1.44 (2.08)	0.26 (0.15)	0.17 (0.09)	0.13 (0.06)
Control group	2.32 (1.71)	1.36 (1.12)	0.53 (0.30)	0.19 (0.16)	0.15 (0.07)	0.13 (0.08)

17      **Variable (SD)**

18      Dyslexic group

19      Control group

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19      **Supplementary Table 2.** Mean (SD) and variable (SD) proprioceptive reaction times for dyslexics

20      and controls at all speeds.

EMG Activities (mV)	Dyslexic group		T-test <i>t (32); p; cohen's d</i>	
	N = 17			
	Mean (SD)	N = 17		
<b>Biceps brachii</b>	79.37 (27.81)	89.65 (8.58)	<i>t</i> = 1.46; 1.5e-1; 0.50	
<b>Brachio-radialis</b>	87.65 (16.50)	92.47 (6.74)	<i>t</i> = 1.11; 2.7e-1; 0.38	
<b>Triceps brachii long head</b>	81.05 (24.87)	88.57 (8.46)	<i>t</i> = 1.18; 2.5e-1; 0.50	

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22     **Supplementary Table 3.** Ratios of muscle activations before motion start (-300ms) divided by  
 23     maximum activation during the robotic motion. Uncorrected T-test comparisons of EMG ratios  
 24     showed no group effect. Dyslexics and controls equally-well respected the instruction to keep their  
 25     muscles relaxed during robotic manipulations.

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Pearson R		Read index		
		All n=34	Dys n=17	Cont n=17
Auditory	mean	-0,284	-0,306	0,033
	variable	0,011	-0,021	-0,122
	index	0,184	0,172	0,091
Visual	mean	-0,165	-0,389	0,174
	variable	-0,217	-0,317	-0,067
	index	0,159	0,376	0,002
Proprioception V0.25	mean	<b>-0,547</b>	-0,365	-0,108
	variable	<b>-0,593</b>	<b>-0,573</b>	-0,188
	index	<b>0,610</b>	<b>0,516</b>	0,148

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28 **Supplementary Table 4.** Pearson R coefficients are presented for correlations computed between  
 29 the reading ability index and reaction times. Correlations were computed merging the two groups  
 30 (1<sup>st</sup> column) and at the group level (2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> columns). Within each sensory modality, correlation  
 31 with the read index was computed using mean reaction time, variable reaction time and an index  
 32 combining both mean and variable reaction times (see methods).