

DISTAL STIMULATION SITES

The determination of distal (wrist) stimulation sites may be accomplished in any of four methods. Each method is acceptable. The method established in individual laboratories should be standardized and held constant for all tests performed.

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Examples

Method #1: Measure exact distance from the active electrode to the stimulating electrode; i.e., 8 cm for median and ulnar motor nerve stimulation and 14 cm for median and 12 cm for ulnar sensory stimulation.

Method #2: Measure exactly 2 cm proximal to the wrist crease for all wrist stimulations.

Method #3: Secure the ground electrode with 1" tape and extend this tape around the wrist. This tape is placed just proximal to the wrist crease. All wrist stimulations are accomplished just proximal to the tape.

Method #4: Palpate the radial and ulnar distal styloid processes and mark a line connecting a point one fingerbreadth proximal to the processes. All stimulations are accomplished from this point.



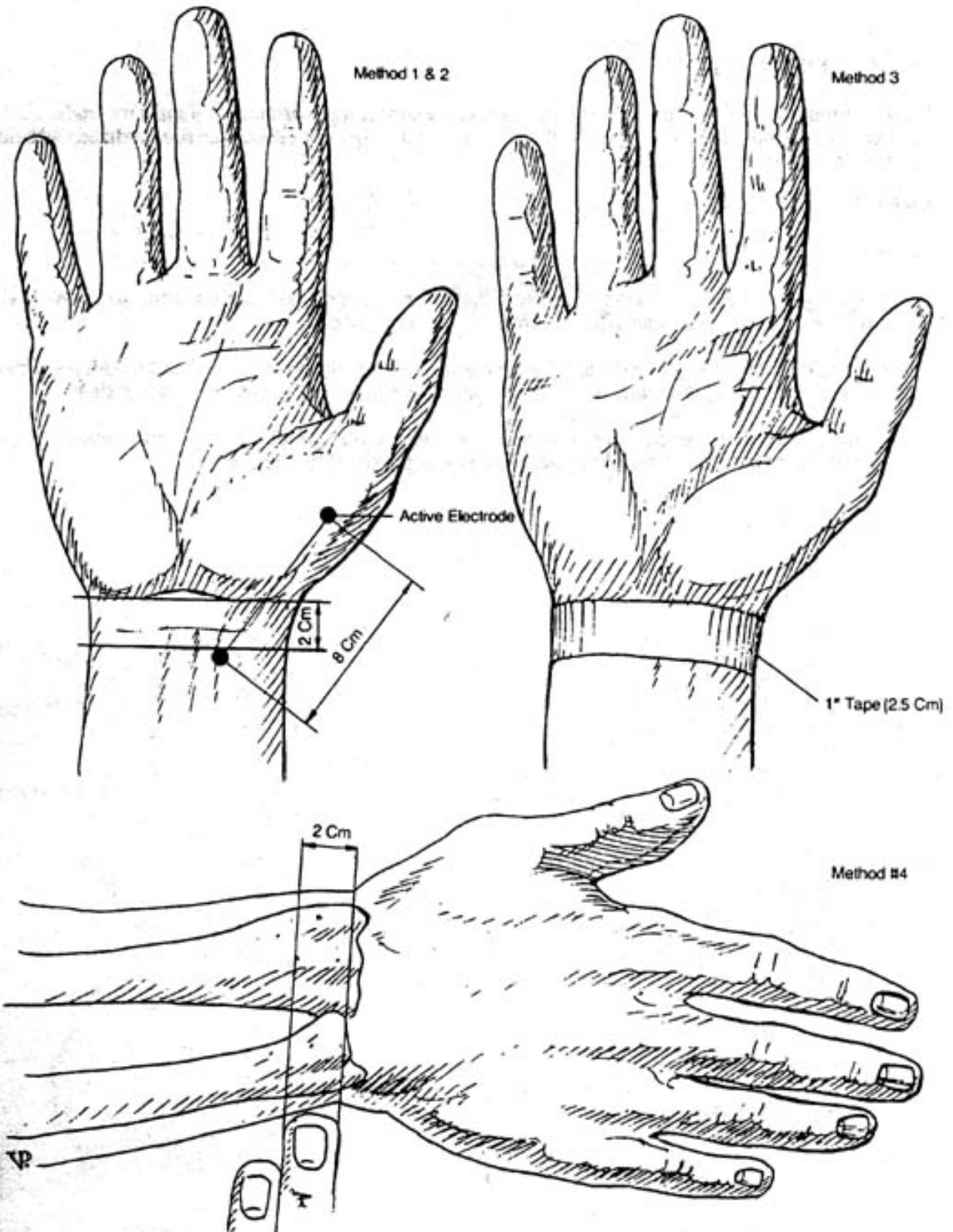


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