

CORRECTION

Correction: Dignity and Distress towards the End of Life across Four Non-Cancer Populations

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There are errors in [Table 2](#). The HADS scores included in the ALS, COPD, ESRD, FE, SISC DIGNITY < 3 (Intact), and SISC DIGNITY ≥ 3 (Fractured) columns are incorrect. Please see the corrected [Table 2](#) here.



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Table 2. Scores on Measures of Functioning Across the Four Study Groups; and Mean Levels of Functioning by Level of Dignity (Superscript indicates ranking of functioning between groups [1 = highest, to 4 = lowest].

	LEVEL OF DISTRESS ACROSS STUDY GROUPS [Mean (SD)]					SISC DIGNITY <3 (Intact)	SISC DIGNITY ≥ 3 (Fractured)	p-value ⁺
	ALS	COPD	ESRD	FE	p-value ⁺	Means (SD)	Means (SD)	
Mean Number of PDI Items Rated Problematic	6.2 (5.2) ⁴	5.6 (5.9) ³	2.3 (3.9) ¹	3.0 (4.4) ²	< .0001	3.9 (4.9)	9.2 (5.6)	< .0001
ESAS-R								
Pain ^a	2.3 (2.6) ⁴	3.5 (3.6) ¹	3.0 (3.2) ²	2.7 (3.1) ³	NS	2.8 (3.1)	4.1 (3.6)	-.07
Nausea ^a	0.5 (1.4) ⁴	0.8 (1.8) ²	1.0 (2.1) ¹	0.7 (1.6) ³	NS	.07 (1.7)	1.0 (2.2)	NS
Drowsiness ^a	2.1 (2.7) ³	2.4 (2.9) ²	2.5 (2.8) ¹	1.6 (2.4) ⁴	NS	2.1 (2.7)	3.2 (2.9)	.05
Shortness of Breath ^a	2.9 (3.0) ²	6.0 (3.0) ¹	1.5 (2.3) ³	1.1 (1.9) ⁴	< .0001	2.8 (3.2)	3.5 (3.8)	NS
Anxiety ^a	2.4 (2.6) ²	3.4 (3.4) ¹	1.7 (2.5) ³	1.4 (2.3) ⁴	< .0001	2.1 (2.7)	4.1 (3.6)	.003
Fatigue ^a	4.3 (2.9) ¹	4.2 (3.1) ²	3.7 (3.1) ³	2.6 (2.8) ⁴	< .0001	3.6 (3.0)	6.0 (3.3)	.001
Constipation ^a	1.8 (2.8) ¹	1.6 (2.9) ²	1.4 (2.6) ³	1.8 (2.8) ¹	NS	1.5 (2.6)	3.8 (3.7)	.0002
Diarrhea ^a	0.5 (1.5) ³	0.5 (1.8) ³	0.9 (1.9) ¹	0.7 (2.0) ²	.02	.65 (1.8)	.80 (2.3)	NS
Weakness ^a	5.6 (3.3) ¹	3.5 (3.1) ²	3.2 (3.0) ³	2.6 (2.9) ⁴	< .0001	3.5 (3.2)	5.8 (3.4)	.001
Trouble sleeping ^a	1.9 (2.6) ³	2.4 (3.4) ²	3.2 (3.3) ¹	1.4 (2.5) ⁴	.0001	2.2 (3.0)	3.1 (3.6)	NS
Dizziness ^a	0.6 (1.3) ³	1.5 (2.5) ¹	0.9 (1.9) ²	0.9 (2.0) ²	.04	.9 (2.0)	1.2 (1.7)	NS
Difficulty thinking ^a	0.7 (1.5) ⁴	0.9 (2.1) ³	1.0 (2.0) ²	1.3 (2.5) ¹	NS	.9 (2.0)	1.6 (2.4)	-.07
Will to live ^b	8.4 (2.9) ³	9.2 (2.0) ¹	8.9 (2.3) ²	8.4 (2.6) ³	NS	8.7 (2.4)	8.0 (3.4)	NS
Appetite ^b	6.5 (3.4) ⁴	7.5 (3.0) ²	8.0 (2.5) ¹	7.3 (2.8) ³	.009	7.4 (2.9)	5.7 (3.3)	.006
Activity ^b	4.0 (2.8) ⁴	4.5 (2.7) ³	6.0 (2.6) ¹	4.6 (2.9) ²	< .0001	4.9 (2.8)	3.3 (3.5)	.01
Wellbeing ^b	7.3 (3.0) ⁴	7.4 (2.7) ³	7.8 (2.4) ²	7.9 (2.6) ¹	NS	7.8 (2.5)	4.9 (3.2)	< .0001
No. ADL Dependencies ^e	2.2 (2.1) ²	0.7 (1.2) ³	0.4 (1.0) ⁴	3.3 (1.5) ¹	< .0001	1.6 (1.8)	2.9 (2.2)	.002
Charlson comorbidity ^f	2.5 (1.5) ⁴	5.3 (1.9) ³	7.8 (2.0) ¹	7.1 (1.6) ²	< .0001	4.6 (2.5)	5.8 (2.7)	.045
Hope Hearth Index (HHI) ^c	37.4 (4.7) ³	37.8 (5.0) ²	39.0 (5.5) ¹	35.9 (6.0) ⁴	.008	37.8 (5.2)	34.0 (6.1)	.0008
Spirituality Belief Scale ^d	44.7 (19.5) ³	43.9 (20.1) ⁴	49.3 (22.2) ¹	48.4 (19.8) ²	NS	47.2 (20.3)	37.8 (22.0)	.02
HADS ^g	5.6 (3.6) ¹	5.4 (3.7) ²	3.8 (3.1) ⁴	4.6 (3.4) ³	.001	4.7 (3.4)	7.5 (4.6)	< .001
MSPSS Social Support ^h	74.6 ¹ (10.5) ¹	69.6 (12.0) ²	69.4 (11.8) ³	66.8 (12.4) ⁴	< .0001	70.2 (11.9)	69.3 (14.0)	.01

⁺Kruskal-Wallis Comparison of Distributions

^aESAS-R item; scored 0 (no problem) to 10 (very significant problem)

^bESAS-R item; scored 0 (low/poor) to 10 (high/good)

^cHope Hearth Index; Scored 12 (least hope) to 48 (most hope)

^dSpiritual Beliefs Scale; Scored 9 (unimportant/not worthwhile/rarely) to 90 (very important/very worthwhile/always)

^eThe Katz Index of Daily Basic Living; Scored 0 (independent in six functions) to 6 (dependent in six functions)

^fCharlson Comorbidity Index; Number of Comorbid conditions

^gHADS (depression items only); Scored 0 (normal/no depression) to 21 (severe depression)

^hMSPSS (Multidimensional Scale of Perceived Social Support); Scored 12 (low social support) to 84 (high social support)

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