ONLY A MINORITY OF PATIENTS REPORTED MODERATE TO SEVERE PAIN DURING THE COURSE OF DENTAL TREATMENT



TOOTHACHE – SPECIAL PAIN REQUIRES SPECIAL EVALUTION

QUIPS PAIN REGISTRY UNDERWAY TO IDENTIFY IMPROVEMENT POTENTIAL

A PILOT TRIAL

BACKGROUND AND AIMS

- toothache hurts quite a lot
- no real world data and no systematic approach available
- QUIPS aimed to address this
- evaluation of patient perspective as well as clinical data

RESULTS

- 145 patients were recruited
- patients underwent oral surgery or endodontic, prosthetic, periodontal or caries treatment
- patients reporting severe pain (NRS≥7): before treatment: 8%, during: 3%, after: 6%
- patients reporting moderate pain (NRS≥4≤6): before treatment: 11%, during: 14%, after: 18%
- 2% of patients wished for more pain treatment than received

METHODS

- QUIPS = pain registry project
- five German outpatient dental centers
- each dental treatment was evaluated by two questionnaires:
 - one filled in by the patient
 - one filled in by the dentist
- data were collected between
 March and September 2021
- patients included were aged 18 years and older
- results presented are descriptive

CONCLUSION

- a small part of the patients experienced moderate to severe pain
- this subgroup of patients with increased pain should be studied further



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UNIVERSITATS KLINIKUM n=6 prosthetic ent (NRS) n=11 n=12 n=35 n=35





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4-6 (moderate)

7-10 (severe)



23 (24%)

56 (59%)

13 (14%)

3 (3%)

24 (26%)

10 (11%)

7 (8%)

27 (28%)

45 (47%) 17 (18%)

6 (6%)