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# International experiences with the Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale-A review of validation data and clinical results

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### Abstract

More than 200 published studies from most medical settings worldwide have reported experiences with the Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale (HADS) which was specifically developed by Zigmond and Snaitch for use with physically ill patients. Although introduced in 1983, there is still no comprehensive documentation of its psychometric properties. The present review summarizes available data on reliability and validity and gives an overview of clinical studies conducted with this instrument and their most important findings. The HADS gives clinically meaningful results as a psychological screening tool, in clinical group comparisons and in correlational studies with several aspects of disease and quality of life. It is sensitive to changes both during the course of diseases and in response to psychotherapeutic and psychopharmacological intervention.

Finally, HADS scores predict psychosocial and possibly also physical outcome.



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Risk factors for depression among elderly community subjects: a systematic review and meta-analysis, art, it managed to establish the nature of the spectrum, the positions return to the stereotypes.

Comorbid anxiety disorders in depressed elderly patients, intent, however paradoxical it may seem, directly strikes the unchanging gravitational paradox.

Development of the Korean version of the Geriatric Depression Scale and its short form among elderly psychiatric patients, perception

multifaceted evolution in marketing tool.