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In both genders, DBT-M/F and RNT significantly (p<.01) predicted PDSS scores explaining 33.8% (Beta: DBT=.136, p=.050; RNT=.538, p<.01) of its variance in fathers and 50.4% in mothers (Beta: DBT=.218, p=.001; RNT=.565, p<.01).

Conclusions: During the COVID-19 pandemic, Portuguese recent mothers had higher levels of depressive symptoms when compared to recent fathers. However, in both new mothers and fathers, depressive symptoms' prevalence and severity were higher than the figures found in samples of new parents outside of the pandemic period and of samples from the general population. Addressing DBT-M/F, as well as RNT, in recent parents, could be relevant in preventing/improving their depressive symptoms.

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## **EPV0308**

## Development of depression in patients hospitalized for COVID-19 infection

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Introduction: Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) has caused a great psychological impact all over the world. With this research, we want to discover the incidence and associated risk factors for depressive symptoms among hospitalized patients. The objective is to investigate patients with criteria of a severe clinical picture and expressed systemic inflammatory response to SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus infection and if they develop mental disorders- depression, measured by Depression, anxiety and stress scale- DASS-21 scale. With this research, we also calculate the index of the immuneinflammatory response SII and test the hypothesis that people with higher SII will develop mental disorders more often. Demographic variables, comorbidities, COVID-19 severity criteria, and the intensity of the organism's inflammatory response have also been examined. Psychiatric questionnaires were for the first time applied directly to patients with coronavirus infection during hospitalization.

**Objectives:** To identify possible risk factors for depression and to investigate the association between disease severity and the occurrence of psychopathology among COVID-19 hospitalized patients. **Methods:** The subjects are patients suffering from COVID-19, older than 18 years who were hospitalized in the respiratory center KB Dubrava. After an interview and informed consent, demographic data was taken and two psychological questionnaires had been applied. Variables: patient characteristics -demographic data, experience of vulnerability, information on whether they have been previously treated psychiatrically, symptoms of anxiety, depression, stress, somatic comorbidities Intensity of systemic inflammation Severity of COVID-19.

**Results:** A total of 169 patients hospitalized were analyzed. The median age of the patients was 65. There were (62.1%) men and (37.9%) women. On admission, most patients had a severe

(134, 79.3%) or critical (17, 10.1%) form of COVID-19. The median Charlson comorbidity index was 3 points. Arterial hypertension was present in 101 (59.8%), diabetes mellitus 42 (24.9%), hyperlipoproteinemia 30 (17.8%), obesity 61 (36.1%), malignant disease 17 (10.1%) patients. 11 (6.5%) smoked and 7 (4.1%) patients consumed alcohol. The median CRPa was 72.75 mg /L. Median SII was 1741. During hospitalization, the median DASS21 score for depression was 14, for anxiety 8, and for stress 6. Regarding depression, it was absent in 49 (29%), mild in 27 (16%), moderate in 47 (27.8%), severe in 18 (10.7%) and extremely severe in 28 (16.6%) patients during hospitalization.

Conclusions: Patients with symptoms of depression during hospitalization felt statistically significantly more likely to be in danger of life due to COVID-19, had a more pronounced intensity of symptoms of COVID-19 upon admission. Additionally, patients with higher DASS 21 scores for depression were significantly more likely to be female, had COPD and required oxygen supplementation at higher flows.

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## **EPV0309**

## Assessing the surge capacity of hospitals in Ugandan health care systems in managing the COVID-19 pandemic

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**Introduction:** The increasing cases of COVID-19 poses a threat on the over strained health care systems, especially in developing countries. Health care systems might need a surge to accommodate the ever increasing number of COVID1-19 cases. Hence, we assessed the Ugandan healthcare systems' capacity to accommodate the surge in the increased caseloads, which might need admission and critical care due to COVID-19.

**Objectives:** Understanding the health systems capacity to accomadate the surge in increase caseload of COVID-19

**Methods:** We assumed that 2% of the Uganda population get symptomatic infections by COVID-19 based on modelled estimates of Uganda and ascertained the healthcare systems surge capacity for COVID-19 under three transmission curves scenarios; 6, 12 and 18 months. We estimated four measures for hospital surge capacity; ICU bed surge capacity, ICU bed tipping point, hospital bed capacity and hospital bed tipping point. Estimates were made for national level and 132 district local government.

Results: The capacity of Ugandan health care system to accommodate the increasing numbers of cases due to COVID-19 is hindered by the lack of oxygen. Only 9 in 20 (46%) of hospital beds had oxygen supply. The hospital bed surge capacity varied across districts. Under the 12 months transmission scenario, the proportion of hospital with available beds, that would accommodate COVID-19 cases varied from 4% in Karomoja district, to 84% in Kampala district. The Ugandan healthcare systems faces a critical gap in ICU