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# IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE BLADDER DIARY ENOUGH TO ASSESS THE RELIABILITY OF SYMPTOM REPORTS IN WOMEN WITH LOWER URINARY TRACT SYMPTOMS?

#### Hypothesis / aims of study

The 3-Day Bladder Diary (3dBD) showed good feasibility, reliability and validity to be used in the assessment of LUTS in women (1). The aim of the study is to evaluate the reliability of the first day of the (3dBD) in the assessment of the symptoms of women with Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms (LUTS).

#### Study design, materials and methods

An epidemiologic, descriptive, cross-sectional and prospective study was conducted and 14 Functional Urology and Urodynamic Units participated. 136 women with mean age (SD) 55.2 (13.8) years with LUTS filled in the 3dBD. Investigators completed the evaluation sheet on the basis of interpretation of the three patient-completed sheets. A centralized lecture of the diaries was done by the authors. A descriptive analysis of 3dBD was performed. Intraclass correlation coefficient (ICC) was used to assess the agreement between the first day BD (1dBD) results and the 3dBD global results. The degree of agreement in several groups: <0 indicates that there is no agreement, 0–0.4 poor agreement, 0.4–0.59 moderate agreement, 0.6–0.74 good agreement and >0.74 excellent agreement.

### Results

110 women completed 3dBD. Table 1 shows the 3dBD global results and the 1dBD results. As shown in the figure, daytime micturition frequency, nocturia, urgency, urgency urinary incontinence (UUI) and pads shows an excellent concordance. Also Stress urinary incontinence (SUI), fluid intake and 24hour production have a good/excellent concordance. However voiding volumes exhibit a moderate level of agreement with a width confidence interval confidence which implies a high variability in the data from the first day of daily concerning DM3d.

Table 1. Descriptive analysis		3dBD					FIRST DAY				
	N	Mean	SD	Median	Min	Max	Mean	SD	Median	Min	Max
FMD: Daytime Frequency	104	8	3	7,3	3,7	19,7	8,1	3,4	7	3	21
FMN: Nocturia	101	1,2	1,6	0,7	0	7	1,3	1,7	1	0	8
VMMD: Daytime Maximum Voided volumen	101	365,8	139,1	350	100	850	309,2	119,6	300	75	600
VMMN: Nocturnal Maximun VV	54	265,7	170,3	250	0	700	201,9	150,7	200	0	600
Urgency	101	3,7	3,8	3	0	20,7	3,8	4,3	3	0	23
UUI: Urgency urinary incotinence	102	2	3	0,8	0	21,3	1,9	3,1	1	0	23
IUE: Stress urinary incontinence	102	0,4	0,8	0	0	3,3	0,4	0,8	0	0	4
MUDAS: pads	100	2,1	3	1	0	21,3	2,1	3,4	1	0	23
INGESTA: intake	100	1367	695,2	12F21,7	225	5000	1392,7	621,1	1250	621,1	3300
DIURESIS: 24h production	101	1653,5	750,3	1458,3	518,3	4875	1710,2	932,1	1540	580	8025
DIURESIS NOCTURNA: Nightime production	74	303,3	296,7	1300	0	1300	306,5	337,2	237,5	0	1200

#### Interpretation of results

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#### Concluding message

The first day of the 3dBD showed a good reliability in the assessment of LUTS in women in all parameters apart from the voided volume variables.

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