Social support and Psychological wellbeing of Cancer **Patients**

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Abstract

This study organized to investigate the association between social support and the psychological wellbeing of Cancer Patients of Aurangabad in Maharashtra. Cross-sectional data containing information on demographics, social support and psychological well-being (stress, depression, and anxiety), collected from 60 men and women living with Cancer. All participants selected from age range 25-45 year. Three questionnaires used, namely the demographic data questionnaire, Sources of Social Support Scale, and the Depression Anxiety Stress Scale (DASS-42). The result indicates that social support was negatively associated with depression, stress and anxiety. Compared with males living with Cancer, women reported higher levels of stress, depression and anxiety. Female gender and low social support were significant predictors of depression and stress. Older participants experienced higher levels of stress.

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