

Prevalence and epidemiology

Report workshop 1



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The presentations

Chronic pain in Austria

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Prevalence of neuropathic pain in Poland.

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Results of a literature review on the epidemiology of chronic pain in the EU

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Pain in oncology

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Prevalence and socioeconomic impact of pain in Portugal

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Analyses of types and costs of pain - based on 6 million insured persons

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- High prevalence, (12 – 24%) big difference in numbers (neuropathic pain), need for “accepted” measurement tools
- Need for combining pain scales with QoL (interference with daily living) tools
- Therapy traditions vary considerably (use of strong and weak opioids, paracetamol, NSAIDs)

- High costs (thousands of Euros/patient/year) based on telephone interview model (Portugal) and 3rd party payer model (Germany)
- Patient groups that dominate : degenerative skeletal disease, back pain, cancer pain
- Awareness and education : physicians, patients, decision-makers