

The impact of perceived stress and perceived control on anxiety and mood disorders in noncardiac chest pain

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Abstract

Chest pain without detectable heart disease, noncardiac chest pain (NCCP), is linked with anxiety and depression. Theory posits stress and perceived control may relate to NCCP. We hypothesized stress would have direct and mediated effects via perceived control on anxiety and mood disorders in NCCP. Patients ($N = 113$) completed questionnaires and a structured diagnostic interview. Stress and perceived control were associated with anxiety and mood disorder severity. Perceived control fully mediated the relation between stress and mood disorder severity but not anxiety disorder severity. Results are partially supportive of anxiety-based theories of NCCP.

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it looks like the mode profiles (assertive and yielding), were pretty balanced in the positive modes! I'd be intrigued as we know more in DM, what that means in terms of intervention; are these pretty balanced people in general; are they more sensitive to control issues (the q2 positive yielding seems pretty nice, especially in the optimal control group).... ✓

The diabetes study I mailed to you went very smoothly...the SCI seems to be as reliable in the South Pacific as it is in the North Pacific!

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