

Erratum

Incidence of Severe Anorexia Nervosa in Switzerland: 40 Years of Development

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In the article "Incidence of Severe Anorexia Nervosa in Switzerland: 40 Years of Development" (Milos et al., volume 35, pp. 250–258), errors occurred in Table 1. Incorrect values were given for mean body mass index for the years 1983–1985 and 1993–1995. The corrected version of Table 1 and its reference in the text have been reproduced here.

Of the identified cases, 32% ($N = 13$) were first hospitalized in psychiatric hospitals or departments, 32% ($N = 13$) in pediatric hospitals or departments, and 37% ($N = 15$) in internal medicine hospitals or departments. This distribution was comparable to the one found in the 1980s (35% in psychiatric hospitals or departments, 30% in pediatric hospitals or departments, and 35% in internal medicine hospitals or departments). Between 1956 and 1973, we found a shift in the place of first hospitalization from pediatric and internal medicine hospitals and departments toward psychiatric hospitals and departments. Since the 1970s, this shift has slowed, with about one third of AN patients being hospitalized in psychiatric units. The mean duration of hospitalization did not differ between the 1990s and 1980s (Table 1).



Table 1. Characteristics of first-time hospitalized AN patients identified at each of the sampling periods and comparisons of the period 1993–1995 to 1983–1985

Characteristics	Sampling Period				Comparison of 1993–1995 to 1983–1985			
	1956–1958 (N = 10)	1963–1965 (N = 17)	1973–1975 (N = 38)	1983–1985 (N = 48)	1993–1995 (N = 41)	Test Statistic	df	p
Mean age (years) at first hospitalization (range)	18.6 (14–26)	19.4 (13–30)	19.4 (14–30)	19.2 (13–36)	22.1 (12–54)	Z ^a = 1.65	n.a.	n.s.
Mean age (years) at AN onset (range)	16.9 (13–25)	16.9 (12–24)	16.8 (12–24)	16.8 (12–24)	17.1 (12–25)	Z ^a = .49	n.a.	n.s.
Mean interval (years) onset to hospitalization (range)	1.7 (0–7)	2.4 (0–16)	2.6 (0–9)	2.4 (0–14)	5.0 (0–36)	Z ^a = 2.45	n.a.	.014
Mean number of weeks of hospitalization (range)	4.4 (1–12)	6.3 (1–23)	10.5 (1–72)	9.4 (1–47)	10.2 (1–34)	Z ^a = .28	n.a.	n.s.
Mean body mass index (SD)	14.3 (0.9)	13.8 (1.6)	13.5 (1.5)	13.8 (1.5)	14.2 (1.5)	t = 1.3	87	n.s.
Mean percent weight loss from normal weight (SD)	25.5 (4.2)	28.4 (8.4)	30.6 (7.4)	32.8 (7.8)	32.2 (8.4)	t = .30	87	n.s.

Note: AN = anorexia nervosa; n.a. = not applicable.
^aMann-Whitney U test.