

学位論文の要旨

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主論文の題名			
Reliability and validity of Japanese version of the McGill Quality of Life Questionnaire assessed by application in palliative care wards			
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<p>The McGill Quality of Life Questionnaire(MQOL), which consists of 16 items constructing physical, psychological, existential and support subscales, and one item of overall QOL, has been developed to assess QOL of terminal cancer patients. To examine if MQOL Japanese version(MQOL-J) is applicable, it was administered to 83 terminal cancer patients in palliative care wards several days after admission and then 7 to 10 days after the first interview. Cronbach's α coefficient for four subscales was 0.584-0.860. Sixteen items were classified into four factors by factor analysis, similar to the original English version. The results indicated that psychological and existential domains of the MQOL-J significantly related to overall QOL. Existential and support domains as well as overall QOL were significantly improved between the first and second interviews, although performance status assessed by Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group worsened. It is suggested that MQOL-J can reflect perceived health status of terminal cancer patients.</p>			

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