

Table 2 Cancer-related symptoms which physicians recognized the difficulty in treatment

Symptoms	All (n=311)		Palliative care teams (n=226)		PCUs (n=79)		p-value	Specialists (n=128)		non-specialists (n=183)		p-value
	frequency	%	frequency	%	frequency	%		frequency	%	frequency	%	
Numbness/Hypesthesia	240	77.2	180	79.6	55	69.6	0.165	99	77.3	141	77.0	1.000
Languor/Fatigue	225	72.3	161	71.2	61	77.2	0.276	99	77.3	126	68.9	0.122
Delirium	170	54.7	119	52.7	48	60.8	0.447	73	57.0	97	53.0	0.490
Taste alteration	166	53.4	124	54.9	42	53.2	0.029	77	60.2	89	48.6	0.050
Edema (Local edema/Anasarca)	150	48.2	109	48.2	39	49.4	0.821	59	46.1	91	49.7	0.565
Pain	146	46.9	113	50.0	31	39.2	0.226	55	43.0	91	49.7	0.250
Anorexia/Weight Loss	140	45.0	109	48.2	30	38.0	0.108	64	50.0	76	41.5	0.165
Abdominal Discomfort	131	42.1	98	43.4	31	39.2	0.735	55	43.0	76	41.5	0.816
Stomatitis/Xerostomia	122	39.2	89	39.4	33	41.8	0.141	54	42.2	68	37.2	0.409
Depression	116	37.3	86	38.1	30	38.0	0.175	41	32.0	75	41.0	0.122
Adjustment Disorder	113	36.3	73	32.3	39	49.4	0.014	47	36.7	66	36.1	1.000
Dyspnea/Breathlessness	113	36.3	77	34.1	35	44.3	0.162	48	37.5	65	35.5	0.811
Nausea/Vomiting (others)	101	32.5	75	33.2	24	30.4	0.893	38	29.7	63	34.4	0.392
Dysphagia/Deglutition Disorder	100	32.2	68	30.1	31	39.2	0.281	50	39.1	50	27.3	0.036
Sleep disorder/Insomnia	93	29.9	69	30.5	23	29.1	0.796	42	32.8	51	27.9	0.379
Constipation (caused by opioid use)	84	27.0	69	30.5	15	19.0	0.038	34	26.6	50	27.3	0.898
Nausea/Vomiting (during chemotherapy)	76	24.4	71	31.4	5	6.3	0.000	27	21.1	49	26.8	0.284
Muscle Weakness	65	20.9	46	20.4	19	24.1	0.346	34	26.6	31	16.9	0.047
Nausea/Vomiting (caused by opioid use)	61	19.6	51	22.6	10	12.7	0.690	24	18.8	37	20.2	0.774
Constipation (not caused by opioid use)	59	19.0	47	20.8	11	13.9	0.377	28	21.9	31	16.9	0.305
Muscle Cramp	42	13.5	31	13.7	11	13.9	0.741	23	18.0	19	10.4	0.064
Diarrhea	40	12.9	34	15.0	6	7.6	0.136	16	12.5	24	13.1	1.000
Anemia	29	9.3	24	10.6	5	6.3	0.344	16	12.5	13	7.1	0.177
Others	11	3.5	6	2.7	5	6.3	0.325	4	3.1	7	3.8	0.770

\*Multiple answers allowed