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French translation and validation of the "Knowledge, Comfort, Approach and Attitudes Towards Sexuality Scale" [Traduction française et validation du questionnaire « Knowledge, Comfort, Approach and Attitudes Towards Sexuality Scale »]

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Abstract
Background: Sexuality is a critical function to be recovered for spinal cord injury patients, yet the management of sexual dysfunction is poorly addressed in rehabilitation. The main objective of this multicentric cross-sectional study is to translate and validate the "Knowledge, Comfort, Approach and Attitudes Towards Sexuality Scale" (KCAASS) questionnaire into French. This questionnaire assesses caregivers' knowledge and skills regarding sexual dysfunction in spinal cord injury patients. Method: The KCAASS questionnaire was translated into French according to international guidelines. The questionnaire was distributed twice at a three-week interval via "REDCap" to doctors, nurses, physiotherapists, and occupational therapists working in rehabilitation in French-speaking Belgium and Luxembourg. Results: The KCAASS questionnaire was completed the first time by 131 participants (88.5% from Belgium and 11.5% from Luxembourg) and by 34 participants the second time 24 days ± 5 days later. The psychometric analyses showed high internal consistency and excellent test-retest reliability for the "knowledge", "comfort" and "approach" sub-scales (Cronbach's α of 0.92, 0.97 and 0.86 respectively and intraclass correlation coefficient of 0.84, 0.85 and 0.85 respectively). For the "attitude" sub-scale, internal consistency and test-retest reliability were moderate (Cronbach's α of 0.63 and intraclass correlation coefficient of 0.64). Conclusion: The French version of the KCAASS questionnaire proved to be reliable and can be used in clinical practice in the French-speaking world. © 2021 Sexologies

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