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Sexual dysfunction in women partners of men with erectile dysfunction.

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Abstract

We evaluated 113 female partners of men with erectile dysfunction (**ED**) attending a sexual dysfunction clinic in order to define sexual dysfunction among these women. In all, 51 (45%) women denied having any sexual dysfunction. The other 62 (55%) responded to questions classifying their complaint(s) according to the international classification of female sexual dysfunction (**FSD**) in the following topics (40/62, 65%, reported having more than one problem): decreased sexual desire (n=35, 56%), sexual aversion (none), arousal (n=23, 37%) and orgasmic disorders (n=39, 63%), dyspareunia (n=19, 31%), vaginismus (n=3, 5%), and noncoital sexual pain (none). Many female partners of men with **ED** report having some form of sexual disorder, mostly orgasmic problems and decreased sexual desire. Therefore, for optimal outcome of **ED** treatment, evaluation and treatment of male and **FSD** should be addressed as one unit within the context of the couple, and be incorporated into one clinic of sexual medicine.

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