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Chronic pain in neuromuscular disease: pain site and intensity differentially impacts function.

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Abstract

The importance of pain extent (ie, number of body areas with pain) and pain site as factors contributing to dysfunction in persons with chronic, slowly progressive neuromuscular disease (NMD), remains poorly understood. This article discusses the importance of assessing pain site in addition to global pain intensity in patients with chronic, slowly progressive NMD. The importance of addressing pain at multiple sites will have a major impact on future studies assessing interventions to treat pain in this patient population.

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