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A new self-report instrument for depression: Teate Depression Inventory (TDI)

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ABSTRACT

The Teate Depression Inventory (TDI; Balsamo & Saggino, 2013) is a new self-report instrument of depression constructed with Rasch analysis. This presentation describes the TDI construction from a larger pool of items elicited through a consensus approach by clinical experts according to the DSM-IV-TR criteria for the major depressive episode. TDI displayed good psychometric properties, with an excellent Person Separation Index and no evidence of bias due to an item-trait interaction. Research results provided support for the internal consistency, unidimensionality, differential item functioning, and discrimination ability between clinical and nonclinical subjects. TDI is a valid instrument to be used in the screening for depression and in particular in the assessment of depressive severity across treatment, due to its shortness and manageability.

Keywords: Depression, Self-report instrument, TDI

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