UNPAUSE THE GUT OIC AND OPIOID ADHERENCE



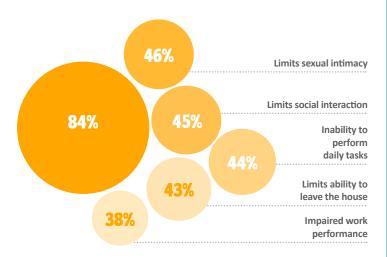
OIC IS THE MOST COMMON AND BOTHERSOME ADVERSE EVENT AFFECTING PATIENTS ON LONG-TERM OPIOID TREATMENT¹





OIC IS SEEN AS THE MOST DEBILITATING AND DISTRESSING SIDE EFFECT BY PATIENTS¹⁻³

PATIENTS REPORT THAT OIC SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTS THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE, AND INTERFERES WITH THEIR DAILY FUNCTIONING AND WELLBEING⁴



In an online survey of opioid-treated chronic pain patients (n=489), patients were asked "How has OIC impacted your quality of life?" and chose feelings that they felt applied.⁴

50%

of patients reported that OIC impaired at least one part of their daily living

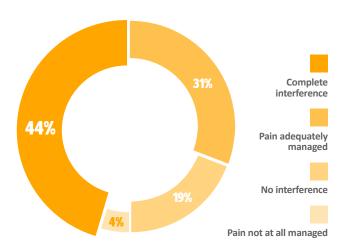
40%

of patients also reported an impact on their work productivity and ability

OIC CAN INTERFERE WITH PATIENTS' PAIN MANAGEMENT AND THEIR ADHERENCE TO OPIOID TREATMENT^{5,6}

OIC can be so severe that patients will reduce, miss or completely stop taking their pain medication, even at the expense of the pain returning⁶⁻⁹

Approximately half of patients on chronic opioid treatment reported that the constipation moderately or completely interfered with their ability to control pain^{9,10}



IT IS IMPORTANT TO EFFECTIVELY MANAGE OIC TO SUPPORT OPIOID ADHERENCE WHEN TAKING OPIOID MEDICATION⁵⁻⁹

GI, gastrointestinal; OIC, opioid-induced constipation. *Experienced by ≥30% of patients.

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