

Author Year; Country PEDro Score Research Design Total Sample Size	Methods	Outcome
<p>Widerström-Noga & Turk 2003 USA Case control N=120</p>	<p>Population: Mean age=40.6 yr; Gender: males=94, females=26; Level of injury=cervical, non-cervical; Time since injury=9.8 yr; Type of pain=neuropathic and nociceptive.</p> <p>Treatment: Individuals with SCI related pain filled out a questionnaire; data from the questionnaire was analysed by dividing individuals into two groups: those that received pain treatment and those that did not.</p> <p>Outcome Measures: Sociodemographic data and characteristics of injury, intensity of pain, location of pain, quality of pain, allodynia (pain in response to a stimulus that would not provoke pain), Multidimensional Pain Inventory (MPI) (designed to assess the impact of pain and adaptation to chronic pain), difficulty in dealing with pain and pain treatments.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Overall 59.2% of participants used pharmacological or non-pharmacological treatments to control pain. 40.8% indicated they had not used nor had they been prescribed any medication for pain. 2. Pain Severity: Pain severity was found to be higher for those who had received pain medications (PM) (3.9±1.3, p=0.001) compared to those who had not used any pain treatment. The intensity of pain was higher for those on PM than for those not on PM (p=0.022). 3. Pain Locations: Those using PM reported more painful areas than those not using PM (p=0.001) with frontal/genital pain reported more often (p<0.000). 4. Quality of Pain: Those on PM used more descriptive adjectives to describe their pain compared to those not using PM (p=0.031). 5. Difficulty in Dealing with Pain: Those using PM reported having more difficulty dealing with pain than those not using PM (p<0.000). 6. Pain impact: Those using PM had higher scores for the pain severity scale and the life interference scale compared to the group not using PM (p<0.002).