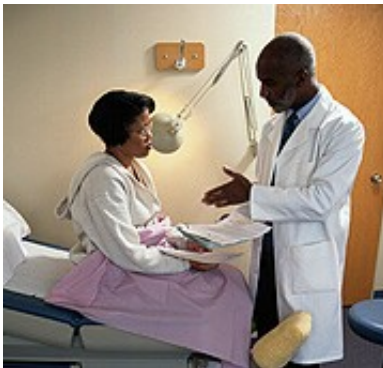


# PISQ-12 validated for patients with pelvic organ prolapse

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(HealthDay) -- The Pelvic Organ Prolapse/Urinary Incontinence Sexual Questionnaire (PISQ-12) has been shown to be a valid measure of sexual function in patients who undergo surgical mesh implantation for treatment of pelvic organ prolapse, according to research published online Feb. 21 in *The Journal of Sexual Medicine*.

Sanjoy Roy, of Ethicon Inc. in Somerville, N.J., and colleagues conducted a prospective, single-arm, 12-month study to evaluate the effect on [sexual function](#) of the surgical placement of a transvaginal, partially absorbable mesh system for the treatment of pelvic organ prolapse. The results using the PISQ-12 were compared with those of other measures, including the Pelvic Organ Prolapse Quantification, Patient Global Impression of Change, [Pelvic Floor](#) Distress Inventory,

Pelvic Floor Impact Questionnaire, and Surgical Satisfaction Questionnaire, to establish the validity of the PISQ-12.

The researchers found that, at one year, the composite summary score and all three subscale scores were significantly improved, as measured by the PISQ-12. Compared with results obtained with the other measures, the PISQ-12 questionnaire proved to be reliable, valid, and responsive, while displaying good internal consistency.

"The PISQ-12 proves to be a valuable measure of sexual function in studies involving patients with pelvic organ prolapse," the authors write.

Several authors disclosed [financial ties](#), including employment, to Ethicon Inc.

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