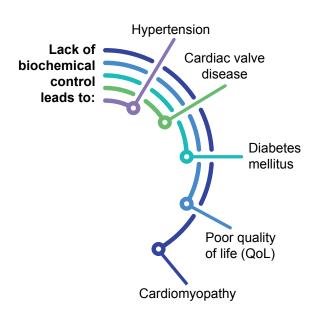
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Multiple comorbidities and acromegaly-related symptoms may correlate with higher economic burden and Psychological impact impairment of QoL for patients living with acromegaly compared with the general population² Key symptoms of acromegaly Excessive sweating.

of acromegaly Anxiety/depression is

experienced by 75% of patients with acromegaly1

noticeable facial changes, headache and hand and foot

enlargement often occur in patients with acromegaly3

Indirect costs of acromegaly

A study evaluating the economic burden of acromegaly found that greater frequency of symptoms experienced was associated with higher costs and lower HRQoL scores^{2,*}



Improvement of acromegaly symptoms and HRQoL is the ultimate goal for all patients so it is key to measure this alongside biochemical control4

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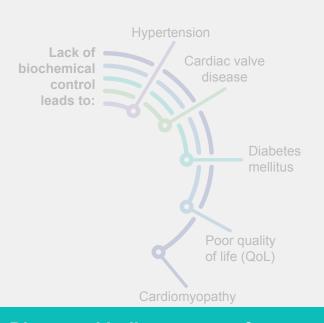
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Direct and indirect costs of acromegaly²



A majority of patients (61% [65/106] of patients) in a study evaluating the economic burden of acromegaly experienced >4 symptoms; this was associated with higher costs and lower HRQoL scores (EQ-5D-3L: 0.53 vs 0.75, P<0.0001; AcroQoL: 27 vs 56, P<0.0001) compared to patients with fewer symptoms



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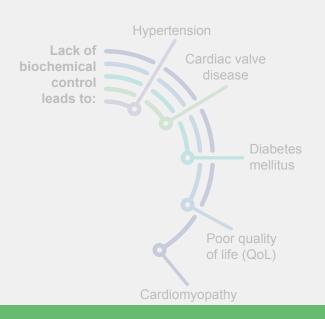
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Psychological impact of acromegaly



- In addition to depression and anxiety, many patients reported mood swings, panic attacks or episodes of anger¹
- People with acromegaly may have concerns about their body image, which are increased by the stigma associated with this disease⁵



"I'm sure the depression comes from seeing my face and body change and not understanding why I looked and felt so different than my peers"

- Statement of a patient with acromegaly¹

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