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Depression Screening in Cardiac Surgery Patients
Study Limitations

Although the response-rate among elective patients was satisfactory (64%), the total response rate was 45%, and the response rate among urgent patients was low (15%).

There might be several explanations for this. Urgent patients may not have the time or energy to fill out a questionnaire or nurses on the ward might not have had the time to distribute the questionnaire. One way to improve the response rate could be to include the PHQ-9 questionnaire in a preoperative admission interview. Rates of positive depression screens were 15%, which is somewhat lower than other studies reporting a depression frequency of 20–45% in patients with heart disease [15,19], but in line with other large epidemiologic studies of major depression among cardiac surgery patients [5,6].