

**Clinical study on a sample
of Egyptian panic patients attending on psychiatry, chest and cardiac outpatient on El-
Hoseen University Hospital**

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The aim of this study was to assess the prevalence of panic disorder in OPC of psychiatry, chest and cardiology of El-Hoseen University Hospital and to identify the risk factors in these patients as well as to find out the symptom and personality profile of Egyptian panic disorder patients and the comorbid psychiatric conditions.

The study included 1704 patients collected from OPC of psychiatry, chest and cardiology of El-Hoseen University Hospital according to certain inclusion and exclusion criteria.

The patients were medically assessed and investigated through the specialists in the clinics, then the panic disorder patients were subjected to Taylor anxiety scale, social readjustment rating scale, and psychiatric clinical interview based on DSM-IV criteria.

The study concluded that panic disorder is a quite prevalent disorder that form a burden on general medical service, as patients with panic disorder excessively utilized various types of investigations, especially the cardiac investigations, followed by brain investigations and hormonal assessments.