

Table SVIII. Concomitant medications, overall and in strata of clinical and aetiological categories of chronic pruritus

	Total n (%)	Clinical category			p-value ^a	Aetiological category				p-value ^a
		I: Pruritus on diseased skin n (%)	II: Pruritus on non-diseased skin n (%)	III: Chronic scratch lesions n (%)		I: Dermato- logical n (%)	II: Systemic n (%)	III-IV: Neur/ Psysc n (%)	V-VI: Mixed/ Other n (%)	
ACE inhibitors										
No	141 (82.9)	66 (81.5)	25 (83.3)	50 (84.7)	0.88	66 (81.5)	22 (84.6)	13 (100.0)	40 (80.0)	0.37
Yes	29 (17.1)	15 (18.5)	5 (16.7)	9 (15.3)		15 (18.5)	4 (15.4)	0 (0.0)	10 (20.0)	
AT-II antagonists										
No	130 (76.5)	63 (77.8)	23 (76.7)	44 (74.6)	0.91	63 (77.8)	17 (65.4)	7 (53.8)	43 (86.0)	0.04
Yes	40 (23.5)	18 (22.2)	7 (23.3)	15 (25.4)		18 (22.2)	9 (34.6)	6 (46.2)	7 (14.0)	
Anti-arrhythmics										
No	107 (62.9)	56 (69.1)	17 (56.7)	34 (57.6)	0.28	56 (69.1)	10 (38.5)	7 (53.8)	34 (68.0)	0.03
Yes	63 (37.1)	25 (30.9)	13 (43.3)	25 (42.4)		25 (30.9)	16 (61.5)	6 (46.2)	16 (32.0)	
Antidiabetics										
No	138 (81.2)	67 (82.7)	23 (76.7)	48 (81.4)	0.77	67 (82.7)	18 (69.2)	10 (76.9)	43 (86.0)	0.32
Yes	32 (18.8)	14 (17.3)	7 (23.3)	11 (18.6)		14 (17.3)	8 (30.8)	3 (23.1)	7 (14.0)	
Antihypertensives										
No	72 (42.4)	35 (43.2)	11 (36.7)	26 (44.1)	0.78	35 (43.2)	7 (26.9)	4 (30.8)	26 (52.0)	0.16
Yes	98 (57.6)	46 (56.8)	19 (63.3)	33 (55.9)		46 (56.8)	19 (73.1)	9 (69.2)	24 (48.0)	
Beta blockers										
No	118 (69.4)	60 (74.1)	18 (60.0)	40 (67.8)	0.34	60 (74.1)	12 (46.2)	9 (69.2)	37 (74.0)	0.047
Yes	52 (30.6)	21 (25.9)	12 (40.0)	19 (32.2)		21 (25.9)	14 (53.8)	4 (30.8)	13 (26.0)	
Ca antagonists										
No	151 (88.8)	72 (88.9)	24 (80.0)	55 (93.2)	0.17	72 (88.9)	21 (80.8)	11 (84.6)	47 (94.0)	0.27
Yes	19 (11.2)	9 (11.1)	6 (20.0)	4 (6.8)		9 (11.1)	5 (19.2)	2 (15.4)	3 (6.0)	
Diuretics										
No	105 (61.8)	54 (66.7)	17 (56.7)	34 (57.6)	0.45	54 (66.7)	12 (46.2)	7 (53.8)	32 (64.0)	0.27
Yes	65 (38.2)	27 (33.3)	13 (43.3)	25 (42.4)		27 (33.3)	14 (53.8)	6 (46.2)	18 (36.0)	
Anti-lipaeemics										
No	135 (79.4)	67 (82.7)	19 (63.3)	49 (83.1)	0.06	67 (82.7)	18 (69.2)	10 (76.9)	40 (80.0)	0.52
Yes	35 (20.6)	14 (17.3)	11 (36.7)	10 (16.9)		14 (17.3)	8 (30.8)	3 (23.1)	10 (20.0)	
Tranquilizers										
No	126 (74.1)	63 (77.8)	19 (63.3)	44 (74.6)	0.30	63 (77.8)	19 (73.1)	10 (76.9)	34 (68.0)	0.66
Yes	44 (25.9)	18 (22.2)	11 (36.7)	15 (25.4)		18 (22.2)	7 (26.9)	3 (23.1)	16 (32.0)	
Uricostatics										
No	157 (92.4)	76 (93.8)	27 (90.0)	54 (91.5)	0.75	76 (93.8)	22 (84.6)	12 (92.3)	47 (94.0)	0.41
Yes	13 (7.6)	5 (6.2)	3 (10.0)	5 (8.5)		5 (6.2)	4 (15.4)	1 (7.7)	3 (6.0)	

^aχ² test or Fisher's exact test, where required.