

# **A PSYCHOPHYSIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE ON VULVODYNIA**

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## Abbreviations

BDI	Beck Depression Inventory
BMI	Body Mass Index
DSM	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders
fMRI	functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging
GSI	Global Severity Index
IASP	International Association for the Study of Pain
IBS	Irritable Bowel Syndrome
IBQ	Illness Behaviour Questionnaire
IC	Interstitial cystitis
ISSVD	International Society for the Study of Vulvovaginal Disease
MUI	Mixed urinary incontinence
NRS	Numerical Rating Scale
NVA	National Vulvodynia Association
PFM	Pelvic floor muscles
PSDI	Positive Symptom Total
QST	Quantitative sensory testing
SCL-90-R	Symptom Checklist-90 Revised
SEMG	Surface electromyography
SUI	Stress urinary incontinence
UI	Urinary incontinence
UUI	Urge urinary incontinence

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