



## TITLE: Is homophobia related to psychopathology?

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### ABSTRACT (upto 300 words)

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**Introduction:** Homophobia are beliefs and behaviors involving prejudice, discrimination, harassment, violence, and hatred towards non-heterosexual people, which have psychological and social causes, as well as cognitive and genetic risk factors. It is proposed that homophobia is a pathology. It has been observed that psychoticism and immature defense mechanisms explain 38% of the variance of homophobia; however, the relationship between homophobia and quality of life, as a criterion of functionality, has not been evaluated. **Objective:** To evaluate the relationship between homophobia, personality traits and quality of life in heterosexual men and women.

**Methodology:** 116 subjects were recruited by non-probabilistic sampling and were administered the Verduzco-Lozano Homophobia Scale, the PID-V BREV personality inventory and the WHOQOL-BREV quality of life scale online.

**Results:** Significant correlations were observed between the different dimensions of the Homophobia Scale, PID-V BREV and WHOQOL-BREV. **Conclusion:** This study provides data on homophobia as a pathology.

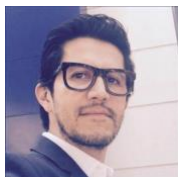
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