

Spanish adaptation of the Dyadic Sexual Communication Scale (pp. 311-324)

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Dyadic sexual communication can be defined as discussing sexual behaviors with one's partner. Given the importance of sexual aspects in partner communication, the aim of this study was to present the Spanish adaptation of the Dyadic Sexual Communication Scale (DSC; Catania, 1998). This instrument measures the individual's perception of the communication with the partner about sexual behaviors. 891 participants answered different scales to measure the reliability and the validity of the DSC scale. Unidimensional factorial structure obtained a good fit to the data (CFI= .92, TLI= .90, RMSEA= .079) and a good reliability ($\alpha = .87$, $\omega = .87$). Here, different types of evidence are presented such as the convergent validity with sexual satisfaction and dyadic adjustment variables. Also, sensitivity to personal variables such as sex or partner relationship duration was analyzed showing that, although no mean differences were observed, the relationship between the DSC scale and the measured variables was sensible to those personal variables.