**Introduction:** Headaches are the most prevalent neurological disorder and among the most frequent symptoms among medical students. Headache disorder is a major public health issue and is a great burden for a person, health care system, and a society. Identifying of headache risk factors is necessary for treatment and effective prevention.

**Methods:** A cross-sectional study has been conducted in duration from 30th of January to the end of March 2017. 146 students of Bukovinian State Medical University aged 19–26 years were interviewed by using specially designed questionnaires. All students with a headache who completed questionnaires were examined by neurologist. The type of headache was determined according to the diagnostic criteria of the classification of the International Headache Society, 2003.

**Results:** Our study has found that headaches bother 121 (82.8%) students. Among respondents periodical headache was observed in 71.9% (105 students). 16 (10.1%) students experienced chronic headaches that bothered them more than 15 days a month. Among girls the prevalence of headache was significantly higher than among men – 62.1% and 38.9% respectively. Among the students the most frequent headache (58.7%) was tension headache, 9.1% of respondents had migraine headache, 32.2% had other types of headaches. According to the students’ responses the most prevalent causes of headache were stress – 36%, sleep disturbance – 20%, and weather changes – 14%. The other causes included skipping meals – 11%, tea or coffee overdrink – 8%, alcohol consumption – 6%, and menstrual cycle disturbances in 2% students.

**Conclusion:** By means of the research there was found a high prevalence of headaches among medical students. There was determined the prevalence of primary cephalgias, namely, migraine without aura and episodic tension-type headaches. There was shown a lack of awareness of students about the causes of headache reflected in inadequate symptomatic treatment in most cases.

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New health problems: Assessment of nutritional and metabolic profile from indigenous citizens in the reserve park of Xingu

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**Aim:** To identify the prevalence of metabolic syndrome, dyslipidemia, systemic arterial hypertension and type 2 diabetes mellitus in the adult population.

**Introduction:** In the last 20 years, there have been many changes in the way of life of the Indians of the Xingu Indigenous Park (PIX), resulting from their contact with our society. Factors such as the increasing consumption of processed foods in substitution of the traditional diet based on natural products, the reduction of physical activity by the incorporation of technology and the monetarization of the economy have produced changes in the epidemiological profile of these populations. Previously non-existent diseases like type 2 diabetes mellitus, systemic arterial hypertension, obesity and dyslipidemias have been increasingly observed. In this work, preliminary results of data collected between February and March 2017 are presented.

**Methods:** Individuals over 18 years old of both sexes undergoing physical examination (clinical and anthropometric), bioimpedance test to evaluate the percentage of body fat and blood collection by digital puncture for lipid profile and fasting glucose of 8–12 h.

**Results:** The metabolic profile of 188 indigenous people of the Pavuru polo showed: High index of overweight and dyslipidemia in both populations; high central obesity in females; Increased number of hypertensive and fasting blood glucoselaltered among men; 25% have intermediate or high cardiovascular risk in the next 10 years among men, almost twice as many women.

**Conclusion:** Based on the data obtained, we can conclude that the process of socio-cultural transition to which the residents of the 4 villages studied are inserted has a direct impact on their health, making it imperative to indetificate and delineate the magnitude of the problem, seeking to develop strategies for the primary and secondary prevention of diseases related to nutritional and metabolic alterations and their consequences among the people living in the PIX.

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