

Supplemental table II. Health-care professionals consulted by constipated patients.

	Proportion of consulters (N=1500)	Number of visits* (mean +/- SD)
Family Physician	90 (6%)	2.8 +/- 3.5
Gastroenterologist	48 (3.2%)	2.4 +/- 2.3
Pharmacist	23 (1.5%)	3.1 3+/- 3.0
Natural medicine or homeopathic practitioner	3 (0.2%)	11.7 +/- 16.0
Others	7 (0.5%)	5.6 +/- 6.0
All	143 (9.5%)	3.6 +/- 4.5

* restricted to those who sought consultation in each group.