Additional File 1

Sec	tion 1 – Socio-demographic form (SSD)
1.	Current residence (region):
2.	Current residence (city):
3.	Current residence (province):
4.	Gender: Male Female Other
5.	Age:
6.	Weight (kg):
7.	Height (cm):
8.	City of birth:
9.	Province of birth:
10.	Country of birth:
11.	Marital status: □ Married/partner □ Separated/divorced □ Widower □ Single
12.	Educational level:
13.	Currently student: Yes No
14.	Currently worker: Yes No
15.	After the pandemic outbreak did you lose your job? Yes No
16.	Job: □ Househusband/housewife □ Unemployed □ Employed □ Self-employed □ Healthcare provider □ Retired for age □ Retired for illness □ Other:
17.	After the pandemic outbreak, how much are you gratified concerning your financial situation? ☐ It could not be worse ☐ Unsatisfied ☐ Quite unsatisfied ☐ Halfway ☐ Quite satisfied ☐ Satisfied ☐ It could not be better
18.	How many people do you live with? (Including you)
19.	After the pandemic outbreak, how much are you satisfied by the people you live with? Or how much are you satisfied by living alone (if you live by yourself)? □ It could not be worse □ Unsatisfied □ Quite unsatisfied □ Halfway

□ Quite satisfied □ Satisfied □ It could not be better

- 20. After the pandemic outbreak, how much are you satisfied with the place where you live?
 □ It could not be worse □ Unsatisfied □ Quite unsatisfied □ Halfway
 □ Quite satisfied □ Satisfied □ It could not be better
- 21. After the pandemic outbreak, do you spend more time on the Internet? \Box Yes \Box No
- 22. For which activities do you use the Internet?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
Instant messaging					
Social network					
Search for information					
Entertainment					
Shopping on-line					
Booking of					
travel/social events					
Financial services					
Blog/debating on-					
line/forum					
Education/learning					
services					

- 23. How much time do you usually spend on the Internet (hours)?
- 24. Do you suffer from any physical disorder? □ Yes □ No
- 25. Do you suffer from any psychiatric disorder? \Box Yes \Box No

Section 2 – Burning Mouth Syndrome Questionnaire

- 1. How long have you been suffering from Burning Mouth Syndrome (months)?
- 2. How many doctors have you been visited by before being diagnosed with Burning Mouth Syndrome?
- 3. Which clinician(s) have you been visited by?
 □ Dentist □ Otolaryngologist □ General doctor
 □ Other (specify):
- 4. Has the Burning Mouth Syndrome always been steady since its first onset? \Box Yes \Box No
- Did you already suffer from Burning Mouth Syndrome before the pandemic outbreak? □ Yes □ No If yes, has the Burning Mouth Syndrome exacerbated after the pandemic outbreak? □ Yes □ No If yes, how long has it been getting worse? ______
- 6. Has the Burning Mouth Syndrome currently reduced since its worsening or is it steady?
 □ Reduced □ Steady □ I have not had any worsening
- 8. Please, read carefully each adjective below describing your pain. Place a "X" mark in the column that corresponds to your level of pain. Do this for <u>each</u> word.

		None (0)	Mild (1)	Moderate (2)	Severe (3)
1. T	hrobbing				

2. Shooting		
3. Stabbing		
4. Sharp		
5. Cramping		
6. Gnawing		
7. Hot-burning		
8. Aching		
9. Heavy		
10. Tender		
11. Splitting		
12. Tiring-Exhausting		
13. Sickening		
14. Fearful		
15. Cruel-Punishing		

- 9. In addition to burning, do any of the following symptoms occur?
 - Dysgeusia
 - □ Xerostomia
 - □ Sialorrhea
 - □ Itching
 - □ Intraoral Foreign Body Sensation
 - □ Subjective Halitosis
 - □ Tingling Sensation
 - □ Change of Tongue Morphology
 - \Box Change of Tongue Colour
 - Dysosmia
 - □ Oral Dyskinesia
 - Occlusal Dysesthesia
 - \Box None of the above
 - □ Other (specify): _____
- 10. Are the symptoms steady throughout the day?
 - \Box Steady \Box Milder in the morning and increased in the evening
 - \Box Fluctuating throughout the day \Box Other:

11. Do the symptoms occur during the night? \Box Yes \Box No

12. Have you ever taken drugs to reduce Burning Mouth Syndrome symptoms? □ Pharmacological therapy □ OTC drugs/supplements □ Nothing

13. How intense is the burning sensation?

Consider "10" as the most intense pain you can imagine. $\Box 1 \quad \Box 2 \quad \Box 3 \quad \Box 4 \quad \Box 5 \quad \Box 6 \quad \Box 7 \quad \Box 8 \quad \Box 9 \quad \Box 10$

Section 3 - Covid-19 Questions

- 1. Did you get the COVID-19 infection? \Box Yes \Box No
- 2. Have you been isolated after contracting the infection? \Box Yes \Box No
- 3. Have you been isolated after getting in contact with someone positive? \Box Yes \Box No

Section 4 – *GHQ-12*

Questionnaire: Burning Mouth Syndrome and Covid-19

In the last year:

	More than usual	As usual	Less than usual	Much less than usual
1. Have you been able to concentrate well on what you were doing?				
2. Have you lost much sleep over worry?				
3. Have you felt that you are playing a useful part in things?				
4. Have you felt capable of making decisions?				
5. Have you felt constantly overwhelmed and stressed?				
6. Have you felt like you cannot overcome difficulties?				
7. Did you enjoy your day-to-day activities and get your free time?				
8. Did you adequately cope with your problems?				
9. Have you felt unhappy or depressed?				
10. Have you lost confidence in yourself?				
11. Have you thought that you are a person worthless?				
12. Do you feel reasonably happy considering all the circumstances?				

Section 5 – DASS-21

Please, read each sentence and mark how often the described situation has occurred in the <u>last year</u>. Consider that there are neither correct nor incorrect answers. Do not spend too much time on any statement, often the first answer is the most accurate. Thank you for your precious willingness and collaboration.

	Did not apply to me at all	Applied to me to some degree	Applied to me to a considerable degree	Applied to me most of the time
1. I felt a lot of nervous tension and I found it hard to wind down				
2. I was aware of dryness of my mouth				
3. I could not seem to experience any positive feeling at all				
4. I experienced breathing difficulty (e.g., excessively rapid breathing, breathlessness in the absence of physical exertion)				
5. I found it difficult to work up the initiative to do things				
6. I tended to over-react to situations				
7. I experienced trembling (e.g., in the hands)				
8. I felt that I was using a lot of nervous energy				
9. I was worried about situations in which I might panic and make fool of myself				
10. I felt that I had nothing to look forward to				
11. I felt stressed				
12. I found it difficult to relax				
13. I felt down-hearted and blue				
14. I felt intolerant of anything that kept me from getting on with what I was doing				
15. I felt I was close to panic				

16. I was unable to become enthusiastic about anything		
17. I felt I wasn't worth much as a person		
18. I felt that I was rather touchy		
19. I was aware of the action of my heart in the absence		
of physical exertion (e.g., sense of heart rate		
increase, heart missing a beat)		
20. I felt scared without any good reason		
21. I felt that life was meaningless		

Section 6 – OCI-R

The following statements refer to experiences that many people deal with in their everyday lives. Mark the box that best describes how much that experience has distressed or bothered you during the <u>last year</u>. Consider that there are no correct nor incorrect answers. Do not spend too much time on any statement, often the first answer is the most accurate. Thank you.

	Not at all	A little	Moderately	A lot	Extremely
1. I have saved up so many things that they get in the way					
2. I check things more often than necessary					
 I get upset if objects are not arranged properly 					
4. I feel compelled to count while I am doing things					
5. I find difficult to touch an object when I know it has been touched by strangers or certain people					
6. I find difficult to control my own thoughts					
7. I collect things I don't need					
8. I repeatedly check doors, windows, drawers, etc.					
9. I get upset if others change the way I have arranged things					
10. I feel I have to repeat certain numbers					
11. I sometimes have to wash or clean myself simply because I feel contaminated					
12. I am upset by unpleasant thoughts that come into my mind against my will					
13. I avoid throwing things away because I am afraid I might need them later					

14. I repeatedly check gas and water taps and light switches after turning them off			
15. I need things to be arranged in a particular way			
16. I feel that there are good and bad numbers			
17. I wash my hands more often and longer than necessary			
18. I frequently get nasty thoughts and have difficulty in getting rid of them			

Section 7 – ISI

1. Please, rate the current (i.e., last year) severity of your insomnia problems.

	None	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Very severe
Difficulty falling asleep					
Difficulty staying asleep					
Problem waking up too early					

2. How satisfied/unsatisfied are you with your current sleep pattern?
□ Very satisfied □ Satisfied □ Neutral □ Unsatisfied □ Very unsatisfied

3.

	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Much	Very much
To what extent do you consider your					
sleep problem to interfere with your					
daily functioning (e.g. daytime fatigue,					
ability to function at work/daily chores,					
concentration, memory, mood, etc.)?					
How noticeable to others do you think					
your sleeping problem is in terms of					
impairing the quality of your life?					
How worried/distressed are you about					
your current sleep problem?					

Section 8 – NSESS

Please, mark how often did you feel like described in the following sentences during the last year.

	Not at all	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
1. Having "flashbacks", that is, you suddenly acted or felt as if a stressful experience from the past was happening all over again (for example, you reexperienced parts of a stressful experience by seeing, hearing, smelling, or physically feeling parts of the experience)?					
2. Feeling very emotionally upset when something reminded you a stressful experience?					
3. Feeling detached from reality, your body or your memories?					

4.	Trying to avoid thoughts, feelings, or physical sensations that reminded you of a stressful experience?			
5.	Being "super alert", on guard, or constantly on the lookout for danger?			
6.	Feeling jumpy or easily startled when you hear an unexpected noise?			
7.	Being extremely irritable or angry to the point where you yelled at other people, got into fights, or destroyed things?			

Section 9 – SIDAS

Please, answer to the following question choosing a number from 0 (never) to 9 (always).

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$\Box 0$	\Box 1	$\Box 2$	□ 3	$\Box 4$	□ 5	$\Box 6$	\Box 7	□9

Section 10 – IES-R

Below there is a list of difficulties people sometimes must face after stressful life events. Please, read each item and then indicate how distressing each difficulty has been for you during the last year with respect to the event. How much were you distressed or bothered by these difficulties?

		Not at all	A little bit	Moderately	Quite a bit	Extremely
1.	I thought about the stressful event when I didn't mean to					
2.	I tried not to think about it					
3.	I was aware that I still had a lot of feelings about it, but I didn't deal with them					
4.	I had trouble concentrating					
5.	I felt watchful and on- guard regarding environment and people					
6.	Other things kept making me think about it					

Section 11 – ULS-8

Please, read each item and then indicate how often you have felt like described in each sentence in the last year.

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Always
1. I lack companionship				
2. There is no one I can turn to				
3. I am an outgoing person				
4. I feel left out				
5. I feel in isolation from others				
6. I can find companionship when I want it				
7. I am unhappy being so withdrawn				

8. People are around me but not with me

Section 12 - Brief Cope

Please, try to answer each question like if it is detached from others. Choose the answer that is the most truthful for you. There are no correct nor incorrect answers, choose it without thinking about what "most people" would say or do. Read the statements and indicate what you do when you face a stressful event.

	I usually do not do this at all	I usually do this a little bit	I usually do this a medium amount	I usually do this a lot
1. I turn to work or other activities to take my mind off things				
2. I concentrate my efforts on doing something about the situation I'm in				
3. I say to myself "this isn't real"				
4. I use alcohol or other drugs to make myself feel better				
5. I get emotional support from others				
6. I give up trying to deal with it				
7. I take action to try to make the situation better				
8. I refuse to believe that it has happened				
9. I say things to let my unpleasant feelings escape				
10. I get help and advice from other people				
11. I use alcohol or other drugs to help me get through it				
12. I try to see it in a different light, to make it seem more positive				
13. I have been criticizing myself				
14. I try to come up with a strategy about what to do				
15. I get comfort and understanding from someone				
16. I give up the attempt to cope				
17. I look for something good in what is happening				
18. I make jokes about it				
19. I do something to think about it less, such as going to movies, watching TV, reading, daydreaming, sleeping, or shopping				
20. I accept the reality of the fact that it has happened				
21. I express my negative feelings				
22. I try to find comfort in my religion or spiritual beliefs				

23. I try to get advice or help from other people about what I should do		
24. I learn to live with it		
25. I think hard about what steps to		
take		
26. I blame myself for things that		
happened		
27. I pray or meditate		
28. I make fun of the situation		

Section 13 – PTGI – SF

Please, read each statement and indicate the life change level occurred after a traumatic event, in a scale from 0 (no change) to 5 (very important life change).

	0	1	2	3	4	5
1. Change of life values						
2. Greater appreciation for the value of my own life						
3. Deep spirituality						
4. Establishing a new life path						
5. Greater sense of closeness with others						
6. I know better that I can handle difficulties						
7. I appreciate more every new day						
8. I have a stronger religious faith						
9. I discovered that I'm stronger than I thought I was						
10. I learned a great deal about how wonderful people are						

Section 14 – Connor-Davidson Resilience Scale – short version

Please, read each item and then indicate how you have been feeling in the last year in a scale that goes from 0 (rarely true) to 5 (about always true).

	0	1	2	3	4	5
1. I am able to adapt when changes occur						
2. I can deal with whatever comes						
3. I try to see humous side of problems						
4. Coping with stress can strengthen me						
5. I tend to bounce back after illness or hardship						
6. I can achieve goals despite obstacles						
7. I can stay focused under pressure						
8. I am not easily discouraged by failure						
9. I think of myself as strong person						
10. I can handle unpleasant feelings						

Section 15 – Use of medical services and surgical procedures form

Since the pandemic outbreak:

- 1. Have you been taking medicines? □ Yes □ No If yes, for which condition?
- If you have been taking medicines, have you increased their dosage since the pandemic outbreak?
 □ Yes □ No □ I do not take medicines
- 3. Have you ever accessed the emergency room? □ Yes □ No If yes, why? _____

- Have you been hospitalized? □ Yes □ No If yes, why? ______
- 5. Have you been visited by your general practitioner? □ Yes □ No If yes, why? _____
- 6. Have you been visited by a medical guard? □ Yes □ No If yes, why? _____
- Have you done a psychiatric consult? □ Yes □ No
 If yes, why? ______
- 8. Have you done other medical consults? □ Yes □ No If yes, which and why? _____

Section 16 – Multidimensional Scale of Perceived Social Support

Please, for each statement indicate a number from 1 (absolutely false) to 7 (absolutely true).

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. There is a special person who is around when I am in need							
2. There is a special person with whom I can share my joys and sorrows							
3. My family really tries to help me							
4. I get the emotional help and support I need from my family							
5. I have a special person who is a real source of comfort to me							
6. My friends really try to help me							
7. I can count on my friends when things go wrong							
8. I can talk about my problems with my family							
9. I have friends with whom I can share my joys and sorrows							
10. There is a special person in my life who cares about my feelings							
11. My family is willing to help me make decisions							
12. I can talk about my problems with my friends							