



# The most downloaded articles published in *Annals of Palliative Medicine* from 2023

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Each year, the *Annals of Palliative Medicine* editors review the most cited and most downloaded articles from the previous year (1).

While many readers are familiar that citations of an article determine the impact factor of a journal, downloads are a similarly important metric. Article downloads are a leading indicator of interest in a particular subject, which informs the *Annals of Palliative Medicine* editorial office of the topics in which our readership are most enthusiastic. As citations and downloads are highly correlated (2), we have opted to emphasize the interests of our readership and the articles of most interest to them, and we are happy to detail the top 10 most downloaded articles published in *Annals of Palliative Medicine* from 2023 (Table 1).

The top articles of 2023 represent the many fields of palliative medicine and focuses of this journal (3) and represent many of the eight key sections within the scope of *Annals of Palliative Medicine*, which include: palliative medicine and palliative care for incurable cancer; palliative medicine and palliative care for serious or advanced diseases; symptom management in palliative medicine and palliative care; psychiatric, psychological, social, and spiritual issues in palliative medicine and palliative care; public health in palliative medicine and palliative care; teamwork and education in palliative medicine and palliative care; ethics and policy in palliative medicine and palliative care; and

communication in palliative medicine and palliative care (4).

The most downloaded article published in *Annals of Palliative Medicine* in 2023 is a narrative review on diabetic peripheral neuropathy. The second through fifth most downloaded articles includes: ranked 2<sup>nd</sup>—a report on off-label use of olanzapine for symptomatic management in cancer patients; ranked 3<sup>rd</sup>—a narrative review on the management of wounds in the palliative care setting; ranked 4<sup>th</sup>—a systematic review of quality indicators for palliative care in intensive care units; and ranked 5<sup>th</sup>—an original article on the impact of cardiopulmonary rehabilitation on physical health and quality of life following coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) infection. The remainder of the top 10 most downloaded articles includes a narrative review on interventional treatment options for multifocal hepatocellular carcinoma, a report on the use of rescue thrombolytic therapy for complications of cesarean section, a narrative review on the use of stereotactic body radiation therapy for oligometastatic prostate cancer, a narrative review on hepatocellular carcinoma and sarcopenia, and a scoping review on interventional pain management in cancer patients.

We congratulate all of the authors represented above and thank them for entrusting their work to *Annals of Palliative Medicine*. Their research is serving to advance the field of palliative medicine and palliative care.

**Table 1** Most downloaded articles published in *Annals of Palliative Medicine* in 2023

Ranking	Article type	Article title	Authors
1	Review article	Diabetic peripheral neuropathy essentials: a narrative review	Min Cheol Chang, Seoyon Yang
2	Case report	Benefits and risks of off-label olanzapine use for symptom management in cancer patients—a case report	Rony Dev, Edgardo S. Fortuno III, Jaya S. Amaram-Davila, Ali Haider, Eduardo Bruera
3	Review article	A narrative review of management of wounds in palliative care setting	Dimitra Koumaki, George Kostakis, Sotirios Boumpoucheropoulos, Petros Ioannou, Alexander C. Katoulis
4	Review article	Quality indicators for palliative care in intensive care units: a systematic review	Yuta Tanaka, Kento Masukawa, Arisa Kawashima, Hideyuki Hirayama, Mitsunori Miyashita
5	Original article	Cardiopulmonary rehabilitation programme improves physical health and quality of life in post-COVID syndrome	Zsofia Szarvas, Monika Fekete, Rita Horvath, Maya Shimizu, Fuko Tsuchiya, Ha Eun Choi, Katica Kup, Vince Fazekas-Pongor, Kinga Nedda Pete, Renata Cserjesi, Regina Bakos, Orsolya Gobel, Orsolya Kovacs, Kata Gyongyosi, Renata Pinter, Zsuzsanna Kovats, Zoltan Ungvari, Stefano Tarantini, Gabor Horvath, Veronika Muller, Janos Tamas Varga
6	Review article	Multifocal hepatocellular carcinoma: a narrative review assessing treatment options from the interventional radiologist's perspective	Anish Narayanan, Andres Garza-Berlanga, Jorge Lopera
7	Case report	Cesarean section complicated with presumed massive pulmonary embolism and cardiac arrest treated with rescue thrombolytic therapy—two case reports	Paweł Krawczyk, Hubert Huras, Andrzej Jaworowski, Paweł Tyszecki, Magdalena Kołak
8	Review article	Prostate cancer—what about oligometastatic disease and stereotactic ablative radiotherapy?—a narrative review	Christos Mikropoulos, Helen Saxby, Stergios Boussios
9	Review article	Hepatocellular carcinoma and sarcopenia: a narrative review	Stephanie Revoredo, Egidio Del Fabbro
10	Review article	Interventional pain management in cancer patients—a scoping review	Muhammad Hamza Habib, Mathias Schlögl, Shahzad Raza, Marcin Chwistek, Amitabh Gulati

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