# Headache Questionnaire

Name	Date
Age _	Handedness
How lo	ong have you suffered from headaches? weeks / months / years Age at onset of headaches years old
	Did you have childhood headaches?
	Did you have cyclic vomiting or unexplained vomiting in childhood?
	Do you have a family history of migraine?
	Do you have a family history of headache?
Is you	r headache DAILY?
If dail	y, how long have you had daily headaches?
What o	do you do when you have a headache?
Can yo	ou continue doing what you were doing?
Do yo	u have to take a medication for headache daily?
How o	often?
What o	do you take?
Does i	t work?
Does t	he headache come back?

How long have you been taking a daily medication for your headaches? If not daily, how many days per week do you need to take medication for headache? Have you noticed you have to take more of the same medication for it to take effect? Have you kept a diary of your headaches? Severe headaches (please circle all that apply) Approximate frequency: 2-4x/week daily 1x/month 1x/week Are your headaches related to your cycle? Menstruation Ovulation No relationship Duration of headaches: brief 30-60 minutes 6-24 hrs 1-2 hrs 3-6 hrs days Side: changes sides both sides right side left side Top of Head Starting location: Forehead temple Back of Head Face Ear Neck Eye Overall location: Top of Head Eye Forehead Temple Back of head Face Ear Neck Quality: Pounding **Boring** Aching Tight band Shooting Throbbing Pressure Associated complaints: Flashing Lights **Blurred Vision** Dizziness Nausea Vomiting Neurological deficits: Blindness One Sided Paralysis Vertigo Numbness Confusion Circle average and maximum severity: Mild 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Worst imaginable

Do you also have milder headaches in between your severe headaches?

How do you identify a severe headache starting?

Are there warning signs <b>before</b> the headache pain starts?		
Yawning?		
Irritability?		
Lack of concentration?		
Nausea?		
Flashing lights?		
Usual or less severe headaches: (If you do not have milder headaches, skip this section)		

Approximate frequency: 1x/month 1x/week 2-4x/week daily

How long do the headaches last? Minute's hours all day

Side: both sides right side left side changing sides

Location: eye forehead temple top of head face neck

Headache character: pounding boring aching tight band

Shooting throbbing

Associated complaints: flashing lights blurred vision dizziness

Nausea vomiting

Any pain or tightness in your neck?

**Circle average** severity: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

How many headache-free days per week do you have? 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

Do you have headaches on the weekends or while on vacation?

## Associated symptoms with headaches:

Tearing from one eye		
Drainage from one nostril		
Swelling of face		
Droopy eyelid		
Red eye		
Ear pain		
Paralysis		
Numbness		
Tingling		
Double vision		
Spinning/Vertigo		
Muscle spasm		
Factors which worsen the headaches:		
Light		
Sound		
Movement		
Bending over		
Exertion		
Sexual intercourse		

# Headache triggers

Foods:					
	Cheese wine	alcohol		pickles	
	chocolate	sausage		yogurt	
	aspartame	diet foo	ds	MSG/Chinese food	
Other:					
	Nitroglycerine		Nifedip	ine	
	Oversleeping		sleep de	privation	
	Missing meals		exertion reading		
	Menstrual cycle		sex		
	Allergy/sinus problems		viral inf	ections	
	Colds		flu		
	Perfume		Fever		
	Changes in weather		sunlight		
	Caffeine intake		caffeine-withdrawal		
	Touching the face		wind in	the face	
	Chewing chewing gum		swallow	ing	
Eating cold or frozen items					
How fast does alcohol trigger a headache? 1 hour 2-4 hours 6 hours or more					
Caffeine intake: cups coffee, cups tea, cola per dayother					

Sleep schedule				
Bed time Lights out				
Awake Out of bed				
Awakenings per night Naps if yes for how long?				
How many days work/school have you missed in the last month due to headache?				
How often do you go to the emergency room for headaches?				
How many of the following do you take per week?				
Tylenol Tylenol #3 Aspirin Ibuprophen				
How many Imitrex or other headache drugs do you take per week?				
Stress				
Work?				
Family?				
Financial?				
Death or illness in family?				
What time of day do you usually get headaches?				
Morning Afternoon Night There is no pattern				
Are your headaches worse, better or unchanged with lying down?				
Are your headaches worse, better or unchanged with standing up?				
Are your headaches seasonal? Season(s)				
Do you have allergies? Seasonal allergies only? year-round?				
Are you on allergy medications?				

Do you have an air purifier?

How many significant sinus infections (with fever, thick nasal discharge, facial congestion and facial pain) do you get per year?						
Nasal blockage, difficulty breathing through nose:						
Right-sided blockage Left-sided blockage Both sides blocked						
Have y	ou been diagnosed with	any of the following?				
	Deviated Nasal Septum					
	Allergic Rhinitis					
	Nasal/Sinus Polyps					
	Facial Fracture					
	Obstructive sleep apnea					
Do you	Do you have?					
	Neck pain					
	Neck or shoulder pain radiating to the arm					
	Jaw pain with chewing					
	Tongue pain					
	Dental abscess or tooth J	pain?				
Which	neurologists or other sp	ecialists have you seen for	your headaches?			
Please	list any diagnostic tests	and approximate dates perf	formed (CT Scans, MRI, etc):			
Have you ever been in an ER for treatment of headaches?						

When? How often?

#### **Habits**

How many days/week do you exercise?
What form of exercise?
How many 8 oz glasses of water do you drink per day?
How many hours of sleep per day?
How many cups of coffee/caffeinated beverages do you drink per day?
How many meals/day?

### Work/Activity

Are you working?

Do you like your work?
Full time Part time Shift work
What do you do for a living?

Are you studying?
Full time Part time

Area of study

Grade point average

Have you missed social events, work days, school because of your headaches? If yes, how many times per year?

#### **Social**

Do you drink alcohol?

Do you use illicit drugs?

Do your use tobacco products?

Other:

## **Relationships:**

Married Single Divorced Partner

How long have you been married or partnered?

Are you happy in current relationship?

Do you have children?

How old are they?

Are you sexually active?

What form of birth control are you using?

Are you trying to conceive?

If you are a young female and sexually active trying to conceive are you taking folic acid?

#### **Hormonal history (female only need answer)**

Are you pregnant?

Last menstrual period:

Are your periods regular?

Any hot flashes?

Mood swings?

Vaginal dryness?

Night sweats?

Insomnia?

Decreased libido (sex drive)

At what age did your menstrual cycle begin?

At what age did your mother enter menopause?

Have you had a hysterectomy?

Do you still have your ovaries?

#### **Medication trials:** (circle those that apply)

Ibuprofen Advil Indocin

Indomethacin Aleve Arthritis medications

Aspirin Tylenol Excedrin

Tylenol #3 Toradol Naproxen sodium
Anaprox Ketorolac Ketoprofen (orudis)

Midrin Cafergot DHE Migranal nasal spray

Esgic Wigrane **AErgostat** Axert Frova Amerge Imitrex tablets nasal spray injection Relpax Maxalt Zomig **Fiorinal** Fioricet **Butalbital** Darvon Darvocet, Stadol spray Vicodin Codeine Percocet Oxycodone Ultracet Ultram Wygesic (propoxephene) Namenda Aricept Compazine tabs supp Reglan, Droperidol Tigan Inapsin, Zofran Inderal **Toprol** 

Lopressor(metoprolol) Corgard(nadolol) Atenolol(tenormin)

Timolol Cardizem(diltiazem) Verapamil
Nfedipine procardia/adalat Depakote Dilantin
Topamax Lamictal Tegretol
Keppra Neurontin Zonegran
Lyrica Elavil Amitriptyline

Desipramin(Norpramin) Doxepin(Sinequan) Nortriptyline(pamelor)

Protriptyline(vivactil) Prozac Cymbalta

Paroxetine (Paxil)Escitalopram(lexapro)Citaprolam (celexa)WellbutrinZoloft sertaline)Venlafaxine(Effexor)Serotonin antagonistMethysergide(sansert)Nardil (MAOI)

BaclofenZanaflexNorflexSkelaxinSomaFlexeril

Antibiotics Flonase Antihistamines

Zyrtec Depacon Eveticeram (keppra iv)

Magnesium Inapsin Droperidol Haldol Cogentin Ativan Benadryl Xanax Raglan Tigan Zofran Compazine Lidocaine Propofol Ketamine Robaxin(methocarbamol) Histamine IV Zyprexa Celebrex Geodon Mobic Medrol dose pack Decadron Prednisone Dexamethasone Magnesium Riboflavin Fever few CoenzymeQ10 Melatonin

Have you ever tried homeopathic treatment?						
What alternative treatments have you tried? What was the response?						
	Acupuncture	Botox injections	Distraction			
	Biofeedback	Relaxation techniques	Meditation			
	Chiropractor	Herbs,	Homeopathy			
	TENS - Electrical stimulation unit		Relaxation			
	Yoga	Meditation	Reflexology			
Other						
Any other remedies you have tried not listed above?						
What medications and dosages are you taking currently?						
Medication allergies:						
Past medical history:						