**Table III:** Correlation between PROMS item scores and WBC observed on days 7, 14, 21, 28 and 35 of the follow-up period

|  | day 7 | day 14 | day 21 | day 28 | day 35 |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| mouth pain | -0.522 | -0.422 | -0.694 | -0.410 | -0.862 |
|  | (<0.001) | (0.009) | (<0.001) | (0.164) | (0.006) |
| difficulty speaking because of mouth sores | -0.531 | -0.528 | -0.619 | -0.462 | -0.719 |
|  | (<0.001) | (0.001) | (<0.001) | (0.112) | (0.045) |
| restriction of speech because of mouth sores | -0.476 | -0.547 | -0.550 | -0.593 | -0.368 |
|  | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (0.002) | (0.033) | (0.370) |
| difficulty eating hard foods | -0.503 | -0.551 | -0.716 | -0.598 | -0.886 |
|  | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (0.031) | (0.003) |
| difficulty eating soft foods | -0.423 | -0.603 | -0.506 | -0.686 | -0.590 |
|  | (0.002) | (<0.001) | (0.005) | (0.010) | (0.124) |
| restriction of eating because of mouth sores | -0.613 | -0.493 | -0.735 | -0.601 | -0.778 |
|  | (<0.001) | (0.002) | (<0.001) | (0.030) | (0.023) |
| difficulty drinking because of mouth sores | -0.494 | -0.590 | -0.588 | -0.701 | -0.473 |
|  | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (0.001) | (0.008) | (0.237) |
| restriction of drinking because of mouth sores | -0.498 | -0.566 | -0.507 | -0.748 | -0.420 |
|  | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (0.005) | (0.003) | (0.300) |
| difficulty swallowing because of mouth sores | -0.560 | -0.370 | -0.643 | -0.575 | -0.814 |
|  | (<0.001) | (0.024) | (<0.001) | (0.040) | (0.014) |
| change in taste | -0.555 | -0.254 | -0.471 | -0.034 | -0.886 |
|  | (<0.001) | (0.129) | (0.010) | (0.911) | (0.003) |
| Total PROMS score | -0.645 | -0.585 | -0.709 | -0.399 | -0.898 |
|  | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (<0.001) | (0.177) | (0.002) |

Correlations were estimated by Spearman’s test. Rho (r) values and p values (in parentheses) were given. Taking into account the multiple hypothesis testing, correlations were considered significant if p<0.001 for PROMS components and p<0.01 for PROMS scores (shaded boxes).