

Table 4. Tattoo by type in 493 tattoo complications.

Tattoo by type	Number of tattoos	%
Professional*	397	81
Amateur**	70	14
Cosmetic (permanent make-up)	11	2
Henna***	9	1.8
Traumatic (accident, explosion, and iatrogenic hazard due to ion infusion in subcutis)	3	0.6
Medical (radiation field markings)	2	0.4
Unknown	1	0.2

* Tattoos performed in a tattoo parlour by professionals were defined as “professional”. 25 of these tattoos with reactions had been contracted outside of Denmark (6%).

** Two patients had been tattooed against their will.

*** Henna tattoos had strong reactions with generalised rash or chronic dermatitis.