



Conflicts of interest

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- Advise: Menarini, Grünenthal, QRxPharma, Medicines Company



'Lack of evidence about appropriateness and effectiveness of pain interventions is one of the five major crises in pain management today'.

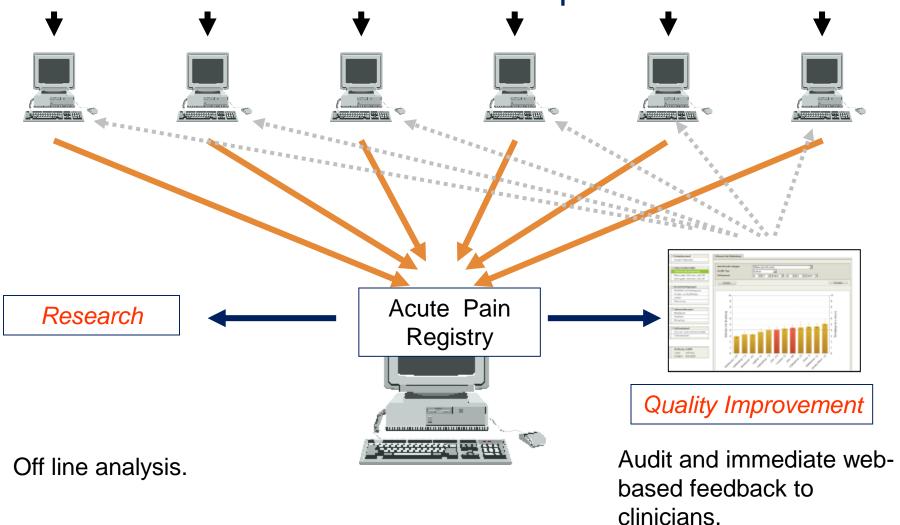
John Loeser, Clinical Updates, IASP Press, 2012

- QUIPS: funded by German Ministry of Health (2003-6)
- PAIN OUT: funded by 7th FP (2009-12)
- Backed by several societies (DGAI, DGCH, EFIC, ESA, IASP...)

- Ca. 160 hospitals in Germany, 45 internationally
- > 500.000 data sets (QUIPS)
- Ca. 50.000 data sets (PAIN OUT)
- Adult, pediatric, in- and outpatient surgery



Data is obtained from patients





PAIN OUT: research

- Variability of care
- Factors associated with (high/low) quality
- (CPSP)

Status quo (n=202.885)

- Pain intensity ≥ 5: 49%
- Pain interference with ambulation: 60%
- Nausea: 20%
- Non infromed: 23%
- Wished more analgesics: 11%





PAIN OUT: The making of an international acute pain registry Zaslansky R et al. EJP 2015;19:490-502

n=6347 patients, 11 European hospitals

Routine pain assessment: 76% (0.3%-99%)

Received information: 65% (27%-85%)

Regional analgesia in TKA: 42% (1.8%-80%)

Opioids if pain ≥ 6 : 71% (44%-93%)



Low association between routine pain assessment and outcome

	Individual patients				
	Not assessed	Assessed			
Composite Pain Score	4.0 (±0.06)	3.6 (±0.03)			
Sum of side effects	5.6 (±0.17)	6.4 (±0.11)			
Satisfaction	$8.0~(\pm 0.06)$	$8.4 (\pm 0.03)$			
Anxiety	2.5 (±0.07)	2.0 (±0.04)			
Allowed to participate in decisions	6.1 (±0.1)	5.9 (±0.06)			





The Quality of Postoperative Pain Therapy in German Hospitals Meissner W et al. Dtsch Arztebl Int 2017; 114: 161–7

- 21.114 data sets from > 100 hospitals
- Four major surgeries
- Pain intensity, function, satisfaction

Processes:

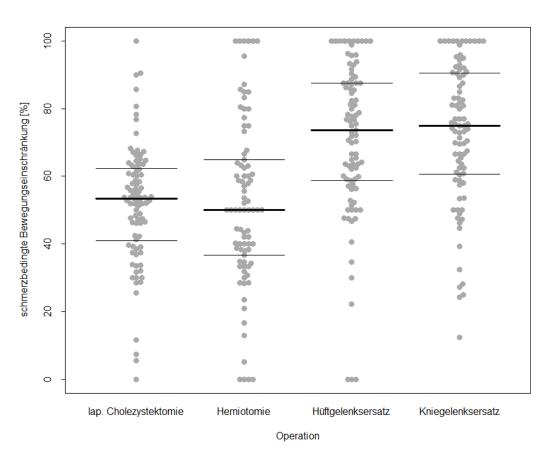
 Routine pain assessment, patient information Structure:

- Hospital size, ownership, level of care
- Adjusted for age, gender, ASA status



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Pain interference with ambulation in 103 hospitals



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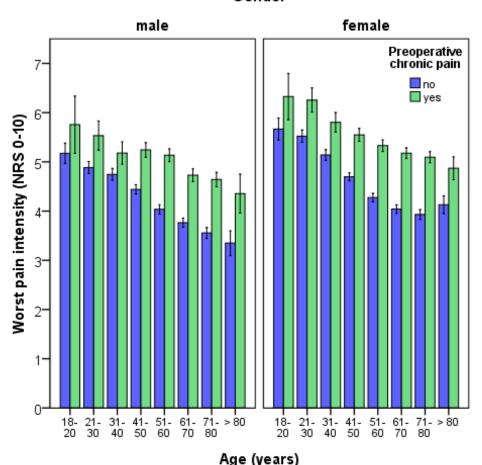
- Routine pain assessment and, particularly, provision of <u>sufficient information on pain therapy</u> to patients were associated with improved pain, function and satisfaction
- Outcome quality was somewhat better <u>in standard</u> care hospitals than in those with higher levels of care





Procedure-specific Risk Factor Analysis for Postoperative Pain. Gerbershagen HJ et al. Anesthesiology 2014; 120: 1237-45

Gender



Postop pain increase:

- + 0,29 in women
- + 0,14 for each NRS of preop chronic pain
- 0,28 for each decade of age





Pain Intensity on the First Day after Surgery

Gerbershagen et al. Anesthesiology 2013, 118: 934-44

- n=50.523
- 179 surgical groups
- "Ranking" according to pain intensity
- Results mirror painfulness of surgery <u>and</u> received pain treatment



Low pain intensity

Surgery	NRS/rank		
 Limp amputation 	(4,6 / 115)		
 Open lung resection 	(4,5 / 118)		
 Gastrectomy 	(4,5 / 120)		
 Rad. prostatectomy 	(3,6 / 141)		

Gerbershagen et al. Anesthesiology 2013, 118: 934-44



High pain intensity

Surgery	NRS/rank
 Calcaneus-OP 	(6,7/1)
 Sectio 	(6,1/9)
 Appendectomy (open) 	(6,0/19)
 Hemorrhoidectomy 	(5,9 / 23)
 Tonsillectomy 	(5,9/24)
 Cholezystectomy (open) 	(5,8 / 25)
 Appendectomy (lap.) 	(5,4/47)

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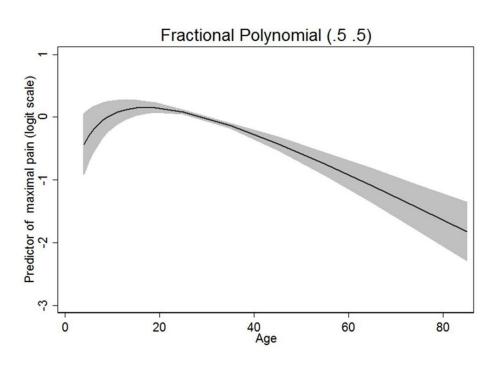
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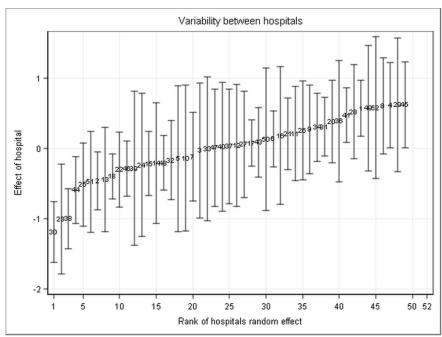
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- No patient information (OR = 1.78; CI = 1.370 to 2.316)





Quality of pain treatment after caesarean section

Marcus H et al. EJP 2015, 19: 929-39

Pat. nach Sectio und Hysterektomien (n=3217)

	CS	HS abd. LAVH		HS vag.
Schmerz max. (NRS)	6,2	5,0	4,4	4,8
Husten beeintr. (%)	66	56	37	30
Aufwachen (%)	47	33	31	36
Kein Opioid (%)	63	34	34	43





Epidural vs. Systemic Analgesia: An International Registry Analysis ... after Abdominal Surgery

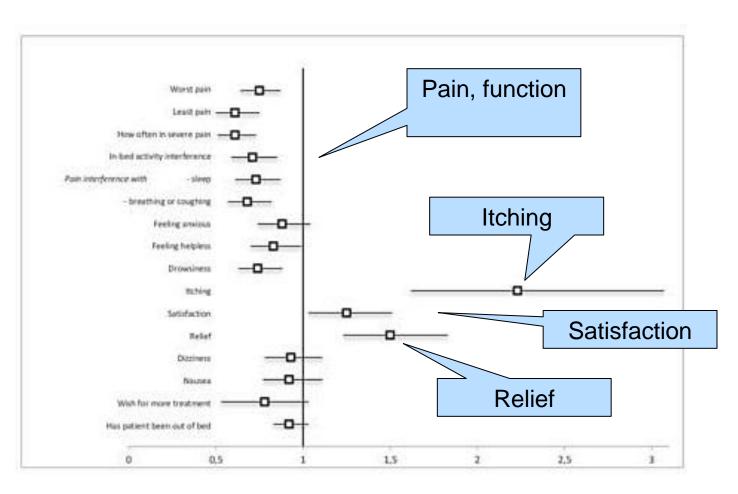
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- n=2127, after matched-pair n=646
- Improved pain intensity, function, satisfaction
- "time in severe pain": 15 % with, 27 % w/o EA!
- Both in open and laparoscopic surgery
- but....



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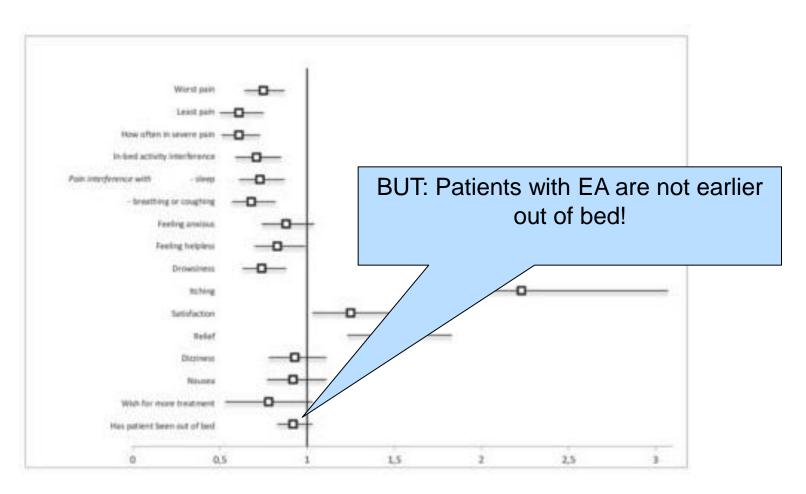
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Correlates of satisfaction with pain treatment

16,868 patients, 42 sites, 11 countries

Main predictors of patient satisfaction:

- Perceived pain relief (%)
- Participation in treatment decision
- No wish for more pain treatment



RCTs

Registries

High data quality
 Low variablity
 Covariables well controlled

- Narrow inclusion criteria
Highly selected patients
Bias (Sponsor, Hawthorne-effect....)
Rare situations not mirrored

Routine data

Large number of cases

Rare cases and complications

Mirrors real life

- Uncontrolled confounders

Data quality?

No randomisation

Causality?

Limitations

- Data quality
- Data may not be representative
- Association ≠ causal relationship
- Resources, funding
- IRB requirements

PAIN OUT: research

- Enormous variation of care
- Factors associated with higher quality:
 - Status als district hospital
 - Routine pain assessment, patient information
 - Epidurals but benefit not used!
 - Pain relief and pat involvement is associated with satisfaction
- Risk factors:
 - (Gender), older age, no preexisting pain
 - Some "small" surgeries, c-section



PAIN OUT: quality improvement

Does participation in PAIN OUT improve quality of care?





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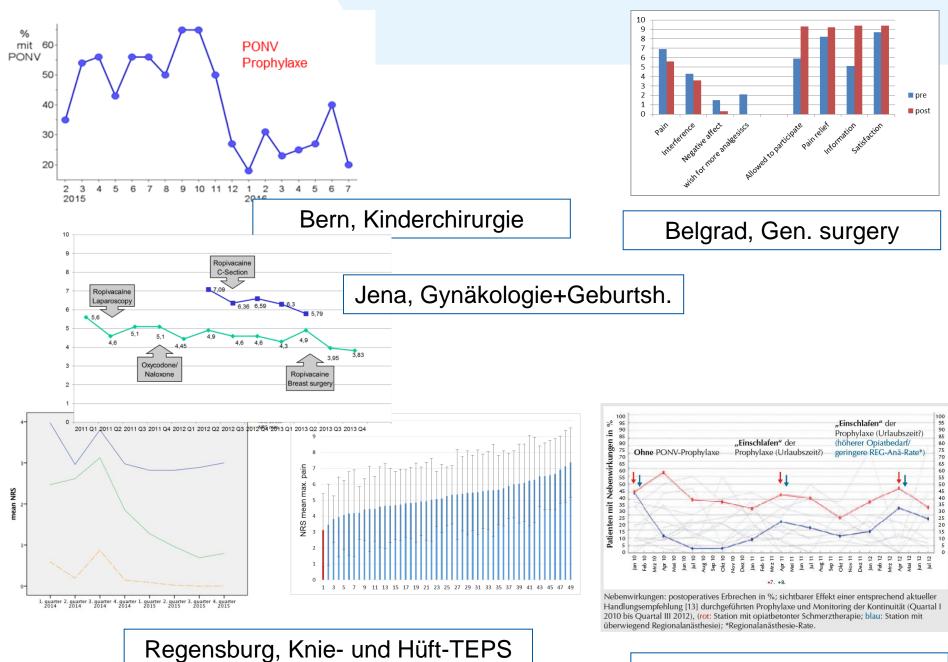
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QUIPS as a tool for continuous quality monitoring in a paediatric surgery clinic

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QUIPS als Werkzeug zum kontinuierlichen Qualitätsmonitoring in einer kinderchirurgischen Klinik

ies has steadily increased over recent



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Quality improvement

- Benchmark meetings
- Web-based information exchange
- Peer review
- National networks in 7 European countries (EFIC) and Mexico (Pfizer)
- (accredition)



Summary

- Non-for-profit, academic project
- "Real world" research & QI

- Open to every hospital worldwide
- Annual fee 1.500 € / hospital
- Join PAIN OUT

