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# Peri-operative Pain Management

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#### Pain management : Context

#### Objectives of optimizing analgesia for knee arthroplasty and ligamentoplasty

#### Less adverse post operative events (cardio/pulm/neuropsy)

Lynch and al. The impact of postoperative pain on the development of postoperative delirium. Anesth Analg 1998

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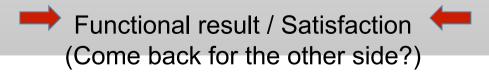
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Beattie and al. Epidural morphine reduces the risk of postoperative myocardial ischemia in patients with cardiac risk factors. Can J Anaesth 1993

## Optimal Physiotherapy Decrease of Length of Stay/ Cost

Watters and al. Preventive measures in the elderly surgical patient. Can J Surg 1991
Tsui SI and al A clinical audit for postoperative pain control on 1443 surgical patients. Acta Anaesthesiol Scand 1995
Ilfeld and al. Health-related quality of life after tricompartment knee arthroplasty with and without an extended-duration continuous femoral nerve block: a prospective, 1-year follow-up of a randomized, triple-masked, placebo-controlled study. Anesth Analg. 2009
Larsen and al. Cost-effectiveness of accelerated perioperative care and rehabilitation after total hip and knee arthroplasty. J Bone Joint Surg Am. 2009

Barbieri A and al. Effects of clinical pathways in the joint replacement: a meta-analysis. BMC Med. 2009



#### Pre Habilitation ++

#### Multi disciplinary approach prior to surgery: physiotherapy, nutrition, anemia

Berge and al. Pre-operative and postoperative effect of a pain management program prior to total hip replacement: a randomized controlled trial.

Pain 2004

Beaupre and al. The effect of a preoperative exercise and education program on functional recovery, health related quality of life, and health service utilization following primary total knee arthroplasty. J Rhumatol 2004

Topp and al. The effect of prehabilitation exercise on strength and functioning after total knee arthroplasty. PM R. 2009

McKay and al. The effect of a prehabilitation exercise program on quadriceps strength for patients undergoing total knee arthroplasty: a randomized controlled pilot study. PM R. 2012;

#### **Pre Medication**

Gabapentinoid: literature still poor but in favor of use

#### Intra-operative

#### **GA vs Spinal**

still difficult to say which is best...

Spinal + opioid + low dose LA seems better regarding overall outcomes (pain / opioid use / mobilization / thromboembolism...)

#### **Epidural**:

better than opioid PCA but *difficult to recommended* = risk of falling, urinary retention, respiratory depression, muscular palsy, pruritus, PONV...

#### Intra-operative

Femoral block +++

+++ Continuous Nerve Block +++ compared to Single Shot Nerve Block

Fisher and al. <u>PROSPECT</u> working group Anaesthesia 2008

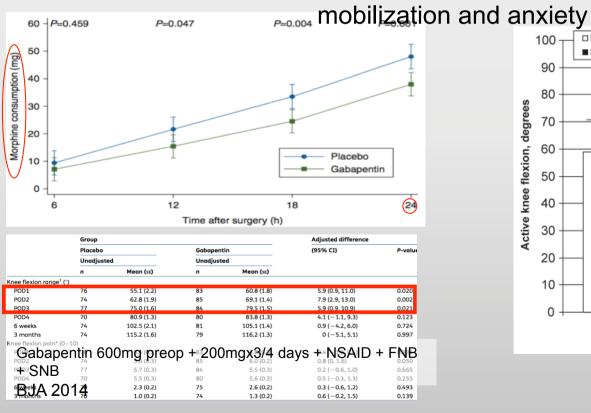
Surgical intra-articular or/and wound infiltration (beware of overdose !!! Max Levobupivacaine is 3mg/kg and 200mg)

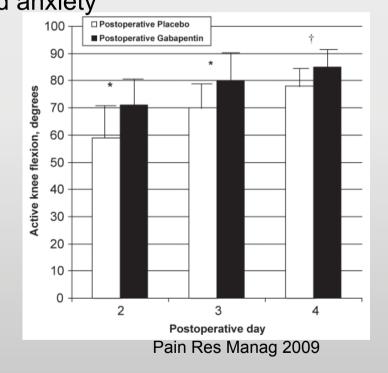
Toftdahland al. Comparison of peri-and intraarticular analgesia with femoral nerve block after total knee arthroplasty: a randomized clinical trial. Acta Orthop. 2007

Andersen and al. Reduced hospital stay and narcotic consumption, and improved mobilization with local and intraarticular infiltration after hip arthroplasty: a randomized clinical trial of an intraarticular technique versus epidural infusion in 80 patients. Acta Orthop. 2007

#### Gabapentinoid

Still unclear... Intuitivly appealing though with mild effects on opoid use, early



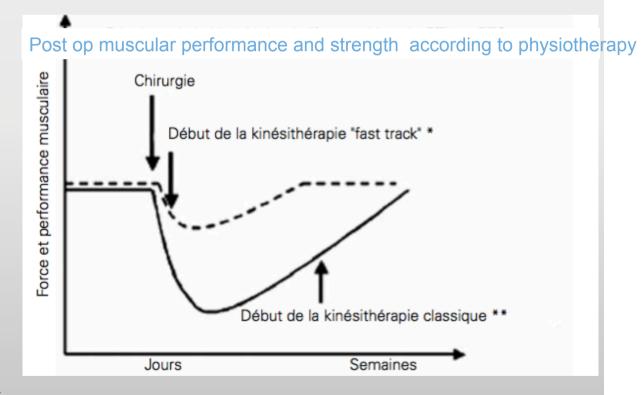


#### **Postoperative**

Enhanced Recovery After Surgery

## Cryotherapy and intermittent compression

Favour <u>early</u>, <u>intense</u> but <u>short</u>, <u>repetitve</u> active physiotherapy sessions



Mechanical passive physiotherapy

#### Pain management : the Future?

## Adductor canal block (ACB) = saphenous nerve block



Exclusively sensitive

No quadricipital weakness

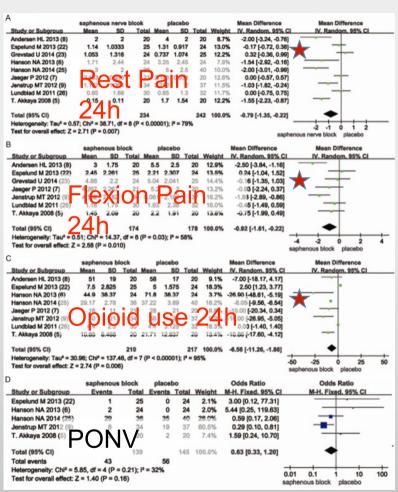
Continuous nerve block possible



#### Pain management : the Future?

Adductor Canal Block ★ vs placebo

Shu-Qing Jin and al. Int J Clin Exp Med 2015



Knee Ligamentoplasty (ACL) - Day hospital basis -

- Preoperative Day 0 : GA or Spinal (no opioids) + no nerve block
- Intraoperative : IV = acetoaminophen + NSAISD + Dexamethasone
   Wound infiltration by surgeon : LevoBupi 5 mg/ml 20ml
- Postoperative : Single shot femoral block in recovery room <u>if</u> VAS remains > 6 : Levobupi 1,5 mg/ml + clonidine 75mg

Cryotherapy with intermittent compression (GameReady)

Postoperative and out of clinic prescription: PO acetoaminophen + NSAID +/- rescue Level 2
 analgesic drugs

Stand up on Day 0 with physiotherapy + Exit

#### **TKA**

- Premedication Day -1 : Gabapentin
- Preoperative Day 0 : GA or Spinal (no opioids) + always SPNB (Levobupivacain + clonidine)
  - Intraoperative : IV = acetoaminophen + NSAISD + Dexamethasone
     Wound infiltration by surgeon : LevoBupi 5 mg/ml 20ml
- Postoperative: IV then PO acetoaminophen + NSAID + Opiod PCA for 48 to 72h + Gabapentin
   Cryotherapy with intermittent compression (GameReady)

Stand up on Day 1 / First steps on Day 2

#### Results

ACL: above 90% successful same day discharge

TKA: up to 24 hours of femoral nerve blockade, day one physiotherapy OK

Multimodal analgesic technics allow more than acceptable results in our everyday practice

with no requirement for continuous nerve block i.e. catheter which we consider to be a obstacle to patient's mobilization and comfort

Single Shot Adductor Canal Block in this scheme seems to have a place...to be continued...

No continuous nerve block... But enhanced single block

Single shot femoral nerve block with LevoBupivacaine with Clonidine (systematic in TKA, on demand in ACL)

+

Dexamethasone IV intra operative (increase axonal penetration of LA + prevents PONV)

+

Surgical wound infiltration with LA

+

Immediate post op cryotherapy / intermittent compression

#### Pain management: at the end of it all

#### Multimodal pain strategy

Including pre intra and post operative global management

No "Magic Bullet" but solid evidence exists:

Pre habilitation and preparation (including anemia!)

Continuous nerve block (Adductor Canal Block?)

Surgical infiltration

ERAS with cryotherapy/ early intense short physiotherapy sessions

Gabapentinoids?

Small stones make the big mountain

# You can now awaken,

### Thank you

**Useful link** 

PROSPECT 2013 – Procedure Specific Postoperative Pain Management –

www.postoppain.org



Unfortunately your HMO doesn't cover anesthesia so we're going to have to use our low-budget procedure to put you out.