



Societal Impact of Pain

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Structured Cooperation between Health Care Systems tackling the societal impact of pain!

# Education

# Do we need it?

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# Do we need education ?

- No, if we are happy with
- 2 countries with mandatory undergraduate pain medicine
  8 countries with a supraspeciality
  6 countries with a subspeciality
  2 countries with a speciality
  0 countries with a general pain medicine competency
  CTFs and Curricula on one page

# **Quality Management ?**



# **Conventional CME Activities ?**

# **Guidelines, SOPs ?**



# Undergraduate and Postgraduate Education !

"...untreated pain is one of the most important reasons for suffering, invalidity and inadequate use of resources worldwide ...

Pain assessment and management therefore should be an essential part of

- curricula of medical faculties
- postgraduate CME.

Without this, we will not achieve longlasting effects ..."

#### Vadivelu-N, Pain Practice 2012



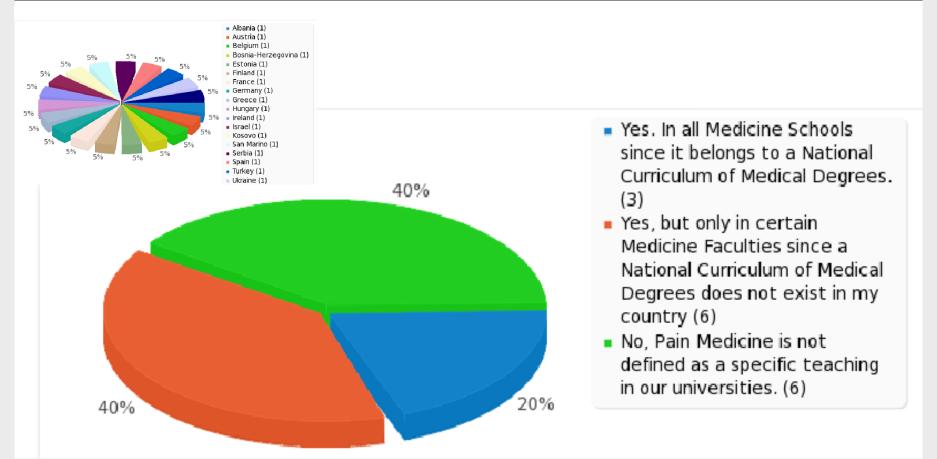
### **1. Undergraduate Education**





#### Situation in Europe: pain as learning objective?

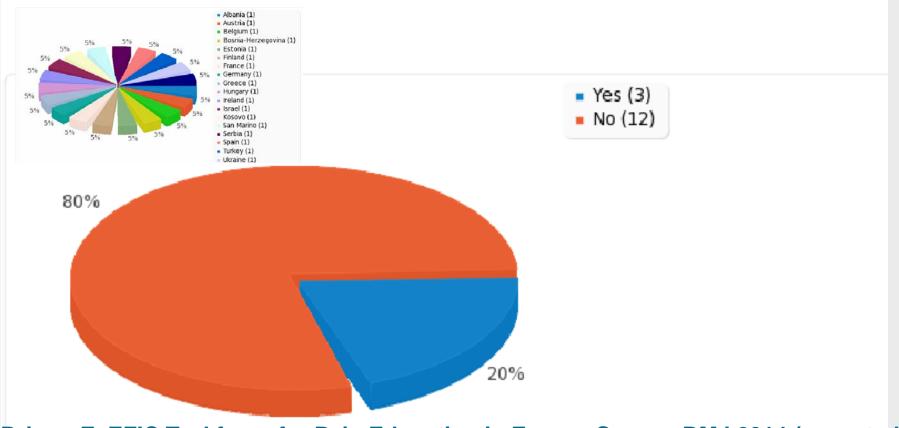
Does Your Country recognize Pain Medicine as a specific "materia medica"?



Briggs-E, EFIC Taskforce for Pain Education in Europe Survey, BMJ 2014 (accepted)

## Situation in Europe: Curricula?

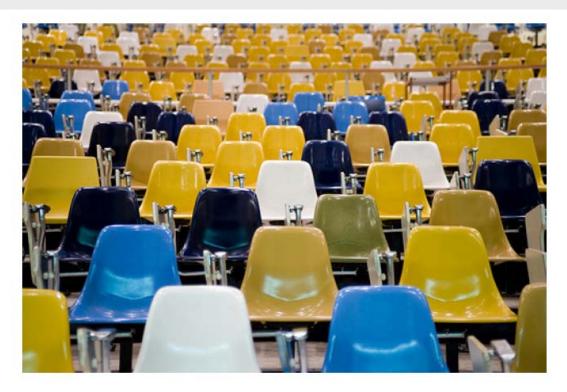
Does Your Country have a core-curriculum of Pain Medicine contents to be included in Medicine Graduation courses?



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# Undergraduate Curriculum: Mission

- pain management is required by every clinical working physician
- general pain management has to complement special pain management
- every medical school graduate should be able
  - to control most acute perioperative or posttraumatic pain,
  - to treat most cancer pain
  - to initiate first line treatment for most neuropathic pain
  - to identify most patients with chronic pain
  - to refer pain patients according to their therapeutic needs



#### The Pain Management Core Curriculum for European Medical Schools

An interdisciplinary teaching approach based on the German Medical Licensure Act (valid since: October 1, 2003) German version written by A. Kopf, R. Sittl, S. Bredanger et al.

Adapted European version written and released (date) by the Subcommittee on Education of the EFIC (European Federation of IASP Chapters) with collaboration of G. Shorten, R. Sittl, M. Koltzenburg and A. Kopf



#### 2. Postgraduate Curriculum



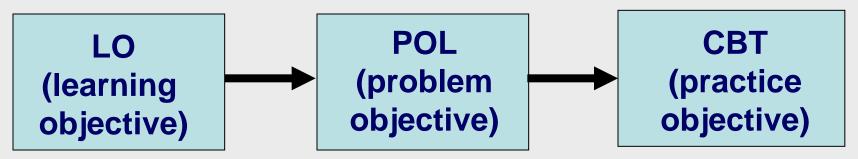
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#### EUROPEAN PAIN FEDERATION CORE CURRICULUM AND DIPLOMA OF PAIN MEDICINE

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# **Mission: Entrusted Professional Activities**

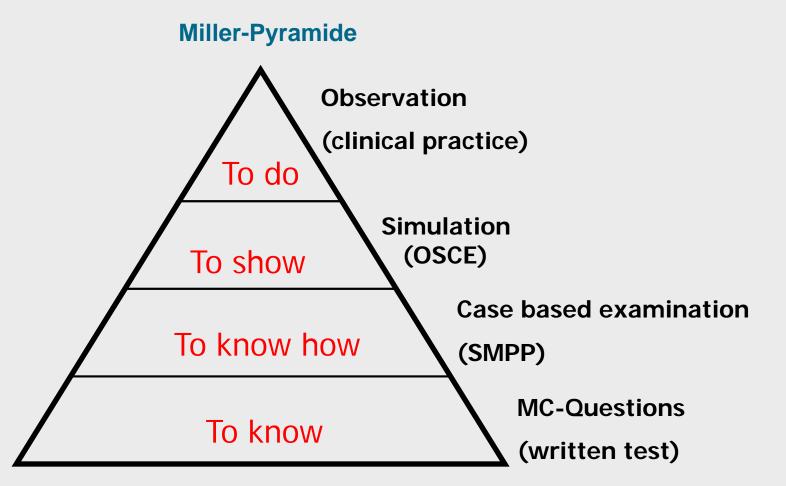


#### Attributes of "Competence"

- 1. specific
- 2. holistic (knowledge / skills / attitudes)
- 3. stabil / reliable
- 4. teachable
- 5. measurable
- 6. correlating with professional challenges
- 7. interacting with other competences

ten Cate-O, Med Education 2005; 39: 1176

#### 3. "Assessment Drives Learning"



Miller-GE, Acad Med (Suppl) 1990; 65: 63

### European Diploma Pain Medicine EDPM





### Summary

- the limited spread of pain medicine does not suffer from shortage of money or medications or evidence based therapeutics and diagnostics
- the true shortage is, that pain medicine is not a recognized cross sectional field in the student's and specialist's definition list
- only sophisticated and examined and certified education can raise the awareness for pain patients and the standards of pain medicine

#### Conclusions

- curricula and examinations by EFIC are a solid foundation for general (medical schools and residency programs) and specialized pain medicine (supraspeciality) demanding national and EU recognition
- education performance for pain should be a as a quality indicator for health care systems in the WHO Public Health Triangle

**Drug Availability** 

**Education Program** 

#### **Implementation Policy**