

## G-I-N Nordic Ecosystem for trustworthy guideline creation, dissemination and updating













### Declaration of interests

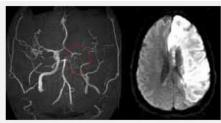


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## Meet Jon, 63 years old bus driver

- Hospitalized with stroke
- Proximal anterior circulation occlusion
- Received thrombolysis within 3 hrs
- Should we do thrombectomy?
- 4 trials published showing positive results in NEJM 2015
- How find trustworthy answers?







### One of four studies in NEJM 2015



				Unadjusted	Adjusted	
Outcome	Thrombectomy (N = 103)	(N = 103)	Effect Variable	(95% CI)	(95% CI)	
Primary outcome: score on modified Rankin scale at 90 days	NA	NA	Common odds ratio	1.7 (1.04 to 2.7)	1.7 (1.05 to 2.8)	
Secondary outcome						
Score of 0 to 2 on modified Rankin scale at 90 days — no. (%)†	45 (43.7)	29 (28.2)	Odds ratio	2.0 (1.1 to 3.5)	2.1 (1.1 to 4.0)	
Dramatic neurologic improvement at 24 h — no./total no. (%);	59/100 (59.0)	20/100 (20.0)	Odds ratio	5.5 (2.9 to 10.3)	5.8 (3.0 to 11.1)	
Median NIHSS score at 90 days (IQR)	2.0 (0.0 to 8.0)	6.0 (2.0 to 11.0)	Beta	-2.7 (-4.4 to -0.9)	-2.4 (-4.1 to -0.8)	
Barthel Index score of 95 to 100 at 90 days — no./total no. (%)∫	47/82 (57.3)	23/87 (26.4)	Odds ratio	3.7 (2.0 to 7.1)	4.2 (2.1 to 8.4)	
Median EQ-5D score at 90 days (IQR) ¶	0.65 (0.21 to 0.79)	0.32 (0.13 to 0.70)	Beta	0.13 (0.03 to 0.23)	0.11 (0.02 to 0.21)	
Infarct volume at 24 hr						
Patients evaluated on CT:diffusion- weighted MRI — no.	91:10	98:5				
Median (IQR) — ml	16.3 (8.3 to 58.5)	38.6 (11.9 to 86.8)	P value	P=0.02		

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## Finding trustworthy answers to clinical questions

Thrombectomy for stroke? AUD **IMPLEMENT** 

Apply the recommendations on individual patients



**FOCUSED** QUESTIONS



Search for recommendations in evidence-based guidelines



those recommendations?

Can you trust and use

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## How good are we at answering our questions?

#### **Original Investigation**

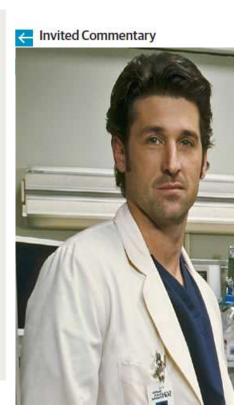
## Clinical Questions Raised by Clinicians at the Point of Care A Systematic Review

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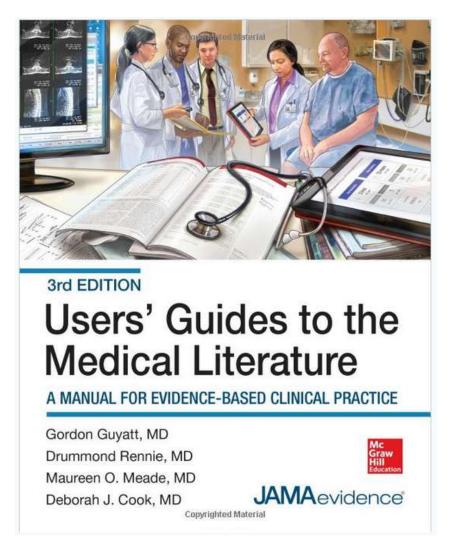
RESULTS In 11 studies, 7012 questions were elicited through short interviews with clinicians after each patient visit. The mean frequency of questions raised was 0.57 (95% CI, 0.38-0.77) per patient seen, and clinicians pursued 51% (36%-66%) of questions and found answers to 78% (67%-88%) of those they pursued. Overall, 34% of questions concerned drug treatment, and 24% concerned potential causes of a symptom, physical finding, or diagnostic test finding. Clinicians' lack of time and doubt that a useful answer exists were the main barriers to information seeking.

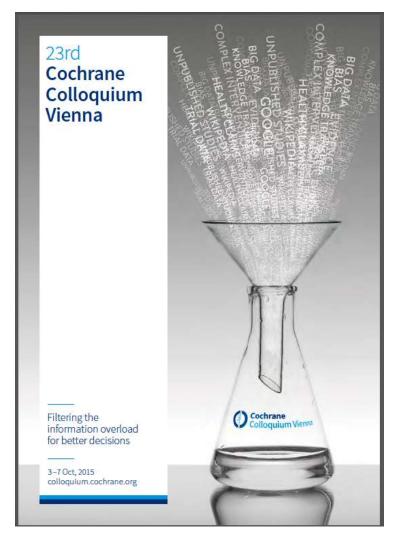
conclusions and relevance Clinicians frequently raise questions about patient care in their practice. Although they are effective at finding answers to questions they pursue, roughly half of the questions are never pursued. This picture has been fairly stable over time despite the broad availability of online evidence resources that can answer these questions. Technology-based solutions should enable clinicians to track their questions and provide just-in-time access to high-quality evidence in the context of patient care decision making. Opportunities for improvement include the recent adoption of electronic health record systems and maintenance of certification requirements.

studies with similar methods.



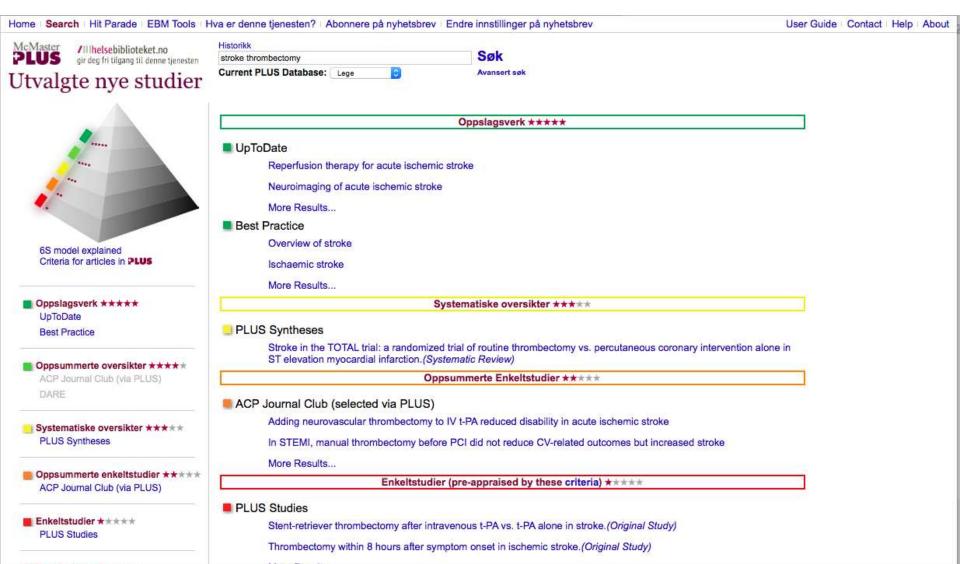
### Evidence-based medicine: Great advances





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## Finding best current recommendations and evidence within 2 minutes



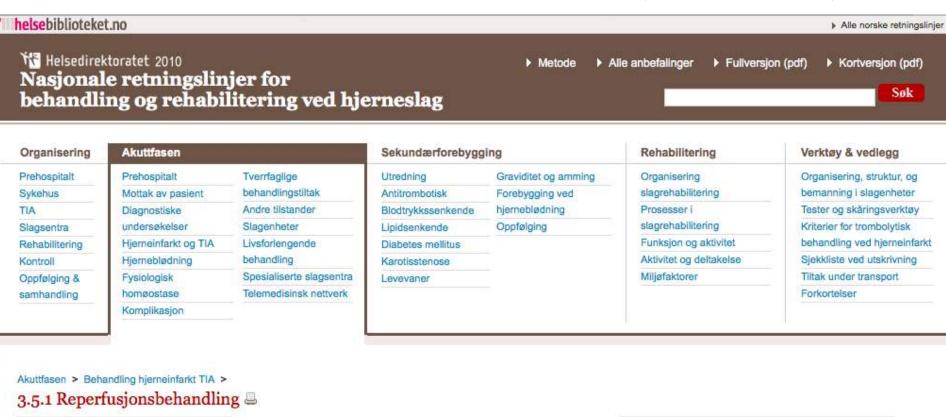
## UpToDate provides an answer

- . Basics topic (see "Patient information: Stroke (The Basics)")
- Beyond the Basics topics (see "Patient information: Stroke symptoms and diagnosis (Beyond the Basics)" and "Patient information: Ischemic stroke treatment (Beyond the Basics)")

#### SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Randomized controlled trials have shown that intravenous <u>alteplase</u> (recombinant tissue-type plasminogen activator or tPA) improves functional outcome from ischemic stroke and that the benefits outweigh the risks for patients who receive treatment within 4.5 hours of symptom onset (or within 4.5 hours of when the patient was last seen normal in cases when onset time is unknown). The benefit of intravenous thrombolysis decreases continuously over time from symptom onset. Therefore, treatment must be given as soon as possible, rather than near the end of the time window. (See <u>'Intravenous thrombolysis'</u> above and 'Treatment within 3 hours' above and 'Treatment from 3 to 4.5 hours' above and 'Pooled data' above.)
- The most important factor in successful thrombolytic treatment of acute ischemic stroke is early treatment. Nonetheless, selection of appropriate candidates for thrombolysis (table 1) demands a neurologic evaluation and a neuroimaging study. For eligible patients with acute ischemic stroke, we recommend intravenous alteplase therapy, provided that treatment is initiated within 3 hours of clearly defined symptom onset (Grade 1A). For patients who cannot be treated in less that 3 hours, we suggest intravenous alteplase therapy, provided that treatment is initiated within 3 to 4.5 hours of clearly defined symptom onset (Grade 2A).
   Recommendations for the use of intravenous alteplase are discussed separately. (See "Intravenous fibrinolytic (thrombolytic) therapy in acute ischemic stroke: Therapeutic use".)
- Recanalization is generally associated with improved outcome and reduced mortality in acute ischemic stroke. A number of factors may affect the response to
  thrombolytic therapy, including location of the occlusion in the arterial tree, availability of collateral blood supply, and clot-specific features such as size,
  composition, and source. (See 'Recanalization' above and 'Factors affecting recanalization' above.)
- For patients with ischemic stroke caused by a large artery occlusion in the proximal anterior circulation, we recommend early treatment with intra-arterial
  mechanical thrombectomy using a second-generation stent retriever device, whether or not the patient received treatment with intravenous tPA, if the following
  conditions are fulfilled (Grade 1A) (see <u>'Mechanical thrombectomy'</u> above and <u>'Selecting patients for mechanical thrombectomy'</u> above):
  - · Neuroimaging (eg, CT without contrast) is consistent with a small infarct core (ie, minimal or no signs of early ischemic change) and excludes hemorrhage
  - · Angiography (eg, CT angiography) demonstrates a proximal large artery occlusion in the anterior circulation
  - · Thrombectomy is performed at a stroke center with expertise in the use of stent retrievers
  - · Intra-arterial thrombectomy is initiated within 6 hours of stroke symptom onset

## What does our national guideline (from 2010) say?



#### Underkapitler

- · Intravenos trombolytisk beh
- · Intra-arteriell behandling

Anbefalinger: akutt reperfusjonsbehandling	Grad	Nivá
I.v. trombolyse med r-tPA (alteplase) er en effektiv behandling som bør tilbys utvalgte pasienter * med akutt hjerneinfarkt innen 3 t etter sykdomsstart* og bør startes tidligst mulig.	А	1a
I.a. trombolyse eller i.a. embolektomi kan vurderes hos utvalgte pasienter med kontraindikasjoner mot i.v trombolyse eller store proksimale okklusjoner, men klare		4

Vedlegg

Litteraturliste

## We need to create trustworthy guidelines according to new definitions and standards

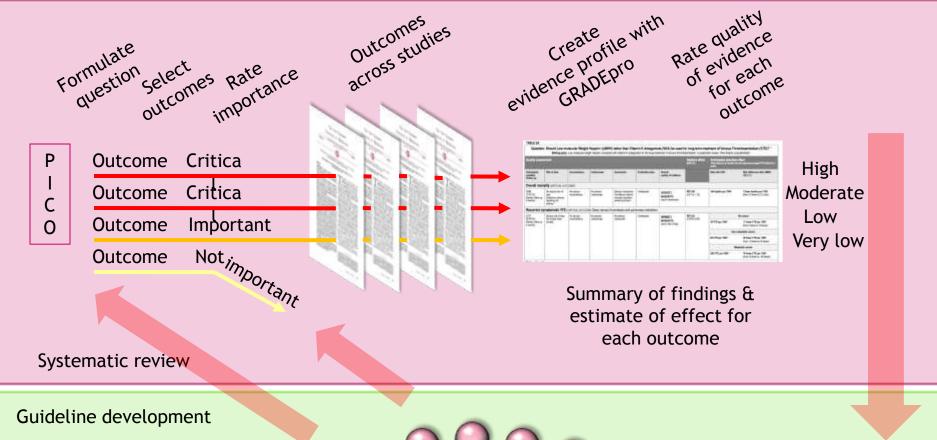
#### New definition

"Clinical Practice Guidelines are statements that include recommendations intended to optimize patient care. They are informed by a systematic review of evidence and an assessment of the benefits and harms of alternative care options"

#### New standards

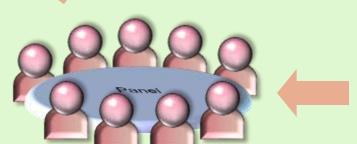






Formulate recommendations:

- •For or against (direction)
- Strong or weak/conditional (strength)
- By considering:
  - □Quality of evidence
  - □Balance benefits/harms
- ■Values and preferences Revise if necessary by considering:
- □ Resource use (cost)



Grade overall quality of evidence across outcomes

- "We recommend using..."
  - "We suggest using..."
  - "We recommend against using..."
  - "We suggest against using..."

Illustration from Holger Schunemann and Yngve Falck Ytter

## How are the Nordic countries coping?

- Lots in common, but work in silos
- Guidelines made independently
- Extremely resource-demanding
- Huge duplication, waste!!
- No established collaboration, uniform data models and formats for creating and disseminating
- Major Nordic guideline producers now cooperating through G-I-N Nordic Regional working group

#### Population and life-expectancy



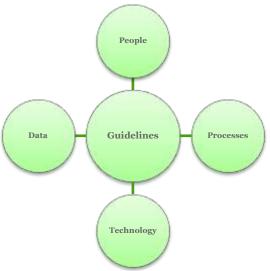
www.countrymeters.info, Population register center of Finland (3.10.2015)



## We aim to solve global problems

- Although considered crucial for safe and high quality health care most current clinical practice guidelines suffer from
- ✓ lacking trustworthiness
- ✓ a cumbersome development process,
- ✓ suboptimal presentation formats
- ✓ inefficient dissemination
- √ being outdated
- ✓ sub-optimal facilitation of shared decision making

## G-I-N Nordic: Overall goal



- In this project GIN Nordic aims to develop, test and evaluate a Nordic ecosystem for developing, disseminating and updating evidence based Nordic guidelines
- The project shall be considered a pilot within GIN International, as a framework for international collaboration and adaptation that may be recommended and further shared through GIN International

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## Guideline panel using MAGICapp

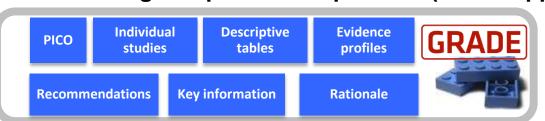


#### Guideline authoring and publication platform (MAGICapp)

#### New evidence

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**Dynamic updating** 

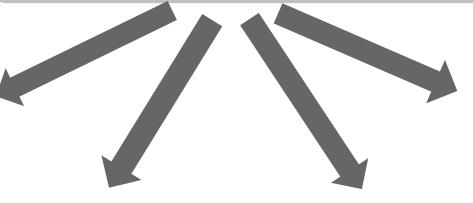


**Database** structured and tagged content

## Multilayered formats for all devices



**MAGIC** with DECIDE



#### Integrated in the EMR



#### **Adaptation**

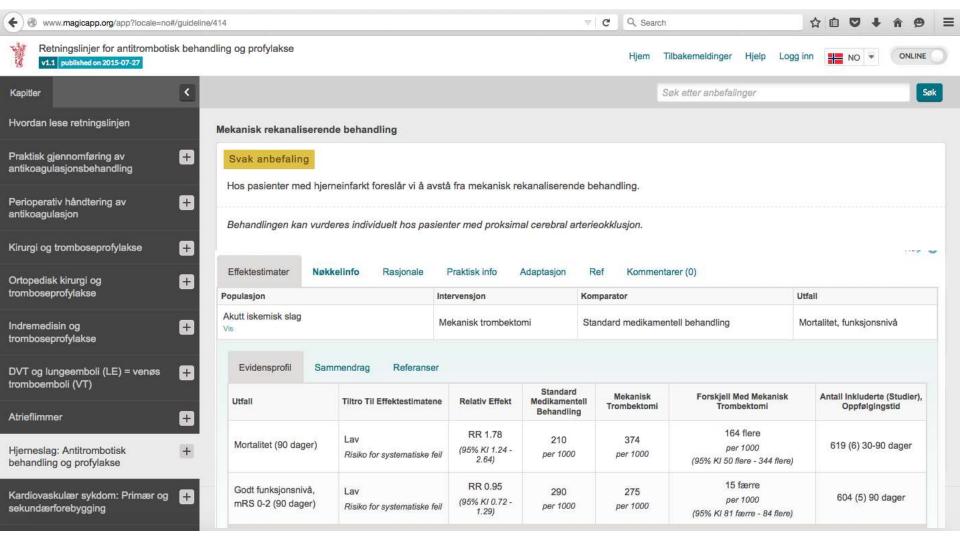
National/ local or EBM Textbooks



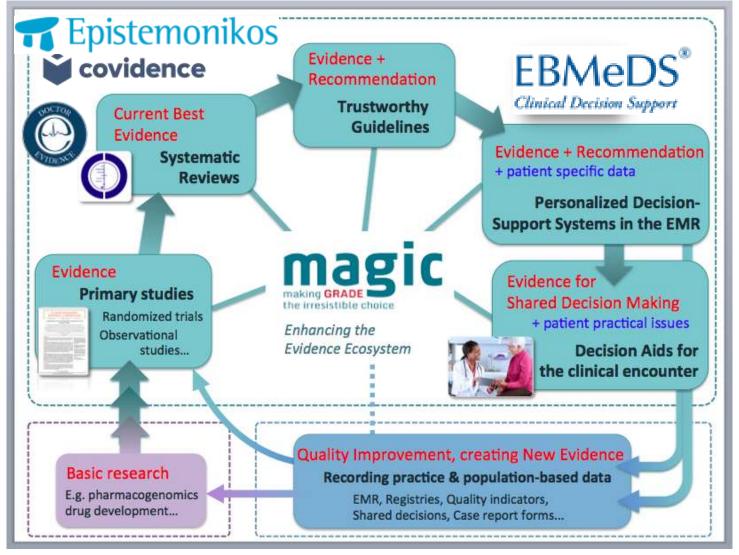


**Decision aids** for patients and clinicians

# A trustworthy recommendation for thrombectomy? Not anymore!



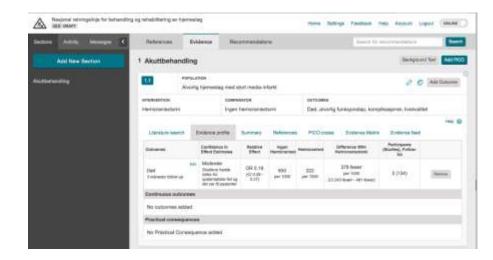
### A trustworthy and digital evidence ecosystem

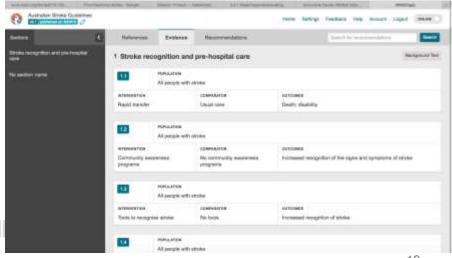


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## Work package 1 - Cooperation & adaptation

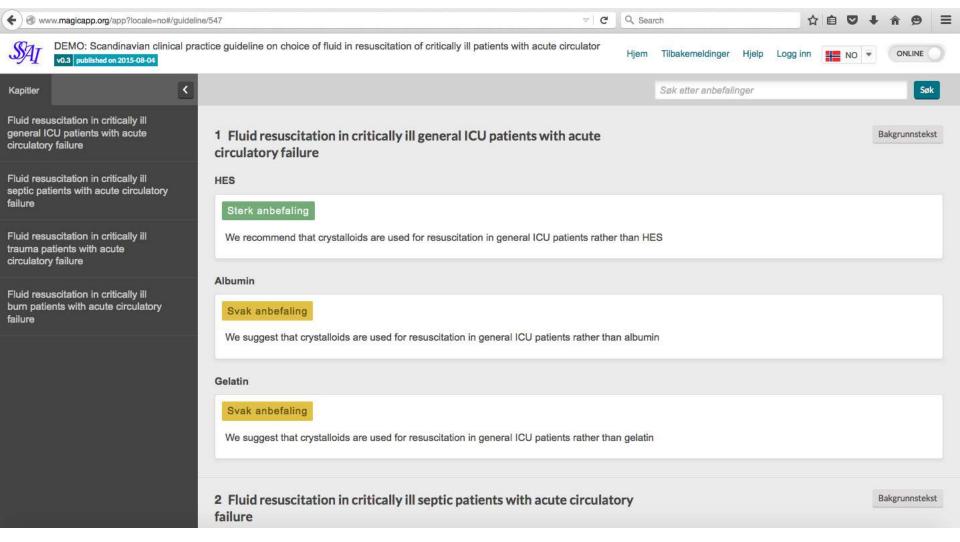
- Guidelines for stroke, dementia and ADHD
- Overall goal is to
  - establish forums for cooperation, sharing and adaptation of guidelines
  - ✓ avoid redundant work and significantly increase guideline development efficiency and quality





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# Work package 2 - guideline development by professional societies



## Work Package 3: Test bed for software developers



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## Take home messages

- Great advances in standards and systems for EBM, guidelines and decision support tools
- Technology will play a key role in creating, disseminating and updating trustworthy evidence in a digital world
- EBM not enough: Evidence Ecosystem a solution?
- G-I-N Nordic is ongoing innovation project, results to come