Overviews of reviews pour Cochrane Evidence in

WHO Package of Rehabilitation Interventions

The Background









Package of Rehabilitation Interventions

WHO Cochrane Rehabilitation collaboration

Methods

Research

- **One in 11 Cochrane Reviews Are** on Rehabilitation Interventions¹
- All Cochrane Reviews relevant to rehabilitation are catalogued on Cochrane Rehabilitation website

Data extraction

- Review specific dataset: identifies the review and gives a general idea of the content
- **Outcome specific dataset:** precisely describes each measured outcome of each intervention-control couple analyzed

Information synthesis

Tabular: a row for every interventioncontrol couple with the measure of effect and evidence quality

Stroke Overview

- 894 of 9471 Systematic Reviews and Protocols are relevant to rehabilitation
- 97 focus on Stroke rehabilitation
- 80 are Systematic Reviews
- **62** match the inclusion criteria

Data source

- 1133 studies
- 72864 patients

Initial synthesis

- The reviews focus on 18 problems related to stroke rehabilitation
- **Population**: all the reviews focus on adult stroke survivors, none is gender-specific
- Quality of evidence: for the 29 reviews missing an evaluation, the GRADE assessment was performed

Stroke Reviews: Main studied problems	
1 Activities of daily living	10 Mobility
2 Aphasia	11 Motor function
3 Cognitive functions	12 Neglect
4 Dysarthria	13 Quality of life
5 Dysphagia	14 Spasticity
6 Executive dysfunction	15 Upper limb impairment
7 Falls	16 Vascular events
8 Fatigue	17 Visual field
9 Mental health	18 Walking

Review specific dataset items

- Author • Publication year
- Title
- Date of search • Number of included studies
- Number of participants

Outcome specific dataset

• Corresponding risk (95% CI)

• Quality of evidence (GRADE)

• Up or downgrading reason

• Relative effect (95% CI)

Statistical method

- Population
- Setting
- Intervention
- Control
- Outcome
- Heterogeneity Outcome measure

Number of participants

- Num of included studies Comments

Sample of Interventions for a specific problem	
Upper limb impairment	Action observation
	Constraint-induced movement therapy
	Electromechanical and robot-assisted arm training
	Hands-on therapy interventions
	Home-based therapy programmes
	Interventions for sensory impairment
	Mental practice
	Simultaneous bilateral training
	Virtual reality

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Overview of Cochrane Systematic Reviews as a methodological tool to introduce Cochrane evidence in WHO guidelines: the Cochrane Rehabilitation experience

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