

# Other articles noted

The purpose and procedure section in each issue of *Evidence-Based Medicine* describes the criteria for selecting articles for inclusion. The journals read are also listed in each issue. All articles that meet our criteria in the reviewed journals are cited in *Evidence-Based Medicine*, but there is not enough space to abstract them all. The following articles passed all criteria but were not abstracted. Practising clinicians rated them for clinical relevance and newsworthiness, and the mean scores are displayed. A fuller list of articles and a sample of the rating form are available on the *Evidence-Based Medicine* web site ([www.evidence-basedmedicine.com/cgi/content/full/10/6/e1](http://www.evidence-basedmedicine.com/cgi/content/full/10/6/e1)).

## THERAPEUTICS

Bennell KL, Hinman RS, Metcalf BR, *et al.* Efficacy of physiotherapy management of knee joint osteoarthritis: a randomised, double blind, placebo controlled trial. *Ann Rheum Dis* 2005;**64**:906–12.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Physical medicine & rehabilitation ★★★★★☆ Rheumatology ★★★★★☆ Surgery—Orthopaedics ★★★★★☆

Buscemi N, Vandermeer B, Friesen C, *et al.* Manifestations and management of chronic insomnia in adults. *Evid Rep Technol Assess (Summ)* 2005;**125**:1–10.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Geriatrics ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆

Walters J, Walters E, Wood-Baker R. Oral corticosteroids for stable chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD005374.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Respiriology ★★★★★☆

Serebruany VL, Steinhubl SR, Berger PB, *et al.* Analysis of risk of bleeding complications after different doses of aspirin in 192,036 patients enrolled in 31 randomized controlled trials. *Am J Cardiol* 2005;**95**:1218–22.

GP/GP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆ Gastroenterology ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆ Rheumatology ★★★★★☆ Surgery—general ★★★★★☆ Surgery—vascular ★★★★★☆

Schrader J, Luders S, Kulschewski A, *et al.* Morbidity and Mortality After Stroke, Eprosartan Compared with Nitrendipine for Secondary Prevention: principal results of a prospective randomized controlled study (MOSES). *Stroke*. 2005;**36**:1218–26.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆

Shepperd S, Iliffe S. Hospital at home versus in-patient hospital care. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD000356.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Geriatrics ★★★★★☆

Adams N, Bestall J, Jones P, *et al.* Inhaled fluticasone at different doses for chronic asthma in adults and children. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD003534.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Allergy & immunology ★★★★★☆ Respiriology ★★★★★☆ Paediatrics ★★★★★☆

Costa J, Ferro J, Matias-Guiu J, *et al.* Triflusal for preventing serious vascular events in people at high risk. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD004296.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆

Brandt LJ, Prather CM, Quigley EM, *et al.* Systematic review on the management of chronic constipation in North America. *Am J Gastroenterol* 2005;100(Suppl 1):S5–21.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Gastroenterology ★★★★★☆

Tomerak A, Vyas H, Lakenpaul M, *et al.* Inhaled beta2-agonists for treating non-specific chronic cough in children. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD005373.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Allergy & immunology ★★★★★☆ Paediatrics ★★★★★☆

Areosa SA, Sherrif F, McShane R. Memantine for dementia. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD003154.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Mental health ★★★★★☆ Geriatrics ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆ Psychiatry ★★★★★☆

Tak E, Staats P, Van Hespden A, *et al.* The effects of an exercise program for older adults with osteoarthritis of the hip. *J Rheumatol* 2005;**32**:1106–13.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Geriatrics ★★★★★☆

Levri KM, Ketvertis K, Deramo M, *et al.* Do probiotics reduce adult lactose intolerance? A systematic review. *J Fam Pract* 2005;**54**:613–20.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆

Pieber TR, Draeger E, Kristensen A, *et al.* Comparison of three multiple injection regimens for Type 1 diabetes: morning plus dinner or bedtime administration of insulin detemir vs. morning plus bedtime NPH insulin. *Diabet Med* 2005;**22**:850–7.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Endocrine ★★★★★☆

Hui A Gafter-Gvili A, Fraser A, Paul M, *et al.* Meta-analysis: antibiotic prophylaxis reduces mortality in neutropenic patients. *Ann Intern Med*. 2005;**142**:979–95.

IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Infectious disease ★★★★★☆ Oncology ★★★★★☆C,

Wong S, Leung CH, *et al.* A randomized controlled trial of surgery vs steroid injection for carpal tunnel syndrome. *Neurology* 2005;**64**:2074–8.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆ Surgery—orthopaedics ★★★★★☆

Cremonini F, Wise J, Moayyedi P, *et al.* Diagnostic and therapeutic use of proton pump inhibitors in non-cardiac

chest pain: a metaanalysis. *Am J Gastroenterol* 2005;**100**:122–32.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Gastroenterology ★★★★★☆

Holbrook AM, Pereira JA, Labiris R, *et al.* Systematic overview of warfarin and its drug and food interactions. *Arch Intern Med* 2005;**165**:1095–106.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆ Haematology ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆

Hartwell D, Colquitt J, Loveman E, *et al.* Clinical effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of immediate angioplasty for acute myocardial infarction: systematic review and economic evaluation. *Health Technol Assess.* 2005;**17**:1–99, iii–iv.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Emergency medicine ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆

Toff WD, Camm AJ, Skehan JD, *et al.* Single-chamber versus dual-chamber pacing for high-grade atrioventricular block. *N Engl J Med* 2005;**353**:145–55.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆

Raitt MH, Connor WE, Morris C, *et al.* Fish oil supplementation and risk of ventricular tachycardia and ventricular fibrillation in patients with implantable defibrillators: a randomized controlled trial. *JAMA* 2005;**293**:2884–91.

Cardiology ★★★★★☆

Schomig A, Mehilli J, Antoniucci D, *et al.* Mechanical reperfusion in patients with acute myocardial infarction presenting more than 12 hours from symptom onset: a randomized controlled trial. *JAMA* 2005;**293**:2865–72.

Emergency medicine ★★★★★☆ Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆

Yost NP, Bloom SL, McIntire DD, *et al.* Hospitalization for women with arrested preterm labor: a randomized trial. *Obstet Gynecol* 2005;**106**:14–8.

GP/FP/Obstetrics ★★★★★☆ Obstetrics ★★★★★☆

Azzopardi T, Ehrendorfer S, Coulton T, *et al.* Unstable extra-articular fractures of the distal radius: a prospective, randomised study of immobilisation in a cast versus supplementary percutaneous pinning. *J Bone Joint Surg Br* 2005;**87**:837–40.

Surgery—orthopaedics ★★★★★☆

Piche T, Vanbiervliet G, Cherikh F, *et al.* Effect of ondansetron, a 5-HT<sub>3</sub> receptor antagonist, on fatigue in chronic hepatitis C: a randomised, double blind, placebo controlled study. *Gut* 2005;**54**:1169–73.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Gastroenterology ★★★★★☆ Infectious disease ★★★★★☆

Alhasso A, Glazener C, Pickard R, *et al.* Adrenergic drugs for urinary incontinence in adults. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev* 2005;(3):CD001842.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Geriatrics ★★★★★☆ Nephrology ★★★★★☆

Dowse R, Ehlers M. Medicine labels incorporating pictograms: do they influence understanding and adherence? *Patient Educ Couns* 2005;**58**:63–70.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆

Andravs R, Berger JS, Brown DL. Effects of antibiotic therapy on outcomes of patients with coronary artery disease: a meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. *JAMA* 2005;**293**:2641–7.

IM/Ambulatory care ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆ Infectious disease ★★★★★☆

Krucoff MW, Crater SW, Gallup D, *et al.* Music, imagery, touch, and prayer as adjuncts to interventional cardiac care: the Monitoring and Actualisation of Noetic Trainings (MANTRA) II randomised study. *Lancet* 2005;**366**:211–7.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Cardiology ★★★★★☆

Lehmann J, Retz M, Wiemers C, *et al.* Adjuvant cisplatin plus methotrexate versus methotrexate, vinblastine, epirubicin, and cisplatin in locally advanced bladder cancer: results of a randomized, multicenter, phase III trial (AUO-AB 05/95). *J Clin Oncol* 2005;**23**:4963–74.

Oncology ★★★★★☆

## DIAGNOSIS

Ziegelstein RC, Kim SY, Kao D, *et al.* Can doctors and nurses recognize depression in patients hospitalized with an acute myocardial infarction in the absence of formal screening? *Psychosom Med* 2005;**67**:393–7.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Gastroenterology ★★★★★☆

Wang WH, Huang JQ, Zheng GF, *et al.* Is proton pump inhibitor testing an effective approach to diagnose gastroesophageal reflux disease in patients with noncardiac chest pain? A meta-analysis. *Arch Intern Med* 2005;**165**:1222–8.

Emergency medicine ★★★★★☆ Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Gastroenterology ★★★★★☆

## PROGNOSIS

Hui DS, Joynt GM, Wong KT, *et al.* Impact of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) on pulmonary function, functional capacity and quality of life in a cohort of survivors. *Thorax* 2005;**60**:401–9.

Internal medicine ★★★★★☆ Infectious disease ★★★★★☆ Respiriology ★★★★★☆

## AETIOLOGY

Stoub TR, Bulgakova M, Leurgans S, *et al.* MRI predictors of risk of incident Alzheimer disease: a longitudinal study. *Neurology* 2005;**64**:1520–4.

Geriatrics ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆

Little MP, Brocard P, Elliott P, *et al.* Hemoglobin concentration in pregnancy and perinatal mortality: a London-based cohort study. *Am J Obstet Gynecol* 2005;**193**:220–6.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ GP/FP/Obstetrics ★★★★★☆ Obstetrics ★★★★★☆

Uotinen V, Rantanen T, Suutama T. Perceived age as a predictor of old age mortality: a 13-year prospective study. *Age Ageing* 2005;**34**:368–72.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Geriatrics ★★★★★☆

Feigin V, Parag V, Lawes CM, *et al.* Smoking and elevated blood pressure are the most important risk factors for subarachnoid hemorrhage in the Asia-pacific region: an overview of 26 cohorts involving 306,620 participants. *Stroke* 2005;**36**:1360–5.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Neurology ★★★★★☆

Zimmerman FJ, Christakis DA. Children's television viewing and cognitive outcomes: a longitudinal analysis of national data. *Arch Pediatr Adolesc Med* 2005;**159**:619–25.

GP/FP/Primary care ★★★★★☆ Paediatrics ★★★★★☆