

PSA Practice patterns in European Emergency Care Units: Challenges & Opportunities

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Conflicts of interest

None



Interprofessional Collaboration, Education and Research in PSA: Time for a European Collaborative Network

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Status quo



Objectives

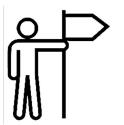
- Where are we with ED PSA in Europe ?
 - To describe the current practice patterns
- What needs to improve ? How can we get there ?
 - Perform a needs assessment-like analysis
- What are barriers to implementing ED PSA ?

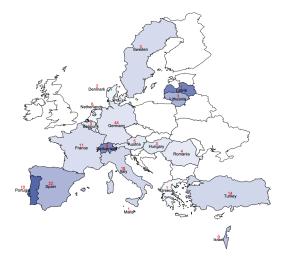


Design



Research in European Paediatric Emergency Medicine





> 20 million	10 sites
< 20 million	5 sites
Malta	2 sites
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Domains

- 1. Management of a theoretical patient requiring PSA
- 2. Medication availability and frequency of use
- 3. Characteristics of staff performing PSA and their training
- 4. Protocols and safety aspects
- 5. Nursing-directed triage protocols, topical anesthetics, and minor trauma care
- 6. Human resources around PSA
- 7. Barriers to implementation of PSA
- 8. Staff satisfaction with their site's PSA efforts

Country	Number of responses	Targeted number	Target response rate
		of responses	
Austria	5	5	100%
Belgium	5	5	100%
Denmark	2	5	40%
France	11	10	100%
Germany	44	10	100%
Greece	1	0	-
Hungary	3	5	60%
Israel	9	5	100%
Italy	18	10	100%
Latvia	1	1	100%
Lithuania	3	5	60%
Malta	1	2	50%
Netherlands	6	5	100%
Portugal	10	5	100%
Romania	4	5	80%
Spain	22	10	100%
Sweden	3	5	60%
Switzerland	9	5	100%
Turkey	14	10	100%
Total	171	108	$89\%^{\mathrm{a}}$

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PROCEDURAL PAIN MANAGEMENT

4 year old healthy child

Displaced forearm fracture

Requires reduction and casting

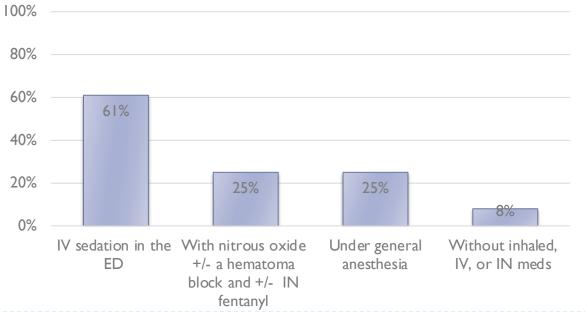






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Painful fracture reduction treated without inhaled, IV or IN drug 8%

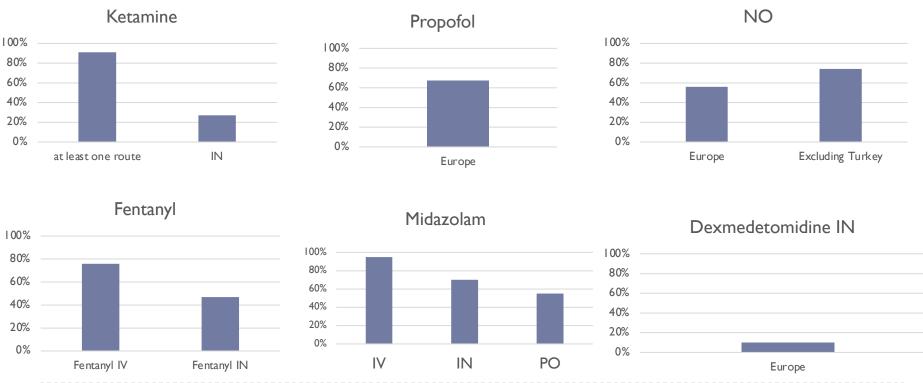
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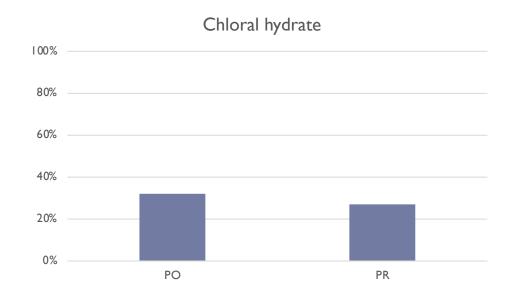
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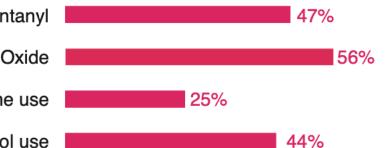


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Availability of intranasal fentanyl

Availability of Nitrous Oxide

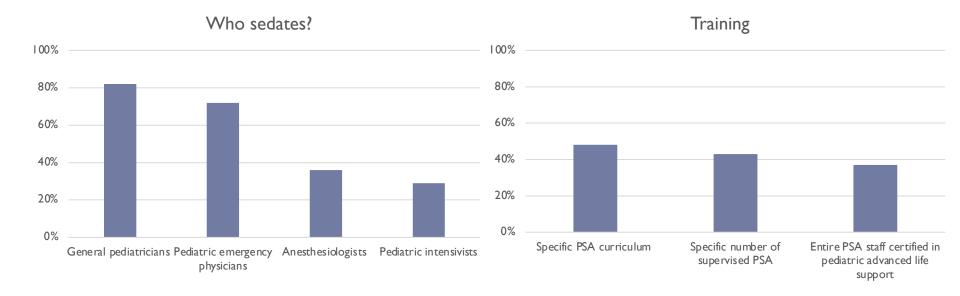
External control of and restrictions on ketamine use

External control of and restrictions on propofol use



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Entire PSA staff trained in pediatric advanced life support

Specific PSA curriculum available

48%

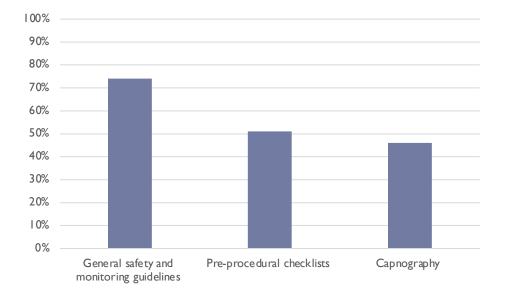
37%

Physicians administering PSA should be trained in pediatric advanced life support. Specific PSA curricular training (such as didactics on pain and anxiety recognition, assessment, and management, evidence-based utilization of analgesics and sedatives, incorporation of simulation PSA training, and implementation of a rigorous, supervised sedation practice) should also be instituted in an effort to provide safe and effective PSA



SAFETY AND MONITORING PROTOCOLS

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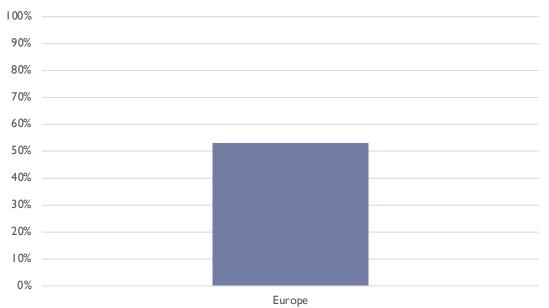
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TRIAGE ANALGESIA PROTOCOLS

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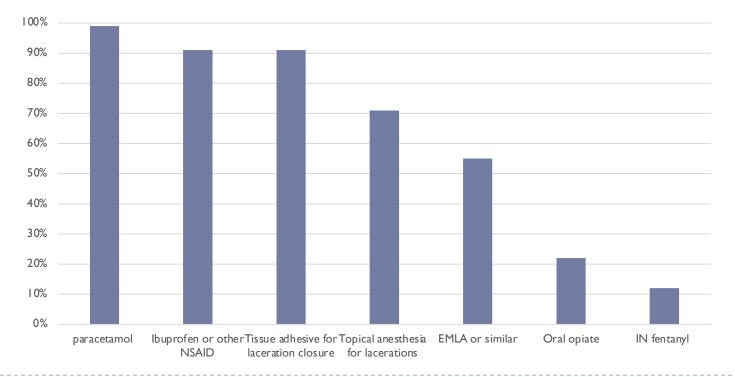
Nurse-directed triage analgesia protocols

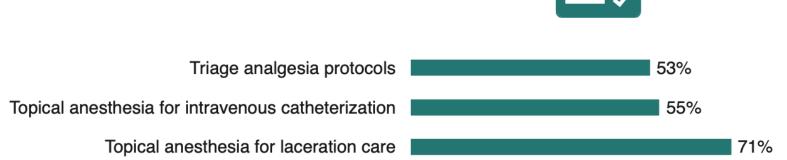




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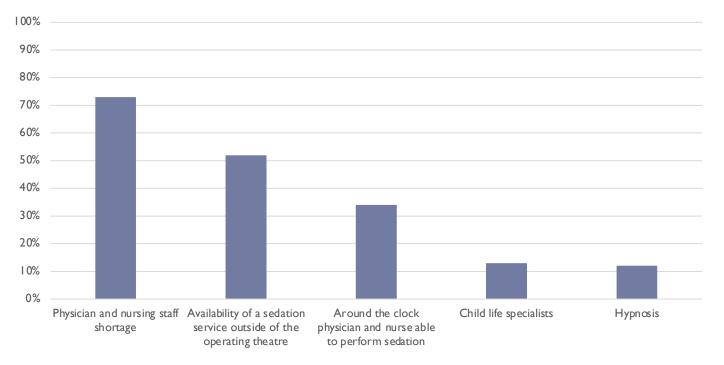


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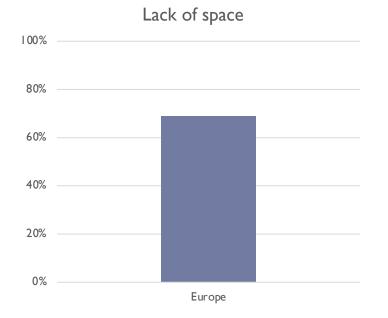






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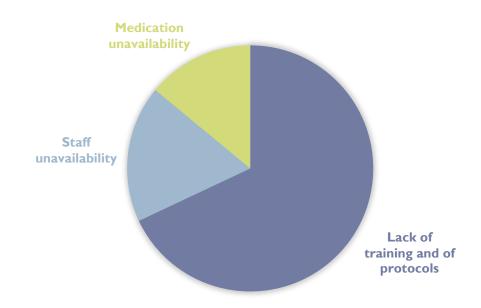
Other barriers to PSA implementation





Satisfaction

- Not satisfied : 35%





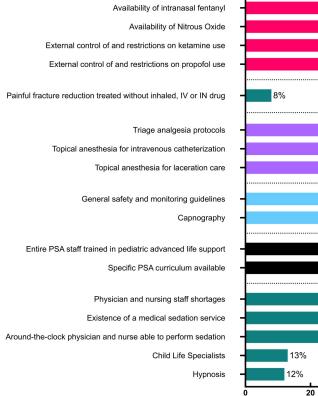
Exploratory findings

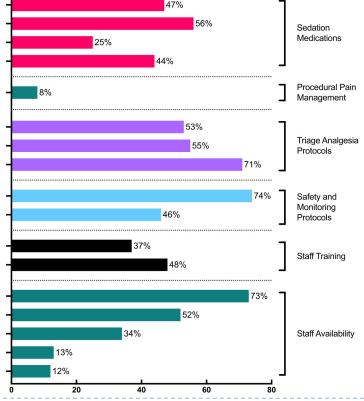
	Number	r of child	ren seen j	per ye	ear (terciles)	Existence of a board certification in pediatric emergency medicine			
	50-12,000 n = 60	12,000 - 31,000 n = 55	31,000 to max n = 57	р	Adjusted p	No n = 139	Yes <i>n</i> = 32	р	Adjusted p
Specific PSA curriculum	22 (37%)	27 (49%)	33 (58%)	0.26	0.555	60 (43%)	22 (69%)	0.015 ^a	0.049 ^a
Specific number of supervised PSA	26 (44%)	22 (40%)	25 (44%)	0.687	0.687	51 (37%)	22 (69%)	0.001 ^a	0.007 ^a
General safety rules for administering sedation		39 (71%)	45 (80%)	0.11 ^a	0.392	98 (71%)	29 (91%)	0.058 ^a	0.108
PSA checklist Capnography Medical sedation service	31 (53%)	27 (49%) 22 (40%) 32 (58%)	33 (58%) 26 (46%) 27 (47%)	0.404	0.589	66 (48%) 59 (43%) 79 (57%)	21 (66%) 20 (63%) 10 (31%)	0.125 ^a 0.04 0.009	0.203 0.104 0.039 ^a
Nurse-directed triage analgesia	24 (41%)	26 (47%)	40 (70%)	0.004	0.056	70 (50%)	20 (63%)	0.215	0.291
Hypnosis Child life therapists	12 (20%) 5 (9%)	4 (7%) 2 (4%)	9 (16%) 10 (18%)			21 (15%) 13 (9%)	4 (13%) 4 (13%)	0.707 0.592	0.707 0.641

What we still do not know



Where to ?





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