

Toward Patient - Centric Evidence Generation and Synthesis in TMD/TMJ: Patient Round Table and Beyond

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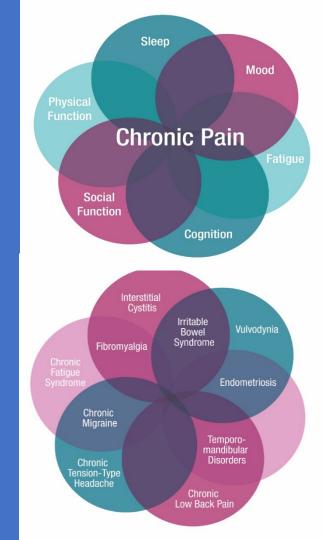
Outline



- TMD/TMJ as a public health issue
- Context: Ongoing and evolving initiatives
 - MDEpiNet
 - CRNs
 - NEST
- Patient-Led Round Table -Progress to Date
- Key Gaps
- Promising Efforts and Opportunities

TMD

- Affects 35 million people (12%)
- Prevalence greater in women
- Complex disorder
- Gaps in evidence
- Need for interdisciplinary approach



Narrowing the Gap Between Currently Available and Urgently Needed



- Enhanced susceptibility and modifying factors (e.g., sex):
 - > Variability in clinical manifestation and disease severity
 - ➤ Variability in treatment responses and outcomes
- The need for diagnostic and prognostic biomarkers:
 - Intention-to-Treat population with <u>degenerative and ankylotic TMD</u> conditions to be treated with TMJ replacement
 - > Predictive assessment of real-world device performance
 - ➤ Prevention and diagnostic/therapeutic management of adverse events
- ➤ In silico research and evidence integration for developing TMD-related Precision/Stratified Medicine applications

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Assessment of Temp **Dysfunction in Patie**

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Goal

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Materials and Methods

Total of 100 participants, 50 healthy and 50 Digital caliper and algometer were used to masticatory muscle pressure pain threshold the assessment of facial paralysis severity. temporomandibular joint dysfunction asses mastication shift was measured by the ques mastication side.

Findings

In intergroup comparison, significant decre motion parameters in favor of stroke group difference was found between groups for tl middle part of the left temporalis muscle, v result of intergroup examination of labial c it was found that labial commissure angle a group (P < .05). Intragroup examination of mastication side shift was seen in patients

Conclusion

It was concluded that, temporomandibular group compared with healthy group and us dysfunction treatment would be beneficial.

Case Report

Chronic Skull Joint Disease Lactic Acidos

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Association Between Symptoms of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder and Signs of Temporomandibular Disorders in the General Population

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Current Issue

Aims: To estimate the association between signs of temporomandibular disorders (TMD) and symptoms of posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in a representative sample from the general population of northeastern Germany. Methods: Signs of TMD were assessed with a clinical functional analysis that included palpation of the temporomandibular joints (TMJs) and masticatory muscles. PTSD was assessed with the PTSD module of the Structured Clinical Interview for the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, ed 4. The change-in-estimate method for binary logistic regression models was used to determine the final model and control for confounders. Results: After the exclusion of subjects without prior traumatic events, the sample for joint pain consisted of 1,673 participants with a median age of 58.9 years (interquartile range 24.8), and the sample for muscle pain consisted of 1.689 participants with a median age of 59.1 years (interguartile range 24.8). Of these samples, 84 participants had pain on palpation of the TMJ, and 42 participants had pain on palpation of the masticatory muscles. Subjects having clinical PTSD (n = 62) had a 2.56-fold increase in joint pain (odds ratio [OR] = 2.56; 95% confidence interval [CI]: 1.14 to 5.71, P = .022) and a 3.86-fold increase (OR = 3.86; 95% CI: 1.51 to 9.85, P = .005) in muscle pain compared to subjects having no clinical PTSD. Conclusion: These results should encourage general practitioners and dentists to acknowledge the role of PTSD and traumatic events in the diagnosis and therapy of TMD, especially in a period of international migration and military foreign assignments

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH Temporomandibular Joint Dysfunction

Systemic disease painful condition temporomandib and migraine

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painful musculoskeletal conand are frequently associated This study aimed to investiga and M with other painful co cervicalgia, body pain (BP), e disorders, diabetes, cardiops ulcer. Methods: This was a cro of 352 individuals. Participa according to the presence of p free of TMD and any headacl TMD, but free of any HA); and M). TMD was classified accorfor Temporomandibular Disc physical symptoms (NSPS) w International Classification of edition, were applied to ide painful conditions and systen self-report. The prevalence of TMD+M group. Multiple reg was associated with the TM (p<0.05), cervicalgia (p<0.05) significantly associated with that individuals with a como more severe condition than th

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RESULTS: SS pa dysgeusia, dysphagi chewing, difficulty ii patients and by 84., at least one oral si statistical significan by muscular contra 0,05). Furthermore p=0,020).

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Relationship between Expanded Disability Status Scale scores and the presence of temporomandibular disorders in patients with multiple sclerosis

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ABSTRACT

Objectives: The objectives of this study were to assess the prevalence of temporomandibular disorders (TMDs) in patients with relapsing-remitting multiple sclerosis (MS) and to investigate whether an association exists between the presence of TMD symptoms and the degree of MS-related disability. Materials and Methods: In all, 120 individuals were evaluated: 60 patients with a diagnosis of relapsing-remitting MS and 60 age- and sex-matched controls without neurological impairments. A questionnaire recommended by the European Academy of Craniomandibular Disorders for the assessment of TMD symptoms was administered. For those who answered affirmatively to at least one of the questions, the RDC/TMD Axis I instrument was used for a possible classification of TMD subtypes. The Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) was the measure of the degree of MS-related disability. Statistical Analysis Used: Fisher's exact test was used to analyze the data. ANOVA was used to detect significant differences between means and to assess whether the factors influenced any of the dependent variables by comparing means from the different groups. Results: The prevalence of TMD symptoms in patients with MS was 61.7% versus 18.3% in the control group (CG). A diagnosis of TMD was established for 36.7% in the MS group and 3.3% in the CG (P = 0.001). There were statistically significant differences between degrees of MS-related disability and the prevalence of TMD (P = 0.0288). Conclusions: The prevalence of both TMD and TMD symptoms was significantly greater in the MS group. EDSS scores and TMD prevalence rates were inversely related.

Key words: Multiple sclerosis, orofacial pain, temporomandibular disorder

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Abstract

BACKGROUND: Burning Mouth Syndrom of any lesions and burning of the oral mucos alterations. The purpose of our study is to a Disorders (TMD) in patients with BMS and between BMS and TMD.

MATERIALS AND METHODS: Fortyestablished according to the classification of the protocol of the European Academy of Cr RDC/TMD criteria. The data were compare existence of an association between BMS an

RESULTS: 65.9% the BMS patients showed TMD according to RDC / TMD crite. The chi-square test revealed a statistically s TMD.

CONCLUSION: The data suggest that the between BMS and TMD, may be for neurop engaged in TMD pathogenesis.

Association Between Chronic Tension-Type Headache Coexistent with Chronic Temporomandibular Disorder Pain and Limitations in Physical and Emotional Functioning: A Case-Control Study

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coexistent with chronic temporomandibular disorder (TMD) pain and severe limitations in physical and emotional functioning. Methods: Sample size estimation was used to determine that this case-control study should include 126 subjects. Subjects suffering from chronic TMD who were aged between 18 and 68 were recruited in routine clinical practice. Of the 126 included subjects, 63 had TMD pain associated with chronic tension-type headache (cases) and 63 had TMD pain without a history of tension-type headache (controls). Clinical diagnosis of TMD was made according to the Research Diagnostic Criteria for TMD (RDC/TMD) Axis I criteria, and clinical diagnosis of headache was made according to the International Classification of Headache (ICHD-II). RDC/TMD Axis II criteria were applied to record the scores from the Graded Chronic Pain Scale (GCPS) and the Symptoms Checklist-90-Revised Depression (SCL-DEP) and Somatization (SCL-SOM) scales. A logistic regression analysis was used to assess the relationship between TMD pain with chronic tension-type headache and high levels of depression and somatization severity as scored on the SCL-DEP and SCL-SOM scales, respectively, and high pain-related disability (GCPS grade III or IV). Data were adjusted to take into account age, gender, time since TMD pain onset, chronic TMD pain intensity, and characteristic pain intensity. Results: The presence of chronic tension-type headache was significantly associated with severe SCL-DEP (odds ratio [OR] = 7.2; P < .001), severe SCL-

SOM (OR = 13.8; P < .001), and high pain-related disability (OR = 9.7; P < .001).

Conclusion: This study provides evidence of associations between the clinical

diagnosis of chronic tension-type headache coexistent with chronic TMD pain and

key aspects of physical and emotional functioning reflected in severe depression

severe somatization, and high pain-related disability. J Oral Facial Pain Headache

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Case Control Study

High risk of temporomandibular disorder in irritable bowel syndrome: Is there a correlation with greater illness severity?

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Conclusions

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These findings imply that TMDs, chronic diseases, and ophthalmologic and otolaryngologic disorders hold various correlations, suggesting the need for multitarget approaches to effectively address this phenomenon.

CONCLUSION

IBS patients had a more than three times greater risk of TMD compared to HC. The risk of having TMD

with chronic facial and abdominal pain a significant co-occurrence with psychiatric disorders and female preponderance. The Journal of Craniomandibular & Sleep Practice Volume 19, 2001 - Issue 3

Impact in oral health temporomandibular Parkinson's disease

Original Article

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ABSTRACT

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Pain threshold, sleep quality and anxiety levels in individuals with temporomandibular disorders

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ABSTRACT

Purpose: to evaluate the pressure pain threshold, sleep quality and anxiety levels of individuals with different types of chronic temporomandibular disorders (TMD).

Methods: a controlled, observational and cross-sectional study. TMD diagnosis followed the Research Diagnostic Criteria and the volunteers were divided into three groups: A-Muscular Disorder (n = 15), B- Articular Disorder (n = 10) and C- Control Group (n = 15). Evaluation was performed using the Pittsburg Sleep Quality Index. Visual Analog Scale, Algometry and Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale. The significance level for all tests was 5%

Results: lower threshold of pain was seen in the masticatory and cervical musculature within groups A and B. However, when TMD groups were compared to the control group, only a statistically significant difference in the pain threshold of the masticatory muscle and the trapezius muscle was found. Groups A and B presented poor sleep quality, showing a statistical difference when compared to the control group. Additionally, it was observed that patients in the groups with TMD presented anxiety, while those in the control group, did not present it.

Conclusion: individuals presented with TMD show lower levels of pain threshold, sleep quality and anxiety, as compared to healthy subjects. These results do not depend on the type of disorder presented.

Keywords: Temporomandibular Joint Disorder: Pain: Sleep: Anxiety

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Prevalence of temporomandibular disorders in patients with Hashimoto thyroiditis

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Abstract

Objectives

Autoimmune thyroid disease (AITD), also known as Hashimoto thyroiditis (HT), is a degenerative inflammatory disease with high prevalence among women and has been associated with fibromyalgia and widespread chronic pain. The goal was to determine the frequency of temporomandibular disorders (TMD) in patients with HT.

Results

The two groups did not differ in terms of demographic parameters or mandibular jaw mobility. Significantly higher levels of anti-TPO and anti-Tg were attested in all subjects of the HT group. Markedly elevated prevalence of TMD was found in the HT group. Muscle pain and stiffness were found in 45 (86.5%) subjects of the HT group (p < 0.001), of whom 33 (63.4%) also had disc displacement with reposition (p < 0.001). Whereas 50% of the control group showed no TMD symptoms, all subjects in the HT group had symptoms.

Conclusions

A significantly elevated prevalence of TMD was found in patients with HT. Thus, patients with TMD who do not respond to therapy should be referred for thyroid diagnostic workup.

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Review

Tinnitus as a comorbidity to temporomandibular disorders – a systematic review

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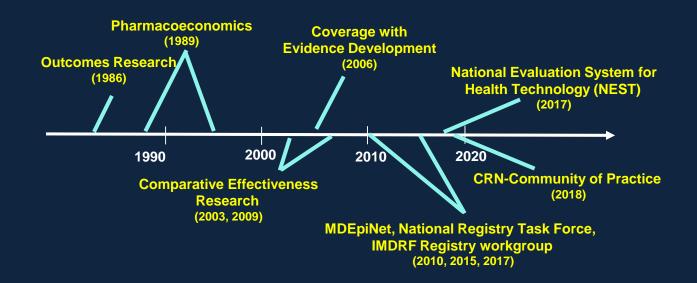
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Abstract

The aim of this systematic review was to evaluate the prevalence of tinnitus in patients with temporomandibular disorders (TMD) and the possible effects of TMD treatment on tinnitus symptoms. A search of the PubMed, Web of Science, and Cochrane databases from inception of each database up to January 2017 found 222 articles. After independent screening of abstracts by two of the authors, we assessed 46 articles in full text. The inclusion and exclusion criteria reduced these to 25 articles of which 22 studies reported prevalence based on 13,358 patients and 33,876 controls, and eight studies reported effect of TMD treatment on tinnitus based on 536 patients and 18 controls. The prevalence of tinnitus in patients with TMD varied from 3.7% to 70% (median 42.3%) whereas the prevalence in control groups without TMD varied between 1.7% and 26% (median 12%). The eight treatment studies, indicated that treatment of TMD symptoms may have a beneficial effect on severity of tinnitus. However, only one treatment study included a control group, meaning that the overall level of evidence is low. The finding that tinnitus is more common in patients with TMD means that it can be regarded as a comorbidity to TMD. However, in view of the lack of evidence currently available, further well-designed and randomized studies with control groups are needed to investigate whether possible mechanisms common to tinnitus and TMD do exist and whether TMD treatment can be justified to try to alleviate tinnitus in patients with TMD and comorbidity of tinnitus.



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Building Global Real World Evidence Collaboratives for Health Technologies

The Medical Device Epidemiology Network (MDEpiNet) is a global public-private partnership that seeks to advance the collection and use of real-world data to improve patient outcomes. MDEpiNet brings together stakeholders from across the health ecosystem to develop and improve real-world data infrastructure, and carry out studies to better understand how devices perform in the real-world.

MDEpiNet has taken a lead on the development of Coordinated Registry Networks (CRNs) as set out in the National Registry Taskforce (read JAMA Perspective below). The list of the currently developing CRN is listed in the box on this page below...





MDEpiNet Launch

International Consortia (e.g. ICOR, ICCR)

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2018

Develop and test drive novel methods and scientific infrastructure for device evidence generation

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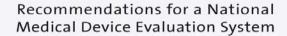
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MDEpiNet: Intersections with FDA Strategic Initiatives and NEST

MDRTF Recommendations to FDA for NEST

& the Medical Devices Epidemiology Network





Strategically Coordinated Registry Networks to Bridge Clinical Care and Research

BRIDGING UNMET CLINICAL CARE AND CLINICAL RESEARCH NEEDS WITH STRATEGICALLY COORDINATED REGISTRY NETWORKS

Report from the National Medical Device Registry Task Force & The Medical Devices Epidemiology Network

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VIEWPOINT

Bridging Unmet Medical Device Ecosystem Needs With Strategically Coordinated Registries Networks

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Art Sedrakyan, MD, PhD MDEpiNet Science and Infrastructure Center, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, In June 2014, the Medical Device Epidemiology Network (MDEpilvet) Public Private Partnership, 1 on behalf of the US Food and Drug Administration Center for Devices and Radiologic Health (CDRH), convened the Medical Device Registries Task Force (MDRTF) (see eAppendix in the Supplement). The task force was launched to address the CDRH's commitment3" to strengthen the medical device postmarket surveillance system using existing resources and under current authorities and to develop an integrated system that efficiently and effectively achieves its basic functions, from timely identification of postmarket signals to facilitating premarket device clearance and approval.

The MDRTF included broad stakeholder representation and was mandated to examine the objectives and lo-

The MDRTF recognized that most existing registries electronic health records (EHRs), and data sources do not contain all the elements necessary for device evaluations, including device and procedural details, patient descriptors, or long-term outcomes. However, the MDRTF recognized that such limitations could be mitigated through interoperability solutions that strategically link complementary registries and data sources to produce networks for which the data composite could support robust device evaluation. The MDRTF termed this structure the strategically coordinated registries network or, or CRN—with the recognition that many key elements in such networks (such as EHRs, administrative claims data, or mobile device outputs) are not registrate services.

ural construct for the national system nal registry development and unique mentation rather than replace them. N structure could provide novel, imhe national system. Creation of CRNs ent "dual-purpose" leveraging of exadministrative data resources, and existing linked-registry models such

Strategically Coordinated Registry Networks (CRN) Principles:

- Link complementary sustainable registries/e-repositories (Professional society registries, EHRs, Claims data, PCORI- CDRNs)
- TPLC approach as a true continuum leveraging "real world" evidence
- "Dual purpose" existing national, regional or other large scale efforts

TMJ Patient-Led Round Table: Objectives

- Develop standardized data infrastructure: TMJ CRN
- Affect a change in clinical trial practices to incorporate patient preference data and RWE experiences
- Develop a roadmap for the development of predictive analytics algorithms
- Develop evidence-based protocols and best practices for inclusion into health care
- Promote the development of collaborative multi-disciplinary research

TMJ Patient-Led Round Table Working Groups

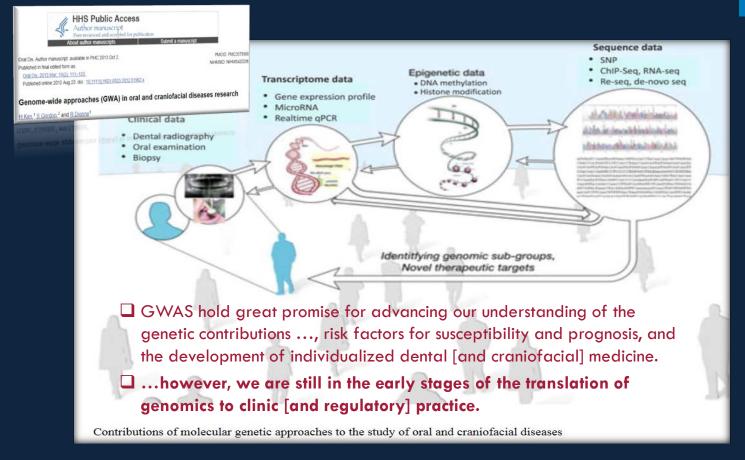
- WG1. Natural History and Assessment of Biomarkers Associated with Outcomes in TMJ Implant Patients
- WG2. Patient Reported Outcomes Evaluation
- WG3. Physician and Patient Education, Patient-Centered Treatment
- WG4. Data Collection and Analysis

National TMD/TMJ Research Plan Domains

- Population/Epidemiologic Science
- Human Studies / Clinical Studies
- Basic Biological Science
- Data Science/Informatics
 - Example: In silico-approaches

Promise of 'Omic Research for elucidating the causes for susceptibility and inter-individual variability

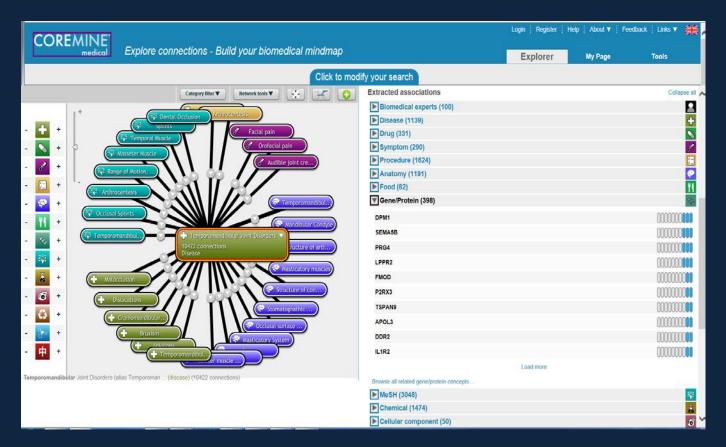




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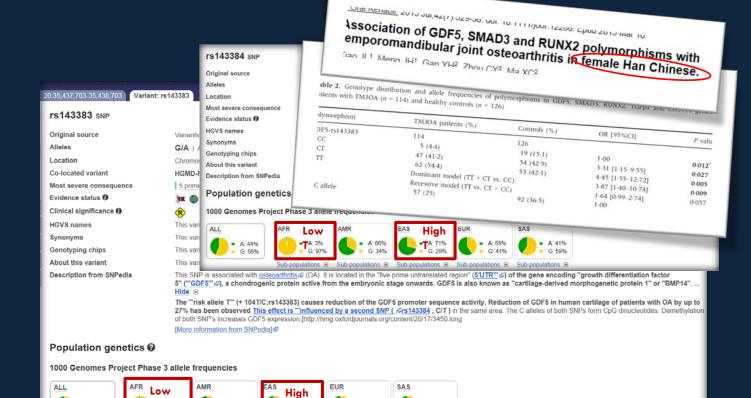
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Example of potential sex/race-related variability in utility of TMD biomarkers (Xiao et al 2015; 1000 Genomes)





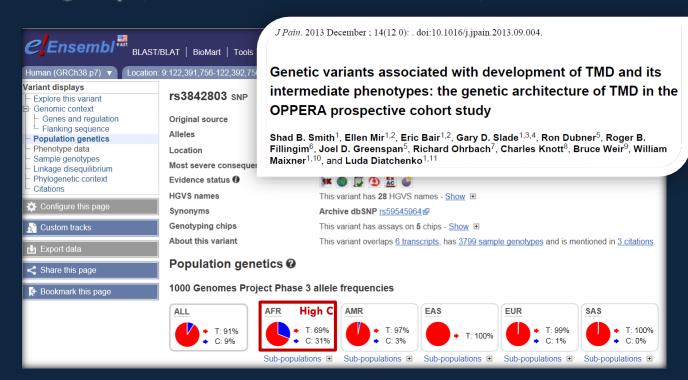
Sub-populations

■ Sub-p

A: 45%
 G: 55%

Example of a TMD biomarker limited to one racial subgroup (*Smith et al 2013;* 1000 Genomes)



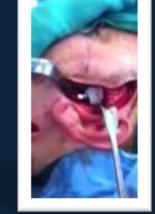


"A SNP in PTGS1 (rs3842803) showed the strongest association with global psychological symptoms. However, as this SNP is very rare in Caucasians/Europeans, but fairly common in African populations, the SNP remained strongly associated only in African-Americans."

TMD complexity complicating treatment choices



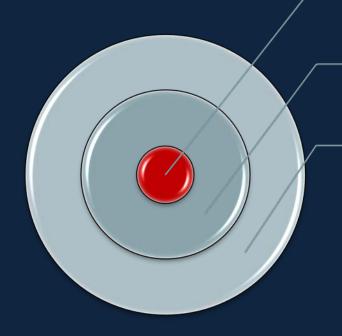




TMDs

(eg, chronic pain — nociceptive, neuropathic, etc.)





Ingenuity Knowledgebase (1): Genes involved in abnormal TMJ morphology

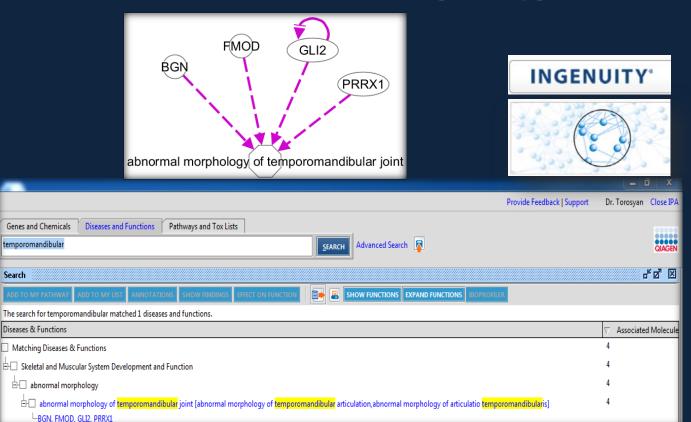
Genes and Chemicals

temporomandibular

Diseases & Functions

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Ingenuity Knowledgebase (2): genes that are associated with Abnormal TMJ Morphology and Osteoarthritis can be also involved in Neurological Functions



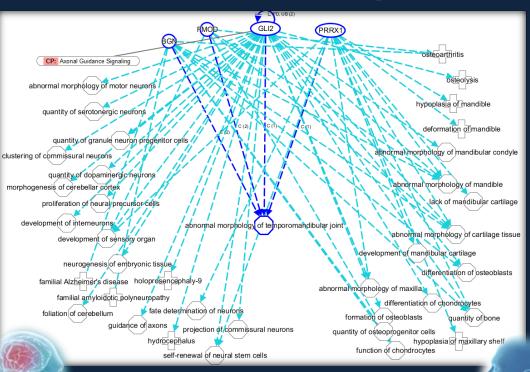
TMJ Morphology

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In silico Framework: for Integrating Epidemiological and Genetic Evidence







EPIDEMIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE

from different sources (eg, RCT, EHR, registries) Discovery of
Biomarkers and
Risk Predictors
Based on In Silico
Generated
Epi-Gen Evidence





GENETIC EVIDENCE

from open-source and other available 'omic databases (eg, NCBI/GEO)

In silico research: going beyond conventional evidence integration



- Apply Systems Biology/Medicine approach
- Integrate multidisciplinary evidence
- Extract new information by reanalyzing raw pre-existing data
- Integrate amassed device/biomaterial-related knowledge
 (eg, biomedical, clinical, epidemiological, population genetics, etc)
- Promote translational research by incorporating pre-clinical findings
- Data analysis and interpretation using computer modeling and simulation:
 - Elicit and test new hypotheses
 - Cross-validate the results from different sources

Data repurposing and reutilization: the gift that keeps on giving



What can be expected from in silico evidentiary approaches to the TMD area



- ✓ Biological and clinical plausibility of TMD study endpoints and biomarkers based on:
 - √ Better understanding of molecular/mechanistic underpinnings
 - ✓ Improved pre-selection for further qualification, validation and implementation steps
- ✓ Clinical and regulatory relevance :
 - ✓ New targets for different types of TMDs
 - ✓ Well-categorized TMD biomarkers (eg, diagnostic, monitoring, predictive, prognostic, etc)
 - ✓ Well-defined target subpopulations (*eg*, ITT for TMJ Replacement)
 - ✓ Proactive surveillance using new study endpoints (eg, biomarkers) for early detection and monitoring of adverse (clinical and subclinical) events in TMD/TMJ arthroplasty
 - ✓ Less burdensome and more ethical *in vitro* and *ex vivo* TMJ device/biomaterial testing
- ✓ Cost/time-efficient solutions for TMD-related Precision Medicine applications



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