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#	ARTICLE	IF	CITATIONS
1	Cannabis use, pain interference, and prescription opioid receipt among persons with HIV: a target trial emulation study. <i>AIDS Care - Psychological and Socio-Medical Aspects of AIDS/HIV</i> , 2022, 34, 469-477.	1.2	3
2	Sociodemographic and clinical correlates of gabapentin receipt with and without opioids among a national cohort of patients with HIV. <i>AIDS Care - Psychological and Socio-Medical Aspects of AIDS/HIV</i> , 2022, 34, 1053-1063.	1.2	2
3	Opioids for chronic pain management in patients with dialysis-dependent kidney failure. <i>Nature Reviews Nephrology</i> , 2022, 18, 113-128.	9.6	14
4	Impact of complex, partially nested clustering in a three-arm individually randomized group treatment trial: A case study with the wHOPE trial. <i>Clinical Trials</i> , 2022, 19, 3-13.	1.6	5
5	Perioperative Buprenorphine Management. <i>Medical Clinics of North America</i> , 2022, 106, 169-185.	2.5	12
6	Classification of Patients for Whom Benefit of Long-term Opioid Therapy No Longer Outweighs Harm: Protocol for a Delphi Study. <i>JMIR Research Protocols</i> , 2022, 11, e33310.	1.0	1
7	Arguments for and Against a New Diagnostic Entity for Patients With Chronic Pain on Long-Term Opioid Therapy for Whom Harms Outweigh Benefits. <i>Journal of Pain</i> , 2022, 23, 958-966.	1.4	5
8	Perceived Pain and Smoking Interrelations Among Veterans with Chronic Pain Enrolled in a Smoking Cessation Trial. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2022, 23, 1820-1827.	1.9	2
9	How Patients and Providers Weigh the Risks and Benefits of Long-Term Opioid Therapy for Cancer Pain. <i>JCO Oncology Practice</i> , 2021, 17, e1038-e1047.	2.9	5
10	Risk Factors Associated With Nonfatal Opioid Overdose Leading to Intensive Care Unit Admission: A Cross-sectional Study. <i>JMIR Medical Informatics</i> , 2021, 9, e32851.	2.6	5
11	Decision-Making Capacity, Opioid Use Disorder, and the 3-Stage Model of Addiction. <i>Mayo Clinic Proceedings</i> , 2021, 96, 2040-2042.	3.0	0
12	I smoke to cope with pain: patients' perspectives on the link between cigarette smoking and pain. <i>Wiener Klinische Wochenschrift</i> , 2021, 133, 1012-1019.	1.9	4
13	Pain and smoking study (PASS): A comparative effectiveness trial of smoking cessation counseling for veterans with chronic pain. <i>Contemporary Clinical Trials Communications</i> , 2021, 23, 100839.	1.1	3
14	Psychological Interventions for the Treatment of Chronic Pain in Adults. <i>Psychological Science in the Public Interest: A Journal of the American Psychological Society</i> , 2021, 22, 52-95.	10.7	40
15	Merging statewide data in a public/university collaboration to address opioid use disorder and overdose. <i>Addiction Science & Clinical Practice</i> , 2021, 16, 1.	2.6	13
16	A Facility-Wide Plan to Increase Access to Medication for Opioid Use Disorder in Primary Care and General Mental Health Settings. , 2021, 38, 460-464.		2
17	Disagreement and Uncertainty Among Experts About how to Respond to Marijuana Use in Patients on Long-term Opioids for Chronic Pain: Results of a Delphi Study. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2020, 21, 247-254.	1.9	6
18	Signature Informed Consent for Long-Term Opioid Therapy in Patients With Cancer: Perspectives of Patients and Providers. <i>Journal of Pain and Symptom Management</i> , 2020, 59, 49-57.	1.2	7

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19	Opioid Prescriptions and Short-Term Mortality: a U.S. National Study. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2020, 35, 656-661.	2.6	4
20	Clinician Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practice Regarding Cannabis: Results from a National Veterans Health Administration Survey. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2020, 21, 3180-3186.	1.9	24
21	Improving Guideline Adherence for Opioid Prescribing in Community Health Centers. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2020, 21, 1739-1741.	1.9	0
22	Trajectories of Self-Reported Opioid Use Among Patients With HIV Engaged in Care: Results From a National Cohort Study. <i>Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes (1999)</i> , 2020, 84, 26-36.	2.1	17
23	Tailored to Fit. <i>Medical Care</i> , 2020, 58, S80-S87.	2.4	4
24	Genome-wide association study of smoking trajectory and meta-analysis of smoking status in 842,000 individuals. <i>Nature Communications</i> , 2020, 11, 5302.	12.8	59
25	Working with HIV clinics to adopt addiction treatment using implementation facilitation (WHAT-IF?): Rationale and design for a hybrid type 3 effectiveness-implementation study. <i>Contemporary Clinical Trials</i> , 2020, 98, 106156.	1.8	10
26	Are we missing opioid-related deaths among people with HIV?. <i>Drug and Alcohol Dependence</i> , 2020, 212, 108003.	3.2	5
27	Complex Persistent Opioid Dependence with Long-term Opioids: a Gray Area That Needs Definition, Better Understanding, Treatment Guidance, and Policy Changes. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2020, 35, 964-971.	2.6	33
28	A Research Agenda for Advancing Strategies to Improve Opioid Safety: Findings from a VHA State of the Art Conference. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2020, 35, 978-982.	2.6	12
29	Mounting a Scientifically Informed Response to the Opioid Crisis in the Veterans Health Administration. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2020, 35, 883-885.	2.6	3
30	Association of prescription opioids and incident cardiovascular risk factors among post-9/11 Veterans. <i>Preventive Medicine</i> , 2020, 134, 106036.	3.4	2
31	“Clues” That Patients May Be Willing to Consider Opioid Reductions. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2020, 35, 1629-1630.	2.6	0
32	Stakeholder Engagement in Pragmatic Clinical Trials: Emphasizing Relationships to Improve Pain Management Delivery and Outcomes. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2020, 21, S13-S20.	1.9	12
33	Patterns and Correlates of Prescription Opioid Receipt Among US Veterans: A National, 18-Year Observational Cohort Study. <i>AIDS and Behavior</i> , 2019, 23, 3340-3349.	2.7	13
34	Opioids Are Not Better than Non-opioid Pain Medications for Chronic Back, Hip, or Knee Pain. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2019, 34, 1854-1856.	2.6	1
35	News Media Recommendations for Opioid Disposal: Keeping Flush with the Guidelines?. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2019, 20, 1645-1646.	1.9	0
36	Genome-wide association study of alcohol consumption and use disorder in 274,424 individuals from multiple populations. <i>Nature Communications</i> , 2019, 10, 1499.	12.8	346

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37	Accidental drug overdose deaths in Connecticut, 2012–2018: The rise of polysubstance detection?. <i>Drug and Alcohol Dependence</i> , 2019, 205, 107671.	3.2	17
38	Marijuana Use Is Not Associated With Changes in Opioid Prescriptions or Pain Severity Among People Living With HIV and Chronic Pain. <i>Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes (1999)</i> , 2019, 81, 231-237.	2.1	15
39	Priming primary care providers to engage in evidence-based discussions about cannabis with patients. <i>Addiction Science & Clinical Practice</i> , 2019, 14, 42.	2.6	10
40	Association of Prescribed Opioids With Increased Risk of Community-Acquired Pneumonia Among Patients With and Without HIV. <i>JAMA Internal Medicine</i> , 2019, 179, 297.	5.1	75
41	Mixed methods formative evaluation of a collaborative care program to decrease risky opioid prescribing and increase non-pharmacologic approaches to pain management. <i>Addictive Behaviors</i> , 2018, 86, 138-145.	3.0	17
42	A Research Agenda for Advancing Non-pharmacological Management of Chronic Musculoskeletal Pain: Findings from a VHA State-of-the-art Conference. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2018, 33, 11-15.	2.6	37
43	Use of Non-Pharmacological Pain Treatment Modalities Among Veterans with Chronic Pain: Results from a Cross-Sectional Survey. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2018, 33, 54-60.	2.6	18
44	Managing Concerning Behaviors in Patients Prescribed Opioids for Chronic Pain: A Delphi Study. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2018, 33, 166-176.	2.6	37
45	Testing implementation facilitation of a primary care-based collaborative care clinical program using a hybrid type III interrupted time series design: a study protocol. <i>Implementation Science</i> , 2018, 13, 145.	6.9	11
46	Dual Use of Department of Veterans Affairs and Medicare Benefits on High-Risk Opioid Prescriptions in Veterans Aged 65 Years and Older: Insights from the VA Musculoskeletal Disorders Cohort. <i>Health Services Research</i> , 2018, 53, 5402-5418.	2.0	9
47	Impact of Cigarette Smoking Status on Pain Intensity Among Veterans With and Without Hepatitis C. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S5-S11.	1.9	2
48	Understanding Pain and Pain Treatment for Veterans: Responding to the Federal Pain Research Strategy. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S1-S4.	1.9	4
49	Variation in National Opioid Prescribing Patterns Following Surgery for Kidney Stones. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S12-S18.	1.9	20
50	Project STEP: Implementing the Veterans Health Administration's Stepped Care Model of Pain Management. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S30-S37.	1.9	19
51	Opioid Use Among Veterans of Recent Wars Receiving Veterans Affairs Chiropractic Care. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S54-S60.	1.9	26
52	Multimodal Treatment Options, Including Rotating to Buprenorphine, Within a Multidisciplinary Pain Clinic for Patients on Risky Opioid Regimens: A Quality Improvement Study. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S38-S45.	1.9	20
53	A Brief, Integrated, Telephone-Based Intervention for Veterans Who Smoke and Have Chronic Pain: A Feasibility Study. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2018, 19, S84-S92.	1.9	6
54	Brief Report: The Association of Chronic Pain and Long-Term Opioid Therapy With HIV Treatment Outcomes. <i>Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes (1999)</i> , 2018, 79, 77-82.	2.1	47

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55	Pain and Addiction. <i>Medical Clinics of North America</i> , 2018, 102, 745-763.	2.5	50
56	AUDITâ€ and ICD codes as phenotypes for harmful alcohol use: association with <i>ADH1B</i> polymorphisms in two US populations. <i>Addiction</i> , 2018, 113, 2214-2224.	3.3	24
57	Racial disparities in discontinuation of long-term opioid therapy following illicit drug use among black and white patients. <i>Drug and Alcohol Dependence</i> , 2018, 192, 371-376.	3.2	71
58	Duration of opioid prescriptions predicts incident nonmedical use of prescription opioids among U.S. veterans receiving medical care. <i>Drug and Alcohol Dependence</i> , 2018, 191, 348-354.	3.2	19
59	Important Steps Towards a Clinically Actionable Predictive Model of Opioid Overdose Among Patients on Long-term Opioid Therapy. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2018, 33, 1594-1595.	2.6	0
60	Reply to Ruan <i>et al</i>. (2017): Nonâ€medical use of prescription opioids is associated with heroin initiation among US veterans. <i>Addiction</i> , 2017, 112, 728-729.	3.3	1
61	Barriers and facilitators to use of non-pharmacological treatments in chronic pain. <i>BMC Family Practice</i> , 2017, 18, 41.	2.9	169
62	Validating Harmful Alcohol Use as a Phenotype for Genetic Discovery Using Phosphatidylethanol and a Polymorphism in <i>ADH1B</i>. <i>Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research</i> , 2017, 41, 998-1003.	2.4	15
63	Patient Outcomes in Dose Reduction or Discontinuation of Long-Term Opioid Therapy. <i>Annals of Internal Medicine</i> , 2017, 167, 181.	3.9	252
64	Limited evidence, faulty reasoning, and potential for a global opioid crisis. <i>BMJ: British Medical Journal</i> , 2017, 358, j3115.	2.3	17
65	Reply to Osborne & Serdarevic (2017): Potential impact of exposure definition when examining non-medical use of prescription opioids among US veterans. <i>Addiction</i> , 2017, 112, 1510-1511.	3.3	0
66	Patient and Public Safety Maximized by Rapid Opioid Taperâ€Reply. <i>JAMA Internal Medicine</i> , 2017, 177, 896.	5.1	0
67	Racial and Ethnic Differences in Total Knee Arthroplasty in the Veterans Affairs Health Care System, 2001â€2013. <i>Arthritis Care and Research</i> , 2017, 69, 1171-1178.	3.4	28
68	Ultraâ€High-Dose Opioids With Low Efficacy and Significant Harmâ€Time to Make a Change. <i>JAMA Internal Medicine</i> , 2017, 177, 17.	5.1	4
69	Group Visits for Overdose Education and Naloxone Distribution in Primary Care: A Pilot Quality Improvement Initiative. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2017, 18, 2325-2330.	1.9	11
70	Detecting Opioid-Related Aberrant Behavior using Natural Language Processing. <i>AMIA ... Annual Symposium proceedings</i> , 2017, 2017, 1179-1185.	0.2	6
71	Cigarette Smoking Status and Receipt of an Opioid Prescription Among Veterans of Recent Wars. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2016, 18, pnw223.	1.9	10
72	Initial development of patient-reported instrument assessing harm, efficacy, and misuse of long-term opioid therapy. <i>Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development</i> , 2016, 53, 127-136.	1.6	2

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73	The musculoskeletal diagnosis cohort: examining pain and pain care among veterans. <i>Pain</i> , 2016, 157, 1696-1703.	4.2	123
74	Non-medical use of prescription opioids is associated with heroin initiation among US veterans: a prospective cohort study. <i>Addiction</i> , 2016, 111, 2021-2031.	3.3	87
75	Commentary on Ilgen <i>et al</i> . (2016): Integrating chronic pain programs into addiction treatment—full steam ahead. <i>Addiction</i> , 2016, 111, 1394-1395.	3.3	1
76	Management of problematic behaviours among individuals on long-term opioid therapy: protocol for a Delphi study. <i>BMJ Open</i> , 2016, 6, e011619.	1.9	18
77	The Effect of Substance Use Disorders on the Association Between Guideline-concordant Long-term Opioid Therapy and All-cause Mortality. <i>Journal of Addiction Medicine</i> , 2016, 10, 418-428.	2.6	9
78	Capsule Commentary on Alford <i>et al.</i> , Primary Care Patients with Drug Use Report Chronic Pain and Self-Medicating with Alcohol and Other Drugs. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2016, 31, 533-533.	2.6	1
79	Medical Marijuana in Patients Prescribed Opioids. <i>Mayo Clinic Proceedings</i> , 2016, 91, 830-832.	3.0	7
80	Management of patients with issues related to opioid safety, efficacy and/or misuse: a case series from an integrated, interdisciplinary clinic. <i>Addiction Science & Clinical Practice</i> , 2016, 11, 3.	2.6	19
81	Rigorous Epidemiologic Work Shows Positive Impact of VHA's Efforts to Rein in Opioid Prescribing. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2016, 17, 1209-1210.	1.9	4
82	Trends in Any and High-Dose Opioid Analgesic Receipt Among Aging Patients With and Without HIV. <i>AIDS and Behavior</i> , 2016, 20, 679-686.	2.7	45
83	The Association Between Receipt of Guideline-Concordant Long-Term Opioid Therapy and All-Cause Mortality. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2016, 31, 492-501.	2.6	24
84	Strategies for Flipping the Script on Opioid Overprescribing. <i>JAMA Internal Medicine</i> , 2016, 176, 7.	5.1	8
85	In reply: Prescribing opioids (March 2016). <i>Cleveland Clinic Journal of Medicine</i> , 2016, 83, 554.2-555.	1.3	0
86	Smoking Status and Pain Intensity Among OEF/OIF/OND Veterans. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2015, 16, 1690-1696.	1.9	38
87	Long-term Prescription of Opioids and/or Benzodiazepines and Mortality Among HIV-Infected and Uninfected Patients. <i>Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes (1999)</i> , 2015, 69, 223-233.	2.1	73
88	Buprenorphine/Naloxone Dose and Pain Intensity Among Individuals Initiating Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder. <i>Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment</i> , 2015, 48, 128-131.	2.8	11
89	Source of prescription drugs used nonmedically in rural and urban populations. <i>American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse</i> , 2014, 40, 292-303.	2.1	17
90	Prescription opioid misuse in the United States and the United Kingdom: Cautionary lessons. <i>International Journal of Drug Policy</i> , 2014, 25, 1124-1130.	3.3	114

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91	Integrating Interdisciplinary Pain Management into Primary Care: Development and Implementation of a Novel Clinical Program. <i>Pain Medicine</i> , 2014, 15, 2046-2054.	1.9	30
92	A Partnered Approach to Opioid Management, Guideline Concordant Care and the Stepped Care Model of Pain Management. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2014, 29, 870-876.	2.6	253
93	Guideline-Concordant Management of Opioid Therapy Among Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)-Infected and Uninfected Veterans. <i>Journal of Pain</i> , 2014, 15, 1130-1140.	1.4	17
94	Racial/ethnic differences in report of drug testing practices at the workplace level in the U.S.. <i>American Journal on Addictions</i> , 2014, 23, 357-362.	1.4	10
95	A Research Agenda for Enhancing Appropriate Opioid Prescribing in Primary Care. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2013, 28, 1364-1367.	2.6	15
96	Receipt of Opioid Analgesics by HIV-Infected and Uninfected Patients. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2013, 28, 82-90.	2.6	100
97	â€œI'm Talking About Painâ€ Sickle cell disease patients with extremely high hospital use. <i>Journal of Hospital Medicine</i> , 2013, 8, 42-46.	1.4	18
98	Instruments to assess patient-reported safety, efficacy, or misuse of current opioid therapy for chronic pain: A systematic review. <i>Pain</i> , 2013, 154, 905-916.	4.2	23
99	Previous Use of Alcohol, Cigarettes, and Marijuana and Subsequent Abuse of Prescription Opioids in Young Adults. <i>Journal of Adolescent Health</i> , 2013, 52, 158-163.	2.5	95
100	Prevalence and correlates for nonmedical use of prescription opioids among urban and rural residents. <i>Drug and Alcohol Dependence</i> , 2013, 127, 156-162.	3.2	76
101	Federal Plan for Prescriber Education on Opioids Misses Opportunities. <i>Annals of Internal Medicine</i> , 2012, 157, 205.	3.9	10
102	Measurement of adherence to clinical practice guidelines for opioid therapy for chronic pain. <i>Translational Behavioral Medicine</i> , 2012, 2, 57-64.	2.4	24
103	Federal plan for prescriber education on opioids misses opportunities. <i>Annals of Internal Medicine</i> , 2012, 157, 205-6.	3.9	3
104	Nonmedical Use of Opioid Analgesics Obtained Directly From Physicians: Prevalence and Correlates. <i>Archives of Internal Medicine</i> , 2011, 171, 1034.	3.8	41
105	Nonmedical use of prescription opioids and pain in veterans with and without HIV. <i>Pain</i> , 2011, 152, 1133-1138.	4.2	46
106	Comparative mortality among Department of Veterans Affairs patients prescribed methadone or long-acting morphine for chronic pain. <i>Pain</i> , 2011, 152, 1789-1795.	4.2	35
107	Low Use of Opioid Risk Reduction Strategies in Primary Care Even for High Risk Patients with Chronic Pain. <i>Journal of General Internal Medicine</i> , 2011, 26, 958-964.	2.6	118
108	Racial Differences in Primary Care Opioid Risk Reduction Strategies. <i>Annals of Family Medicine</i> , 2011, 9, 219-225.	1.9	107

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109	A Case Series of Buprenorphine/Naloxone Treatment in a Primary Care Practice. Substance Abuse, 2011, 32, 262-265.	2.3	23
110	Association Between Urine Drug Test Results and Treatment Outcome in High-Risk Chronic Pain Patients on Opioids. Journal of Addiction Medicine, 2010, 4, 167-173.	2.6	5
111	Systematic Review: Treatment Agreements and Urine Drug Testing to Reduce Opioid Misuse in Patients With Chronic Pain. Annals of Internal Medicine, 2010, 152, 712.	3.9	256
112	The Safety of Opioid Analgesics in the Elderly: New Data Raise New Concerns. Archives of Internal Medicine, 2010, 170, 1986.	3.8	12
113	Opioids, Chronic Pain, and Addiction in Primary Care. Journal of Pain, 2010, 11, 1442-1450.	1.4	92
114	Integrating Buprenorphine Treatment into Office-based Practice: a Qualitative Study. Journal of General Internal Medicine, 2009, 24, 218-225.	2.6	102
115	The Association Between Chronic Pain and Prescription Drug Abuse in Veterans. Pain Medicine, 2009, 10, 531-536.	1.9	63
116	Predictors of Resolution of Aberrant Drug Behavior in Chronic Pain Patients Treated in a Structured Opioid Risk Management Program. Pain Medicine, 2009, 10, 858-865.	1.9	27
117	Characteristics and Outcomes of Patients Discharged from the Opioid Renewal Clinic at the Philadelphia VA Medical Center. American Journal on Addictions, 2009, 18, 135-139.	1.4	11
118	Long-term Treatment with Buprenorphine/Naloxone in Primary Care: Results at 5 Years. American Journal on Addictions, 2008, 17, 116-120.	1.4	139
119	Gender and non-medical use of prescription opioids: results from a national US survey*. Addiction, 2008, 103, 258-268.	3.3	152
120	Non-medical use, abuse and dependence on prescription opioids among U.S. adults: Psychiatric, medical and substance use correlates. Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 2008, 94, 38-47.	3.2	357
121	Opioid use disorder in the United States: Insurance status and treatment access. Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 2008, 94, 207-213.	3.2	65
122	Systematic Review: Opioid Treatment for Chronic Back Pain: Prevalence, Efficacy, and Association with Addiction. Annals of Internal Medicine, 2007, 146, 116.	3.9	650
123	Non-medical use, abuse and dependence on sedatives and tranquilizers among U.S. adults: Psychiatric and socio-demographic correlates. Drug and Alcohol Dependence, 2007, 90, 280-287.	3.2	87
124	Provider Satisfaction with Office-Based Treatment of Opioid Dependence. Substance Abuse, 2006, 26, 15-22.	2.3	26
125	Faculty Development in Small-Group Teaching Skills Associated with a Training Course on Office-Based Treatment of Opioid Dependence. Substance Abuse, 2005, 25, 35-40.	2.3	20