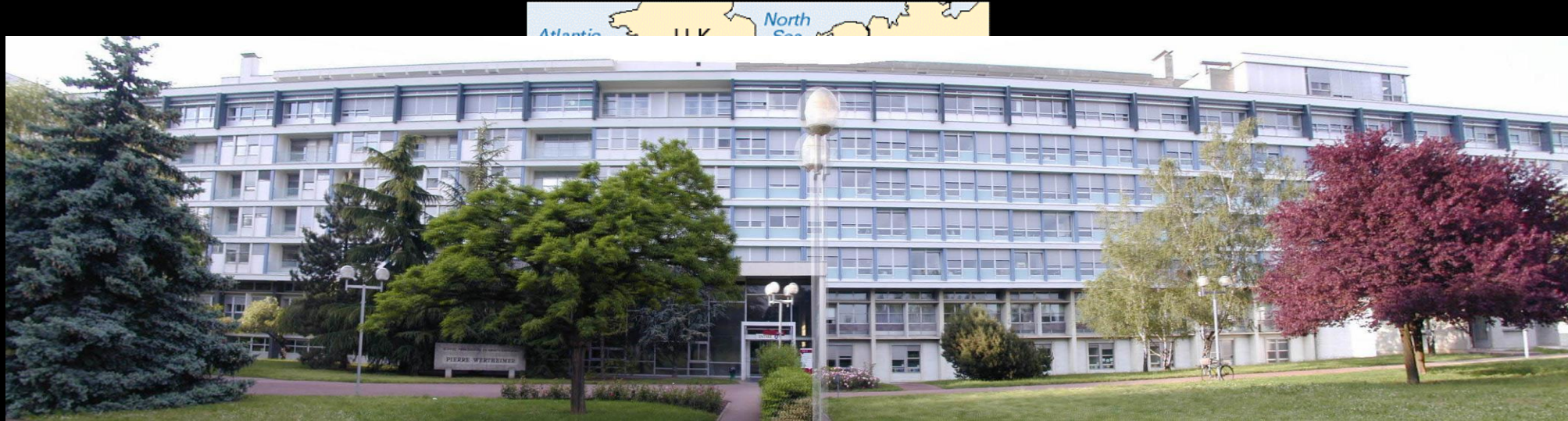




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# Definition

The procedures may be either **ablation of iritative foci**  
or **interruption of excitatory pathways**

In the future new methods will be devised to compensate for the  
**dysfunction of inhibitory control systems**

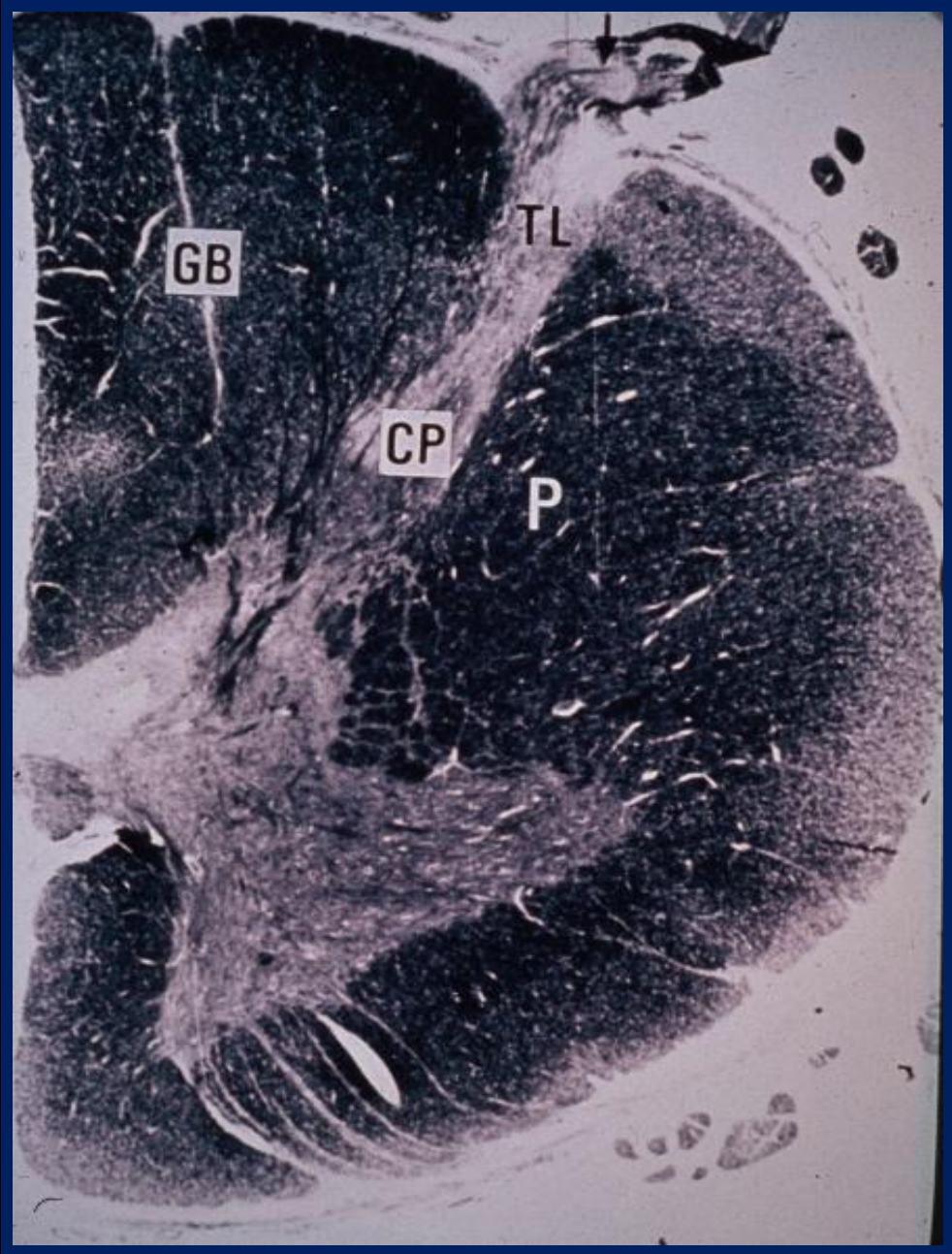
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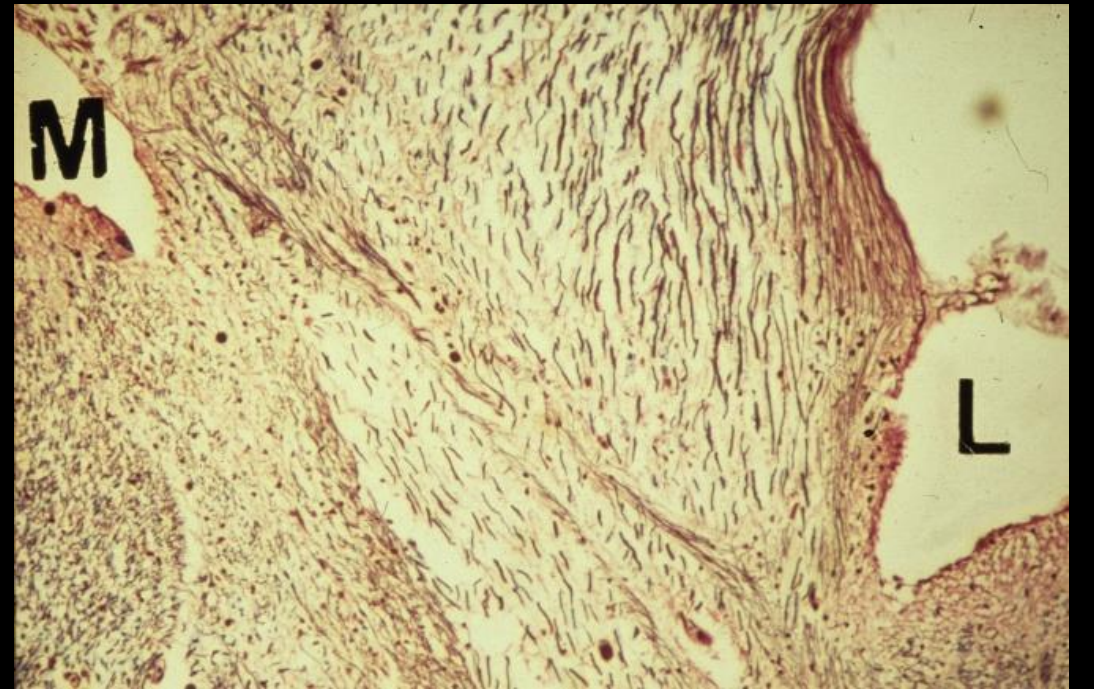
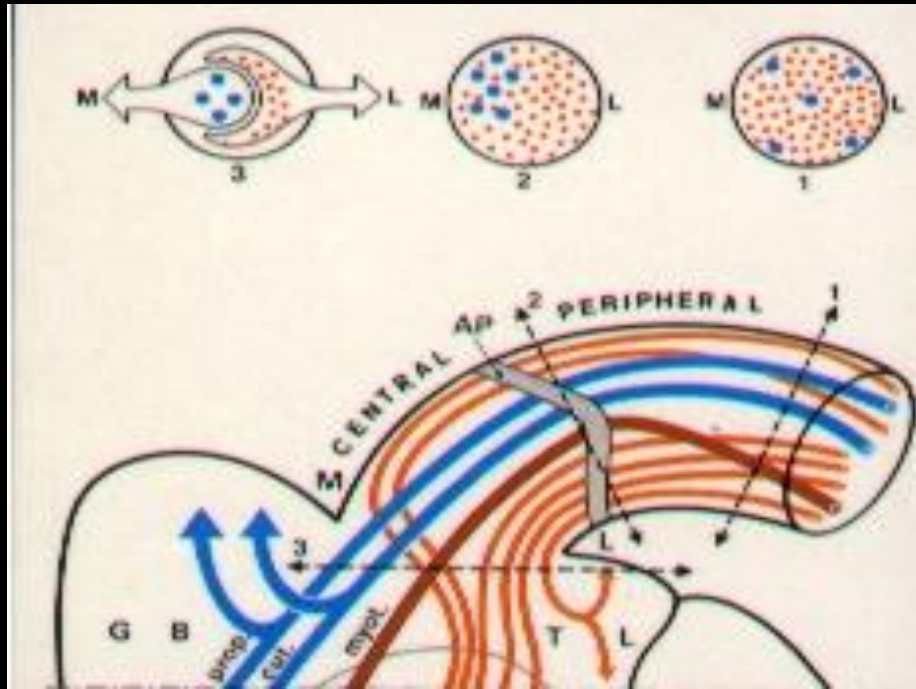
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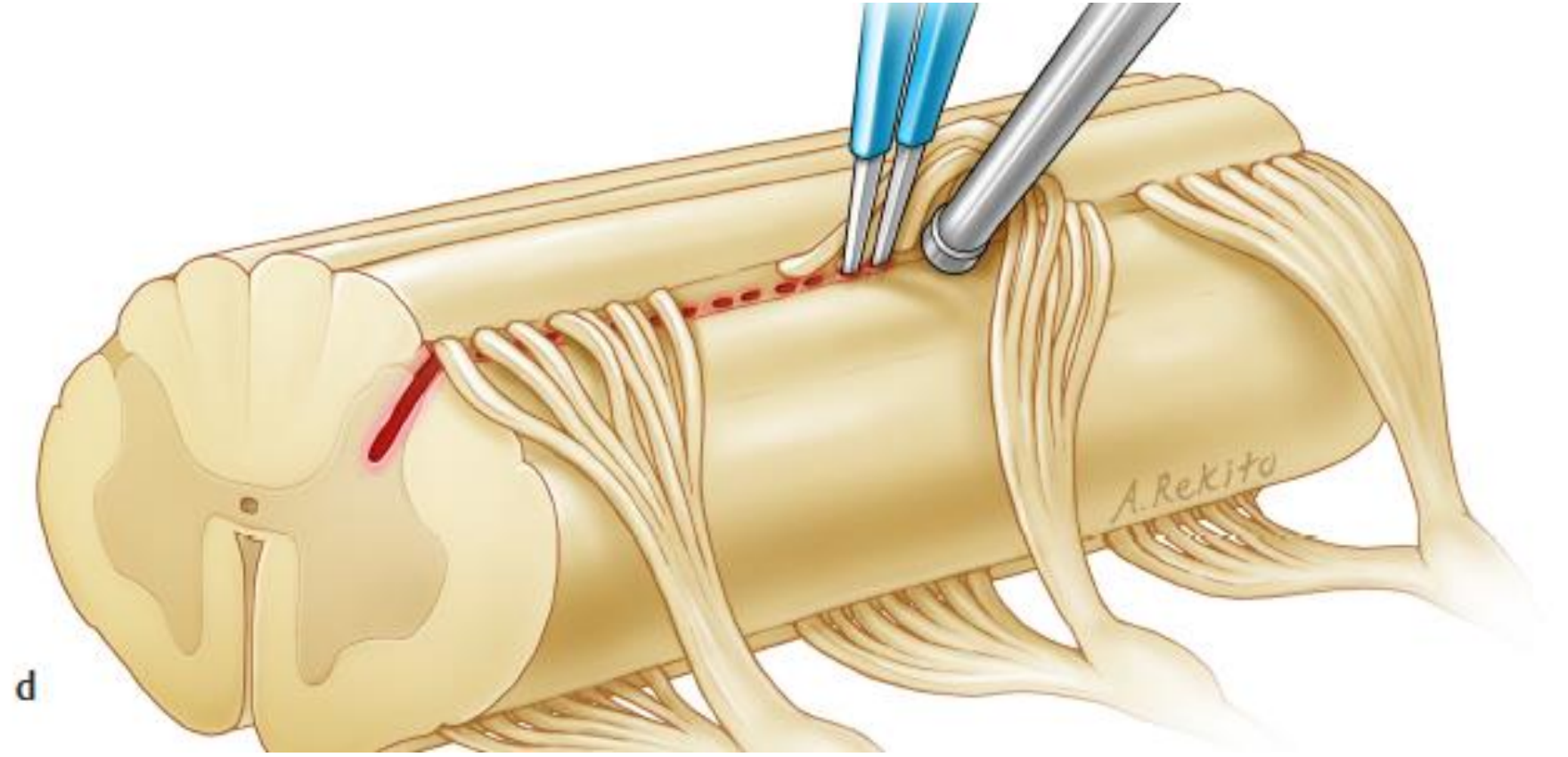
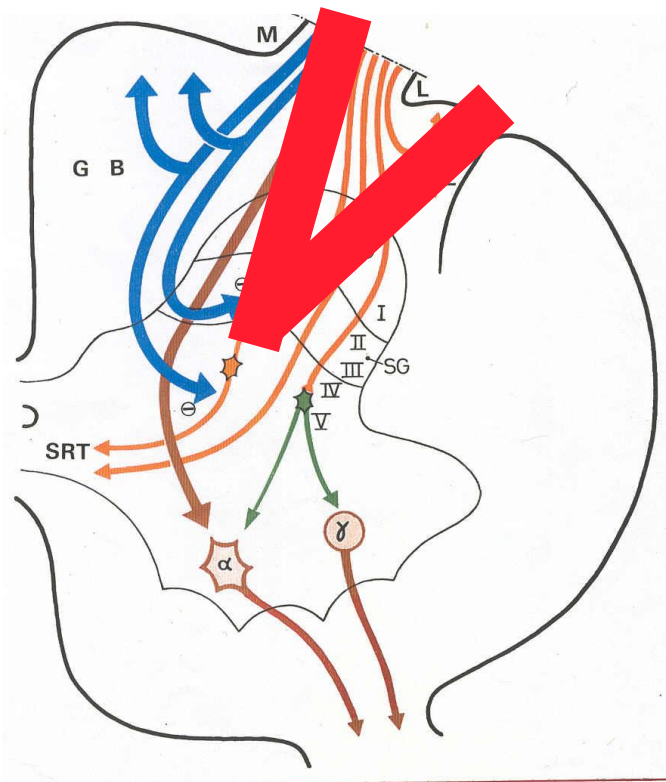
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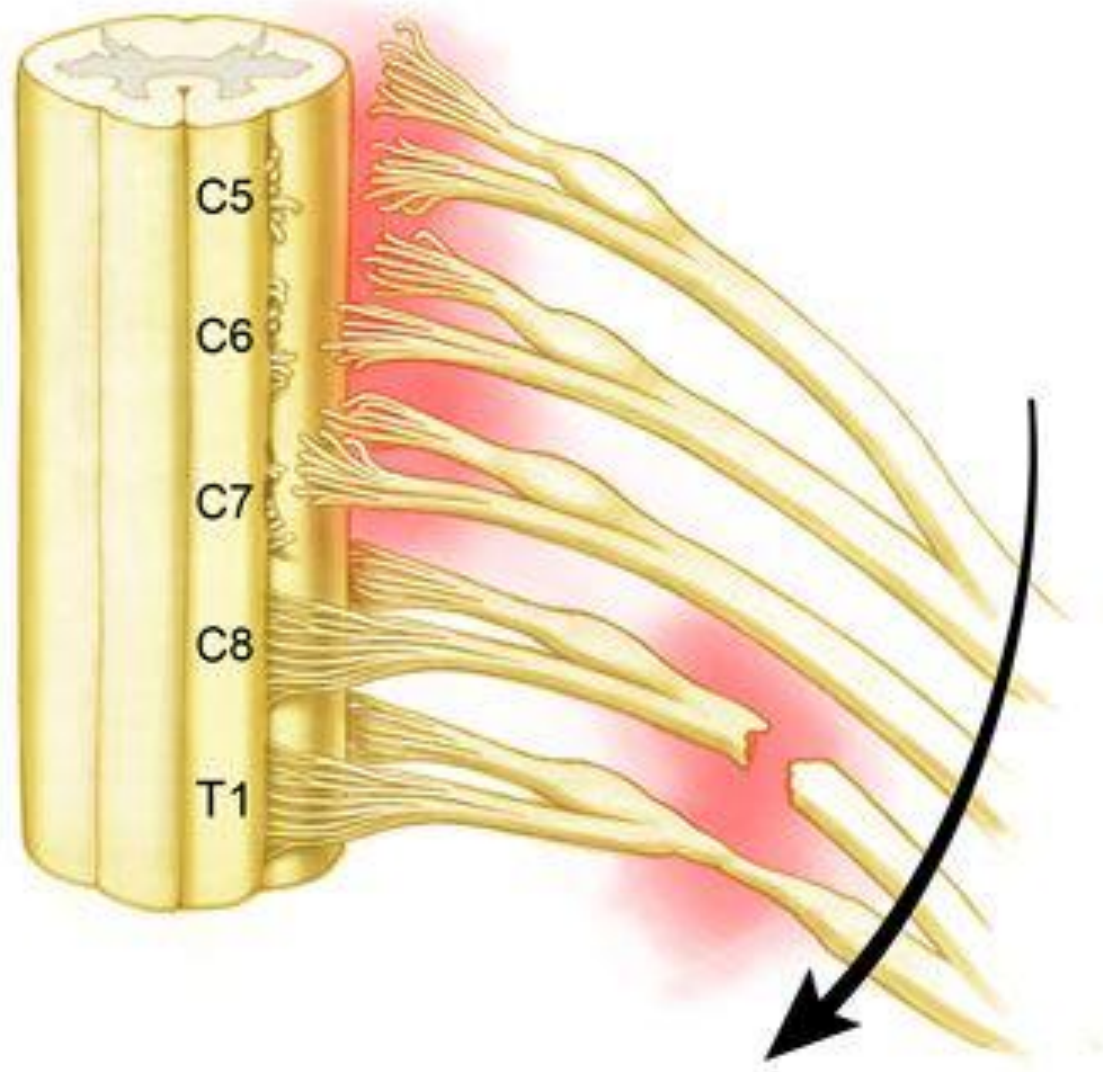








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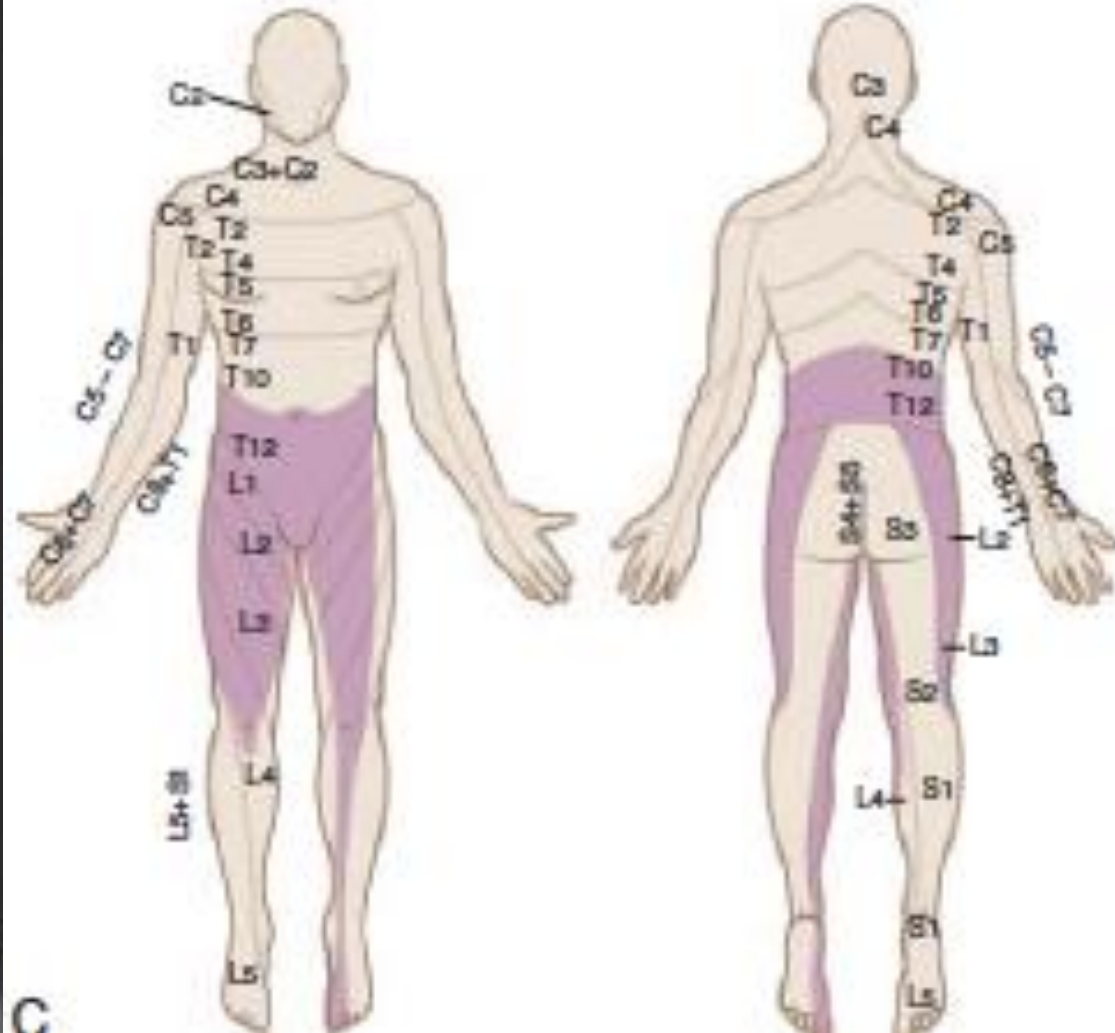
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# Pain related to spinal cord lesion





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## Non-pharmacological interventions for chronic pain in people with spinal cord injury (Review)

Boldt I, Eriks-Hoogland I, Brinkhof MWG, de Bie R, Joggi D, von Elm E

### Authors' conclusions

Evidence is insufficient to suggest that non-pharmacological treatments are effective in reducing chronic pain in people living with SCI. The benefits and harms of commonly used non-pharmacological pain treatments should be investigated in randomised controlled trials with adequate sample size and study methodology.



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## Microsurgical DREZotomy for pain due to spinal cord and/or cauda equina injuries: long-term results in a series of 44 patients

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## Abstract

According to the literature estimations, 10–25% of patients with spinal cord and cauda equina injuries eventually develop refractory pain. Due to the fact that most classical neurosurgical methods are considered of little or no efficacy in controlling this type of pain, the authors had recourse to microsurgery in the dorsal root entry zone (DREZ). This article reports on the long-term results of the microsurgical approach to the dorsal root entry zone (DREZotomy) in a series of 44 patients suffering from unbearable neuropathic pain secondary to spine injury. The follow-up ranged from 1 to 20 years (6 years on average). The series includes 25 cases with conus medullaris, 12 with thoracic cord, four with cauda equina and three with cervical cord injuries. Surgery was performed in 37 cases at the pathological spinal cord levels that corresponded to the territory of the so-called 'segmental pain', and in seven cases, on the spinal cord levels below the lesion for 'infralésional pain' syndromes. The post-operative analgesic effect was considered to be 'good' when a patient's estimation of pain relief exceeded 75%, 'fair' if pain was reduced by 25–75%, and 'poor' when the residual pain was more than 75% of preoperative estimations. Immediate pain relief was obtained in 70% of patients and was long-lasting in 60% of the total series. The results varied essentially according to the distribution of pain. Good long-term results were obtained in 68% of the patients who had a segmental pain distribution, compared with 0% in patients with predominant infralésional pain. Regarding pain characteristics, a good result was obtained in 88% of the cases with predominantly paroxysmal pain, compared with 26% with continuous pain. There were no perioperative mortalities. Morbidity included cerebrospinal fluid leak (three patients), wound infection (two patients), subcutaneous hematoma (one patient) and bacteremia (in one patient). The above data justify the inclusion of DREZ-lesioning surgery in the neurosurgical armamentarium for treating 'segmental' pain due to spinal cord injuries. © 2001 International Association for the Study of Pain. Published by Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

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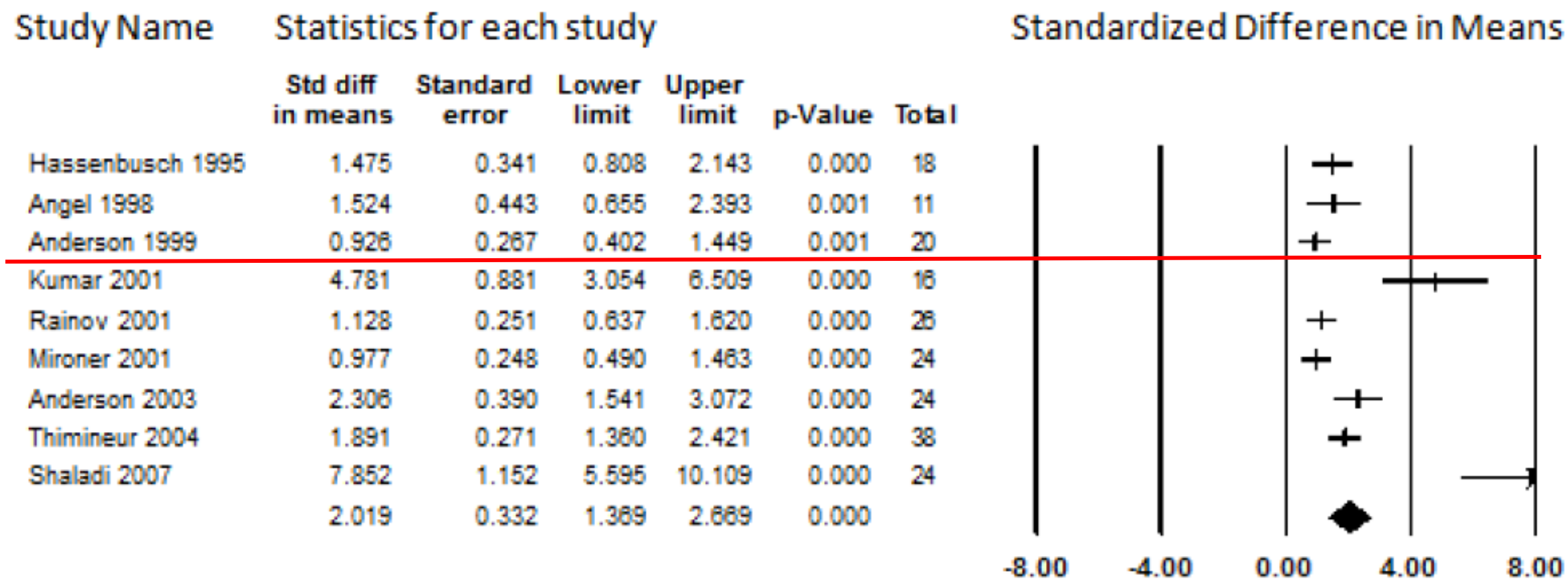
## Long-term opioid management for chronic noncancer pain (Review)

Noble M, Treadwell JR, Tregear SJ, Coates VH, Wiffen PJ, Akafomo C, Schoelles KM, Chou R

### **Authors' conclusions**

Many patients discontinue long-term opioid therapy (especially oral opioids) due to adverse events or insufficient pain relief; however, weak evidence suggests that patients who are able to continue opioids long-term experience clinically significant pain relief. Whether quality of life or functioning improves is inconclusive. Many minor adverse events (like nausea and headache) occurred, but serious adverse events, including iatrogenic opioid addiction, were rare.

**Figure 11. Change in Pain Score from Baseline, Intrathecal Opioids, Follow-up 6 months to 29 months (mean) (I<sup>2</sup>=87.1%)**

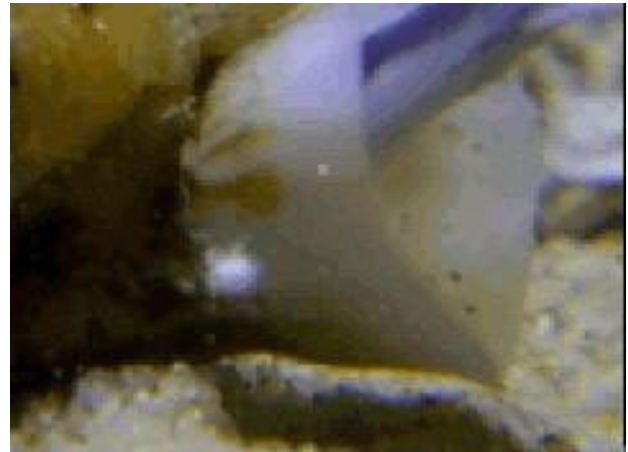




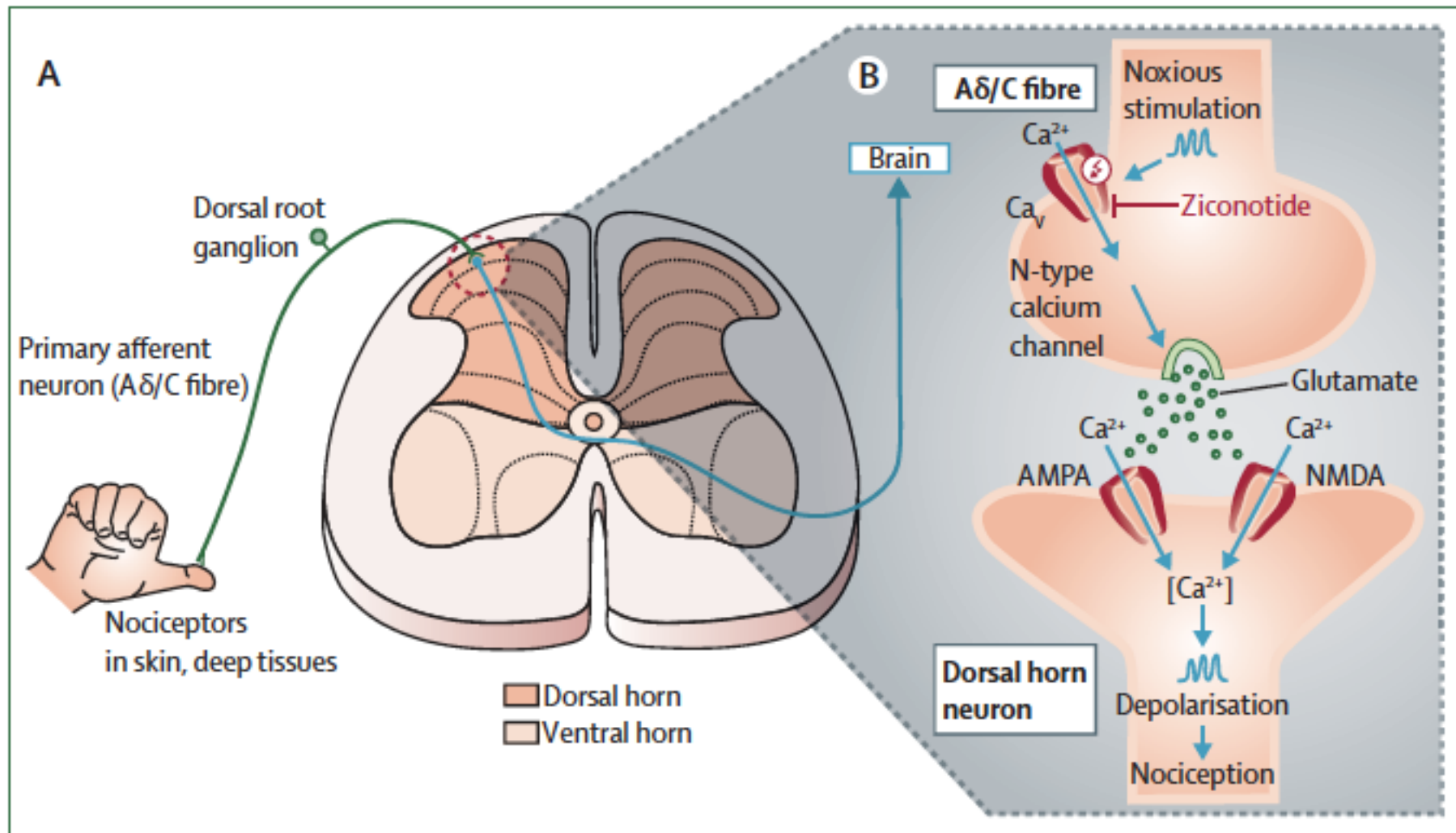
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## A Randomized, Double-Blind, Placebo-Controlled Study of Intrathecal Ziconotide in Adults with Severe Chronic Pain

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Non-Cancer Chronic pain

	Etude 95-001		Etude 96-002	
	Ziconotide (n=71)	Placebo (n=40)	Ziconotide (n=169)*	Placebo (n=86)
EVA moyen à l'inclusion (mm)	74.1± 1.8	77.9± 2.3	80.1± 1.1	76.9± 1.5
EVA moyen après 5 ou 6 jours de traitement	35.7± 3.5	61± 4.9	54.4± 2.6	71.9± 2.5
<b>Evolution du score EVA entre l'inclusion et J5 ou J6 (%)</b>	<b>51.4 (±4.6)</b>	<b>18.1 (± 6.8)*</b>	<b>31.2 (± 3.4)</b>	<b>6 (± 3.1)**</b>

\* p=0.0003, \*\* p≤ 0.001

Repondeurs

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34/71

7/40

54/169

11/79

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# Objective

To determine efficacy of Ziconotide in the treatment of pain related to spinal cord lesions

# Patient selection

**Neuropathic pain associated to  
spinal cord lesions**

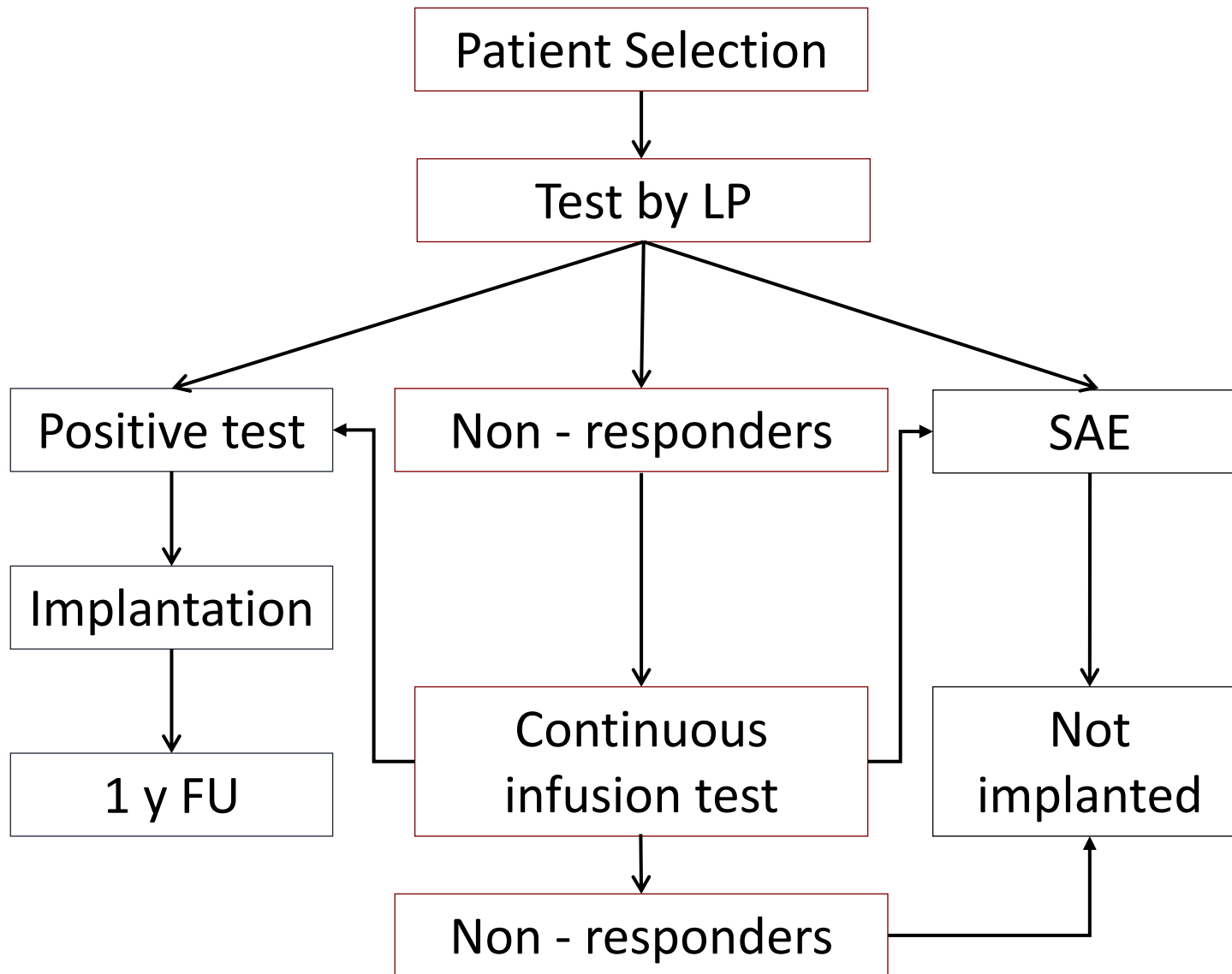
**SCI – sublesional pain**

Post tumor surgery

Syringomyelia

# Patient group

- 20 patients
- 8 F, 12 M
- Age =  $50 \pm 12$  y
- Neuropathic central pain
- At-level and Below Level pain
- Various etiologies
- Refractory - therapeutic failure: NO prior surgery



# LP Test

3 LP's

1  $\mu\text{g}$

48h WO

1,5 $\mu\text{g}$

48h WO

2  $\mu\text{g}$

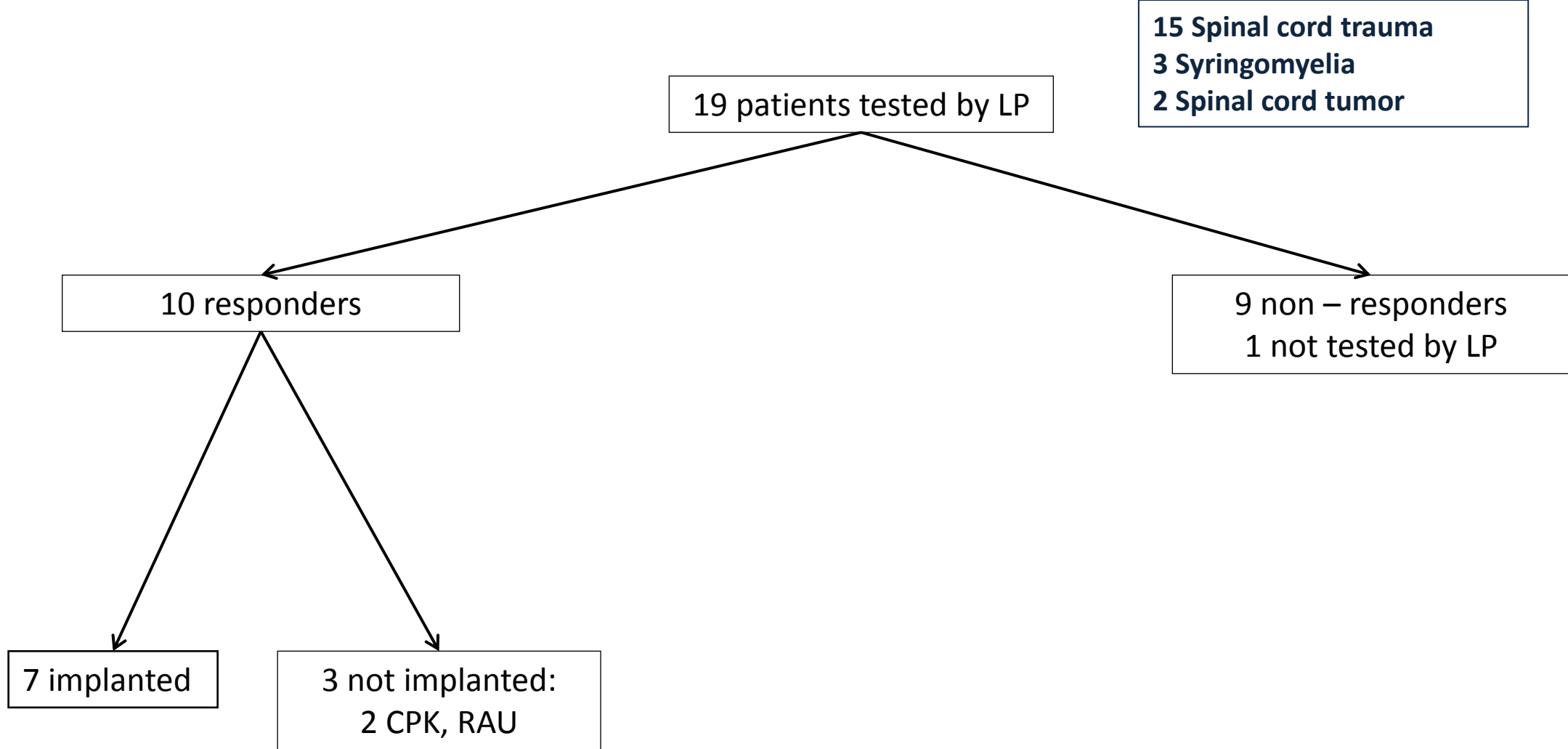
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# Positive test criteria

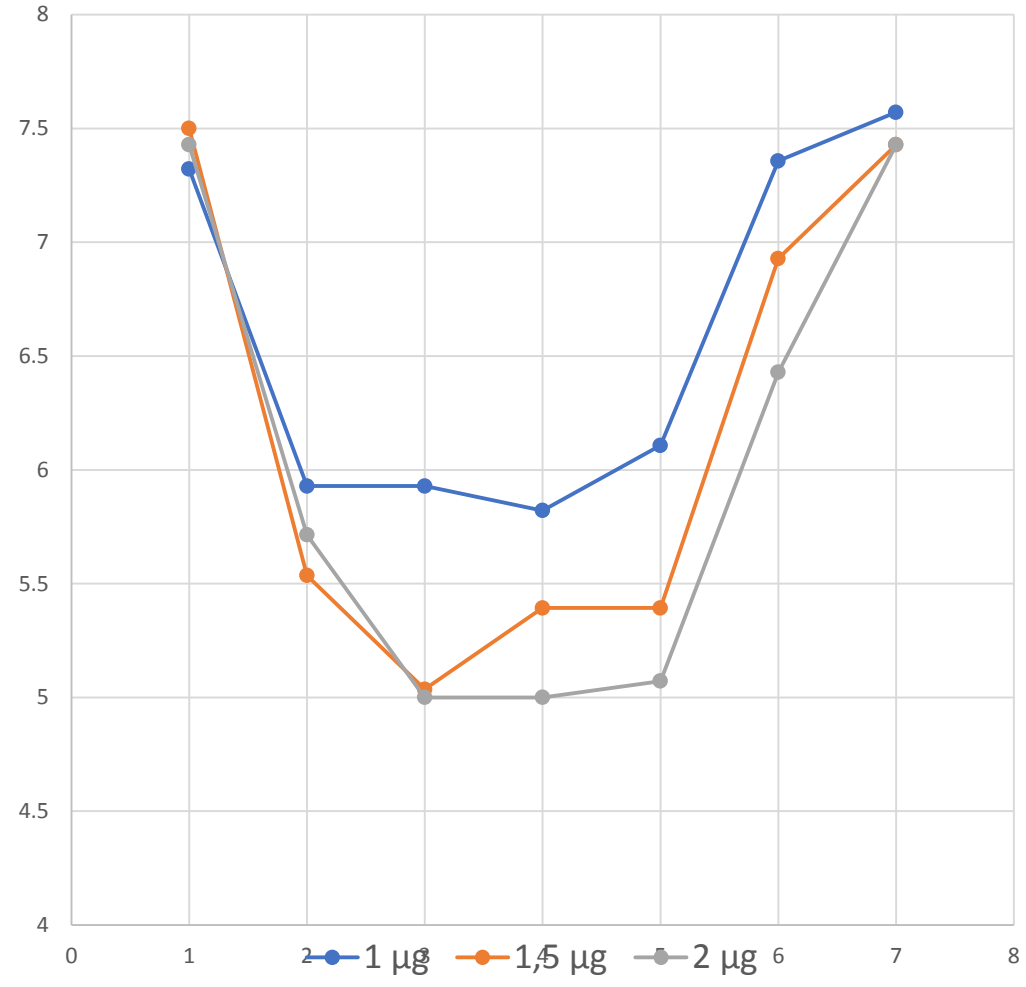
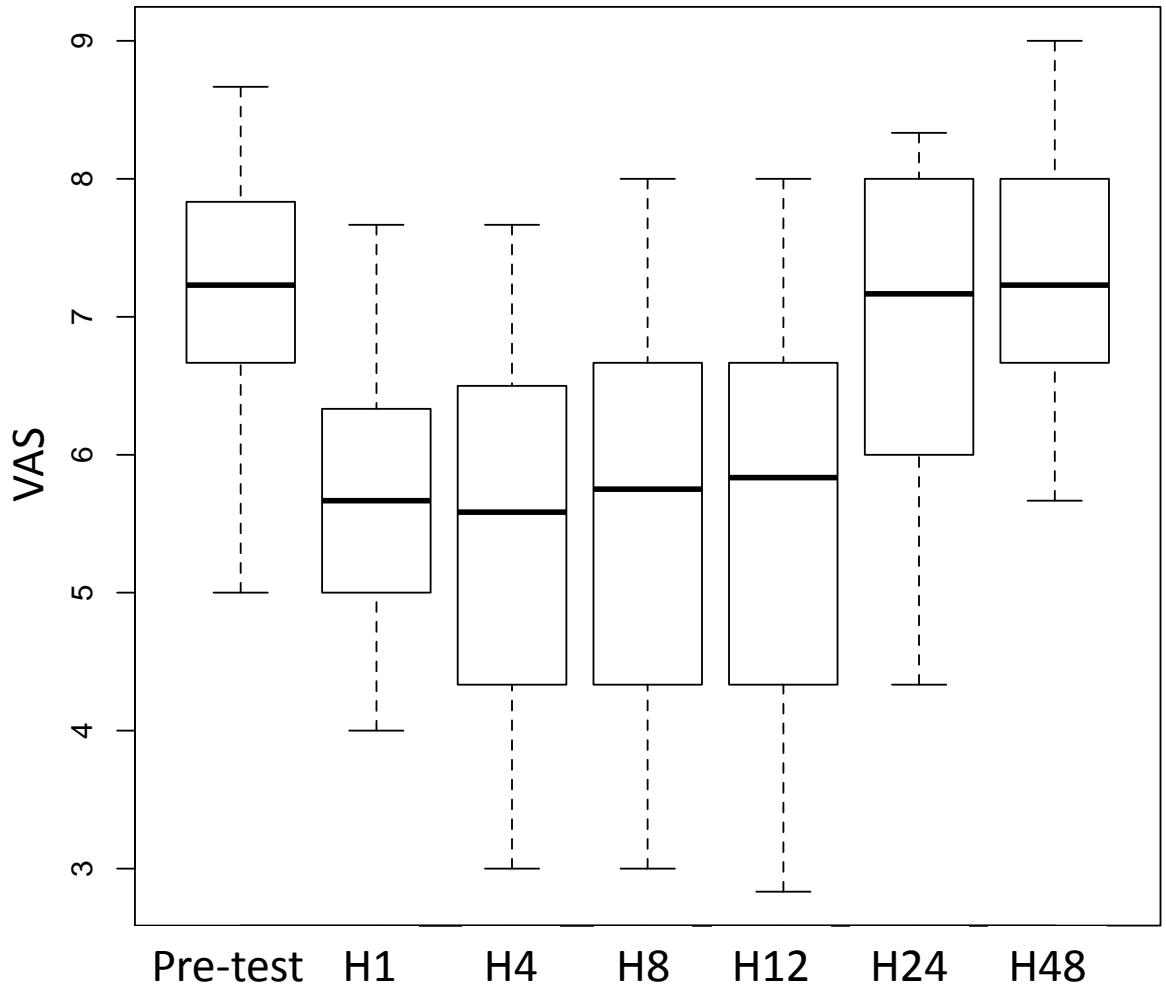
- 40% Decrease of VAS score
- 50% Reduction in paroxysmic attacks
- 40% Patient satisfaction
- Absence of an SAE

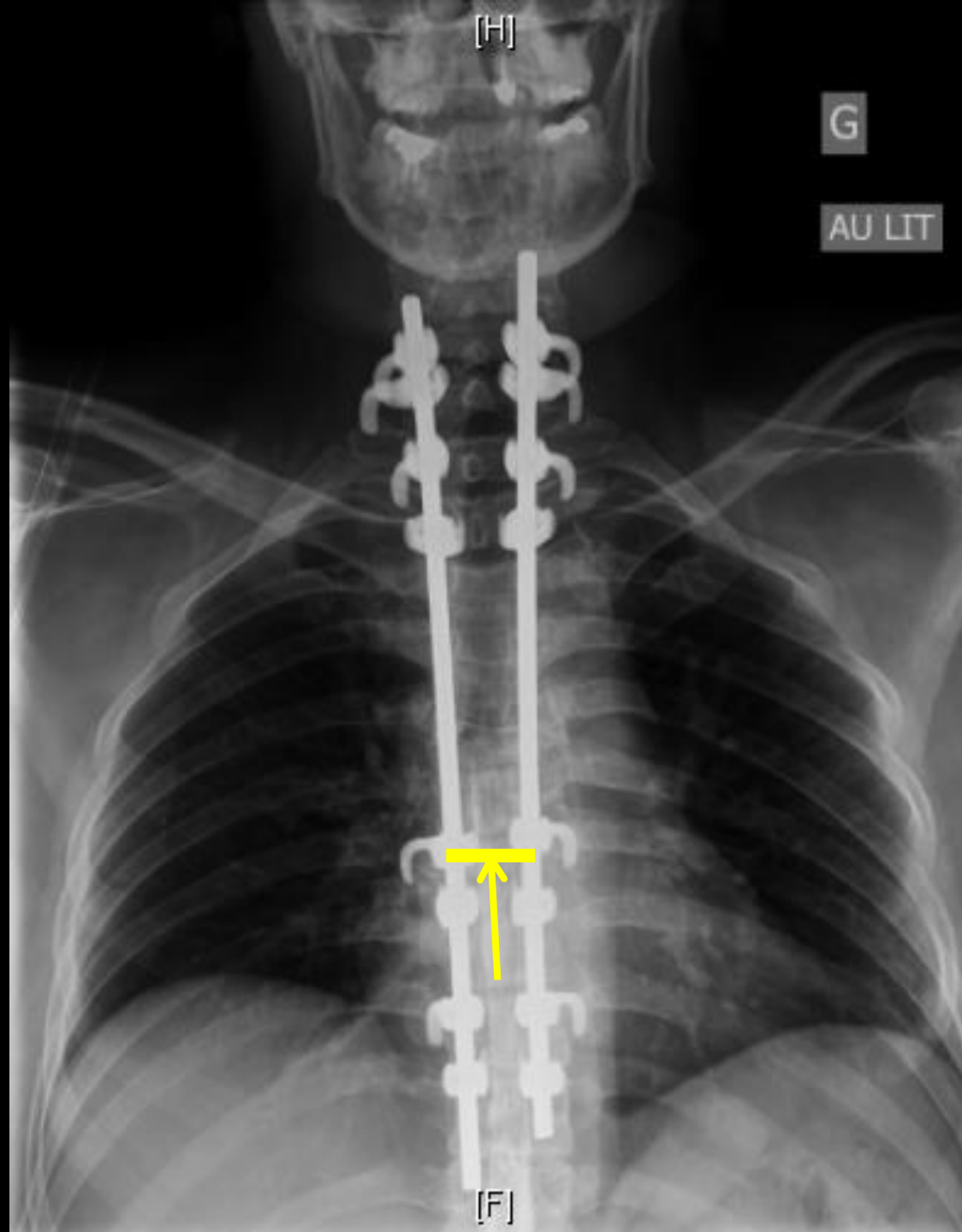


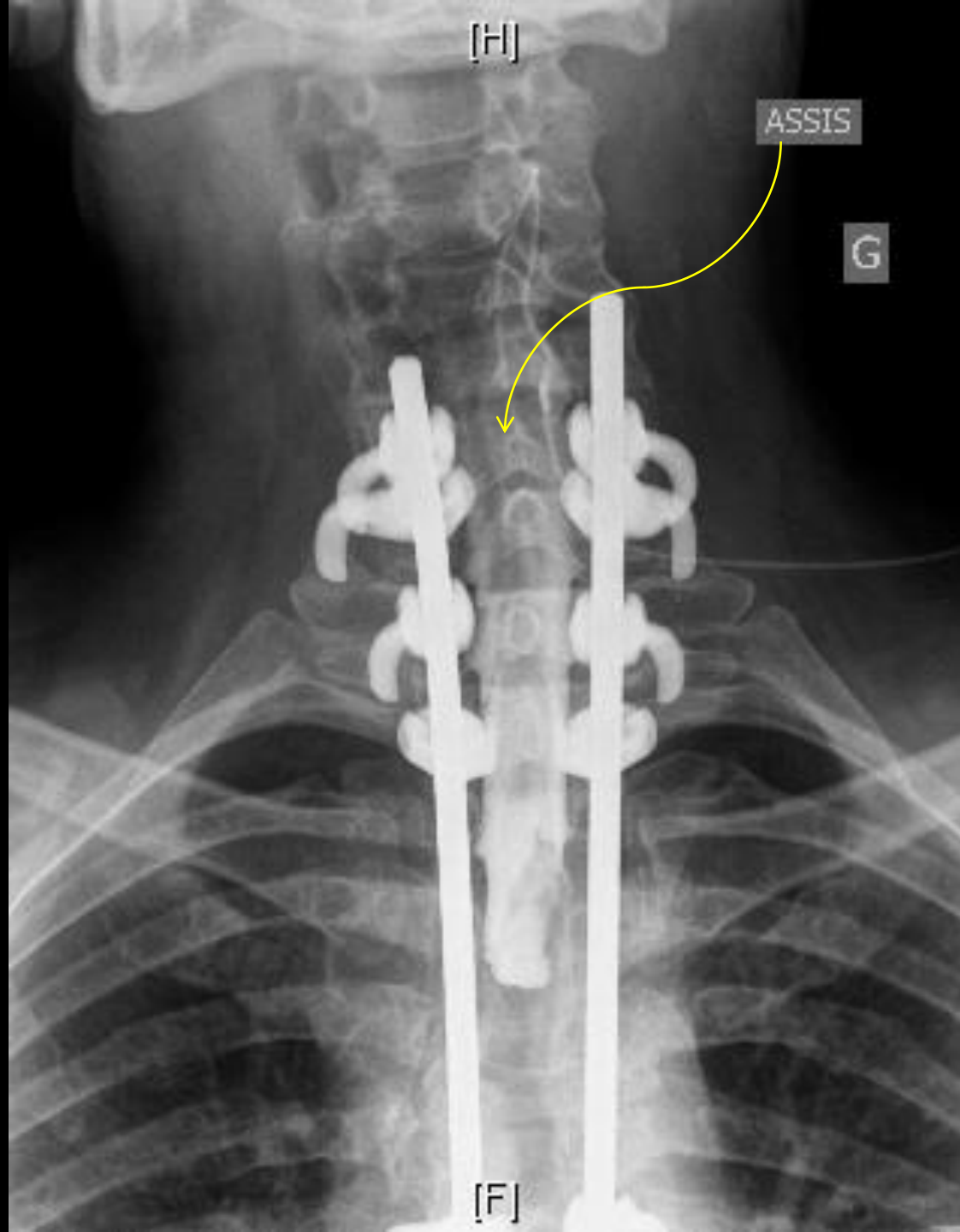
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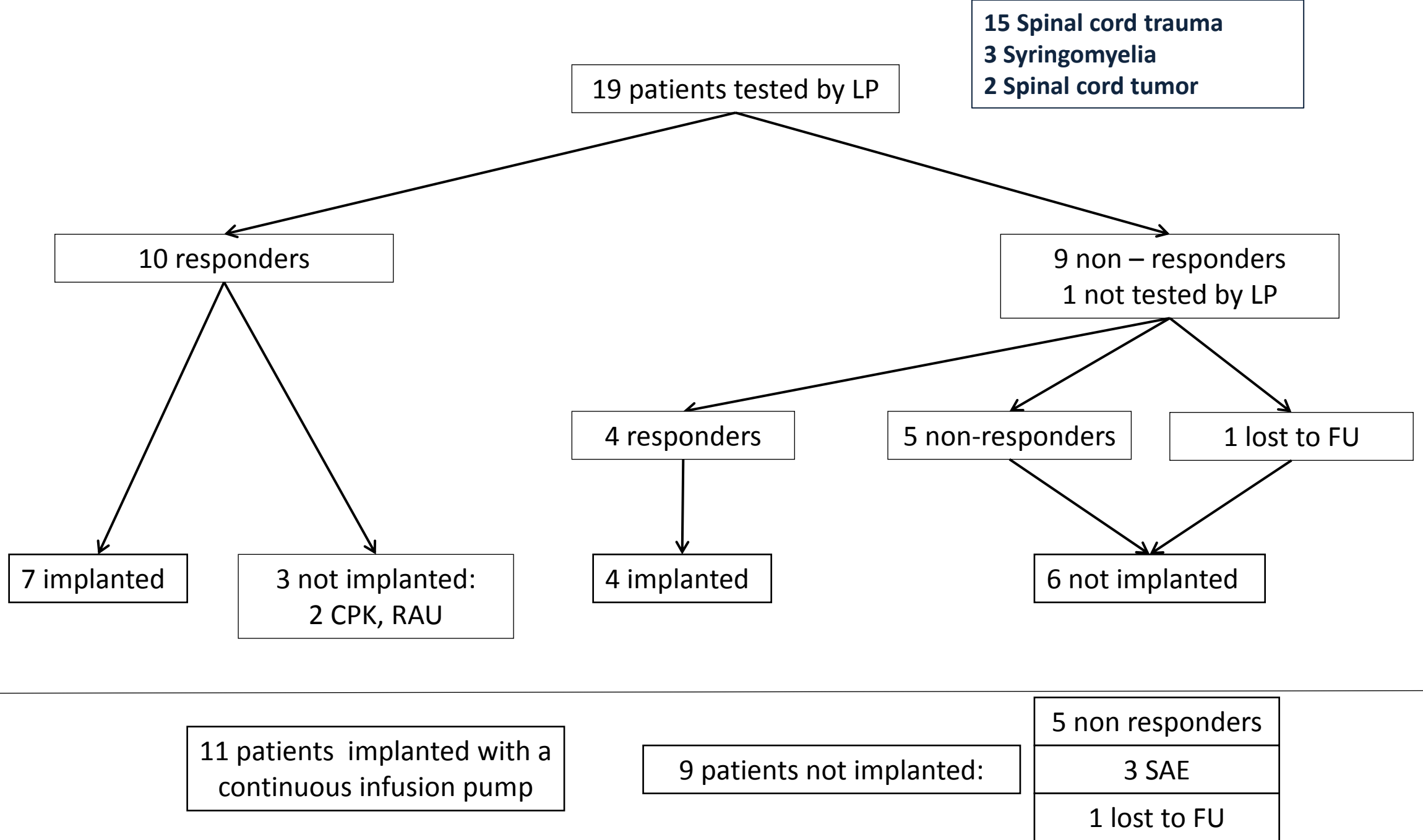


p = 0.0004803 Wilcoxon









6 failures: 30%

3 complications : 15%

EFFICACY = 55%

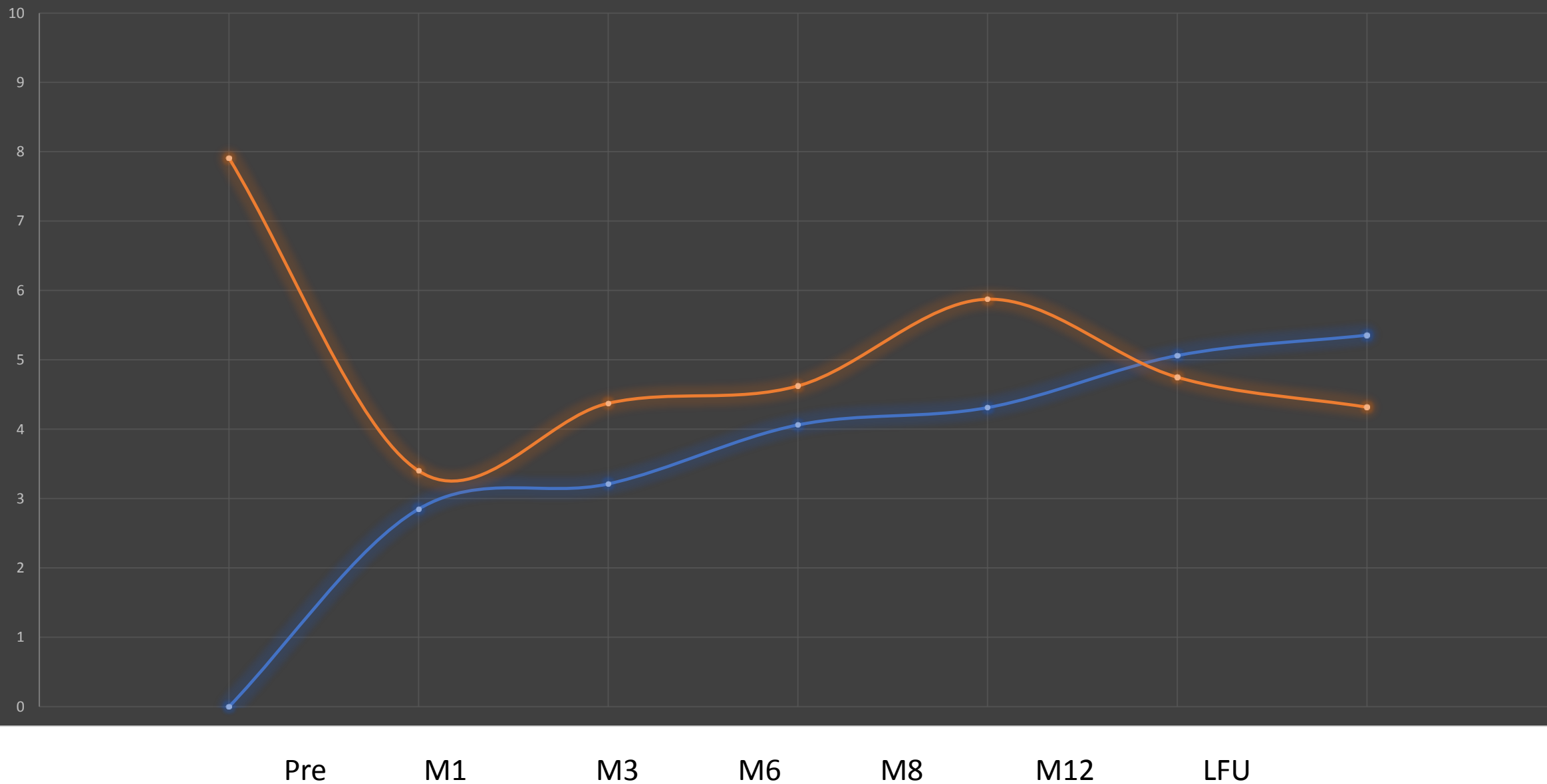
VAS last FU= 4/10  
Mean dose Last FU= 7,2 $\mu$ g

Long term results – average FU 3.8 y 11 patients

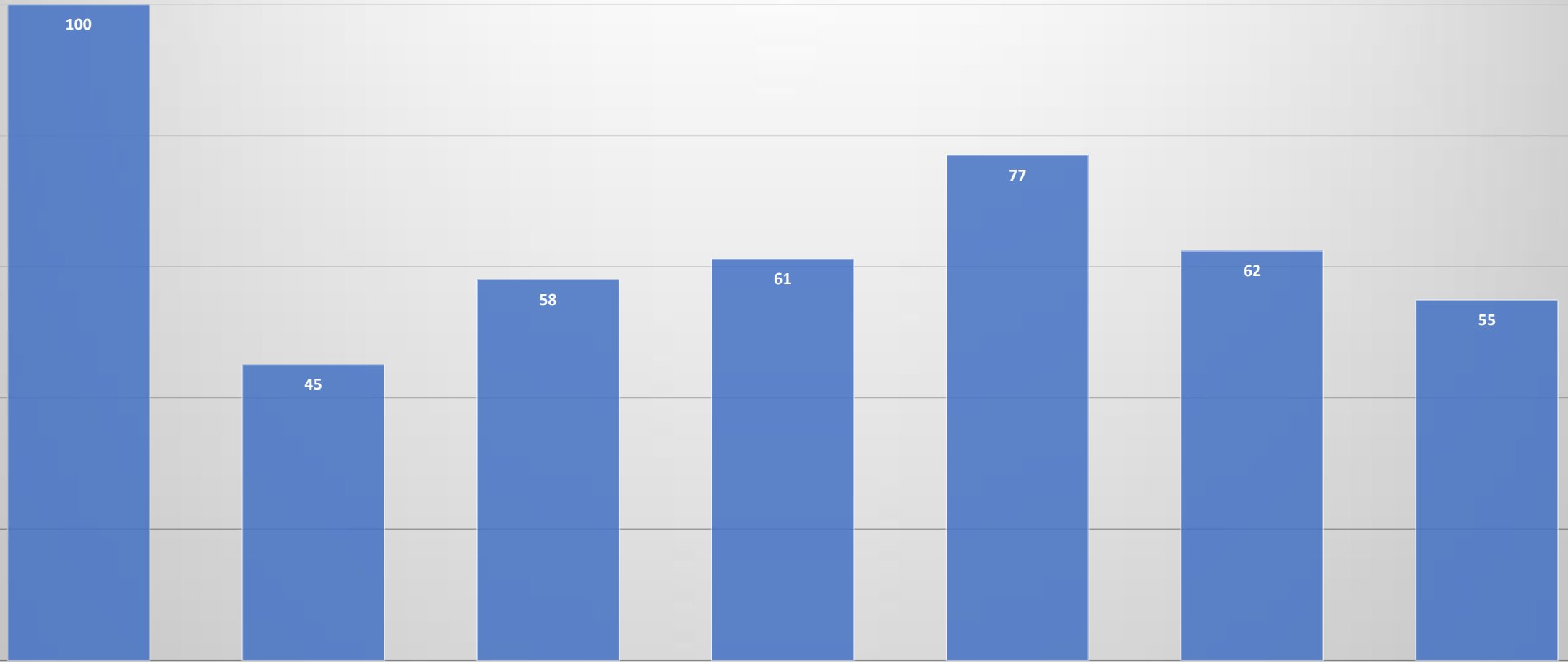


Long term Evolution of VAS in relations with the used dose

—•— Dose —•— EVA



**Pain at the the FU visits (% compared to Pre)**



Pre

M1

M3

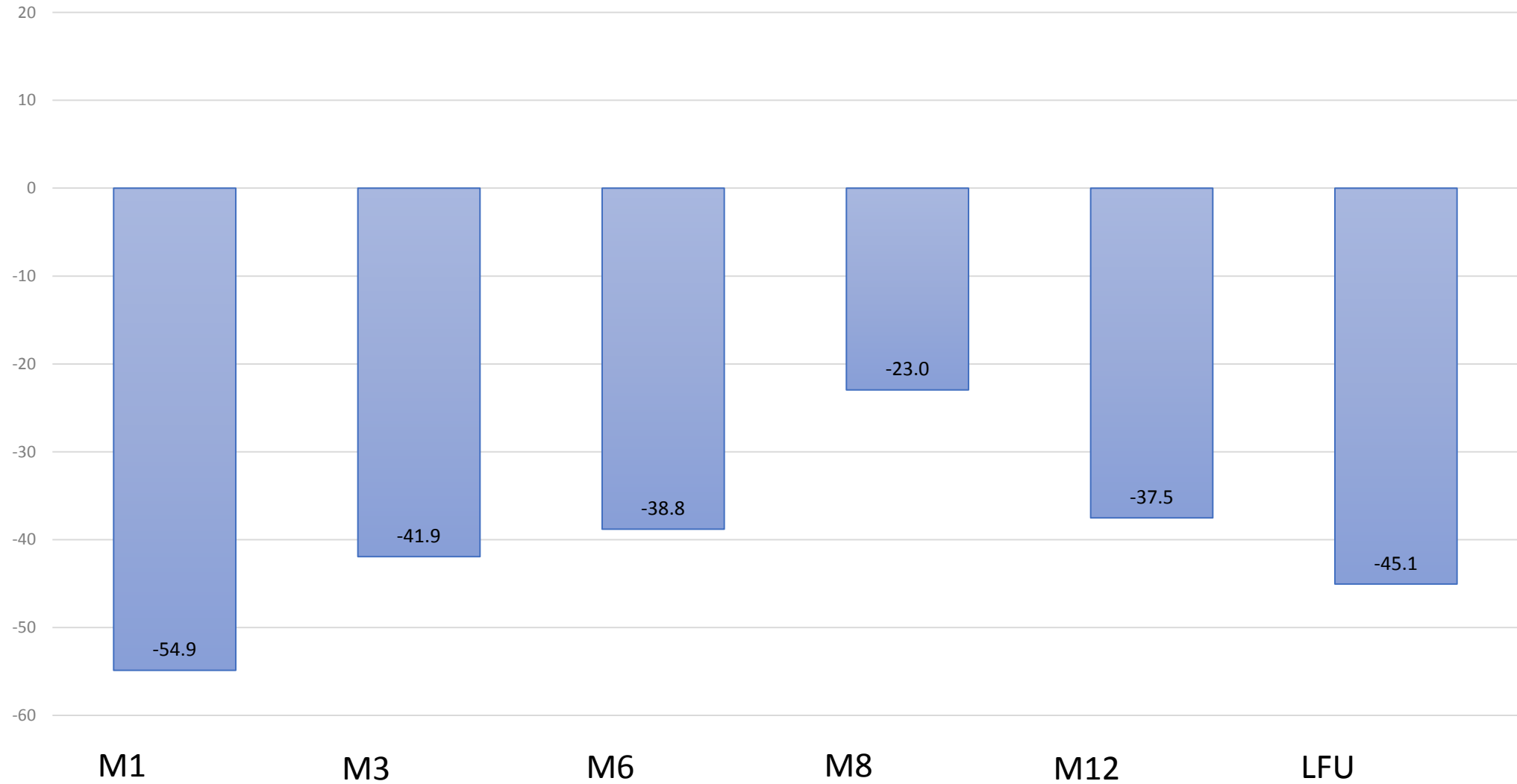
M6

M8

M12

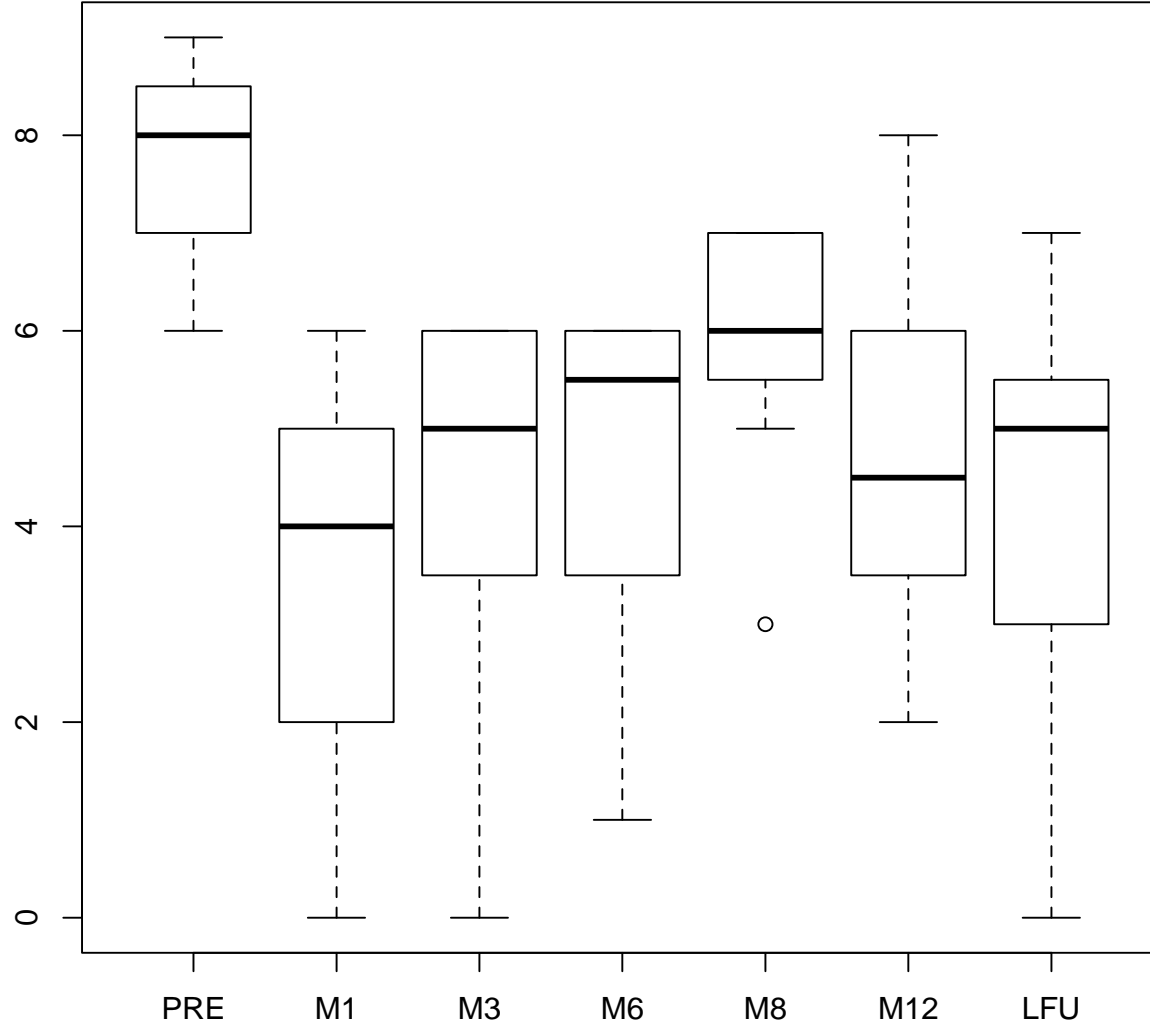
LFU

# % decrease in VAS



p = 0.02 Wilcoxon

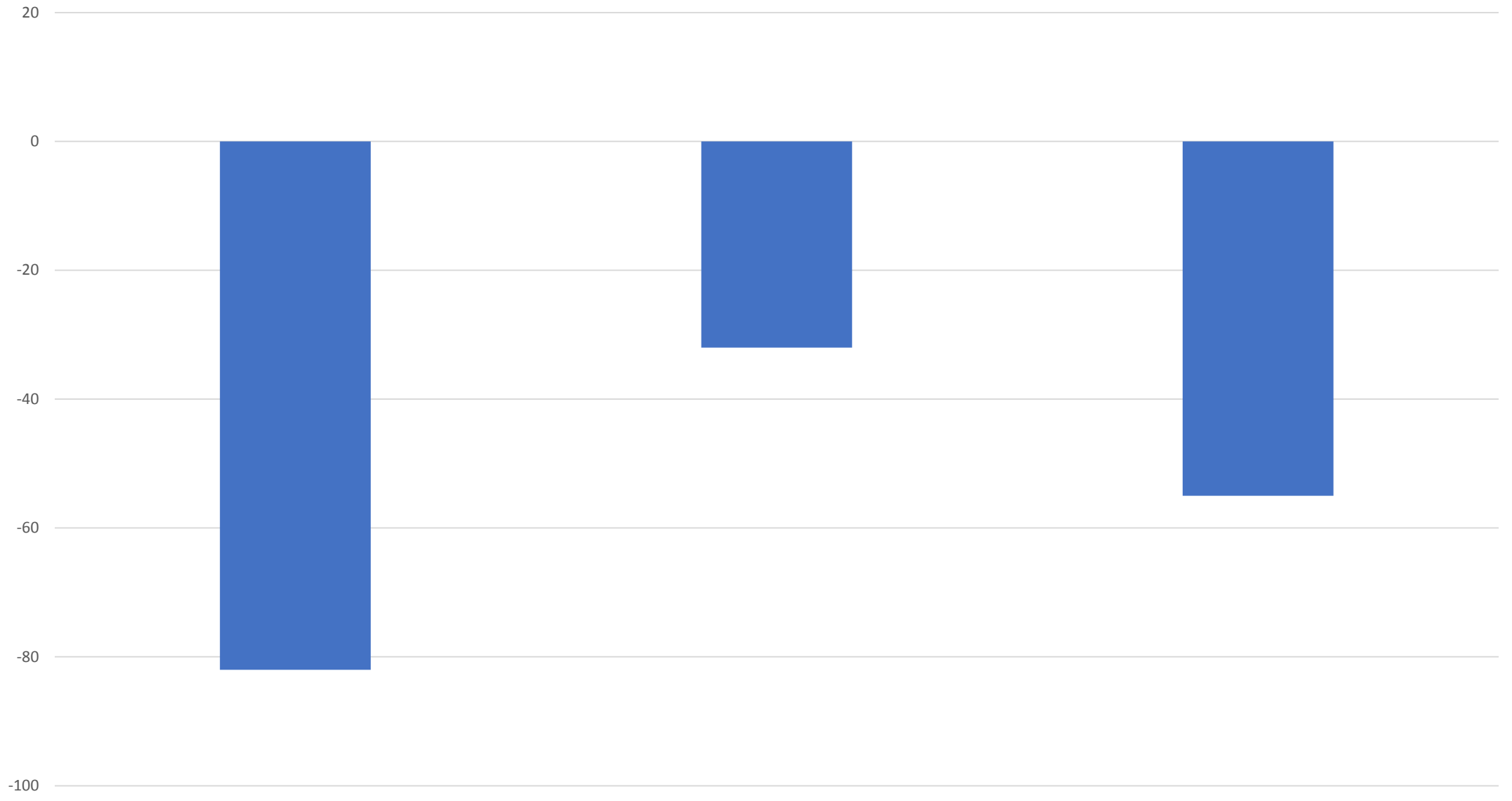
p = 0.001 Wilcoxon



Paroxysmic

Continous

Overall



# Conclusion

- Potential use of Ziconotide in SCI pain
- Half of patients are initial responders
- Significant proportion of SAE
- Dosage in question (rarely is there a long term effect at low doses)
- No RCT on this particular question

# Perspective

Assessment of intrathecal Ziconotide antalgic efficacy for severe refractory neuropathic pain due to spinal cord lesions.

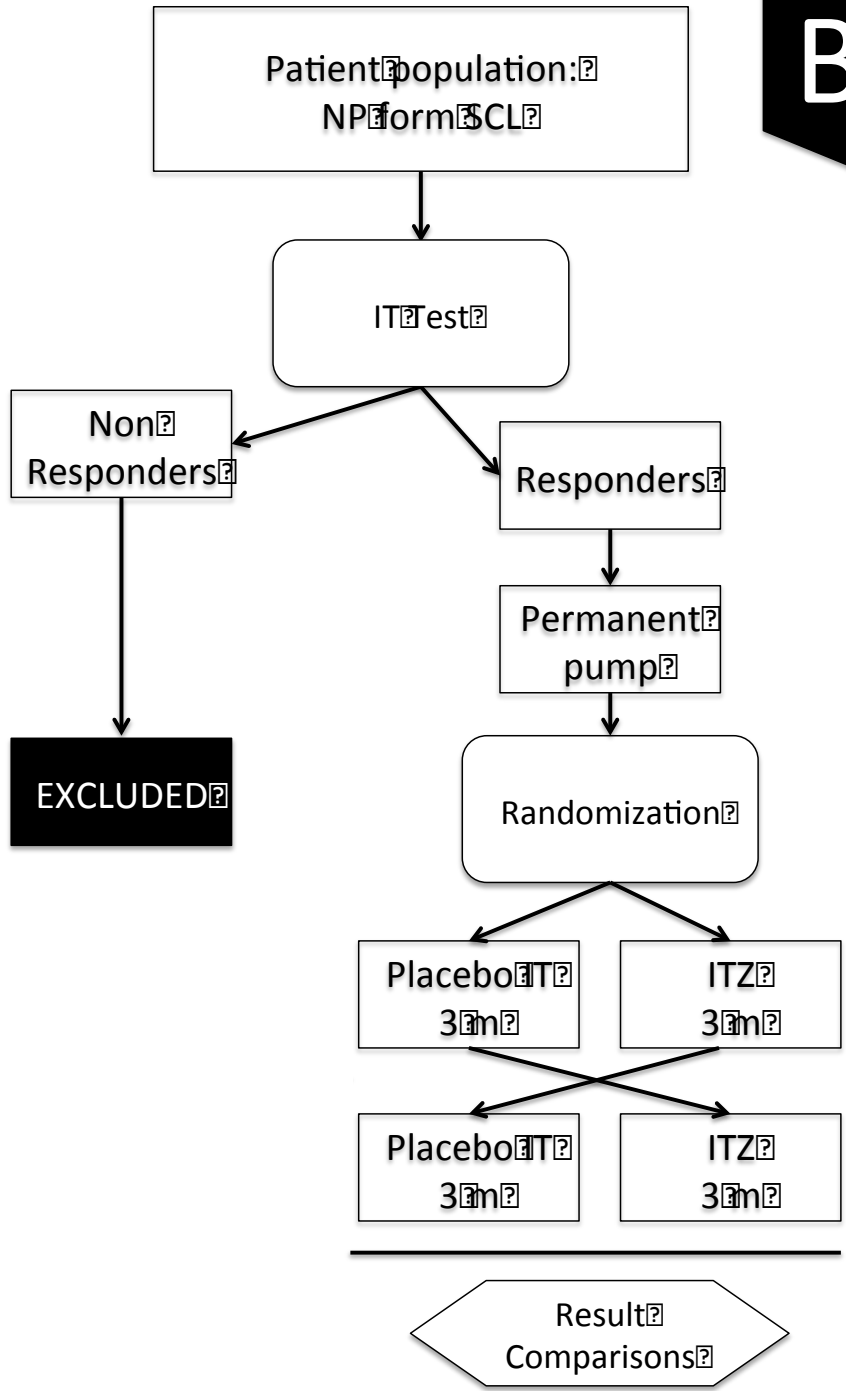
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# RCT of ITZ for SCI pain

- French multicenter study
- Physical Medicine – Recruitment
- Neurologists/algologists – follow up
- Neurosurgeons Intervention
- Funded through a national research grant (PHRC – National)



- Target 60 patients
- 1 year total follow up
- Starting recruitment 4th quarter 2018