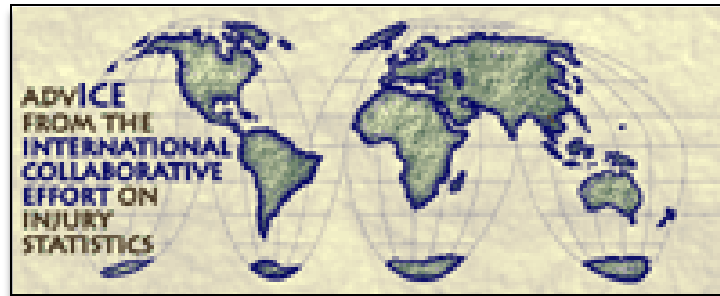


# Internationally Comparable Diagnosis-Specific Survival Probabilities for Calculation of the ICD-10 Based Injury Severity Scores



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# Background

- Desire to develop internationally comparable indicators of injury morbidity using administrative datasets
- Decision to hospitalize can vary over time and from country to country
- A standard method to identify patients of similar injury severity level is needed
  - Consensus derived vs empirically derived
  - AIS; ISS vs DSP, “SRR”; ICISS

# Background

## Diagnosis-specific Survival Probability (DSP; “SRR”)

- Determined for each individual ICD diagnosis code
- Number of patients with a given injury code who survived  
Total number of patients with that injury code
- Values range from 0-1

## ICD-based Injury Severity Score (ICISS)

- The product of the DSPs for each injury
- $ICISS = DSP_{inj1} \times DSP_{inj2} \times DSP_{inj3}$  , etc.
- ICISS used in logistic regression models to predict probability of death

# Background

- For a more accurate estimate of the DSP, a large number of observations is needed
- At the 2008 Boston ICE meeting, researchers from several countries agreed to pool data to generate the international DSPs (ICE-DSPs)

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# Objectives of the Study

- To develop DSPs from pooled data (ICE-DSPs)
- To compare the performance in predicting inpatient mortality of ICISS based on ICE-DSPs to ICISS based on country-specific DSPs

# Methods

Seven countries provided data for creating the ICE-DSPs

- Australia
- Argentina
- Austria
- Canada
- Denmark\*
- New Zealand\*
- Sweden\*

\*Provided record level data

# Methods

- The pooled data included nearly 4 million injury diagnoses
  - 1168 dx had at least 1 observation in the pooled data
  - 88% had at least 20 observations to calculate DSP
  - 66% had at least 100 observations to calculate DSP



# Methods

- Four methods were used to calculate ICE-DSPs using the pooled data
  - Summation
  - Arithmetic means
  - Trimmed means
  - Combined approach
- Summation method is recommended (simplest)

# Methods

- For the 3 countries that provided record level data, the performance of a logistic regression model using ICE-DSP-derived ICISS to predict mortality was compared to that of a model using ICISS calculated using the country-specific DSPs
  - Discrimination: c-statistic
  - Calibration: Nagelkerke's  $R^2$

# Results

- Variability among country-specific DSPs
  - Range = the difference between the highest and lowest country-specific DSPs for an injury diagnosis

# Diagnoses with the least variability in DSPs between countries

| ICD-10 code | Diagnosis  | Range in DSPs | Mean of DSPs |
|-------------|--|---------------|--------------|
| S807        | Multiple superficial injuries of lower leg         | 0.033         | 0.974        |
| S799        | Unspecified injury of hip and thigh                | 0.035         | 0.979        |
| S211        | Open wound of front wall of thorax                 | 0.040         | 0.963        |
| T141        | Open wound of unspecified body region              | 0.041         | 0.976        |
| S122        | Fracture of other specified cervical vertebra      | 0.044         | 0.954        |
| S829        | Fracture of lower leg, part unspecified            | 0.049         | 0.970        |
| T149        | Injury, unspecified                                | 0.050         | 0.968        |
| T589        | Toxic effect of carbon monoxide                    | 0.052         | 0.970        |
| S212        | Open wound of back wall of thorax                  | 0.056         | 0.976        |
| S141        | Other/unspecified injuries of cervical spinal cord | 0.064         | 0.917        |

# Diagnoses with the most variability in DSPs between countries

| ICD-10 code | Diagnosis   | Range in DSPs | Mean of DSPs |
|-------------|---|---------------|--------------|
| S271        | Traumatic haemothorax                               | 0.263         | 0.940        |
| S368        | Injury of other intra-abdominal organs              | 0.264         | 0.925        |
| S027        | Multiple fractures involving skull and facial bones | 0.294         | 0.893        |
| T689        | Hypothermia   | 0.294         | 0.852        |
| S066        | Traumatic subarachnoid haemorrhage                  | 0.379         | 0.816        |
| S361        | Injury of liver or gall bladder                     | 0.386         | 0.932        |
| S064        | Epidural haemorrhage                                | 0.391         | 0.920        |
| T175        | Foreign body in bronchus                            | 0.408         | 0.971        |
| S272        | Traumatic haemopneumothorax                         | 0.411         | 0.944        |
| S065        | Traumatic subdural haemorrhage                      | 0.539         | 0.826        |

# Performance of model using ICE-DSP-derived ICISS: Data from New Zealand

N= 264,348

Inpatient Mortality Rate = 1.2%

| Factors in the model | C-statistic<br>(Discrimination) | Nagelkerke's R <sup>2</sup><br>(Calibration) |
|----------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| ICISS from NZ DSPs   | 0.876                           | 0.2263                                       |
| ICISS from ICE-DSPs  | 0.868                           | 0.2088                                       |

# Performance of model using ICE-DSP-derived ICISS: Data from Sweden

N=707,968

Inpatient Mortality Rate = 1.6%

| Factors in the model                | C-statistic<br>(Discrimination) | Nagelkerke's R <sup>2</sup><br>(Calibration) |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| ICISS from Swedish DSPs             | 0.829                           | 0.1678                                       |
| ICISS from ICE-DSPs                 | 0.815                           | 0.1489                                       |
|                                     |                                 |  |
| Age + Sex + ICISS from Swedish DSPs | 0.877                           | 0.2385                                       |
| Age + Sex + ICISS from ICE-DSPs     | 0.871                           | 0.2232                                       |

# Performance of model using ICE-DSP-derived ICISS: Data from Denmark (one hospital)

N=23,449

Inpatient Mortality Rate = 10.8%

| Factors in the model               | C-statistic<br>(Discrimination) | Nagelkerke's R <sup>2</sup><br>(Calibration) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| ICISS from Danish DSPs             | 0.725                           | 0.1311                                       |
| ICISS from ICE-DSPs                | 0.681                           | 0.0756                                       |
|                                    |                                 |  |
| Age + Sex + ICISS from Danish DSPs | 0.822                           | 0.2613                                       |
| Age + Sex + ICISS from ICE-DSPs    | 0.816                           | 0.2490                                       |



# Next Steps: International DSPs

- Are the ICE-DSPs ready for use or do they need to be further refined or tested?
  - Include out of hospital deaths?
  - Include data from more countries?
  - Create ICE-DSPs for different age groups (pediatric *vs* adult *vs* older adult)
  - Create ICE-DSPs for comorbidities?
  - Test discrimination/calibration using data from less resourced countries?

# Next Steps: International DSPs

- Do we need to generate standard methods for how to use the ICE-DSPs?
  - Post the international DSPs to the web?
  - Create a toolkit on how to use?
    - Multiplicative model vs single worst injury
    - Include ICE-DSPs for comorbidities when calculating ICISS?

# Next Steps: Other Considerations

- Do we continue on the path of international DSPs or do we consider other methods?
  - Excess Mortality Ratio-adjusted ISS, Kim et al, 2009
  - Trauma Mortality Prediction Model, Osler, et al, 2007
  - ICD-10 to AIS crosswalk, Haas, Nathans, et al, 2012

Questions and Discussion

Thank you!

# Next Steps: International DSPs

- Should we use the ICE-DSPs to define broader injury severity categories for international comparisons (ordinal scale)?
- Should we use the ICE-DSPs to identify a “basket of injuries” that could be used when ICD-10 coded data are not available (threshold)?

# Next Steps: International DSPs

- Should the ICE-DSPs be updated, and if so, how often?
  - Include the same countries each time?