DELIRIUM APPENDICES (Draft for Consultation)

Appendix D: Included studies- Consequences of Delirium

Patient details

Risk factor: Incidence of Delirium

Consequence: Dementia: Cognitive impairment[MMSE<24] - at discharge

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion |
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| Ely 2004; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 224; Funding: Grant- other | Mechanically ventilated admitted to medical or ICUs.Patients with strosyndrome or other neudisease, deaf or unable |

Mechanically ventilated patient admitted to medical or coronary ICUs.Patients with stroke syndrome or other neurologic disease, deaf or unable to speak or understand English, extubated prior to enrollment, previously enrolled in study, refused to participate were excluded

Age(range): 55 years (37 to 73); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 89/275 (32.4%); incident delirium: 183/224, of whom 123 were in coma; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU; Cognitive impairment: Unclear or Not stated; Details on cognitive impairment: modified Blessed Dementia Rating Scale (range 0-17) - measures patient's baseline likelihood of dementia; Mean mBDRS 0.23(0.8):0.14(SD 0.6); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: assessed with APACHE II, most abnormal value during first 24h of ICU stay used to calculate severity of illness: 25.6 (SD8.1):23.2(9.6)

Setting Factors adjusted for

Setting: Hospital; Ward: ICU

Age at enrollment, Charlson Comorbidity Index, mBDRS score, APACHE II score, SOFA score, admitting diagnoses of sepsis or acute respiratory distress syndrome, sedative & analgesic medications (lorazepam, propofol,morphine,fentanyl), time-dependent coma variable

Consequence: Dementia: Cognitive dysfunction - 7 days postop

| Rudolph 2008; |
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| prospective cohort |
| study; country |
| IIK IISA Denmark Fr |

Study details

UK.USA.Denmark.Fr. Germany, Greece, Net herland, Spain; Total number of patients: 1218; Funding: Grant- other

Inclusion/Exclusion

Patients ≥ 60 years undergoing non-cardiac surgery. If score on MMSE ≤23. CNS disease including dementia or Parkinson's, previous neurpsychological testing, administration of tranquilisers or antidepressants prior to admission, cardiac or neuro surgery, severe hearing or visual disorder, life expectancy less than 3 mo. illiteracy & inabliity to understand the language of the test administration were excluded.

Patient details

Age(range): 69 years(62.9 to 76.3); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent & incident: 99/1161 [85%]: Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool: Assessment details: DSM III; o method of delirium assessment was not consistent; patients were assessed with MMSE and medical records until postoperative day 3 and from day 4 until discharge, evaluation was based on the medical and nurse chart: Cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment deduced from scores: Details on cognitive impairment: MMSE. Scores given for those who completed delirium assessment or not. Range of scores: 26.2 to 29.6: Unlikely patients cognityiely impaired.: Comorbidity/Severity of Illness:

Setting

Setting: Hospital; Ward: Surgical: Type of anaesthesia: not stated: type of surgery: non cardiac

Age, education and duration of surgery

Factors adjusted for

Consequence: Dementia: Cognitive dysfunction - 3 months postop

Study details

Rudolph 2008; prospective cohort study: country Multinational [GB,USA,Dk,Fr,Ger,G reece.ND.Spain1: Total number of patients: 1218; Funding: Grant- other

Inclusion/Exclusion

Patients ≥ 60 years undergoing non-cardiac surgery. If score on MMSE ≤23, CNS disease including dementia or Parkinson's, previous neurpsychological testing. administration of tranquilisers or antidepressants prior to admission, cardiac or neuro surgery, severe hearing or visual disorder, life expectancy less than 3 mo, illiteracy & inabliity to understand the language of the test administration were excluded.

Patient details

Age(range): 69 years(62.9 to 73.6); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent & incident: 99/1161(9%): Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool: Assessment details: DSM III: method of delirium assessment was not consistent: patients were assessed with MMSE and medical records until postoperative day 3 and from day 4 until discharge, evaluation was based on the medical and nurse chart; Cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment deduced from scores; Details on cognitive impairment: MMSE. Scores given for those who completed delirium assessment or not. Range of scores: 26.2 to 29.6; Unlikely patients cognitively impaired.; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness:

Setting

Setting: Hospital:Ward: Surgical: Type of anaesthesia: not stated: type of surgery: non cardiac

Factors adjusted for

Age, education and duration of surgery

Consequence: Dementia at 3 years

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|---|---|---|------------------------------------|---|
| Rockwood 1999; prospective cohort study; country Canada; Total number of patients: 164; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 65 y and older between Oct 1991 to Aug 1992; Exclusion criteria not stated | Age(range): 79 years; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:6/164 (85%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM IV; using Delirium Rating Scale,; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Authors stated that dementia diagnosis conformed to the Candian Study of Health and Aging dementia protocol- which is DSMIII-R; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Reported comorbid illness: 2 levels: moderate and severe | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age(years), gender, comorbid illness (two levels) |

Consequence: New admission to institution - discharge

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|--|---|--|------------------------------------|---|
| Balas 2009; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 114; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | English speaking patients ≥65 years admitted to surgical critical care, availabe surrogate responder in contact (phone or inperson) exceeding 4h/wk over the previous 5 years.Both pt & surrogate needed to agree to participate w/in 24 to 48 h of admission. Patients with CNS injury within 1yr, current or past treatment for DSM-IV axis 1 psychotic disorders; blind or deaf, postoperative cognitive dysfunction associated with cardiopulmonary bypass or cardiothoracic surgery were excluded. | Age(range): 75.4 (SD 6.3); Number of patients with delirium: Patients with prevalent delirium excluded; incident: 29.8%: 34/114; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: IQCODE score ≥3.31: 21/114 (18.8%); Cut off score of 3.31 chosen for dementia based on sensitivity & specificity; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: not reported | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | MV: age,gender, hearing loss, pre-Katz ADL<5, IQCODE <3.31, mechanical ventilation use, complications, APACHE II, CCI, service [general,trauma,vascular,other; vascular=reference] |
| Bourdel-Marchasson 2004; prospective cohort study; country France; Total number of patients: 847; Funding: Grant- other | Patients older than 75 years were included; Patients whose stay was shorter than 3 days, or those usually living in an institution were excluded | Age(range): 85 years (78.4 to 92.4); Number of patients with delirium: incident: 15/427 (3.5%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM symptoms within 24h following admission; delirium within 4d of stay termed prevalent delirium; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 322/427 (75%) patients; based on family interviews and physicans; check if existed with respect to DSM IV criteria; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: comorbidities and other medications | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age (for 1 year increase), gender, previously known cognitive impairment, dietary intake group[2 levels]; falls, stroke, haemoglobin; RFs for institutionalistion identified by UV analysis (p<0.1: ADL, weight, serum albumin,opiates) |

Consequence: New admission to institution - discharge

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| Bourdel-Marchasson 2004; prospective cohort study; country France; Total number of patients: 847; Funding: Grant- other | Patients older than 75 years were included.; Patients whose stay was shorter than 3 days, usually living in an institution were excluded. | Age(range): 85 years (78.4 to 92.4); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 34/427 [8%]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM symptoms within 24h following admission; delirium within 4d of stay termed prevalent delirium; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 322/427 (75%) patients; based on family interviews and physicans; check if existed with respect to DSM IV criteria; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: comorbidities and other medications | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age (for 1 year increase), gender, previously known cognitive impairment, dietary intake group[2 levels]; falls, stroke, haemoglobin; RFs for institutionalistion identified by UV analysis (p<0.1: ADL, weight, serum albumin,opiates) |
| Inouye 1998; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 727; Funding: Grant- other | All sites (Chicago, Cleveland, Yale) included medical patients; Chicago and Yale sites included surgical patients as well. All sites excluded terminally ill patients | Age(range): 78.9 years (72 to 85.8); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 88/727 (12%) [in text]; 90/727 [in table]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment: 19% met criteria for dementia; assessed with MMSE; Mean MMSE(across the 3 sites): 23.5(SD5.4); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: APACHE II (admission); Mean across three study sites: | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | Age, gender, dementia, APACHE II, ADL score & IADL score |

Consequence: New admission to institution - discharge

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Levkoff 1992; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 325; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 65 years or older from both long-term care and the community admitted to hospital from Jul 1987 to June1989; patients were excluded if admitted from an ICU or psychiatric unit; or had severe language or hearing problems, or active tuberculosis. | Age(range): mean 81.4 (73.7 to 89.1); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 34/325 (11%); incident:91; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSI (has 7 symptom domains); examined within 48 hrs of hospital admission, and then daily for at least 14 days; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 24% with preexisting cognitive impairment; assessment methods not reported (relied on medical chart review); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Sum of severity of scores assigned to 15 medical conditions to obtain a score based on presence &severity. Range:1(not likely to have any impact on the process of care) to 4(life threatening. Reviewed by internist/geriatrician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | age [<80 vs >80], sex, preexisting cognitive impairment (presence/absence), and illness severity |

Consequence: New admission to institution - 3 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Inouye 1998; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 727; Funding: Grant- other | All sites (Chicago, Cleveland, Yale) included medical patients; Chicago and Yale sites included surgical patients as well. All sites excluded terminally ill patients | Age(range): 78.9 years (72 to 85.8); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 88/727 (12%) [in text]; 90/727 [in table]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment:19% met criteria for dementia; assessed with MMSE; Mean MMSE(across the 3 sites): 23.5(SD5.4); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: APACHE II (admission); Mean across three study sites: 12.4 (SD 4.5) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | Age, gender, dementia, APACHE II, ADL score & IADL score |

Consequence: New admission to institution - 6 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|--|---|---|------------------------------------|--|
| O'Keeffe 1997; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 225; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted to an acute care geriatric unit were included. Only the 1st admission over the 19mo study period included. Patients not admitted to the geriatric unit on the day of admission, patients admitted electively for investigations, rehabilitation or respite care, severely aphasic or deaf, expected to remain in hospital <48h or not assessed by a study doctor w/in 48h of admission were excluded. | Age(range): 82 years (76 to 88); Number of patients with delirium: 41/225 (18%) at admission; evaluated within 48hrs; incident: 53 patients; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM III;Did not require criterion 5 of DSM-III criteria [aetiology]; diagnosis based solely on the mental status history and examination:At admission:report of primary caregiver or other informant to id symptoms that were new/had worsened within wk; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment 60/225(27%)with chronic cognitive impairment based on Blessed Dementia Rating score ≥4 or if cog impairment interfered with social fx of at least6mo; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness[delirium vs no delirium]: Mild:23:50; Moderate:29:59; Severe:42:22; Severity rating made by study physician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | age, severity of illness[2 levels], comorbid disease, disability score, chronic cognitive impairment |

Consequence: New admisson to institution - 2 years

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|--|---|--|----------------------------|--|
| Pitkala 2005; prospective cohort study; country Finland; Total number of patients: 425; Funding: Grant- other | Patients in acute wards of geriatric hospitals and nursing homes were included. Patients less than 70 years and those in coma were excluded | Age(range): Age over 85 years: 59% [250/425]; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 106/425 (24.9%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSMIV; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Clinical Dementia Rating Scale & criteria of dementia according to DSM IV, prior diagnoses of dementia & medical records for consensus by geriatrician; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: | Setting: Mixed;Ward: Other | age, gender, education, dementia, comorbidity and ADL dependence |

Consequence: Mortality - in hospital

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| nouye 1998; rospective cohort tudy; country USA; total number of atients: 727; unding: Grant- other | All sites (Chicago, Cleveland, Yale) included medical patients; Chicago and Yale sites included surgical patients as well. All sites excluded terminally ill patients | Age(range): 78.9 years (72 to 85.8); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 88/727 (12%) [in text]; 90/727 [in table 2]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment: 138 patients [19%] met criteria for dementia; assessed with MMSE; Mean MMSE(across the 3 sites): 23.5(SD5.4); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: APACHE II (admission); Mean across three study sites: 12.4 (SD 4.5) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | Age, gender, dementia, APACHE II, ADL score & IADL score |
| O'Keeffe 1997; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 225; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted to an acute care geriatric unit were included. Only the 1st admission over the 19mo study period included. Patients not admitted to the geriatric unit on the day of admission, patients admitted electively for investigations, rehabilitation or respite care, severely aphasic or deaf, expected to remain in hospital <48h or not assessed by a study doctor w/in 48h of admission were excluded. | Age(range): 82 years (76 to 88); Number of patients with delirium: 41/225 (18%) at admission; evaluated within 48hrs; incident: 53 /225 (24%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM III; The following criterion not required: 'evidence, from the history,physical exam, or lab tests of a specific organic factor judged to be aetiologically related to the disturbance'; Diagnosis based solely on mental status history and exam.; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 60/225(27%)with chronic cognitive impairment based on Blessed Dementia Rating score ≥4 or if CI interfered with social functioning at least 6mo; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness[delirium vs no delirium]: Mild:23:50; Moderate:29:59; Severe:42:22; Severity rating made by study physician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | age, severity of illness[2 levels], comorbid disease, disability score, dementia |

Consequence: Mortality - in ICU

Study details Inclusion/Exclusion Patient details Setting Factors adjusted for

Lin 2004; prospective cohort study; country Taiwan; Total number of patients: 102; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated Mechanically ventilated adult ICU patients. Patients with a history of chronic dementia, psychosis, mental retardation or other neurologic disease; patients receiving antipsychotics or high doses of morphine(>50mg/d) or midazolam (>0.09mg/kg/hr), patients under general anaesthesia or heavily sedated with neuromuscular blockin agents were excluded.

Age(range): 73.6 years (70 to 77); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 22/102 (22%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU (Chinese version) within first 5 days of ICU stay; Presence of categories: acute onset, inattention, disorganised thinking or altered leve of consciousness; assessment continued until patients became nondelirious for 2 consecutive days.; Cognitive impairment: No patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Patients with history of chronic dementia excluded; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: APACHE III score rated by chart review; data obtained within 24 hours of ICU admission:

Setting: Hospital; Ward: ICU

APACHE III score, delirium, diabetes mellitus, chronic airway disease, congestive heart failure, shock, elevated serum level of urea nitrogen; UV: Also included Age, Gender, disease (hypertension, stroke, ischemic heart disease, sepsis, arrhythmia), hypoxemia, hypercarpnia, hypoalbuminemia, hyponatremia, elevated serum level of

creatinine, elevated serum level of bilirubin

Consequence: Mortality- in ICU & hospital

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Lin 2008; prospective cohort study; country Taiwan; Total number of patients: 143; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Mechanically ventilated adult ICU patients. Patients with a history of chronic dementia, psychosis, mental retardation or other neurologic disease; patients receiving antipsychotics or high doses of morphine(>50mg/d) or midazolam (>0.09mg/kg/hr); patients under general anaesthesia recovering from surgery or heavily sedated with neuromuscular agents were excluded | Age(range): 76 years (IQR 64 to 85.5); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 31/143 (22%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU (Chinese version) within first 5 days of ICU stay; Presence of categories: acute onset, inattention, disorganised thinking or altered leve of consciousness; assessment continued until patients became nondelirious for 2 consecutive days.; Cognitive impairment: No patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Patients with history of chronic dementia excluded; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | MV: Age, gender, mean arterial pressure, arterial pH value, PaO2/FiO2, white blood cell count, preexisting medical conditions, sepsis and shock. |
| Thomason 2005; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 261; Funding: Grant- other | Patients aged 18 years or older admitted for more than 24 h to the medical ICU and did not require invasive mechanical ventialiton | Age(range): 52.5 years (32 to74); Number of patients with delirium: 125/261 (48%) at least 1 episode [not all at baseline]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM ICU; Patients scoring positive at any time whilst in ICU categorised as delirious;; Cognitive impairment: Unclear or Not stated; Details on cognitive impairment: Not stated; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: median (IQR): 4(2-7): 3 (1-6); APACHE II [range 0 to 71; 0=best]score: 15 (10-21): 11(6-16) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | Age, gender, race, APACHE II score, Charlson co-morbidity index, coma status, delirium; For the mortality analysis: age, gender, race, APACHE II score and Charlson was pooled using principal component analysis |

Consequence: Mortality - 1 month

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details |
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| Marcantonio 2000; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 126; Funding: Grant- other | Patients admitted to for surgical repair of hip fractures. Patients with presence of metastatic cancer or other comorbid illnesses likely to reduce life expectancy to under 6mo, inability to obtain informed | Age(range): 79 years (71 to 87); Number of delirium: reported as incident delirium: 52/1 Delirium Assessment: Assessed with estab Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impair patients with cognitive impairment; Details of impairment: 50/126(40%) with cognitive impassed on proxy interview using Blessed sco |

consent w/24h surgery or 48h

exclusion. Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip

admission were reasons for

of patients with /126 (41%); ablished tool: airment: Some on coanitive npairment: based on proxy interview using Blessed score of >= 4 [range 0 to 28); Mean: (5 SD5);; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: 0-1: 29% (29/126); 2-3: 41% (52/126); 4 or more: 36% (45/126)

Factors adjusted for

Age, baseline cognitive impairment, ADL functional impairment, medical comorbidity [1

Consequence: Mortality - 6 weeks

fracture

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details |
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| Drame 2008; prospective cohort study; country France; Total number of patients: 1306; Funding: Grant- other | Patients over 75 years or older hospitalised in a medical ward in the same hospital as the emergency unit to which they were initally admitted to. Patients who were hospitalised into intensive care or surgery, or if admission did not occur after emergency admission were excluded | Age(range): 85.0 years with delirium: prevalent Assessment: Assessed Assessment details: By critiera :disturbance of a cognition as defined by development over a shimpairment: Some patie Details on cognitive impresence of a diagnosis by assessment of senio Comorbidity/Severity of |

(75 to 103); Number of patients nt: 261/1296 (20%); Delirium d with established tool; y geriatrician according to DSM-IV consciousness, change in an MMSE score ≤24 and nort period of time; Cognitive ents with cognitive impairment: pairment: 589/1296 (45%); s of dementia in medical records or or practitioner: f Illness: Charlson index used to define three levels of comorbidity (low:0 to 1; medium 2 to 4; high 5)

Setting: Hospital; Ward: Medical

Setting

Setting

Setting: Hospital; Ward:

anaesthesia: not stated:

type of surgery: orthopaedic

Surgical; Type of

Age, gender, ADL [moderately dependent vs independent, severly dependent vs independent], malnutrition risk, dementia, delirium

Factors adjusted for

Consequence: Mortality - 3 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Inouye 1998; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 727; Funding: Grant- other | All sites (Chicago, Cleveland, Yale) included medical patients; Chicago and Yale sites included surgical patients as well. All sites excluded terminally ill patients | Age(range): 78.9 years (72 to 85.8); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 88/727 (12%) [in text]; 90/727 [in table 2]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment:19% met criteria for dementia; assessed with MMSE; Mean MMSE(across the 3 sites): 23.5(SD5.4); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: APACHE II (admission); Mean across three study sites: 12.4 (SD 4.5) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | Age, gender, dementia, APACHE II, ADL score & IADL score |

Consequence: Mortality - 6 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
|--|--|---|------------------------------------|---|
| Ely 2004; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 224; Funding: Grant- other | Mechanically ventilated patient admitted to medical or coronary ICUs.Patients with stroke syndrome or other neurologic disease, deaf or unable to speak or understand English, extubated prior to enrollment, previously enrolled in study, or refused to participate were excluded. | Age(range): 55 years (37 to 73); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 89/275 (32.4%); incident: 183/224, of whom 123 were in coma; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU; Cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment deduced from scores; Details on cognitive impairment: modified Blessed Dementia Rating Scale (range 0-17) - measures patient's baseline likelihood of dementia; Mean mBDRS 0.23(0.8):0.14(SD 0.6); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: assessed with APACHE II, most abnormal value during first 24h of ICU stay used to calculate severity of illness; 25.6 (SD8.1):23.2(9.6) for the delirious and non delirious groups, respectively | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | Age at enrollment, Charlson Comorbidity Index, mBDRS score, APACHE II score, SOFA score, admitting diagnoses of sepsis or acute respiratory distress syndrome, sedative & analgesic medications (lorazepam, propofol,morphine,fentanyl), time-dependent coma variable |
| Francis 1990; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 229; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 70 years or older, admitted directly to the medical ward from thecommunity. Excluded patients admitted from nursing homes; admissions for terminal care or for treatment of metastatic cancer, overnight admission for invasive procedures, currently under psychiatric treatment, blind,deaf,aphasic or unable to speak English | Age(range): 78 years; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:36/229 (16%) incident: 14/229 (15%);; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Information on entire hospital stay was used to assign a diagnosis of delirium using criteria from DSM-IIIR; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Blessed's Dementia Rating Scale ≥4 indicating significant chronic cognitive impairment): 33/226; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Reported: 'house-staff severity rating': mild: 74/226; moderate: 101/226; severe: 15/226 | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | ADL status, illness severity [2 levels], prior cognitive impairment and fever; Unclear what factors adjusted for in the MV analysis for mortality, therefore factors for reported for length of stay was used. |

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| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Holmes 2000; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 731; Funding: Grant- other | All patients 65 years or more admitted to an orthopaedic ward in 2 hospitals in Leeds and subsequently undergone surgery for hip fracture were included. Patients with severe deafness, dysphasia, no English language,too physically unwell to undergo psychiatric interview,or no consent were excluded | Age(range): 82.1 years (65 to 99); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:108/731 (15%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Dementia Rating Scale; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Study reported 402/731 (55%) had cognitive impairment of which 40.2% was dementia [assessed with MMSE] and 14.8% delirium; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Physical illness assessed on the Burkill scale; (range:0 to 6, with 0 representing no physical illness and 6 representing severe chronic physical illness).none: 146/731; mild:322/731; moderate 232/731; severe: 31/731 | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: hip fracture | Age, gender, fracture [3 types] vs intertrochanteric, living arrangements [3 levels:family, residential,other] vs alone, social deprivation [3 levels:medium,high,unknown] vs low, physical illness [3 levels:mild,moderate,severe] vs none, physical drugs [2 levels:1to3,>3] vs none, albumin [normal or low] vs not done, psychiatric diagnosis [4 levels: dementia, delirium,depression,other] vs none |
| Levkoff 1992; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 325; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 65 years or older from both long-term care and the community admitted to hospital from Jul 1987 to June1989; Patients were excluded if admitted from an ICU or psychiatric unit; or had severe language or hearing problems, or active tuberculosis. | Age(range): 81.4 years (73.7 to 89.1); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 34/325 (11%); incident:91/325 (28%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSI (has 7 symptom domains); examined within 48 hrs of hospital admission, and then daily for at least 14 days; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 24% with preexisting cognitive impairment; assessment methods not reported (relied on medical chart review); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Sum of severity of scores assigned to 15 medical conditions to obtain a score based on presence &severity. Range:1(not likely to have any impact on the process of care) to 4 (life threatening). Reviewed by internist/geriatrician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | age [<80 vs >80], gender, preexisting cognitive impairment (presence/absence), and illness severity |

Consequence: Mortality - 6 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Marcantonio 2000; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 126; Funding: Grant- other | Patients admitted to for surgical repair of hip fractures. Patients with presence of metastatic cancer or other comorbid illnesses likely to reduce life expectancy to under 6mo, inability to obtain informed consent w/24h surgery or 48h admission were reasons for exclusion.Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip fracture | Age(range): 79 years (71-87); Number of patients with delirium: incident: 52/126 (41%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 50/126(40%) with cognitive impairment; based on proxy interview using Blessed score of ≥ 4; Mean: (5 SD5); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: 0-1: 29% (29/126); 2-3: 41% (52/126); 4 or more: 36% (45/126) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: orthopaedic | MV: Age (<80 vs ≥ 80 years), baseline cognitive impairment, ADL functional impairment, medical comorbidity [1 level: e.g. <3 vs ≥ 4 OR 2 levels: 0-1 vs 4; 2-3 vs 4]-treating as 1 level |
| O'Keeffe 1997; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 225; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted to an acute care geriatric unit were included. Only the 1st admission over the 19mo study period included. Patients not admitted to the geriatric unit on the day of admission, patients admitted electively for investigations, rehabilitation or respite care, severely aphasic or deaf, expected to remain in hospital <48h or not assessed by a study doctor w/in 48h of admission were excluded. | Age(range): 82 years (76 to 88); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 41/225 (18%) evaluated within 48hrs; incident: 53 patients; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM III; Did not require criterion 5 of DSM-III criteria[aetiology]; diagnosis based solely on the mental status history and examination; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment 60/225(27%)with chronic cognitive impairment based on Blessed Dementia Rating score ≥4 or if cog impairment interfered with social fx of at least6mo; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness[delirium vs no delirium]: Mild:23:50; Moderate:29:59; Severe:42:22; Severity rating made by study physician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | age, severity of illness[2 levels], comorbid disease, disability score, dementia |

Consequence: Mortality - 1 year

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Leslie 2005; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 919; Funding: Grant- other | Patient were included if 70 years or older, admitted to non-intensive care general medical units, no evidence of delirium at admission, at intermediate/high risk for delirium based on previously developed risk model. Pts with profound dementia, language barrier, profound aphasia,intubation,coma, respitory isolation, terminal illness, had a hospital stay of 48h or less, or prior enrollment in the study were excluded | Age(range): 80 years (73.5 to 86.5); Number of patients with delirium: incident: 115/919 [13%]; Delirium Assessment: not stated; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Assessed with MMSE (<24) 44%: [406/919] and Blessed Score; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity index socre of >1: 643/919; | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age, male, delirium, ADL impairment, Charlson comorbidity index score [2 levels] |
| Pitkala 2005; prospective cohort study; country Finland; Total number of patients: 425; Funding: Grant- other | Patients in acute wards of geriatric hospitals and nursing homes were included. Patients less than 70 years and those in coma were excluded | Age(range): Age over 85 years: 59% [250/425]; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 106/425 (24.9%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSMIV; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Clinical Dementia Rating Scale & criteria of dementia according to DSM IV, prior diagnoses of dementia & medical records for consensus by geriatrician; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson Comorbidity index: 2.3 (SD 1.6): 2.2(SD 1.5) for the delirious and non delirious groups, respectively. | Setting: Mixed;Ward: Other | age, gender, education, dementia, comorbidity and ADL dependence |

Consequence: Mortality - 2 years

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Dolan 2000; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 682; Funding: Grant- other | Hip fracture patients aged 65years or older recruited from hospitals. All patients were community dwelling at time of fracture. Excl:Patients presenting with pathological fractures or resided in nursing homes, hospital, or extended care facility at time of fracture. | Age(range): 82 years (72.6 to 87.4); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 92/682 (13.5%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Review of medical chart notes and/or proxy interview using CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 15% [n=122] identified were cognitively impaired based on medical chart notation of preexisting dementia; at follow-up: MMSE; patients excluded; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Modified Charlson comorbidity index1 point for MI,CHF, DV,peripheral vascular disease, dementia, COPD2:Ca/strk;3:cirrhosis;Score range 0 to 15. Comorbidities (mean (SD)): 2.3 (1.6): 1.6(1.5), for the delirium and no delirium groups, respectivley [p<0.001] | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age, delirium at admission, gender (male) race (white), comorbidity, prefracture ADL impairment |
| Francis 1992; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 229; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 70 years or older, admitted directly to the medical ward from thecommunity. Excluded patients admitted from nursing homes; patients with severe dementia [requireing continual assistance in ADL) and aphasic, deaf,blind or unable to speak. | Age(range): 78 years (72 to 85); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:36/229 (16%) incident: 14/229 (15%);; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Information on entire hospital stay was used to assign a diagnosis of delirium using criteria from DSM-IIIR; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Blessed's Dementia Rating Scale(>=4indicating significant chronic cognitive impairment): 33/226; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness-clinician based rating scale (1=not ill to 9=moribund) on how severly ill patient is on admission; (%): mild: 24:60; moderate:67:37; sever 9:3; | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | initial cognitive impairment (DRS score), baseline ADL, cancer; [age, gender, race,marital stauts and severity of illness univariate only] |

Consequence: Mortality - 2 years

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Nightingale 2001; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 731; Funding: Grant- other | All patients 65 years or more admitted to an orthopaedic ward in 2 hospitals in Leeds and subsequently undergone surgery for hip fracture were included. Patients with severe deafness, dysphasia, no English language,too physically unwell to undergo psychiatric interview,no consent were excluded | Age(range): 82.1 years; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:108/731 (15%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Dementia Rating Scale; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Study reported 402/731 (55%) had cog impariment of which 40.2% was dementia [assessed with MMSE] and 14.8% delirium; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Physical illness recorded with Burvill scale | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: hip fracture | Age, gender, hospital, Daily activities (per unit increase), physical illness (3 levels: mild, moderate, severe vs none], psychiatirc diagnosis [3 levels: dementia, delirium, depression vs well] |
| Pitkala 2005; prospective cohort study; country Finland; Total number of patients: 425; Funding: Grant- other | Patients in acute wards of geriatric hospitals and nursing homes were included. Patients less than 70 years and those in coma were excluded | Age(range): Age over 85 years: 59% [250/425]; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 106/425 (24.9%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSMIV; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Clinical Dementia Rating Scale & criteria of dementia according to DSM IV, prior diagnoses of dementia & medical records for consensus by geriatrician; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity: Charlson Comorbidity index: 2.3 (SD 1.6): 2.2(SD 1.5) for the | Setting: Mixed;Ward: Other | age, gender, education, dementia, comorbidity and ADL dependence |

Consequence: Mortality - 3 years

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Rockwood 1999; prospective cohort study; country Canada; Total number of patients: 164; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 65 years and older were included between Oct 1991 to Aug 1992; Exclusion criteria not stated | Age(range): 79 years; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 16 [delirium/no dementia]; 22 [delirium & dementia]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM IV; using Delirium Rating scale,; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Authors stated that dementia diagnosis conformed to the Candian Study of Health and Aging dementia protocol- which is DSMIII-R; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Reported comorbid illness: 2 levels: moderate and severe | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age(years), gender, comorbid illness (two levels), frailty, dementia, marital status, living arrangements |

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Holmes 2000; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 731; Funding: Grant- other | I:All patients 65 years or more admitted to an orthopaedic ward in 2 hospitals in Leeds and subsequently undergone surgery for hip fracture. E: severe deafness, dysphasia, no English language, too physically unwell to undergo psychiatric interview, no consent | Age(range): 82.1 years (65 to 99); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:108/731 (15%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Dementia Rating Scale; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Study reported 402/731 (55%) had cognitive impairment of which 40.2% was dementia [assessed with MMSE] and 14.8% delirium; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Burvill physical illness: (range:0 to 6, with 0 representing no physical illness and 6 representing severe chronic physical illness).none: 146/731; mild:322/731; moderate 232/731; severe: 31/731 | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: hip fracture | Age, gender, fracture [3 types] vs intertrochanteric, living arrangements [3 levels:family, residential,other] vs alone, social deprivation [3 levels:medium,high,unknown] vs low, physical illness [3 levels:mild,moderate,severe] vs none, physical drugs [2 levels:1to3,>3] vs none, albumin [normal or low] vs not done, psychiatric diagnosis [4 levels: dementia, delirium,depression,other] vs none |

Consequence: Length of stay- hospital

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| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
| Ely 2004; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 275; Funding: Grant- other | Mechanically ventialted patinet admitted to medical or coronary ICUs. Patients with stroke syndrome or other neurologic disease, deaf or unable to speak or understand English, extubated prior to enrollment, previously enrolled in study, refused to participate were excluded | Age(range): 55 years (37 to 73); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 89/275 (32.4%); incident delirium: 183/224, of whom 123 were in coma; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU; Cognitive impairment: Unclear or Not stated; Details on cognitive impairment: modified Blessed Dementia Rating Scale (range 0-17) - measures patient's baseline likelihood of dementia; Mean mBDRS 0.23(0.8):0.14(SD 0.6); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: assessed with APACHE II, most abnormal value during first 24h of ICU stay used to calculate severity of illness; 25.6 (SD8.1):23.2(9.6); Comorbidity: Charlson comorbidity index: Mean(SD): 3.2 (SD2.8) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | Age at enrollment, Charlson Comorbidity Index, mBDRS score, APACHE II score, SOFA score, admitting diagnoses of sepsis or acute respiratory distress syndrome, sedative & analgesic medications (lorazepam, propofol,morphine,fentanyl), time-dependent coma variable |
| Francis 1990; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 229; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 70 years or older, admitted directly to the medical ward from thecommunity. Excluded patients admitted from nursing homes; admissions for terminal care or for treatment of metastatic cancer, overnight admission for invasive procedures, currently under psychiatric treatment, blind,deaf,aphasic or unable to speak English | Age(range): 78 years; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:36/229 (16%) incident: 14/229 (15%);; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: Information on entire hospital stay was used to assign a diagnosis of delirium using criteria from DSM-IIIR; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Blessed's Dementia Rating Scale ≥4 indicating significant chronic cognitive impairment): 33/226; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Reported: 'house-staff severity rating': mild: 74/226; moderate: 101/226; severe: 15/226 | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | ADL status, illness severity [2 levels], prior cognitive impairment and fever; |

Consequence: Length of stay- hospital

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Levkoff 1992; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 325; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 65 years or older from both long-term care and the community admitted to hospital from Jul 1987 to June1989; patients were excluded if admitted from an ICU or psychiatric unit; or had severe language or hearing problems, or active tuberculosis. | Age(range): mean 81.4 (73.7 to 89.1); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 34/325 (11%); incident:91; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSI (has 7 symptom domains); examined within 48 hrs of hospital admission, and then daily for at least 14 days; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 24% with preexisting cognitive impairment; assessment methods not reported (relied on medical chart review); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Sum of severity of scores assigned to 15 medical conditions to obtain a score based on presence &severity. Range:1(not likely to have any impact on the process of care) to 4(life threatening. Reviewed by internist/geriatrician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | age [<80 vs >80], sex, preexisting cognitive impairment (presence/absence), and illness severity |
| O'Keeffe 1997; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 225; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted to an acute care geriatric unit were included. Only the 1st admission over the 19mo study period included. Patients not admitted to the geriatric unit on the day of admission, patients admitted electively for investigations, rehabilitation or respite care, severely aphasic or deaf, expected to remain in hospital <48h or not assessed by a study doctor w/in 48h of admission were excluded. | Age(range): 82 years (76 to 88); Number of patients with delirium: 41/225 (18%) at admission; evaluated within 48hrs; incident: 53 patients; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM III;Did not require criterion 5 of DSM-III criteria [aetiology]; diagnosis based solely on the mental status history and examination;At admission:report of primary caregiver or other informant to id symptoms that were new/had worsened within wk; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 60/225(27%)with chronic cognitive impairment based on Blessed Dementia Rating score ≥4 or if cog impairment interfered with social fx of at least6mo; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness[delirium vs no delirium]: Mild:23:50; Moderate:29:59; Severe:42:22; Severity rating made by study physician; Charlson Comorbidity index: 2.1 (SD 1.8): 1.8(SD 1.8) for the delirious & non delirious groups, respectively | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | age, severity of illness[2 levels], comorbid disease, disability score, dementia |

Consequence: Length of stay- hospital

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Thomason 2005; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 261; Funding: Grant- other | Patients aged 18 years or older admitted for more than 24 h to the medical ICU and did not require invasive mechanical ventialiton | Age(range): 52.5 years (32 to74); Number of patients with delirium: 125/261 (48%) at least 1 episode [not all at baseline]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM ICU; Patients scoring positive at any time whilst in ICU categorised as delirious; Cognitive impairment: Unclear or Not stated; Details on cognitive impairment: Not stated; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: median (IQR): 4(2-7): 3 (1-6); APACHE II score: 15 (10-21): 11(6-16) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | Age, gender, race, APACHE II score, Charlson co-morbidity index, coma status, delirium |

Consequence: Length of stay - ICU

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Thomason 2005; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 261; Funding: Grant- other | Patients aged 18 years or older admitted for more than 24 h to the medical ICU and did not require invasive mechanical ventialiton were included | Age(range): 52.5 years(32 to74); Number of patients with delirium: 125/260(48%) at least 1 episode [not all at baseline]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM ICU; Patients scoring positive at any time whilst in ICU categorised as delirious; Cognitive impairment: Unclear or Not stated; Details on cognitive impairment: Not stated; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: median (IQR): 4(2-7): 3 (1-6); APACHE II score: 15 (10-21): 11(6-16) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | Age, gender, race, APACHE II score, Charlson co-morbidity index, coma status, delirium |

Consequence: Length of stay - post ICU

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Ely 2004; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 275; Funding: Grant- other | Mechanically ventilated patient admitted to medical or coronary ICUs.Patients with stroke syndrome or other neurologic disease, deaf or unable to speak or understand English, extubated prior to enrollment, previously enrolled in study, refused to participate were excluded. | Age(range): 55 years (37 to 73); Number of patients with delirium: prevalent:89/275 (32.4%); incident delirium: 183/224, of whom 123 were in coma; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM-ICU; Cognitive impairment: Unclear or Not stated; Details on cognitive impairment: modified Blessed Dementia Rating Scale (range 0-17) - measures patient's baseline likelihood of dementia; Mean mBDRS 0.23(0.8):0.14(SD 0.6); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: assessed with APACHE II, most abnormal value during first 24h of ICU stay used to calculate severity of illness; 25.6 (SD8.1):23.2(9.6); Comorbidity: Charlson comorbidity index: Mean(SD): 3.2 (SD2.8) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: ICU | Age at enrollment, Charlson Comorbidity Index, mBDRS score, APACHE II score, SOFA score, admitting diagnoses of sepsis or acute respiratory distress syndrome, sedative & analgesic medications (lorazepam, propofol,morphine,fentanyl), time-dependent coma variable |

Consequence: Hospital acquired complications

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| O'Keeffe 1997; prospective cohort study; country UK; Total number of patients: 225; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted to an acute care geriatric unit were included. Only the 1st admission over the 19mo study period included. Patients not admitted to the geriatric unit on the day of admission, patients admitted electively for investigations, rehabilitation or respite care, severely aphasic or deaf, expected to remain in hospital <48h or not assessed by a study doctor w/in 48h of admission were excluded. | Age(range): 82 years (76 to 88); Number of patients with delirium: 41/225 (18%) at admission; evaluated within 48hrs; incident: 53 patients; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSM III; The following criterion not required: 'evidence, from the history,physical exam, or lab tests of a specific organic factor judged to be aetiologically related to the disturbance'; Diagnosis based solely on mental status history and exam.; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment 60/225(27%)with chronic cognitive impairment based on Blessed Dementia Rating score ≥4 or if cog impairment interfered with social fx of at least6mo; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness[deliriumvs no delirium]: Mild:23:50; Moderate:29:59; Severe:42:22; Severity rating made by study physician | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | age, severity of illness[2 levels], comorbic disease, disability score, chronic cognitive impairment, length of stay |

Consequence: Mortality or new admission to institution - discharge

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Inouye 1998; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 727; Funding: Grant- other | All sites (Chicago,Cleveland, Yale) included medical patients; Chicago and Yale sites incl surgical pts as well. All sites excluded terminally ill patients | Age(range): 78.9 years (72 to 85.8); Number of patients with delirium: Prevalent:88/727 (12%) [in text]; 90/727 [in table]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment:19% met criteria for dementia; assessed with MMSE; Mean MMSE(across the 3 sites): 23.5(SD5.4); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: APACHE II (admission); Mean across three study sites: 12.4 (SD 4.5) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | Age, gender, dementia, APACHE II, ADL score & IADL score |

Consequence: Mortality or new admisson to institution - 1 month

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Givens 2008; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 126; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted for surgical repair of hip fractures. Patients with presence of metastatic cancer or other comorbid illnesses likely to reduce life expectancy to under 6mo, inability to obtain informed consent w/24h surgery or 48h admission were excluded. Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip fracture. | Age(range): 79 years (71 to 87); Number of patients with delirium: Incident:52/126 (41%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 50/126(40%) with cognitive impairment; based on proxy interview using Blessed score of ≥ 4 [range 0 to 28); Mean: (5 SD5); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: 0-1: 29% (29/126); 2-3: 41% (52/126); 4 or more: 36% (45/126) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: orthopaedic | Age, gender, race intervention status, number of medical comorbidities, ADL |
| Marcantonio 2000; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 126; Funding: Grant- other | Patients admitted to for surgical repair of hip fractures. Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip fracturePatients with presence of metastatic cancer or other comorbid illnesses likely to reduce life expectancy to under 6mo, inability to obtain informed consent w/24h surgery or 48h admission were reasons for exclusion.Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip fracture | Age(range): 79 years (71 to 87); Number of patients with delirium: Incident:52/126 (41%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 50/126(40%) with cognitive impairment; based on proxy interview using Blessed score of >= 4 [range 0 to 28); Mean: (5 SD5);; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: 0-1: 29% (29/126); 2-3: 41% (52/126); 4 or more: 36% (45/126) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: orthopaedic | Age, baseline cognitive impairment, ADL functional impairment, medical comorbidity [1 level] |

Consequence: Mortality or new admission to institution - 3 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Inouye 1998; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 727; Funding: Grant- other | All sites (Chicago,Cleveland, Yale) included medical patients; Chicago and Yale sites incl surgical pts as well. All sites excluded terminally ill patients | Age(range): 78.9 years(72 to 85.8); Number of patients with delirium: Prevalent:88/727 (12%) [in text]; 90/727 [in table]; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Cognitive impairment:19% met criteria for dementia; assessed with MMSE; Mean MMSE(across the 3 sites): 23.5(SD5.4); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity of illness: APACHE II (admission); Mean across three study sites: 12.4 (SD 4.5) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Mixed: Medical/Surgical | Age, gender, dementia, APACHE II, ADL score & IADL score |

Consequence: Mortality or new admission to institution - 6 month

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Givens 2008; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 126; Funding: Unclear/ Not stated | Patients admitted for surgical repair of hip fractures. Patients with presence of metastatic cancer or other comorbid illnesses likely to reduce life expectancy to under 6mo, inability to obtain informed consent w/24h surgery or 48h admission were excluded. Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip fracture. | Age(range): 79 years (71 to 87); Number of patients with delirium: Incident:52/126 (41%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 50/126(40%) with cognitive impairment; based on proxy interview using Blessed score of ≥ 4 [range 0 to 28); Mean: 5 (SD5); Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: 0-1: 29% (29/126); 2-3: 41% (52/126); 4 or more: 36% (45/126) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: orthopaedic | Age, gender, race intervention status, number of medical comorbidities, ADL |
| Marcantonio 2000; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 126; Funding: Grant- other | Patients admitted to for surgical repair of hip fractures. Patients with presence of metastatic cancer or other comorbid illnesses likely to reduce life expectancy to under 6mo, inability to obtain informed consent w/24h surgery or 48h admission were reasons for exclusion. Patients were part of an RCT; intervention:proactive acute geriatrics consultaion and prevention of delirium after hip fracture | Age(range): 79 years (71 to 87); Number of patients with delirium: Incident:52/126 (41%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 50/126(40%) with cognitive impairment; based on proxy interview using Blessed score of >= 4 [range 0 to 28); Mean: (5 SD5);; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity: 0-1: 29% (29/126); 2-3: 41% (52/126); 4 or more: 36% (45/126) | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Surgical; Type of anaesthesia: not stated; type of surgery: orthopaedic | Age, baseline cognitive impairment, ADL functional impairment, medical comorbidity [1 level] |

Consequence: Mortality or new admission to institution -1 year

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| McAvay 2006; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 637; Funding: Grant- other | Patients 70 years or older admitted to general medicine service (nonintensive care) Patients with profound dementia, aphasia, intubation were excluded because of inablility to participate [exclusion criteria?]Patients from nursing home excl | Age(range): 80 years (70 to 99); Number of patients with delirium: incident: 339/1874 (18.1%); Delirium(discharge): 24/433; Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: 12.2% (53/433)Patients with profound dementia excluded; MMSE <24: 189/433 (44%).; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity index (n): 0: 50; 1: 90; ≥2:293 | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age (continuous), marital status, dementia, Geriatric Depression Scale score ≥7, any activity of daily living impairment, Charlson Comorbidity Index[2 levels:0 vs 1; 0 vs 2], delirium [2 levels] |

Consequence: Mortality or residing in institution- 2 years

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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| Pitkala 2005; prospective cohort study; country Finland; Total number of patients: 425; Funding: Grant- other | Patients in acute wards of geriatric hospitals and nursing homes were included. Patients less than 70 years and those in coma were excluded | Age(range): Age over 85 years: 59% [250/425]; Number of patients with delirium: prevalent: 106/425 (24.9%); Delirium Assessment: Assessed with established tool; Assessment details: DSMIV; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Clinical Dementia Rating Scale & criteria of dementia according to DSM IV, prior diagnoses of dementia & medical records for consensus by geriatrician; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Severity: Charlson Comorbidity index: 2.3 (SD 1.6): 2.2(SD 1.5) | Setting: Mixed;Ward: Other | age, gender, education, dementia, comorbidity and ADL dependence |

Risk factor: Duration of delirium

Consequence: Mortality - 6 months

| Study details | Inclusion/Exclusion | Patient details | Setting | Factors adjusted for |
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Consequence: Mortality or functional decline- discharge

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Consequence: Mortality or functional decline- 6 months

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Risk factor: Severity of delirium

Consequence: Mortality - 1 year

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| Leslie 2005; prospective cohort study; country USA; Total number of patients: 919; Funding: Grant- other | Patient were included if 70 years or older, admitted to non-intensive care general medical units, no evidence of delirium at admission, at intermediate/high risk for delirium based on previously developed risk model. Pts with profound dementia, language barrier, profound aphasia,intubation,coma, respitory isolation, terminal illness, had a hospital stay of 48h or less, or prior enrollment in the study were excluded | Age(range): 80 years (73.5 to 86.5); Number of patients with delirium: incident: 115/919 [13%]; Delirium Assessment: not stated; Assessment details: CAM; Cognitive impairment: Some patients with cognitive impairment; Details on cognitive impairment: Assessed with MMSE (<24) 44%: [406/919] and Blessed Score; Comorbidity/Severity of Illness: Charlson comorbidity index socre of >1: 643/919; | Setting: Hospital;Ward: Medical | Age, male, delirium[2 levels], ADL impairment, Charlson comorbidity index score [2 levels] |

Consequence: Mortality or new admisson to institution - 1 month

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