

NEWSLETTER (August 2020)

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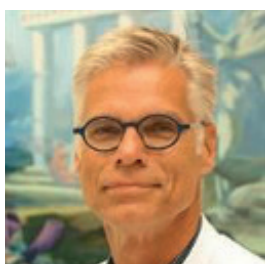
Journal of Rehabilitation Medicine

Articles published in August 2020

Editors' Choices of the month:

[Outcomes of amputation due to long-standing therapy-resistant complex regional pain syndrome type I](#)

Jan H.B. Geertzen, Jelmer Scheper, Ernst Schrier, Pieter U. Dijkstra



Jan H.B. Geertzen

Comments by the authors: We performed this study because we think that we must help people with a long-standing therapy-resistant CRPS-I. CRPS-I usually requires long, intensive treatment in accordance with guidelines. For a minority of these people treatment does not reduce or resolve pain. The affected limb may become dysfunctional and can prevent participation in the daily life. Amputation as a last resort treatment is still a topic for heated debates among physicians. The first people were amputated by us as a last-resort treatment in the early nineties of the last century. We showed that amputation can be an effective treatment in selected cases.. [Read more](#)

Further highlights of this month in JRM:

Development of an integrated rehabilitation pathway for individuals recovering from COVID-19 in the community. [Read more](#)

Manoj Sivan, Stephen Halpin, Lisa Hollingworth, Nicola Snook, Katherine Hickman, Ian J. Clifton

Perceived environmental barriers for people with spinal cord injury in Germany and their influence on quality of life. [Read more](#)

Andrea Bökel, Marie-Luise Dierks, Christoph Gutenbrunner, Norbert Weidner, Veronika Geng, Yorck-Bernhard Kalke, Thomas Liebscher, Frank-Rainer Abel, Christian Sturm

Description of health-related rehabilitation service provision and delivery in randomized controlled trials: A topic review [Read more](#)

Nada Andelic, Juan Lu, Christoph Gutenbrunner, Boya Nugraha, Mirinda Gormley, Helene L. Søberg, Unni Sveen, Audny Anke, Marit Kirkevold, Cecilie Røe

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[*Prevalence of spasticity and below-level neuropathic pain related to spinal cord injury level and damage to the lower spinal segments*](#)

Bengt Skoog, Karl-Erik Jakobsson



Bengt Skoog

Comments by the authors: Understanding the neuronal changes after a spinal cord injury is essential for understanding the mechanisms behind recovery. The neuronal overactivity in the spinal cord that develops after a spinal cord injury can possibly be one of these mechanisms. It is important to identify the overactive neurons in order to target them for interventions. The present work is a first step to find out the segmental level of these overactive neurones. We tried to solve this by investigating how the lesion level affects the occurrence of two types of neuronal overactivity, spasticity and below level spinal cord injury neuropathic pain. [Read more](#)

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During 2020 (Jan–August): 1 119 174 times

Downloads of the month (3 most downloaded papers published during the last two months):

<i>Title and authors</i>	<i>Downloads</i>
<p>1. Why Rehabilitation must have priority during and after the COVID-19-pandemic: A position statement of the Global Rehabilitation Alliance Christoph Gutenbrunner, Emma K. Stokes, Karsten Dreinhöfer, Jan Monsbakken, Stephanie Clarke, Pierre Côté, Isabelle Urseau, David Constantine, Claude Tardif, Venkatesh Balakrishna, Boya Nugraha</p>	1023
<p>2. COVID-19 rehabilitation units are twice as expensive as regular rehabilitation units Sandro Iannaccone, Federica Alemanno, Elise Houdayer, Luigia Brugliera, Paola Castellazzi, Domenico Cianflone, Carlo Meloni, Alberto Ambrosio, Pietro Mortini, Alfio Spina, Massimo Filippi</p>	699
<p>3. Efficacy of radial extracorporeal shock wave therapy compared with botulinum toxin type A injection in treatment of lower extremity spasticity in subjects with cerebral palsy: A randomized controlled, cross-over study Xavier Vidal, Joan Martí-Fàbregas, Olga Canet, Marta Roqué, Antoni Morral, Miriam Tur, Christoph Schmitz, Mercè Sitjà-Rabert</p>	443

Top cited article per publication year, 2018-2020:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Title and authors</i>	<i>Citations</i>
2018	<p>Rehabilitation: The health strategy of the 21st century Gerold Stucki, Jerome Bickenbach, Christoph Gutenbrunner, John Melvin</p>	35
2019	<p>Factors associated with persistent post-concussion symptoms following mild traumatic brain injury in adults Jennifer Ponsford, Sylvia Nguyen, Marina Downing, Marije Bosch, Joanne N. McKenzie, Simon Turner, Marisa Chau, Duncan Mortimer, Russell L. Gruen, Jonathan Knott, Sally Green</p>	15
2020	<p>Rehabilitation of Covid-19 patients Luigia Brugliera, Alfio Spina, Paola Castellazzi, Paolo Cimino, Andrea Tettamanti, Elise Houdayer, Pietro Arcuri, Federica Alemanno, Pietro Mortini, Sandro Iannaccone</p>	17

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