

Preoperative anticoagulation
management in
everyday clinical practice: an
international FRAM analysis

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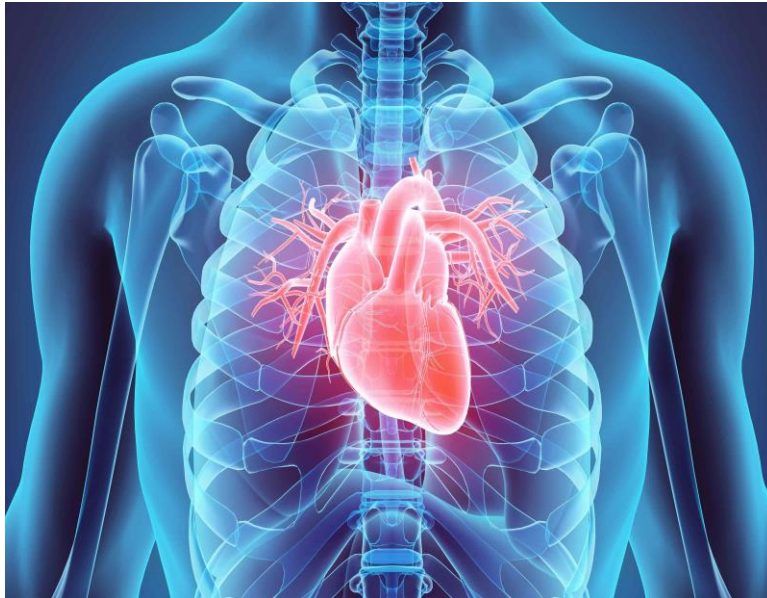


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Medication-related adverse events during hospitalization: a retrospective patient record review study in The Netherlands.

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Abstract

PURPOSE: Medication-related adverse events (MRAEs) are an important priority for patient safety. Results from Dutch AE studies showed that despite various improvement initiatives the incidence of preventable MRAEs did not decline. The aim of this study is to describe the characteristics of MRAEs during hospitalizations using national patient data from records of patients admitted to Dutch hospitals in 2008 and 2011/2012.

METHODS: Trained nurses and physicians reviewed the randomly selected records of 8071 patients admitted to one of 20 hospitals in 2008 or 2011/2012 during a two-stage review process. Patient and admission characteristics were collected. After identification of a MRAE, physicians determined their potential preventability, drug type, related prescribing factors, and potential consequences.

RESULTS: The physicians identified 928 adverse events (AEs) in 857 admissions, of which 218 (15.2%) were medication-related. They judged 55 (18.4%) of these as preventable. Preventability of MRAEs was high in anticoagulant treatment (42.5%). Haematoma (39.0%) and intra-cerebral haemorrhage (25.5%) were common types of anticoagulant-related AEs. Anticoagulant-related AEs were often related to dosage factors (46.9%) and often resulted in an intervention (80.2%), of which 40.2% was judged as preventable.

CONCLUSIONS: This study provided detailed information on MRAEs during hospital admissions in The Netherlands. A substantial proportion of AEs was medication-related (15.2%), of which 18.4% was judged to be preventable. As preventability in MRAEs was especially high in anticoagulant treatment (42.5%), those medications are a threat to patient safety. Future research and new safety programs should focus on prevention of AEs related to this medication group. Copyright © 2016 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

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Around surgery, things are getting complex..





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Background: This guideline addresses the management of patients who are receiving anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy and require an elective surgery or procedure.

Methods: The methods herein follow those discussed in the Methodology for the Development of

RONT Management Consultants



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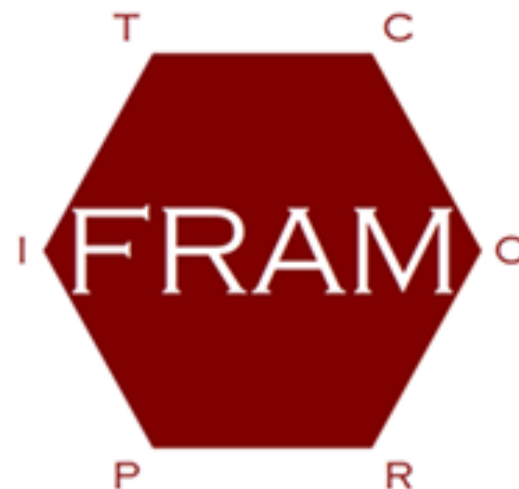
BUT: 99% of the time things go 'right' (no errors): what can we learn from that?



Work-as-done at the frontline?



Safety-II study on 'Preoperative Anticoagulation Management (PAM)'



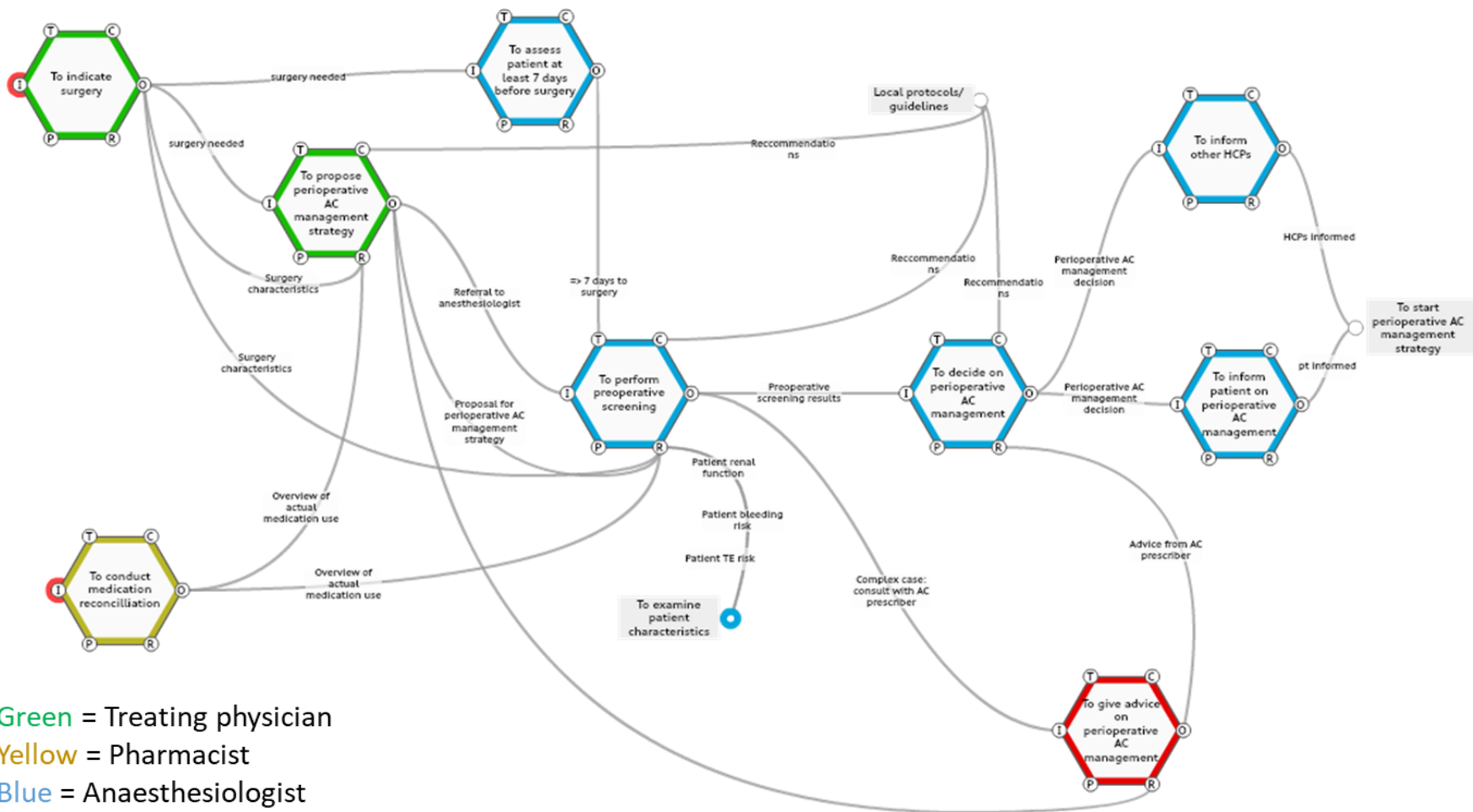
Study design

“The aim of the study was to assess preoperative anticoagulation management in everyday practice and explore the usability and utility of FRAM”.

- Two departments of Cardiothoracic Surgery:
 - Macquarie University Hospital (MUH), Sydney, Australia
 - Leiden University Medical Center (LUMC), Leiden, the Netherlands



'Work-as-imagined'



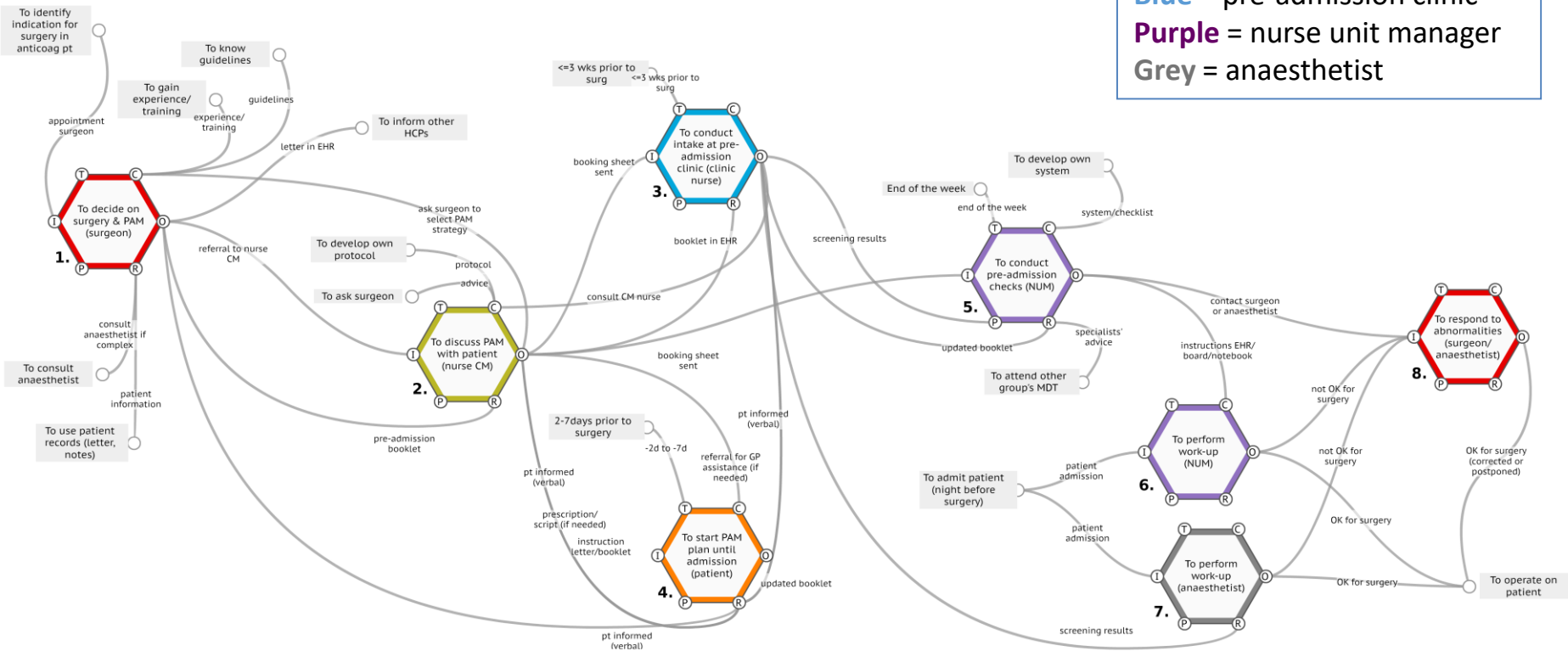
Work-as-done

- 18 semi-structured interviews with all disciplines involved in PAM:

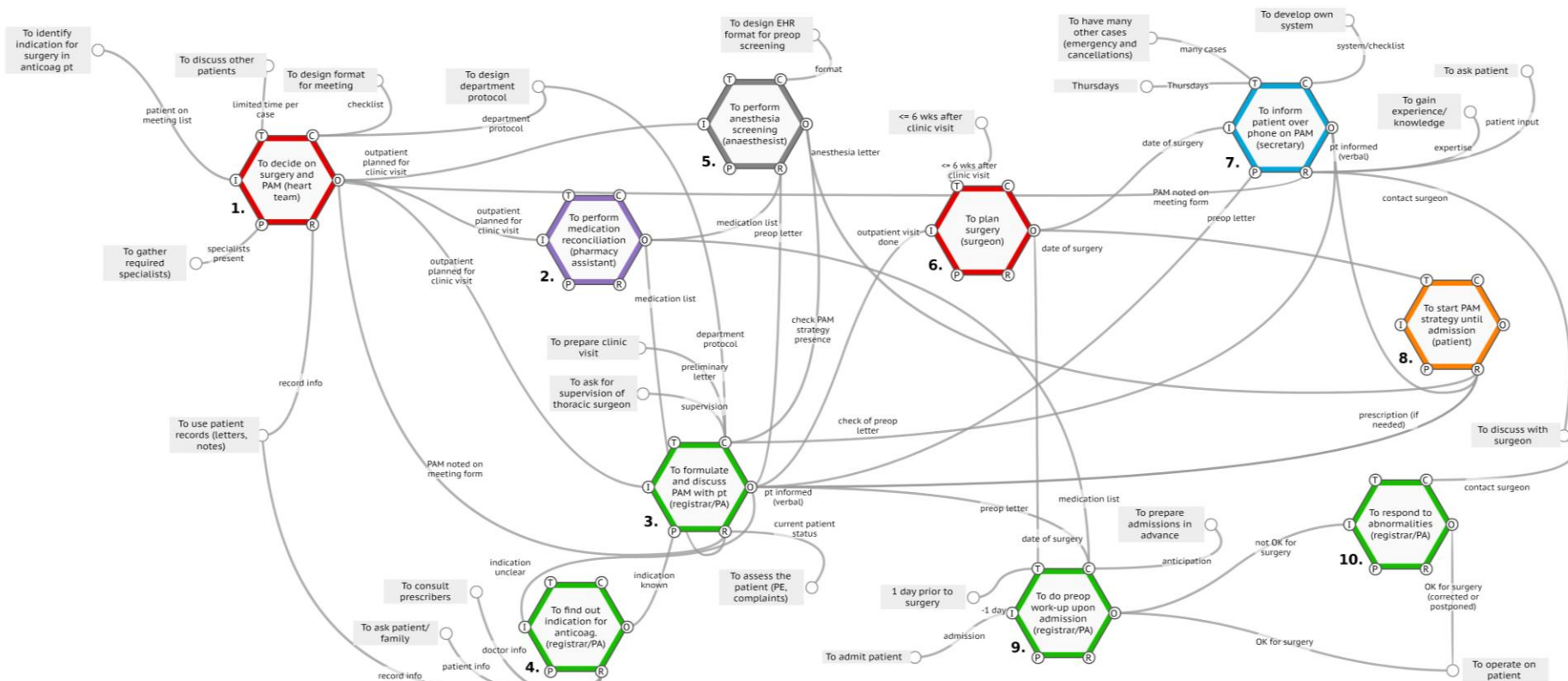
Australia	The Netherlands
Cardiothoracic surgeon	Cardiothoracic surgeon
Cardiologist	Cardiologist
Nurse Casemanager	Cardiothoracic PA
Nurse Unit Manager (NUM)	Registrars
Anaesthetist	Anaesthetist
Pre-admission clinic nurse	Planning office secretary

Work-as-done: Australia

Green = cardiologist
Red = surgeon
Yellow = nurse CM
Blue = pre-admission clinic
Purple = nurse unit manager
Grey = anaesthetist



Work-as-done: the Netherlands



Red = surgeon (and cardiologist)
Green = registrar/physician assistant (PA)
Purple = pharmacy assistant
Grey = anaesthetist
Blue = planning office secretary
Orange = patient

What do the models tell us?

- Design PAM process in NL vs AUS differed highly
 - Practical organisation and disciplines involved
 - But: Learning cuts both ways!

- Big differences between NL and AUS WAD!!
 - Surgical staff vs. anaesthetists
 - Anaesthesia services not involved (NL)

- Control mechanisms to ensure work
 - Individual adaptation and thoroughness, but what if absent or replaced?

What do the models tell us?

- Ambiguity in roles/responsibilities

“I am the surgeon, I decide...”

“If the surgeon forgets to write down the AC policy, I decide myself..” (nurse/PA)

- Efficiency:

“I check if everything that needs to be done before surgery, is done properly. My staff does so too, but just to be sure you know” (nurse)

- Collaboration:

“We don’t have a regular team meeting on cardiac surgery, but if I have questions, I’ll ask the surgeon when I see him at another meeting” (nurse/PA)

- Quality & Safety:

“I just have my own system and that works perfectly for me” (NUM)

“Sometimes I text, sometimes I ring..usually I text if it is surgeon X and he just knows...but it all works very well” (registrar)

Discussion meeting



- All involved disciplines
- Presentation of FRAM model
- Elaboration on potential implications
- Discussion on opportunities for improvement

*“Well, I think we can conclude this is a
very complicated process...”*

Head of department, Australia

Utility and usability FRAM

- Workload: 46 hours per site
- Comparable to traditional methods (e.g. RCA)
- Easily understood by clinicians
- High disclosure during interviews
- Discussion meeting: insightful, raised awareness, and stimulated discussion on practical improvement measures



Response

*“The FRAM analysis gave us a new, different perspective on our perioperative anticoagulation policy, for years one of our main bottlenecks. This way, we simply never looked at it before. By sticking closer to what **actually** happens at our frontline, instead of mainly looking at what the guidelines tell us to do, we are now able to enroll several improvement measures successfully. And for the first time, our people understood why they get implemented and are willing to contribute actively”*

Surgeon Australian hospital

Thank you for your attention!



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