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Abbreviations:

ACDF: anterior cervical discectomy and fusion
EQ-5D: EuroQol 5D health-related quality of life survey
MEA: morphine equianalgesic dose

MMEs: morphine milligram equivalents
NASS: North American Spine Society
NDI: Neck Disability Index
ODI: Oswestry Disability Index
PDMP: Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
SF-12: Medical Outcomes Study Survey Short Form 12
SF-36 PCS: Medical Outcomes Study Survey Short Form 36 physical component summary
SRS: Scoliosis Research Society
VAS: Visual Analog Scale

ABSTRACT

Background: Opioid use disorders in the United States have rapidly increased, yet little is known about the relationship between preoperative opioid duration and dose and patient outcomes after spine surgery. Likewise, the utility of preoperative opioid weaning is poorly understood.

Objective: The purpose of this evidence-based clinical practice guideline is to determine if duration and dose of preoperative opioids or preoperative opioid weaning is associated with patient-reported outcomes or adverse events after elective spine surgery for degenerative conditions.

Methods: A systematic review of the literature was performed using the National Library of Medicine/PubMed database and Embase for studies relevant to opioid use among adult patients undergoing spine surgery. Clinical studies evaluating preoperative duration, dose, and opioid weaning and outcomes were selected for review.

Results: Forty-one of 845 studies met the inclusion criteria and none were Level I evidence. The use of any opioids before surgery was associated with longer postoperative opioid use, and longer duration of opioid use was associated with worse outcomes, such as higher complications, longer length of stay, higher costs, and increased utilization of resources. There is insufficient evidence to support the efficacy of opioid weaning on postoperative opioid use, improving outcome, or reducing adverse events after spine surgery.

Conclusion: This evidence-based clinical guideline provides Grade B recommendations that preoperative opioid use and longer duration of preoperative opioid use are associated with chronic postoperative opioid use and worse outcome after spine surgery. Insufficient evidence supports the efficacy of an opioid wean before spine surgery (Grade I).

RECOMMENDATIONS

Question:

1. Does duration of preoperative opioid use impact postoperative opioid use (duration, morphine milligram equivalents), patient-reported outcomes, or adverse events after spine surgery?

Recommendations:

Longer duration of opioid use before spine surgery is associated with worse outcomes (chronic postoperative opioid use, higher complications, increased length of stay, and higher costs and utilization of resources).

Strength of Recommendation: Grade B

Question:

2. Does preoperative morphine milligram equivalents impact postoperative opioid use (duration, morphine milligram equivalents), patient-reported outcomes, or adverse events after spine surgery?

Recommendations:

Preoperative opioid use of any dose (yes/no) is associated with risk of longer duration of postoperative opioid use and worse clinical and patient-reported outcomes.

Strength of Recommendation: Grade B

Question:

3. Does preoperative weaning of opioids impact postoperative opioid use (duration, morphine milligram equivalents), patient-reported outcomes, or adverse events after spine surgery?

Recommendations:

There is insufficient evidence to support the efficacy of opioid weaning on postoperative opioid use, improving outcomes, or reducing adverse events after spine surgery.

Strength of Recommendation: Grade Insufficient

INTRODUCTION

Goals and Rationale

This clinical guideline was created to improve patient care by outlining the appropriate information gathering and decision-making processes involved in the treatment of patients with perioperative spinal disease. Spinal surgical care is provided in many different settings by many different providers. This guideline was created as an educational tool to guide qualified physicians through a series of diagnostic and treatment decisions to improve the quality and efficiency of care.

This guideline should not be construed as including all proper methods of care or excluding methods of care reasonably directed to obtaining the same results. The ultimate judgment regarding any specific procedure or treatment must be made in light of all circumstances presented by the patient and the needs and resources particular to the locality or institution.

Spine surgeries are often performed to treat painful spinal conditions and rates of spine surgery have increased over time.^{1,2} From 2005 to 2014, opioid use disorders increased 6.47% annually in the United States and were reported 25% more often between 2010 and 2014 compared with 2005 to 2009 among patients hospitalized for treatment of spinal conditions.³ In the current opioid crisis, provider prescribing practices and the effects of perioperative opioid use are under intense scrutiny. Despite increasing attention to opioid use, evidence to support best practice regarding preoperative opioid dose and duration in the management of patients with surgical degenerative spine disease is not well known. Likewise, the efficacy of preoperative opioid weaning is poorly understood, although this has been suggested as a potential intervention.

The purpose of this work is to systematically review the literature to form evidence-based guidelines regarding the relationship between duration and dose of preoperative opioids and patient-reported outcomes and adverse events after elective spine surgery for degenerative conditions. We also review the literature regarding the association between preoperative opioid weaning and these outcomes.

METHODS

The guidelines task force initiated a systematic review of the literature and evidence-based guideline relevant to the preoperative treatment of patients with spinal disorders. Through objective evaluation of the evidence and transparency in the process of making recommendations, this evidence-based clinical practice guideline was developed for the diagnosis and treatment of adult patients with various spinal conditions. These guidelines are developed for educational purposes to assist practitioners in their clinical decision-making processes. Additional information about the methods used in this systematic review is provided below.

Literature Search

Task force members identified search terms/parameters and a medical librarian implemented the literature search, consistent with the literature search protocol (see Supplemental Digital Content 1), using the National Library of Medicine/PubMed database and Embase for the period from 1946 to September 20, 2019 using the search strategies provided in Supplemental Digital Content 1.

Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

Articles were retrieved and included only if they met specific inclusion/exclusion criteria (Supplemental Digital Content 2). These criteria were also applied to articles provided by guideline task force members who supplemented the electronic database searches with articles from their own files. To reduce bias, these criteria were specified before conducting the literature searches.

Rating Quality of Diagnostic Evidence

The guideline task force used a modified version of the North American Spine Society's (NASS) evidence-based guideline development methodology. The NASS methodology uses standardized levels of evidence (Supplemental Digital Content 3) and grades of recommendation (Supplemental Digital Content 4) to assist practitioners in easily understanding the strength of the evidence and recommendations within the guidelines. The levels of evidence range from Level I (high-quality randomized controlled trial) to Level IV (case series). Grades of recommendation indicate the strength of the recommendations made in the guideline based on the quality of the literature. Levels of evidence have specific criteria and are assigned to studies before developing recommendations. Recommendations are then graded based upon the level of evidence. To better understand how levels of evidence inform the grades of recommendation and the standard nomenclature used within the recommendations see Supplemental Digital Content 4.

Guideline recommendations were written using a standard language that indicates the strength of the recommendation. "A" recommendations indicate a test or intervention is "recommended"; "B" recommendations "suggest" a test or intervention and "C" recommendations indicate a test or intervention or "is an option." "I" or "Insufficient Evidence" statements clearly indicate that "there is insufficient evidence to make a recommendation for or against" a test or intervention. Task force consensus statements clearly state that "in the absence of reliable evidence, it is the task force's opinion that" a test or intervention may be appropriate.

In evaluating studies as to levels of evidence for this guideline, the study design was interpreted as establishing only a potential level of evidence. For example, a therapeutic study designed as a randomized controlled trial would be considered a potential Level I study. The study would then be further analyzed as to how well the study design was implemented and significant shortcomings in the execution of the study would be used to downgrade the levels of evidence for the study's conclusions (see Supplemental Digital Content 5 for additional information and criteria).

Revision Plans

In accordance with the Institute of Medicine's standards for developing clinical practice guidelines, the task force will monitor related publications after the release of this document and will revise the entire document and/or specific sections "if new evidence shows that a recommended intervention causes previously unknown substantial harm; that a new intervention is significantly superior to a previously recommended intervention from an efficacy or harms perspective; or that a recommendation can be applied to new populations."⁴ In addition, the task force will confirm within 5 years from the date of publication that the content reflects current clinical practice and the available technologies for the evaluation and treatment for patients with perioperative spinal disease.

RESULTS

The literature search encompassed terms relevant to all chapters in this guideline series and yielded 6812 abstracts (5689 after duplicates were deleted). After a double-blind review, 845 abstracts were identified as relevant to the PICO (patient/population, intervention, comparison, and outcomes) question(s). Task force members reviewed all abstracts yielded from the literature search and identified the literature for full text review and extraction, addressing the clinical questions, in accordance with the literature search protocol (Supplemental Digital Content 1). Task force members identified the best research evidence available to answer the targeted clinical questions. When Level I, II, and/or III literature was available to answer specific questions, the task force did not review Level IV studies.

The task force selected 78 full-text articles for full text review. Of these, 37 were rejected for not meeting the inclusion criteria or for being off-topic. Forty-one articles were selected for systematic review (Supplemental Digital Content 6).

DISCUSSION

Question

Does duration of preoperative opioid use impact postoperative opioid use (duration, morphine milligram equivalents), patient reported outcomes or adverse events after spine surgery?

Recommendation

Longer duration of opioid use before spine surgery is associated with worse outcomes (chronic postoperative opioid use, higher complications, increased length of stay, and higher costs and utilization of resources).

Strength of Recommendation: Grade B

Most studies met the criteria for Level II evidence and no studies met the criteria for Level I evidence. Preoperative opioid use was associated with postoperative opioid use after cervical fusion surgery,^{5,6} lumbar discectomy,⁷ and lumbar fusion surgery.⁷⁻⁹ While the literature varied on the definition of chronic opioid use, studies were similar in finding a significant association between duration of pre- and postoperative opioid use.

Level II Evidence

Cervical Fusion Surgery

In patients undergoing cervical spine surgery, chronic opioid use before surgery was associated with chronic opioid use after surgery, although definitions of “chronic opioid use” varied by study. Harris et al⁶ defined chronic postoperative opioid use as ≥ 120 days of filled opioid prescriptions or ≥ 10 opioid prescriptions filled between 3 and 12 months after surgery. Among patients undergoing elective one or two level ACDF for degenerative diagnoses, they found that preoperative opioid use was strongly associated with chronic postoperative opioid use (odds ratio [OR] 5.7 [95% CI 5.3-6.2], $P < .001$). A history of drug abuse, depression, anxiety, and surgery in the western United States were also associated with chronic postoperative opioid use. Likewise, Karhade et al⁵ performed a chart review among patients undergoing ACDF at two academic medical centers and found that duration of preoperative opioid use of >180 days, antidepressant use, tobacco use, and Medicaid insurance were significant predictors of prolonged postoperative opioid use for at least 90 to 180 days after surgery. In the Humana database, Pugely et al¹⁰ also found that nearly half of preoperative opioid users continued to fill opioid prescriptions 1 year after anterior or posterior cervical fusions. Duration of preoperative opioid use was also associated with lower rates of return to work status, disability, and higher costs in a workers’ compensation population undergoing single-level cervical fusions. Short-term opioid users, defined as patients who received opioids for <3 months, were more likely to return to work in the first year after surgery compared with intermediate (3-6 months) and long-term (>6 months) preoperative opioid users.¹¹ Finally, Jain et al¹² used the Humana commercial insurance database to study patients with opioid prescriptions for >6 months before cervical fusion surgery and outcomes. They found higher risk of 90-day wound complications, emergency department visits, and pain-related emergency department visits among patients with chronic preoperative opioid use. They also noted that patients with preoperative chronic use were more likely to have chronic longer-term opioid use (defined as opioid use ≤ 1 year after surgery), repeat cervical fusion surgery, and epidural or facet joint injections within the year after surgery.

Lumbar Surgery

In patients undergoing lumbar spine surgery, chronic opioid use before surgery was associated with chronic opioid use after surgery. Again, definitions of “chronic opioid use” were not standardized across studies. Karhade et al⁷ performed a chart review among patients undergoing surgery for lumbar disc herniation at five medical centers. The predictors of sustained postoperative opioids for 90 to 180 days after surgery included use of instrumentation, duration of preoperative opioid prescription of >180 days, and diagnosis of depression. Qureshi et al¹³ reported similar findings using the PearlDiver database. Preoperative opioid prescriptions were associated with long-term postoperative opioid prescriptions, defined as >3 months after lumbar discectomy (OR 3.4). Comorbidities, such as fibromyalgia, migraine disorder, depression, and smoking, were also associated with an increased odds of postoperative long-term opioid

prescriptions. In a retrospective single-center study, Hockley et al¹⁴ compared minimally invasive and open transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion patients and found those undergoing minimally invasive surgery were less likely to report postoperative opioid use at the 3-month follow-up. Anderson et al⁸ studied chronic opioid therapy after lumbar fusion surgery among patients with Workman's Compensation claims. In this Ohio claims database study, they found that chronic opioid use before surgery, defined as opioids analgesics supplied for >120 days during the year before lumbar fusion, was associated with chronic opioid use. Chronic postoperative use was defined as opioid prescriptions supplied for >1 year after the immediate 6-weeks after surgery.

Tank et al¹⁵ used the Nationwide Inpatient Sample to study patients with a diagnosis of opioid dependence (*International Classification of Diseases, 9th revision, Clinical Modification* codes 304.0 for opioid-type dependence and 304.7 for combinations of opioid-type drug with any other) and duration of stay, costs, and surgical complications after elective primary or revision 1- or 2-level lumbar fusions. Opioid dependence was associated with a higher odds of prolonged duration of stay of ≥ 5 days, surgical complications, and higher costs. Kalakoti et al¹⁶ in the Humana claims database between 2007 and 2015, found that duration of preoperative opioid prescriptions within 3 months before surgery was significantly associated with opioid use 1 year after anterior or posterior lumbar fusions. Jain et al¹⁷ used the Humana claims database from 2007 to 2016 and found that patients with a preoperative opioid prescription of >6 months had a higher risk of 90-day emergency department visits and readmissions, wound dehiscence and infection, and revision surgery within 1 year after posterior lumbar fusions. Finally, Connolly et al,⁹ using an Optum commercial health insurance claims database, also found that duration of preoperative opioid use, indication for refusion, and diagnosis of depression were associated with increased risks of long-term opioid use after lumbar fusion, defined as postoperative long-term use for ≥ 365 days after surgery. The preoperative use of opioids for ≥ 250 days before surgery was associated with an increased odds of postoperative long-term opioid use (OR 220 [95% CI 149-326], $P < .001$).

Level III Evidence

Two Level III studies reported an association between duration of preoperative opioid use and postoperative outcomes. Rosenthal et al¹⁸ found that patients with opioid prescriptions 3 and 6 months before spine surgery had a significantly increased risk of continued opioid use compared with patients with opioid prescriptions at 3 months before surgery or with no opioid prescriptions before surgery. Oleisky et al¹⁹ studied chronic opioid use in a degenerative cervical and lumbar elective spine surgery population and found that the Edlund and the Schoenfeld definitions of chronic opioid use had the highest predictive ability for postoperative opioid use. The Edlund definition accounts for duration and usage of opioids and the Schoenfeld definition accounts for duration; both were associated with postoperative opioid use, patient satisfaction, and patient-reported disability and pain.

Question

Does preoperative morphine milligram equivalents impact postoperative opioid use (duration, morphine milligram equivalents), patient-reported outcomes or adverse events after spine surgery?

Recommendations

Preoperative opioid use of any dose (yes/no) is associated with risk of longer duration of postoperative opioid use and worse clinical and patient-reported outcomes.

Strength of Recommendation: Grade B

The overall goal of this section was to evaluate the association between preoperative opioid dose and postoperative opioid use, patient-reported outcomes, or adverse events after spine surgery. However, most studies evaluated the relationship between clinical outcome and any preoperative opioid use versus none, did not delineate by preoperative morphine milligram equivalents (MME), or used nonstandardized dosing descriptions such as “weak” and “strong” opioids.

Most studies met the criteria for Level II evidence and no studies met the criteria for Level I evidence. The association between higher preoperative MME or weak versus strong opioid use before surgery and postoperative opioid use was inconsistent. In a Level II analysis of lumbar fusion surgery patients, Deyo et al²⁰ linked the Oregon PDMP and the statewide hospital discharge registry and studied long-term postoperative opioid use. The cumulative opioid dose in the 7 months before surgery was the strongest predictor of long-term postoperative use, defined as ≥ 4 opioid fills in the 7 months after the index hospitalization with at least 3 of those more than 30 days after hospitalization. Long-term preoperative use was associated with long-term postoperative use (OR 10.8 [95% CI 8.2-13.2]). The odds of long-term opioid use also increased with increasing preoperative dose, with an OR of 15.47 (95% CI 8.53-28.06) for a preoperative mean daily dose of >39 MMEs. In a Level II subanalysis of the control ACDF group for two randomized studies of cervical arthrodesis, Anderson et al²¹ found weak opioid use was significantly associated with lower odds of achieving a composite success score including NDI at 24 months after surgery (presumably compared with no opioid use, although this was not directly stated). However, in a later and larger study by Kelly et al,²² no significant association was found between preoperative opioid strength and outcomes. Opioid use was self-reported on a patient questionnaire. “Weak” opioid use was defined as codeine, propoxyphene, and hydrocodone. “Strong” opioid use was defined as oxycodone, morphine, and meperidine.

In a Level III analysis of patients undergoing cervical or lumbar surgery, Ahn et al²³ reported no persistent postoperative opioid use difference between patients with any preoperative opioid use (yes/no) at either the first or second postoperative visits, 4 to 6 weeks or 8 to 12 weeks, after cervical or lumbar surgeries. However, patients with any preoperative opioid use reported significantly higher inpatient opioid consumption. All other studies consistently showed a significant association between any preoperative opioid use (yes/no) and postoperative opioid use and outcomes and are presented in the following sections.

Level II Evidence

Cervical Fusion Surgery

Reid et al²⁴ studied 1- to 3-level patients undergoing ACDF and found that opioid-tolerant patients, defined as patients who filled an opioid prescription within the 30-day preoperative period, were more likely to have chronic postoperative opioid use >90 days after surgery (OR 4.42 [95% CI 2.02-9.63], $P < .001$). Lawrence et al²⁵ reported a similar association between chronic preoperative opioid use (yes/no) and 2-year poor outcome as assessed using a modification of the Robinson criteria. Chronic preoperative opioid use was defined as patients

using daily opioid pain medication for 6 months before surgery. Preoperative opioid use was also associated with increased iliac crest donor site pain at 1 and 2 weeks after ACDF.²⁶

Among a workers' compensation population in Ohio who underwent single level anterior or posterior fusion surgeries, Faour et al¹¹ reported an association between prolonged preoperative opioid use and a lower likelihood of return to work. Kalakoti et al²⁷ used the Humana dataset to study preoperative chronic opioid use, defined as an active opioid prescription within 3 months of surgery, among patients undergoing anterior cervical, posterior cervical or C1-2 fusions. Preoperative chronic opioid use (yes/no) was significantly associated with 2-year reoperations, ED visits, epidural steroid and facet joint injections, and adverse events, including constipation, venous thromboembolism, acute renal failure, wound complications, infections, and neurologic complications. Preoperative chronic opioid use was also associated with prolonged postoperative opioid use at 2 years after surgery (OR 5.75 [95% CI 5.21-6.36], $P < .001$).

Cervical and Lumbar Surgery

Amraghani et al²⁸ found patients reporting any preoperative opioid use had a lower odds of being independent from self-reported opioid use at 12 months after cervical or lumbar spine surgery compared with patients with no preoperative opioid use.

Lumbar Surgery

Six Level II studies focused on lumbar surgery and outcome. Any preoperative opioid use was consistently associated with higher risk of long-term opioid use after lumbar surgery. Lall et al²⁹ and Adogwa et al³⁰ similarly reported that preoperative opioid use (dichotomized yes/no preoperative use) significantly predicted weeks to opioid cessation after lumbar fusion. Adogwa et al³¹ also reported any preoperative prescription for opioids in the 6 months before lumbar decompression and fusion surgery was associated with prolonged opioid use for >1 year after surgery.

Villavicencio et al³² found patients with any preoperative opioid use before undergoing transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion surgery for degenerative conditions were significantly more likely than nonusers to report higher pain scores (visual analog scale) for low back, greater disability, and lower Medical Outcomes Study Survey Short Form 36 physical component summary scores 1 year after surgery. O'Donnell et al³³ also reported preoperative opioid use was a significant predictor of lower return to work rates after lumbar discectomies among Ohio workers' compensation patients.

In the single study evaluating tramadol use, Hassan et al³⁴ evaluated patients undergoing lumbar discectomy and found that preoperative tramadol abuse (meeting ≥ 1 *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition* criteria for substance use disorders within a 12-month period) was associated with worse postoperative visual analog scale scores for the low back and lower limb, worse Prolo functional rating scale, and higher complications during the follow-up period than the nonuser control group. The tramadol group had a longer length of stay and was more likely to be using tramadol up to a year after surgery.

Level III Evidence

Cervical and Lumbar Surgery

Any preoperative opioid use was associated with higher early postoperative patient-controlled analgesia morphine consumption in the first 3 days after lumbar spine surgery for degenerative changes.³⁵ Five other Level III studies evaluated patients after cervical or lumbar spine surgeries. Armaghani et al³⁶ reported that any preoperative opioid use was associated with worse 2-year outcomes (higher ODI or NDI scores, lower SF-12 and EQ-5D scores, and higher Numeric Rating Scale scores) compared with no use. Dunn et al³⁷ reported that preoperative opioid use was associated with chronic postoperative opioid use 1 year after spine surgery.

Hills et al³⁸ used their institutional spine registry and the state's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program data to study patient-reported outcomes after elective spine surgery. Preoperative chronic opioid use was defined as having an active prescription for opioids for >50% of the month for 3 consecutive months before surgery. Patients with any preoperative chronic opioid use had worse outcome at 1 year after surgery, with a higher odds of not achieving meaningful improvements in pain, function, and quality of life; higher odds of dissatisfaction with surgery; continued opioid use; and 90-day complications compared with patients without preoperative chronic opioid use. High preoperative opioid dosage >30 MMEs was significantly associated with postoperative chronic opioid use. Wick et al³⁹ also evaluated registry data for patients undergoing cervical or lumbar spine surgery in a single spine center. The odds of achieving a minimum clinically important difference in outcome decreased significantly as morphine equianalgesic dose increased from 47.8 to 90 mg per day (95% CI 29.0-60.0 mg/day).

Lumbar Surgery

Level III studies were also congruent with Level II studies in reporting a significant association between any preoperative opioid use (yes/no) and long-term postoperative opioid use. Compared with patients without preoperative opioid use, Kanaan et al⁴⁰ reported that patients with preoperative opioid use were associated with increased postoperative leg pain intensity 2 weeks after lumbar spine surgery. Wright et al⁴¹ defined chronic postoperative opioid use as a consecutive opioid prescription for >90 days within the first year after the lumbar discectomy or laminectomy surgery at a single center and found a significant association between preoperative and chronic postoperative opioid use. Albert et al⁴² noted that preoperative opioid use was associated with postoperative use among 37 patients with lumbar pseudoarthrosis. O'Connell et al⁴³ reported a significant association between preoperative and postoperative opioid use among patients undergoing lumbar fusion surgery.

Deformity Surgery

Two Level III studies evaluated any preoperative opioid use (yes/no) and outcome after deformity surgery. Elsamadicy et al⁴⁴ found that preoperative opioid users reported greater first postoperative pain scores but that the reduction in pain score from baseline to discharge was greater in the preoperative opioid users than nonusers. The preoperative opioid use group also had a greater number of first ambulatory steps compared with the nonuser group (103.8 ± 144.4 feet vs 46.4 ± 84.0 feet, $P = .034$). Mesfin et al⁴⁵ reported that preoperative opioid users had worse baseline ODI and SRS scores, but the mean improvement in ODI was similar between groups at 24 months of follow-up. In contrast, the mean improvement in SRS pain scores was significantly higher for the preoperative opioid user group at 24 months compared with the non-

opioid user group. Overall mean change in SRS scores, however, was not significantly different between groups.

Question

Does preoperative weaning of opioids decrease postoperative opioids use (duration, MMEs), patient reported outcomes, or adverse events after spine surgery?

Recommendations:

There is insufficient evidence to support the efficacy of opioid weaning on postoperative opioid use, improving outcome, or reducing adverse events after spine surgery.

Strength of Recommendation: Grade Insufficient

There was a single Level II study¹⁷ that met the inclusion criteria for this question, without any additional supporting studies. Patients in this study were taken off opioids for a 3- to 489-month prescription-free “drug holiday” before 1 or 2-level posterior lumbar fusion surgery and had risks of adverse outcomes, defined as emergency department visits, readmissions, and wound dehiscence and infection, that were similar to opioid-naïve patients, and lower than patients who had preoperative opioid prescriptions sustained for >6 months.

Future Research

This systematic review of the literature highlighted areas that need further research. The relationship between differences in preoperative opioid dose and clinical outcome should be clarified. Only 1 study evaluated tramadol, and the relationship between MMEs and outcome remains unclear. More research is needed regarding interventions to reduce postoperative adverse events. The impact of preoperative opioid weaning and a preoperative opioid-free period on clinical outcome and postoperative opioid requirement should also be studied.

Conclusions

Overall, the literature is consistent in reporting an association between preoperative opioid use and duration with chronic postoperative use of opioids and outcome. The definition of pre- and postoperative use and outcome, however, differed between studies. The literature supports higher complications, worse outcome, and lower return to work among patients who use preoperative opioids, and patients who use preoperative opioids for a prolonged period before surgery. In addition, there are limited data to support the efficacy of an opioid wean before spine surgery.

Conflicts of Interest

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Supplemental Digital Content 2. Inclusion Criteria

Articles that did not meet the following criteria, for the purposes of this evidence-based clinical practice guideline, were excluded. To be included as evidence in the guideline, an article had to be a report of a study that:

- Investigated patients with cervical spine surgery, thoracic spine surgery, and lumbar spine surgery;
- Excluded patients with tumor, trauma, or infections;
- Included patients ≥ 18 years of age;
- Were studies that enrolled $\geq 80\%$ of cervical spine surgery, thoracic spine surgery, and lumbar spine surgery (we include studies with mixed patient populations if they report results separately for each group/patient population);
- Was a full article report of a clinical study;
- Was not a medical records review, meeting abstract, historical article, editorial, letter, or commentary;
- Appeared in a peer-reviewed publication or a registry report;
- Enrolled a minimum of 20 patients;
- Was of humans;
- Was published in or after 1946;
- Quantitatively presented results;
- Was not an in vitro study;
- Was not a biomechanical study;
- Was not performed on cadavers;
- Was published in English;
- Was not a systematic review, meta-analysis, or guideline developed by others.¹

Systematic reviews or meta-analyses conducted by others, or guidelines developed by others were not included as evidence to support this review due to the differences in article inclusion/exclusion criteria specified compared with the criteria specified by the Guidelines Task Force. Although these articles were not included as evidence to support the review, these articles were recalled for full-text review for the Guidelines Task Force to conduct manual searches of the bibliographies.

¹The guideline task force did not include systematic reviews, guidelines or meta-analyses conducted by others. These documents are developed using different inclusion criteria than those specified in this guideline; therefore, they may include studies that do not meet the inclusion criteria specific in this guideline. In cases where these types of documents' abstract suggested relevance to the guideline's recommendations, the task force searched their bibliographies for additional studies.

Supplemental Digital Content 3.

Criteria grading the evidence

The task force used the criteria provided below to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the studies included in this guideline. Studies containing deficiencies were downgraded 1 level (no further downgrading allowed, unless so severe that study had to be excluded). Studies with no deficiencies based on study design and contained clinical information that dramatically altered current medical perceptions of topic were upgraded.

1. Baseline study design (i.e., therapeutic, diagnostic, prognostic) determined to assign initial level of evidence.
2. Therapeutic studies reviewed for following deficiencies:
 - Failure to provide a power calculation for a randomized controlled trial (RCT);
 - High degree of variance or heterogeneity in patient populations with respect to presenting diagnosis/demographics or treatments applied;
 - Less than 80% of patient follow-up;
 - Failure to utilize validated outcomes instrument;
 - No statistical analysis of results;
 - Crossover rate between treatment groups of greater than 20%;
 - Inadequate reporting of baseline demographic data;
 - Small patient cohorts (relative to observed effects);
 - Failure to describe method of randomization;
 - Failure to provide flowchart following patients through course of study (RCT);
 - Failure to account for patients lost to follow-up;
 - Lack of independent post-treatment assessment (e.g., clinical, fusion status, etc.);
 - Utilization of inferior control group:
 - Historical controls
 - Simultaneous application of intervention and control within same patient
 - Failure to standardize surgical/intervention technique;
 - Inadequate radiographic technique to determine fusion status (e.g., static radiographs for instrumented fusion).
3. Methodology of diagnostic studies reviewed for following deficiencies:
 - Failure to determine specificity and sensitivity;
 - Failure to determine inter- and intraobserver reliability;
 - Failure to provide correlation coefficient in the form of kappa values.
4. Methodology of prognostic studies reviewed for following deficiencies:
 - High degree of variance or heterogeneity in patient populations with respect to presenting diagnosis/demographics or treatments applied;
 - Failure to appropriately define and assess independent and dependent variables (e.g., failure to use validated outcome measures when available).

Rating evidence quality. Levels of evidence for primary research question^a

Types of Studies				
	Therapeutic studies: Investigating the results of treatment	Prognostic studies: Investigating the effect of a patient characteristic on the outcome of disease	Diagnostic studies: Investigating a diagnostic test	Economic and decision analyses: Developing an economic or decision model
Level I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-quality randomized trial with statistically significant difference or no statistically significant difference but narrow confidence intervals • Systematic review^b of Level I RCTs (and study results were homogeneous^c) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High-quality prospective study^d (all patients were enrolled at the same point in their disease with $\geq 80\%$ follow-up of enrolled patients) • Systematic review^b of Level I studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing of previously developed diagnostic criteria on consecutive patients (with universally applied reference gold standard) • Systematic review^b of Level I studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sensible costs and alternatives; values obtained from many studies with multiway sensitivity analyses • Systematic review^b of Level I studies

Level II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesser quality RCT (e.g., <80% follow-up, no blinding, or improper randomization) • Prospective^d comparative study^e • Systematic review^b of Level II studies or Level I studies with inconsistent results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retrospective^f study • Untreated control subjects from an RCT • Lesser quality prospective study (e.g., patients enrolled at different points in their disease or <80% follow-up) • Systematic review^b of Level II studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of diagnostic criteria on consecutive patients (with universally applied reference criterion standard) • Systematic review^b of Level II studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sensible costs and alternatives; values obtained from limited studies with multiway sensitivity analyses • Systematic review^b of Level II studies
Level III	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case control study^g • Retrospective^f comparative study^e • Systematic review^b of Level III studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case control study^g 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study of nonconsecutive patients without consistently applied reference criterion standard • Systematic review^b of Level III studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyses based on limited alternatives and costs and poor estimates • Systematic review^b of Level III studies
Level IV	Case series ^h	Case series	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case-control study • Poor reference standard 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analyses with no sensitivity analyses

RCT, randomized controlled trial.

^aA complete assessment of quality of individual studies requires critical appraisal of all aspects of the study design.

^bA combination of results from ≥ 2 previous studies.

^cStudies provided consistent results.

^dStudy was started before the first patient enrolled.

^ePatients treated one way (e.g., instrumented arthrodesis) compared with a group of patients treated in another way (e.g., uninstrumented arthrodesis) at the same institution.

^fStudy was started after the first patient enrolled.

^gPatients identified for the study based on their outcome, called “cases” (e.g., pseudoarthrosis) are compared with those who did not have outcome, called “controls” (e.g., successful fusion).

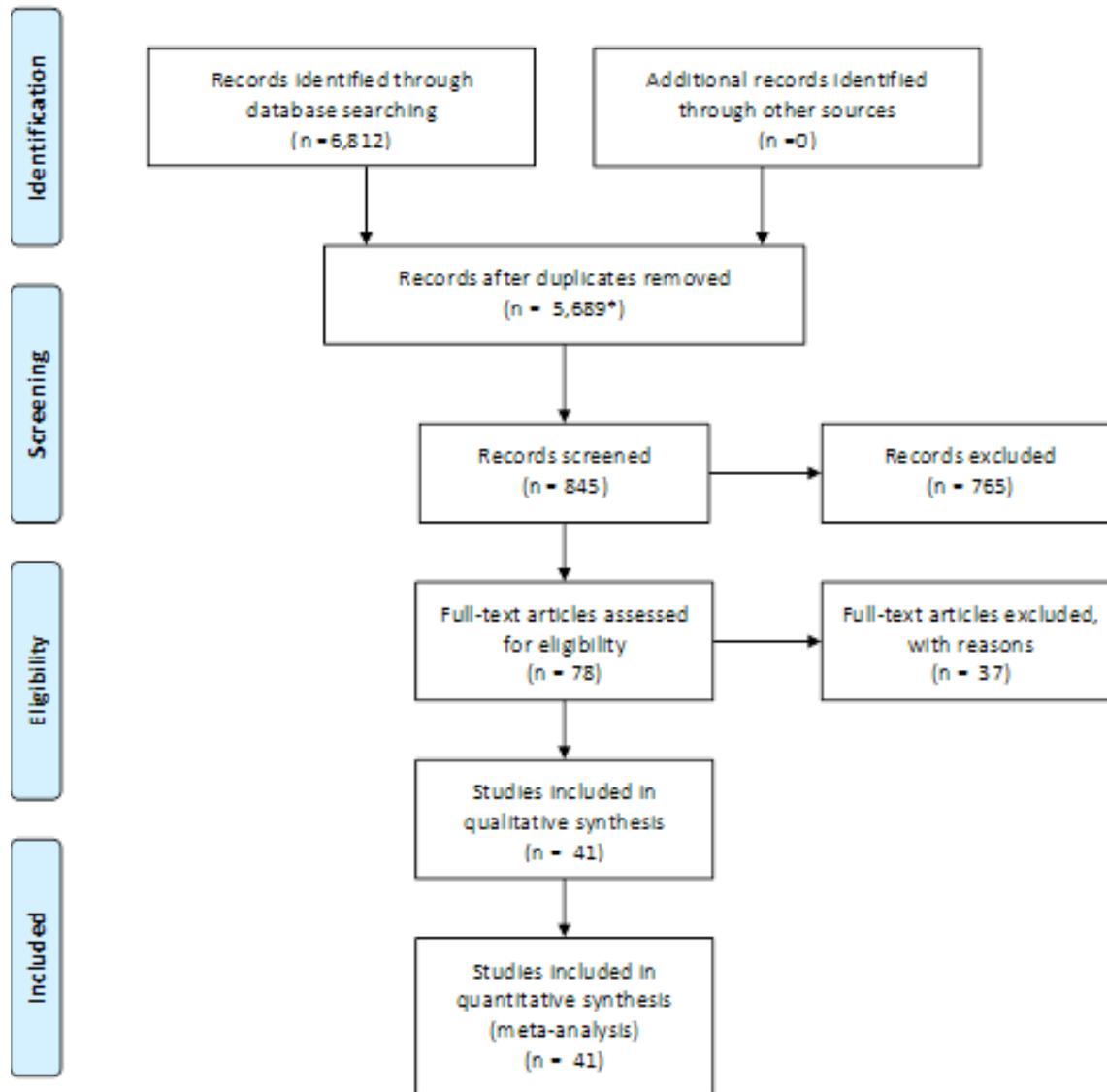
^hPatients treated one way with no comparison group of patients treated in another way.

Supplemental Digital Content 4. Linking levels of evidence to grades of recommendation

Grade of Recommendation	Standard Language	Levels of Evidence	
A	Recommended	≥ 2 consistent Level I studies	
B	Suggested	One Level I study with additional supporting Level II or III studies	≥ 2 consistent Level II or III studies
C	Is an option	One Level I, II, or III study with supporting Level IV studies	≥ 2 consistent Level IV studies
I (insufficient or conflicting evidence)	Insufficient evidence to make recommendation for or against	A single Level I, II, III, or IV study without other supporting evidence	≥ 1 study with inconsistent findings*

*Note that in the presence of multiple consistent studies, and a single outlying, inconsistent study, the grade of recommendation will be based on the level of the consistent studies.

Supplemental Digital Content 5. PRISMA Flowchart



*In addition to duplicate removal, we also removed strictly animal or children/adolescent studies not identified by search strategy and case reports dealing with 1 to 2 persons as encountered.

Supplemental Digital Content 6. Evidence tables

PICO Question	Author, Year	Type of Evidence	Study Type	Level of Evidence	Reviewer's Conclusions
1	Anderson et al, 2015 ⁸	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Study shows that preoperative does impact postoperative outcome. Higher preoperative opioid load ($P < .001$) and duration of use ($P < .001$) were positively associated with higher postoperative rates of COT
1	Connolly et al, 2017 ⁹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	This study affirms and shows that quartiles of opioid use duration before surgery associated with outcome
1	Faour et al, 2017 ¹¹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Affirms, not PRO but RTW. Prolonged preoperative opioid use was a negative predictor of successful RTW status (OR 0.73 [95% CI 0.55-0.98]; $P = .04$). Answers PICO questions 1 and 2
1	Harris et al, 2020 ⁶	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	This study concluded that predicted preoperative impacted postoperative factors associated with the highest risk for chronic opioid use were preoperative opioid use (OR 5.7)
1	Jain et al, 2019 ¹⁷	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	The study affirms. This study includes duration and 3-month opioid-free period/wean. Patients with a preoperative opioid prescription for ≤ 3 months before a major arthroplasty or a 1- or 2-level lumbar fusion had a similar risk of adverse outcomes as opioid-naïve patients. While >6 months of opioid use was associated with a higher risk of adverse outcomes, a 3-month prescription-free period before the surgery appeared to mitigate this risk for chronic users. Answers PICO questions 1 and 3

1	Jain et al, 2018 ¹²	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Preoperative impact outcome: preoperative opioid use among patients who underwent cervical fusion increases complication rates, postoperative opioid usage, health care resource use, and costs
1	Kalakoti et al, 2018 ¹⁶	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	This study affirms and defines duration defined as Rx within 3 months of surgery. Approximately one-third patients chronically use opioids before lumbar arthrodesis and nearly half of the preoperative OUs will continue to use at 1 year
1	Karhade et al, 2019 ⁵	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	This study confirms the association between preoperative opioid prescription duration with postoperative opioid use, as well as an association between antidepressant use, tobacco use, and Medicaid insurance and postoperative opioid use. The authors also found that longer duration of opioid prescriptions before surgery was associated with postoperative opioid prescriptions. Among opioid-naïve patients, the rate of postoperative opioid prescription was 87 (4.3%). Among patients with <180 days of preoperative opioid prescription, the rate of postoperative opioid prescription was 57 (16.7%) and among patients with >180 days of continuous preoperative opioid prescription, the rate of postoperative opioid prescription was 126 (34.2%)
1	Karhade et al, 2019 ⁷	Prognostic	Retrospective other	II	The study shows that preoperative use impacts duration—the 3 most important predictors were instrumentation, duration of preoperative opioid prescription, and comorbidity of depression

1	Oleisky et al, 2019 ¹⁹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. Although the PICOs were not the primary aim of the study, it showed the Edlund definition, accounting for duration and dosage, had the highest predictive ability for postoperative opioid use (77.5%), followed by Schoenfeld (75.7%), CDC (72.6%), and Svendsen (59.9%-72.5%) definitions. Answers PICO questions 1 and 2
1	Rosenthal et al, 2019 ¹⁸	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity, affirms duration
1	Tank et al, 2018 ¹⁵	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	PICO not directly answered; opioid dependence is associated with prolonged length of stay in lumbar fusion, as well as higher costs and higher frequencies of surgical complications
2	Adogwa et al, 2019 ³⁰	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Study affirms, although PICO not directly answered; page E694; preop associated with postop
2	Adogwa et al, 2019 ³¹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Study affirms and showed preoperative opioid use associated with prolonged postoperative use
2	Ahn et al, 2016 ²³	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. Study is negative, PICOs are not directly answered; there was no difference in narcotics dependence according to preoperative narcotic utilization (adjusted $P = .798$; Fig 4C)
2	Albert et al, 2000 ⁴²	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative case series	III	This study was downgraded because of the small population and PICOs were not directly addressed. The study was affirmative. The presence of ≥ 1 abnormal neurologic findings and significant narcotic use before surgery significantly increased the chance of a patient's outcome being functional failure

2	Anderson et al, 2009 ²¹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Study affirms. This study shows “weak” narcotic use a predictor in subanalysis
2	Armaghani et al, 2016 ³⁶	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. The study showed diabetes and preoperative opioid use were independent predictors of decreased SF-12 scores, decreased EQ-5D scores, increased ODI or NDI scores, and increased NRS scores ($P < .05$)
2	Armaghani et al, 2016 ²⁶	Prognostic	Retrospective case control	II	The study shows preoperative assessment affects outcomes. Linear regression analysis demonstrated that preoperative opioid use was an independent risk factor for increased donor site pain at 1 and 2 weeks ($P < .05$)
2	Armaghani et al, 2014 ²⁸	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. Greater preoperative opioid use before undergoing spine surgery predicts increased immediate postoperative opioid demand and decreased incidence of postoperative opioid independence
2	Deyo et al, 2018 ²⁰	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	The study affirms. In multivariable models, the strongest predictor of long-term postoperative use was cumulative preoperative opioid dose (OR 15.47 [95% CI 8.53-28.06] in the highest quartile)
2	Dunn et al, 2018 ³⁷	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. The study shows an impact, although not directly answering the PICO question
2	Elsamadicy et al, 2019 ⁴⁴	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Study shows preoperative use of narcotics may impact patient perception of pain and improvement after complex spinal fusions (≥ 5 levels). This study was downgraded because of heterogeneity, and because smoking and depression were not treated differently statistically

2	Faour et al, 2017 ¹¹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Affirms, not PRO but RTW. Prolonged preoperative opioid use was a negative predictor of successful RTW status (OR 0.73 [95% CI 0.55-0.98]; $P = .04$). Answers PICO questions 1 and 2
2	Hassan Hashisha et al, 2019 ³⁴	Prognostic	Prospective comparative	II	This study shows an impact on outcomes. Tramadol abuse before lumbar discectomy was found to be associated with continued tramadol abuse after surgery and worse functional outcomes after surgery
2	Hills et al, 2019 ³⁸	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Study affirms, downgraded because of heterogeneity. High preoperative opioid dosage was only associated with postoperative chronic opioid use (adjusted OR 4.9 [95% CI 3-7.9])
2	Hockley et al, 2019 ¹⁴	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	This study affirms using a subanalysis finding that patients who underwent an open TLIF with a history of preoperative opioid use are significantly more likely to remain on opioids at 6-week follow-up (87% vs 65%, $P = .027$), 3-month follow-up (63% vs 31%, $P = .008$), and 6-month follow-up (50% vs 21%, $P = .018$) compared with MISTLIF
2	Kalakoti et al, 2019 ²⁷	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Study affirms and shows chronic opioid therapy 3 months preoperatively; preoperative chronic opioid therapy is a modifiable risk factor that is strongly associated with prolonged postoperative opioid use
2	Kanaan et al, 2015 ⁴⁰	Prognostic	Retrospective case series	III	The study was downgraded because of heterogeneity. The study did show an impact, although the PICO was not directly addressed. Diagnosis and preoperative use of opioids were the only significant predictors for postoperative leg pain ($P = .007$ and $.042$, respectively) in the

					model with preoperative leg pain intensity controlled (Table 4). Patients with a diagnosis of spondylolisthesis are likely to have 0.62 points (95% CI -0.360 to 1.59) higher leg pain on VAS scale. Patients with preoperative use of opioids are likely to have more leg pain by 0.78 points (95% CI -0.51 to 2.07). The model explained 25.6% of the variation in postoperative leg pain
2	Kelly et al, 2015 ²²	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Study is negative and looks at strong vs weak opioids; preoperative opioid strength did not adversely affect outcomes in this analysis
2	Lall et al, 2018 ²⁹	Prognostic	Prospective other	II	The study affirms. This study was downgraded because follow-up was not reported. The PICO was not directly answered; among preoperative patient characteristics, only preoperative opioid use significantly predicted weeks to opioid cessation ($\beta = 0.466$; $P = .005$)
2	Lawrence et al, 2008 ²⁵	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	The study affirms: daily basis for >6 months preoperatively; chronic narcotic use before cervical arthrodesis was found to be associated with continued narcotic use after surgery and worse functional outcomes after surgery
2	Mesfin et al, 2014 ⁴⁵	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgrade because of heterogeneity. The preoperative duration was not noted. These findings differ from other studies. The narcotic group had significantly greater improvements in SRS pain scores vs the no narcotic group
2	O'Connell et al, 2018 ⁴³	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgrade because of heterogeneity. This study affirms although, PICO is not directly answered; preoperative opioids

2	O'Donnell et al, 2018 ³³	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	The study affirms duration
2	Oleisky et al, 2019 ¹⁹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. Although the PICOs were not the primary aim of the study, it showed the Edlund definition, accounting for duration and dosage, had the highest predictive ability for postoperative opioid use (77.5%), followed by Schoenfeld (75.7%), CDC (72.6%), and Svendsen (59.9% to 72.5%) definitions. Answers PICO questions 1 and 2
2	Pugely et al, ¹⁰ 2018	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	Preoperative is defined as filled rx within 3 months of surgery. Postoperative opioid use fell dramatically during the first 3 months in NOU, but nearly half of the preoperative OUs will remain on narcotics at 1 year postoperatively
2	Qureshi et al, 2018 ¹³	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	The study showed an impact: preoperative narcotic use had the largest effect on odds of postoperative prescription (OR 3.4)
2	Reid et al, 2019 ²⁴	Prognostic	Retrospective other	II	This study affirms and shows that increased 30-day opioid utilization was associated with surgery in the prelaw period, preoperative opioid exposure, preoperative benzodiazepine exposure, and number of levels fused (all $P < .05$). Chronic (>90 day) opioid requirements were associated with preoperative opioid exposure (OR 4.42, $P < .001$) but not with pre-/postlaw status ($P > .05$)
2	Tuna et al, 2018 ³⁵	Prognostic	Prospective comparative	III	Downgraded because of heterogeneity. Study shows that preoperative impacts postoperative chronic opiate-consuming patients received more morphine within the first 3 postoperative days when compared with non-opioid-

					consuming patients
2	Villavicencio et al, 2017 ³²	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	This study was downgraded because follow up was not reported. This study affirms, but PICO's not directly answered. The use of opioid medications to control pain before patients underwent lumbar fusion for degenerative lumbar conditions was associated with less favorable clinical outcomes postoperatively
2	Wick et al, 2018 ³⁹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	The study was downgraded because of heterogeneity. The study does show and impact (affirm). MEQ: the final logistic regression model demonstrated that MCID achievement decreased significantly when mean preoperative MEA dose exceeded 47.8 mg/d, with a 95% credible interval of 29.0-60.0 mg/d
2	Wright et al, 2019 ⁴¹	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	III	No preop MEQ or duration or wean. PICO was not the primary aim of the study. The study showed discharge prescription dose exceeding 120 mg/day is independently associated with opioid dependence following spine surgery. The study was downgraded because of heterogeneity
3	Jain et al, 2019 ¹⁷	Prognostic	Retrospective comparative	II	The study affirms. This study includes duration and 3-month opioid-free period/wean. Patients with a preoperative opioid prescription for ≤ 3 months before a major arthroplasty or a 1- or 2-level lumbar fusion had a similar risk of adverse outcomes as opioid-naïve patients. While >6 months of opioid use was associated with a higher risk of adverse outcomes, a 3-month prescription-free period before the surgery appeared to mitigate this risk for chronic users.

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CDC, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; CI, confidence interval; EQ-5D, EuroQol 5D health-related quality of life survey; MCID, minimal clinically important difference; MEA, morphine equianalgesic dose; MEQ, minimum equivalent dose; MIS, minimally invasive; NDI, Neck Disability Index; NOU, non-opioid user; NRS, numeric rating scale; ODI Oswestry Disability Index; OR, odds ratio; OU, opioid user; PICO, patient/population, intervention, comparison, and outcomes; PRO, patient reported outcomes; RTW, return to work; SF-12, Medical Outcomes Study Survey Short Form 12; SRS, Scoliosis Research Society; TLIF, transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion, VAS, visual analog scale.