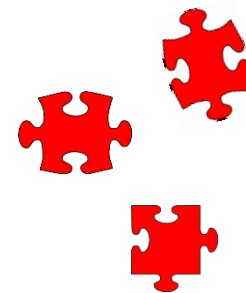


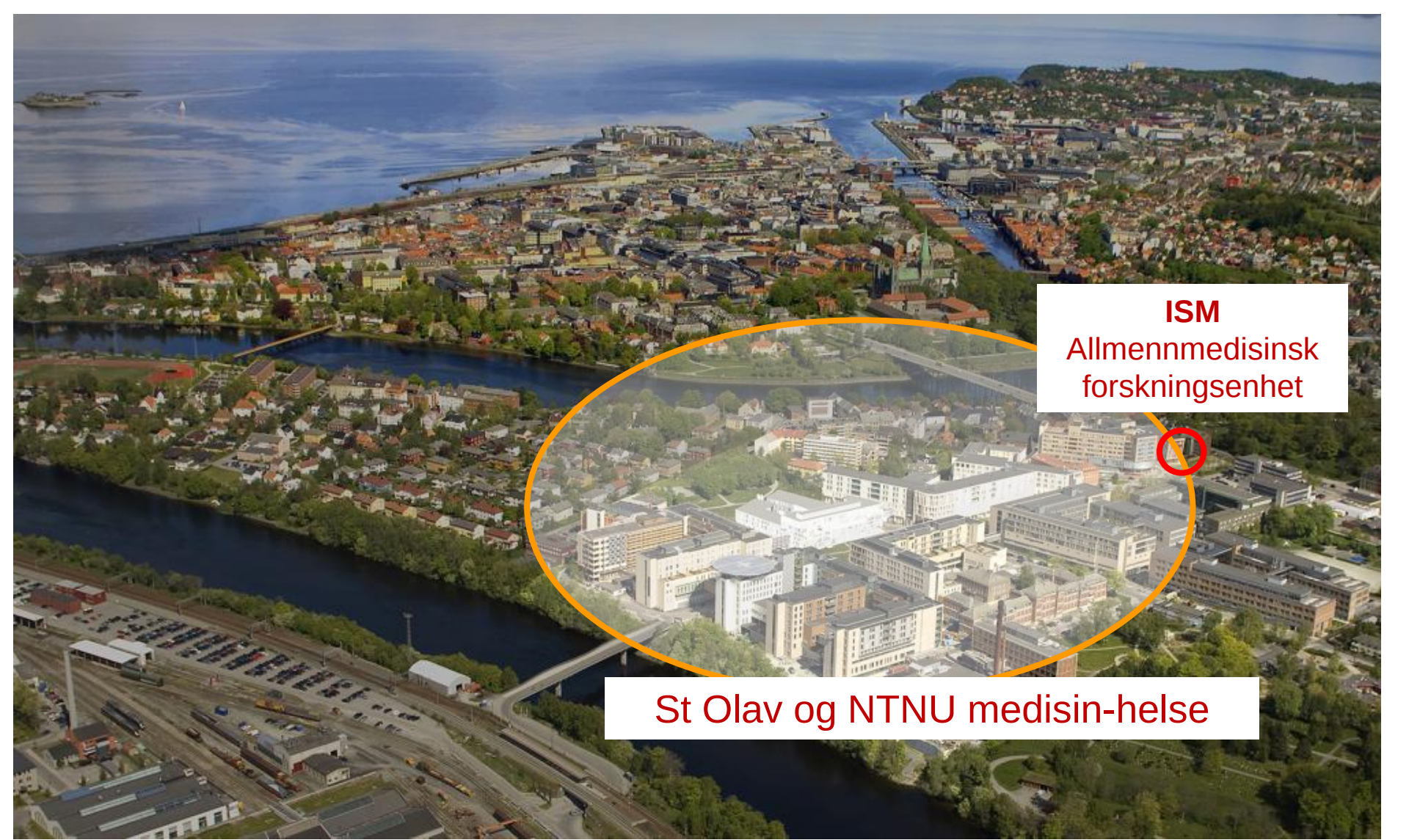


Multimorbiditet i primærhelsetjensten

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Fotoet er arrangert

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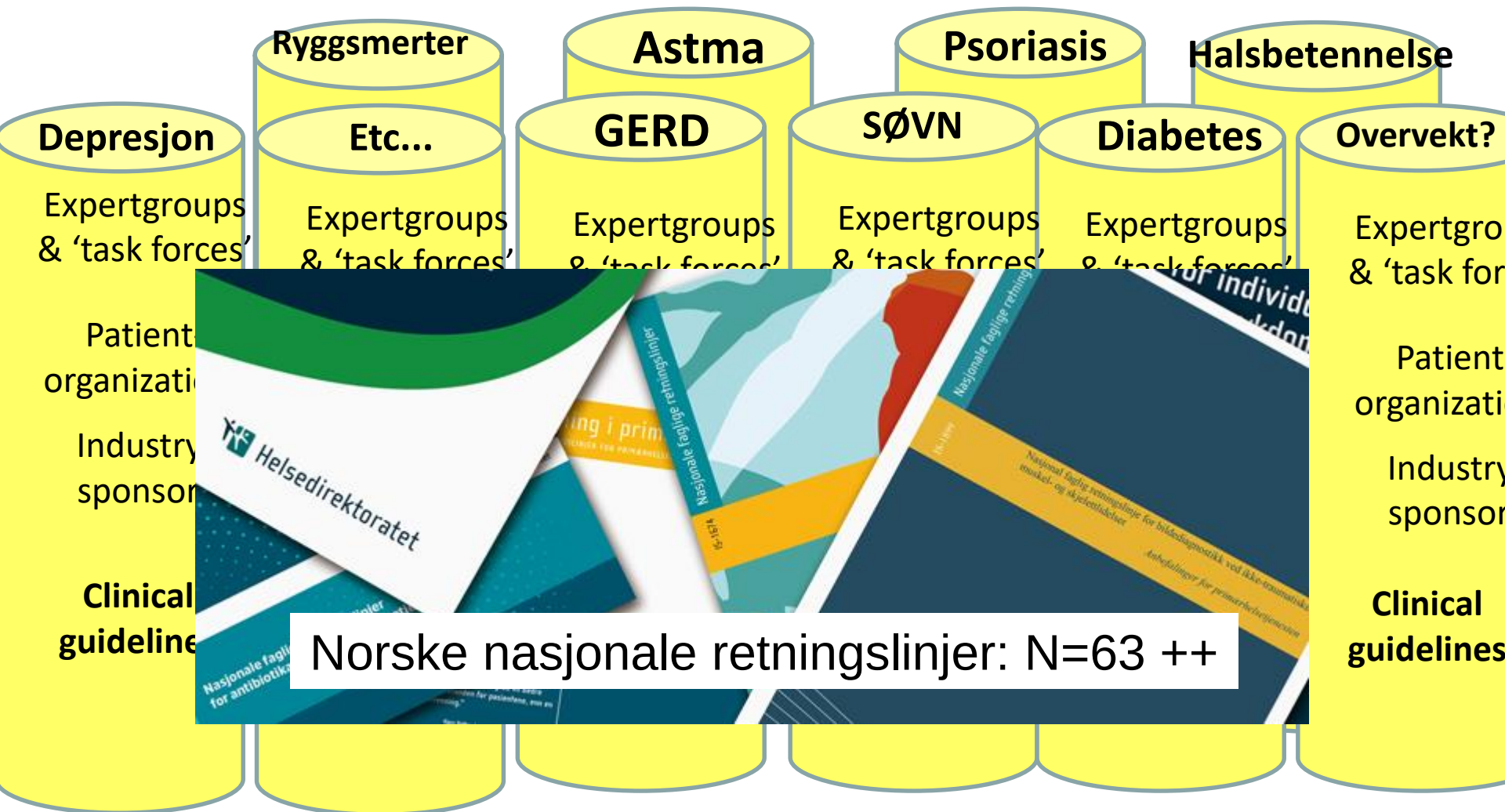
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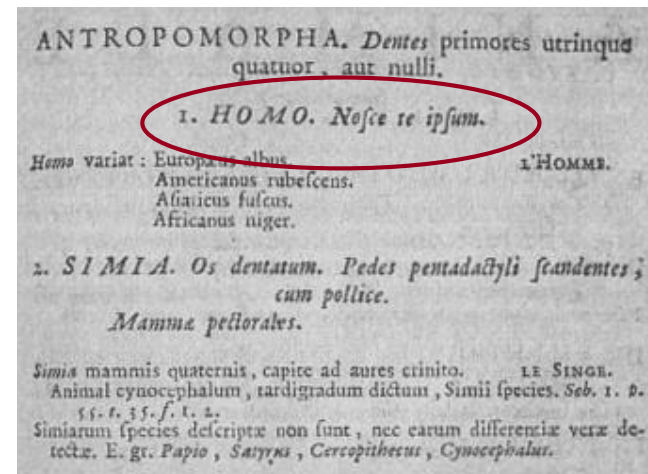
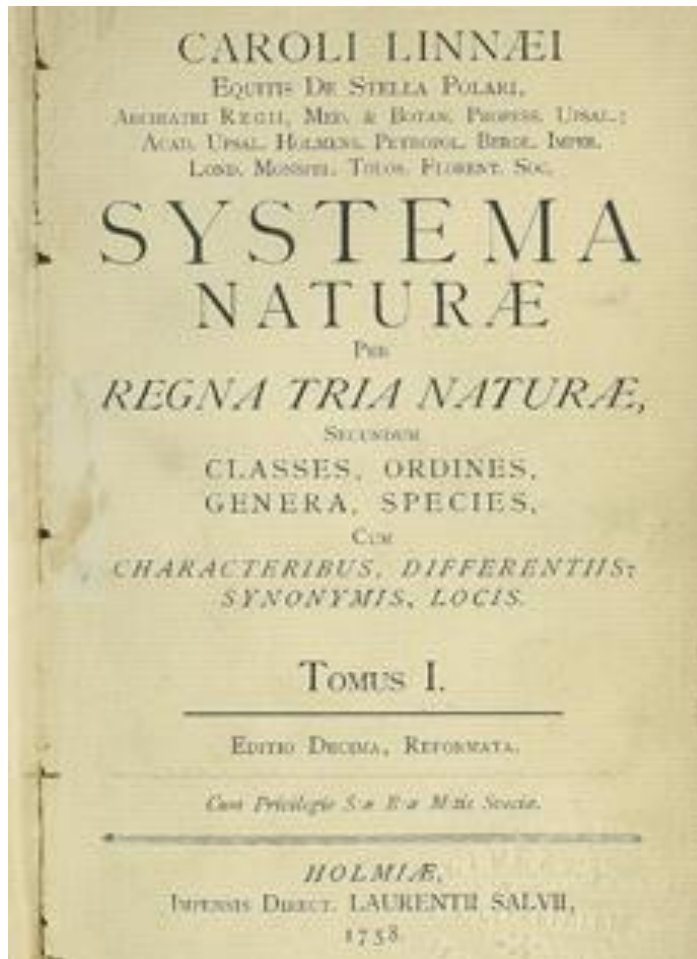
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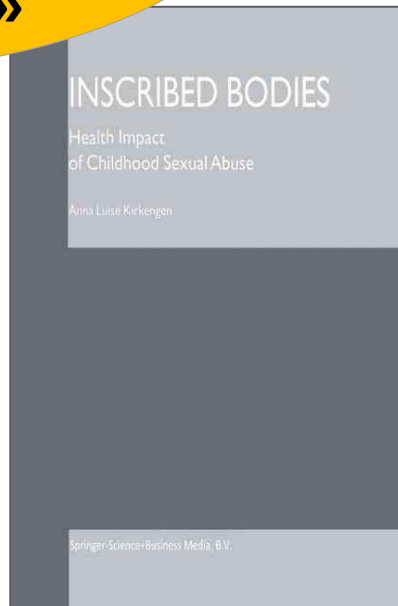
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Abstract

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«Allostatic load»

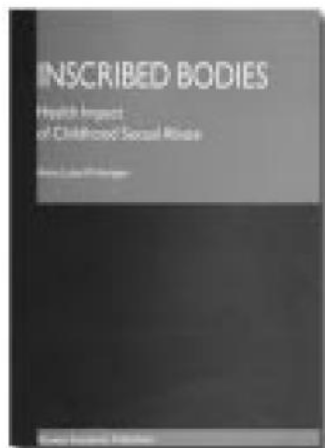
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Inscribed Bodies: Health Impact of Childhood Sexual Abuse

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A “Such a profound and insightful work as “Inscribed Bodies” comes into print only once every decade or two”

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- Unfolding the impact of sexual violation; and
- Exploring the medical making of patients.

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Research Article

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multiple categories of childhood exposure were likely to have later in life.

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Medical Subject Headings (MeSH): child abuse, sexual, domestic violence, spouse abuse, children of impaired parents, substance abuse, alcoholism, smoking, obesity, physical activity, depression, suicide, sexual behavior, sexually transmitted diseases, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, ischemic heart disease. (Am J Prev Med 1998;14:245-258) © 1998 American Journal of Preventive Medicine

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13.494 amerikanere

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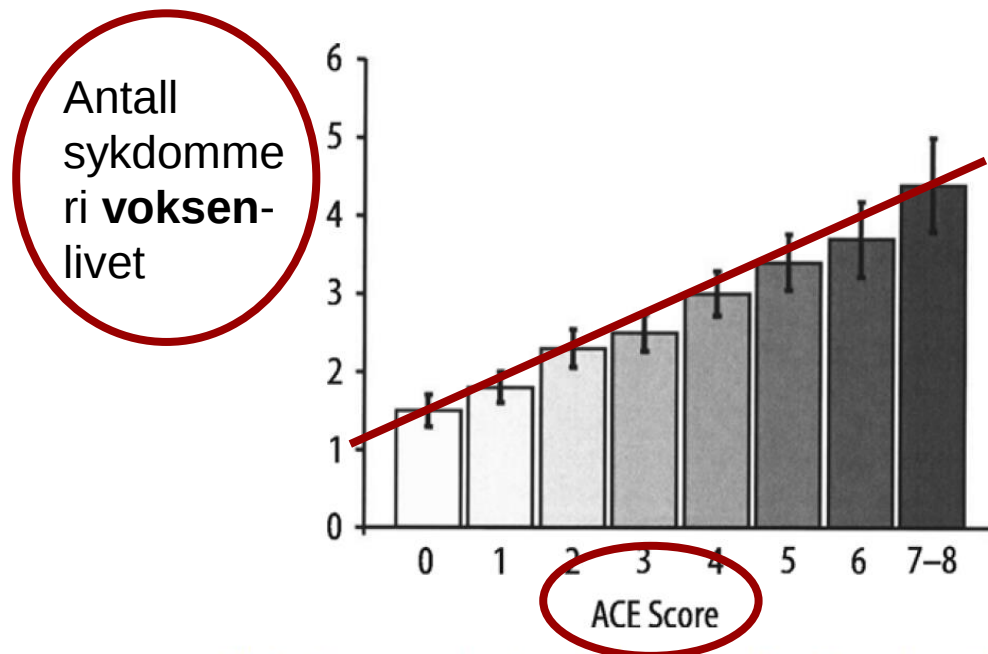


Fig.1 The mean number of comorbid outcomes in the study sample was 2.1 (range: 0–14); means are adjusted for age, sex, race, and educational attainment. The trend in the means is significant ($P < 0.0001$); vertical error bars represent 95% confidence intervals

The ACE study, Felitti & Anda og co, Kaiser Permanente og CDC

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Hvordan «toksisk»
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kroppens kapasitet for
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Allostase

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„Toksisk stress“

Høy belastning (overveldende påkjenninger, evt. kronisk stress) har biologiske ‘kostnader’ på sikt:

Allostatisk overbelastning

Et integrativt begrep som tar høyde for at **mentale og fysiske belastninger** ‘overbeskatter’ **de samme** fysiologiske systemene.

Bruce McEwen, 1998



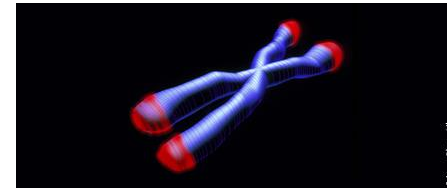
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ENHETLIG IDE – LITT ULIKE ALGORITMER

- Kardiovaskulære mål (blodtrykk, pulsfrekvens, m.fl.)
- Lungefunksjonstester (PEF, spirometri)
- Hormonnivåer (cortisol, DHEA-S, A, NA, m.fl.)
- Inflammasjonsmarkører (CRP, IL-6, TNF, Fibrinogen m.fl.)
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“Nærer” (salutogenese)

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Ære og stolthet

Mening

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“Tærer” (patogenese)

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Allostatisk overbelastning
“avmaktens patofysiologi”

Allostatisk overbelastning

*“For lite av det som nærer,
for mye av det som tærer”*

- Anna Luise Kirkengen

Allostase – et liv i balanse?

• Tillit, trygghet, støtte

• Anledninger til å vokse og utvikle seg

• Opplevd mening (ex. samtaler, kunst)

“Mentale”

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“Fysiske”

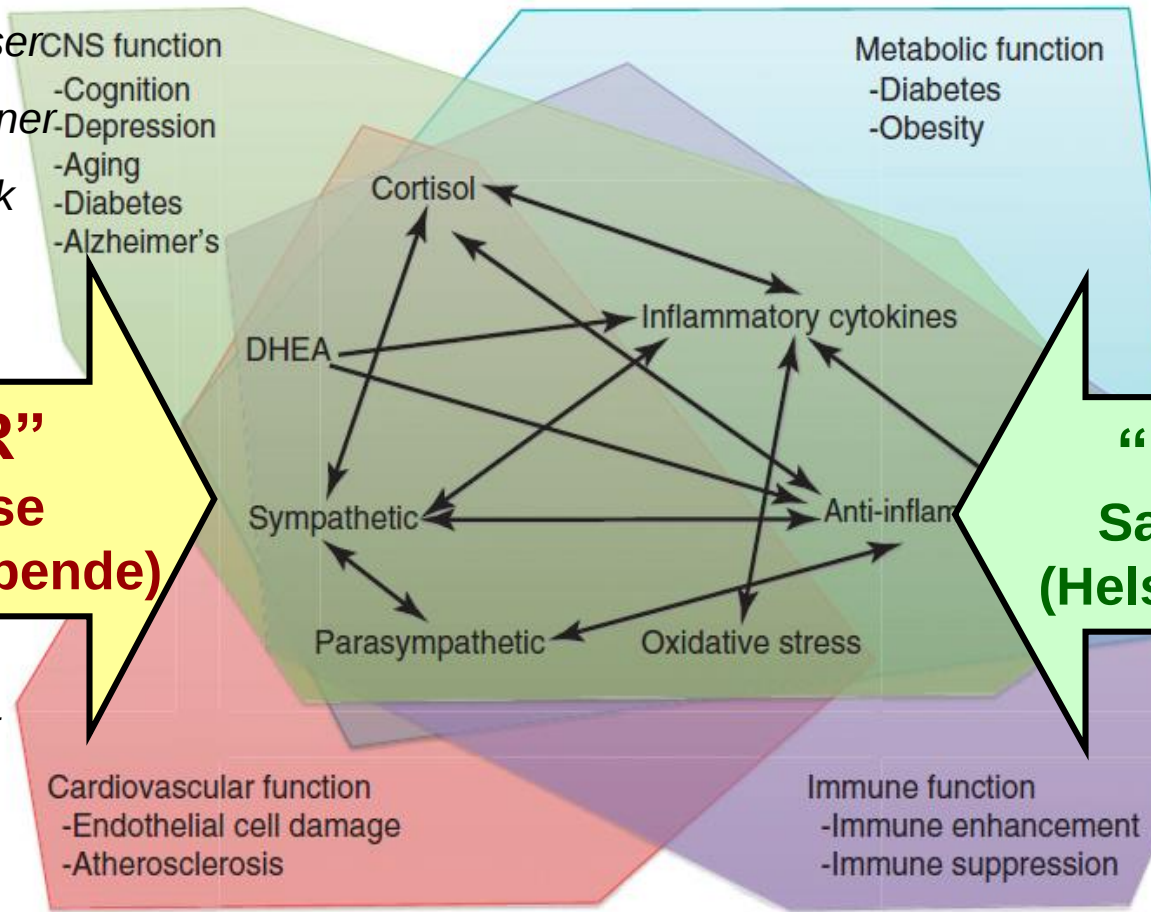
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“Mentale”

“TÆRER”

Patogenese

(Sykdomsskapende)

“Fysiske”

• Søvnmangel/skift

• Fysisk slit

• Inaktivitet

• Usunn mat

• Sykdom og smerte (onde sirkler), medikamenter (bivirkninger)

• Røyking og andre rusmidler

• Forurensing

**CNS: kognitive og
psykiatriske lidelser**
„Sensitisering“

**Metabolske
forstyrrelser**

CNS function
-Cognition
-Depression

Metabolic function
-Diabetes
-Obesity

MULTIMORBIDITET

„TÆRE“

„NÆRER“

Sympathetic

Anti-inflammatory cytokines

Parasympathetic

Oxidative stress

Cardiovascular function
-Endothelial cell damage
-Atherosclerosis

Immune function
-Immune enhancement
-Immune suppression

**Hjerte/kar-
sykdommer**

**Immunologisk
relaterte lidelser**

Epidemiology of multimorbidity and implications for health care, research, and medical education: a cross-sectional study



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Summary

Background Long-term disorders are the main challenge facing health-care systems worldwide, but health systems are largely configured for individual diseases rather than multimorbidity. We examined the distribution of multimorbidity, and of comorbidity of physical and mental health disorders, in relation to age and socioeconomic deprivation.

Methods In a cross-sectional study we extracted data on 40 morbidities from a database of 1751841 people registered

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deprived areas compared with the most affluent, with socioeconomic deprivation particularly associated with multimorbidity that included mental health disorders (prevalence of both physical and mental health disorder 11·0%, 95% CI 10·9–11·2% in most deprived area vs 5·9%, 5·8%–6·0% in least deprived). The presence of a mental health disorder increased as the number of physical morbidities increased (adjusted odds ratio 6·74, 95% CI 6·59–6·90 for five or more disorders vs 1·95, 1·93–1·98 for one disorder), and was much greater in more deprived than in less deprived people (2·28, 2·21–2·32 vs 1·08, 1·05–1·11).

Interpretation Our findings challenge the single-disease framework by which most health care, medical research, and medical education is configured. A complementary strategy is needed, supporting generalist clinicians to provide personalised, comprehensive continuity of care, especially in socioeconomically deprived areas.

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Introduction

Management of the rising prevalence of long-term disorders is the main challenge facing governments and health-care systems worldwide.¹ Although individual diseases dominate health-care delivery, medical research, and medical education, people with multimorbidity—those with two or more chronic morbidities—need a broader approach. Use of many services to manage individual diseases can become duplicative and inefficient, and is burdensome and unsafe for patients because of poor coordination and integration.^{2–4} Multimorbidity becomes progressively more common with age^{5–7} and is associated with high mortality,⁸ reduced functional status,^{9,10} and increased use of both inpatient and ambulatory health care.^{2,7} Estimates of the prevalence

have life expectancies 13 years shorter, and women 9 years shorter, than do those in the most affluent 10%. The most deprived people spend twice as many years in poor health before they die than do the most affluent (10·3 years vs 5·5 years for men; 14·4 years vs 6·0 years for women).¹⁵

Better understanding of the epidemiology of multimorbidity is necessary to develop interventions to prevent it, reduce its burden, and align health-care services more closely with patients' needs. We aimed to use a large, representative primary medical care electronic database to examine the distribution of multimorbidity in relation to age and socioeconomic deprivation, and the relation between comorbidity of physical and mental health disorders and deprivation.

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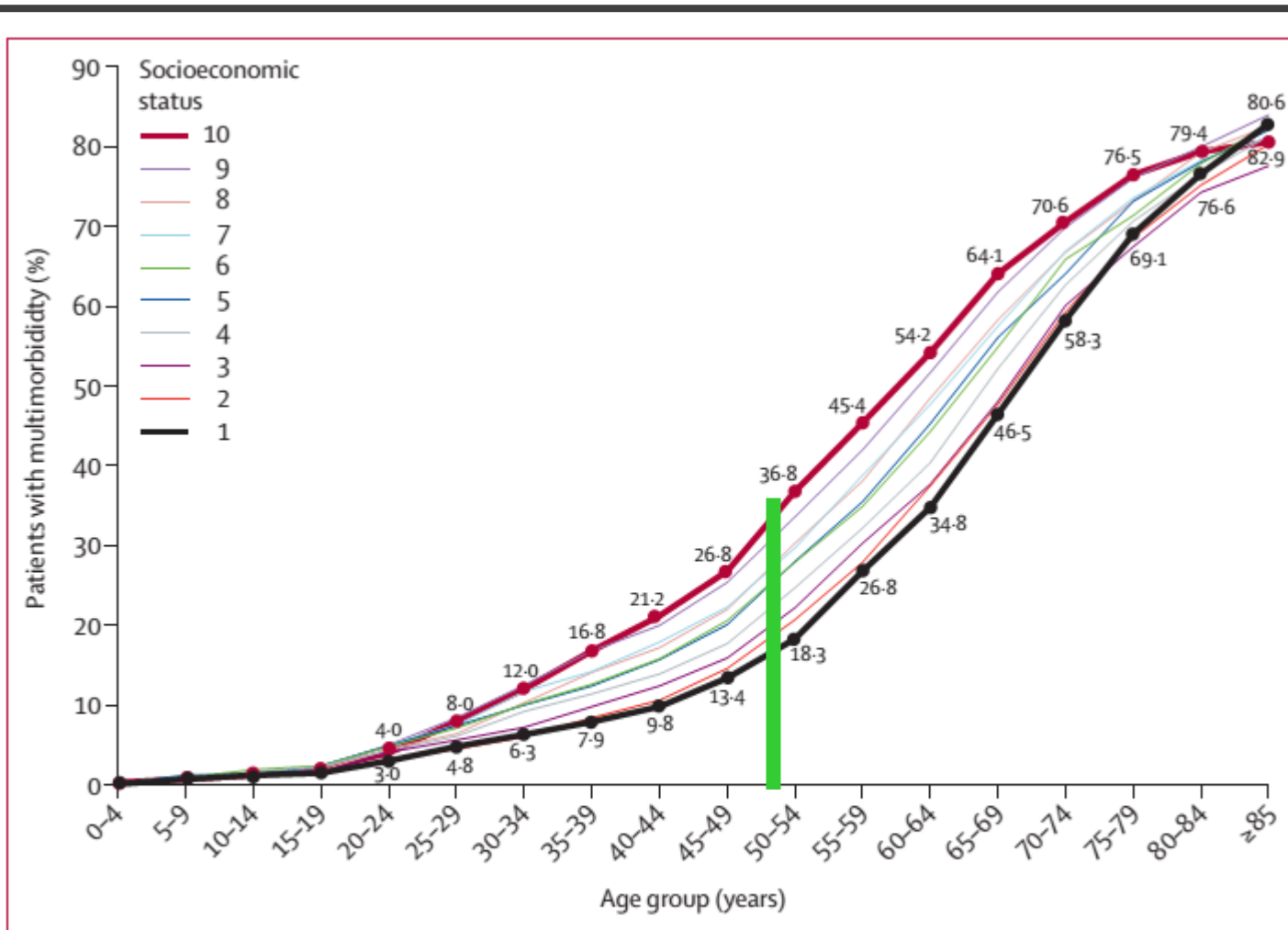


Figure 2: Prevalence of multimorbidity by age and socioeconomic status
On socioeconomic status scale, 1=most affluent and 10=most deprived.



Do socioeconomic inequalities in pain, psychological distress and oral health increase or decrease over the life course? Evidence from Sweden over 43 years of follow-up

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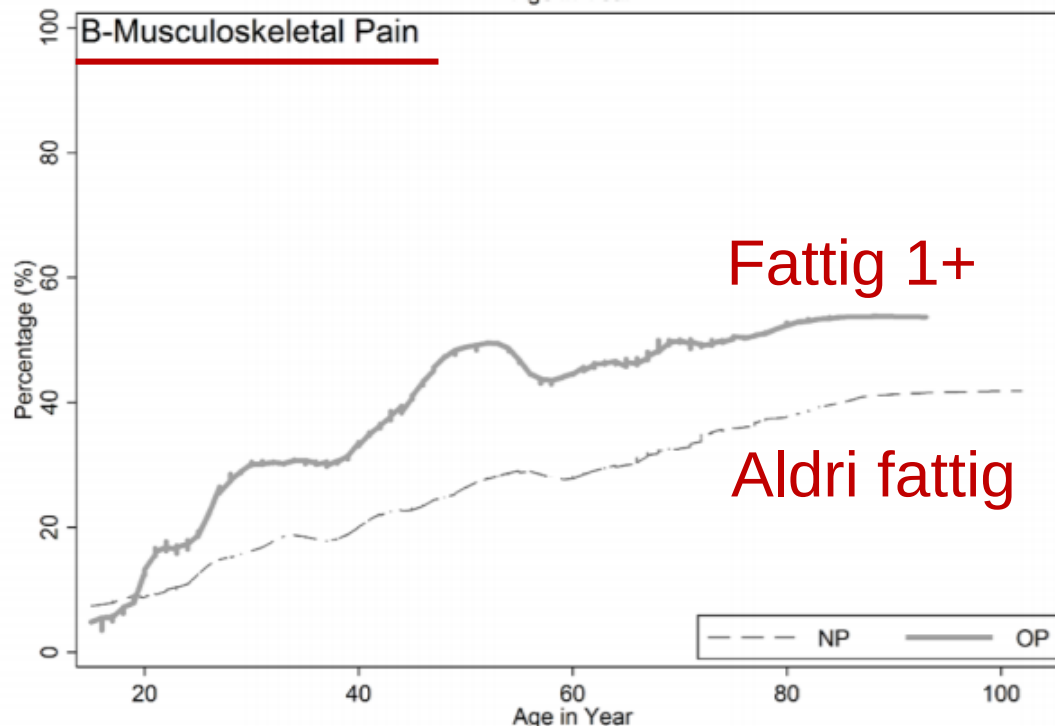
Background Inequalities over the life course may increase due to accumulation of disadvantage or may decrease because ageing can work as a leveller. We report how absolute and relative socioeconomic inequalities in musculoskeletal pain, oral health and psychological distress evolve with ageing.

Methods Data were combined from two nationally representative Swedish panel studies: the Swedish Level-of-Living Survey and the Swedish Panel Study of Living Conditions of the Oldest Old. Individuals were followed up to 43 years in six waves (1968, 1974, 1981, 1991/1992, 2000/2002, 2010/2011) from five cohorts: 1906–1915 (n=899), 1925–1934 (n=906), 1944–1953 (n=1154), 1957–1966 (n=923) and 1970–1981 (n=1199). The participants were 15–62 years at baseline. Three self-reported outcomes were measured as dichotomous variables: teeth not in good conditions, psychological distress and musculoskeletal pain. The fixed-income groups were: (A) never poor and (B) poor at least once in life. The relationship between ageing and the outcomes was smoothed with locally weighted ordinary least squares, and the relative and absolute gaps were calculated with Poisson regression using generalised estimating equations.

Results All outcomes were associated with ageing, birth cohort, sex and being poor at least once in life. Absolute inequalities increased up to the age of 45–64 years, and then they decreased. Relative inequalities were large already in individuals aged 15–25 years, showing a declining trend over the life course. Selective mortality did not change the results. The socioeconomic gap was larger for current poverty than for being poor at least once in life.

Conclusion Inequalities persist into very old age, though they are more salient in midlife for all three outcomes observed.

The gap may evolve differently when comparing mortality and morbidity indicators. Most mortality studies have shown either decreasing or stable inequalities across the lifespan.^{3–9} Age-as-leveller has been considered an explanation for converging inequalities, for example, welfare programmes and



on morbidity, and studied inequalities in three different health outcomes that have consistently been associated with socioeconomic conditions

Teicher & Samson (2016)

The effects of childhood maltreatment on brain structure, function and connectivityMartin H. Teicher^{1,2}, Jacqueline A. Samson^{1,2}, Carl M. Anderson^{1,2} and Kyoko Ohashi^{1,2}

Abstract | Maltreatment-related childhood adversity is the leading preventable risk factor for mental illness and substance abuse. Although the association between maltreatment and psychopathology is compelling, there is a pressing need to understand how maltreatment increases the risk of psychiatric disorders. Emerging evidence suggests that maltreatment alters trajectories of brain development to affect sensory systems, network architecture and circuits involved in threat detection, emotional regulation and reward anticipation. This Review explores whether these alterations reflect toxic effects of early-life stress or potentially adaptive modifications, the relationship between psychopathology and brain changes, and the distinction between resilience, susceptibility and compensation.

Brain development is directed by genes but sculpted by experiences, particularly those occurring during early sensitive or critical periods. Studies suggest that the onset of regional critical periods may be triggered when GABAergic inhibitory influences develop to the point that they come into balance with excitatory influences¹. This balance allows experience to shape and fine-tune connectivity patterns and network architecture. Contrary to earlier notions, plasticity is not lost but seems to be dampened by molecular 'brakes' that draw critical periods to a close, although these brakes can be lifted through pharmacological manipulations or epigenetic modifications¹. Together, these developmental processes provide a highly adaptive mechanism for the formation of optimally sculpted neural representations to guide future actions based on early experience, while allowing possible revisions¹.

There are few early experiences as consequential as abuse and neglect. Studies on the effects of childhood maltreatment typically include physically, sexually and emotionally abusive acts and episodes of both physical and emotional neglect. Emotional maltreatment includes intentionally eliciting feelings of guilt, shame or fear to serve the emotional needs of the perpetrator; persuading children to perform inappropriate acts; denigrating or destroying things they value; or placing them in harmful situations, such as witnessing interparental violence². Physical neglect is defined as failure to provide basic needs such as food, clean clothing, shelter, supervision, and dental and paediatric care². Emotional neglect is the failure to provide for fundamental emotional needs, by

being emotionally unresponsive to children's distress, failing to attend to their social needs or expecting children to manage situations that are beyond their maturity level or unsafe². Some studies also include exposure to various forms of household dysfunction, such as living with substance-abusing parents.

According to the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) study, a collaboration between Kaiser Permanente and US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, exposure to one or more maltreatment-related ACEs accounts for 54% of the population attributable risk (PAR) for depression³, 67% of the PAR for suicide attempts³ and 64% of the PAR for addiction to illicit drugs⁴. Exposure to five or more ACEs was associated with a 2-, 3-, 10- or 17-fold increase in risk for receiving a prescription of an anxiolytic, antidepressant, antipsychotic or mood-stabilizing medication, respectively⁵. Individuals exposed to six or more ACEs were found to have a 20-year reduction in lifespan⁶, which may be due to accelerated telomere shortening⁷. Understanding how maltreatment increases risk of various psychiatric and medical disorders is of crucial importance to prevent, pre-empt or treat the consequences of abuse and neglect.

We hypothesized several years ago that maltreatment acts as a stressor to produce a cascade of physiological and neurohumoral reactions that alter brain-development trajectories, setting the stage for the emergence of psychiatric symptoms in genetically susceptible individuals^{8–10}. Since then, there have been more than 180 original reports showing an association between childhood maltreatment and alterations in brain structure, function,

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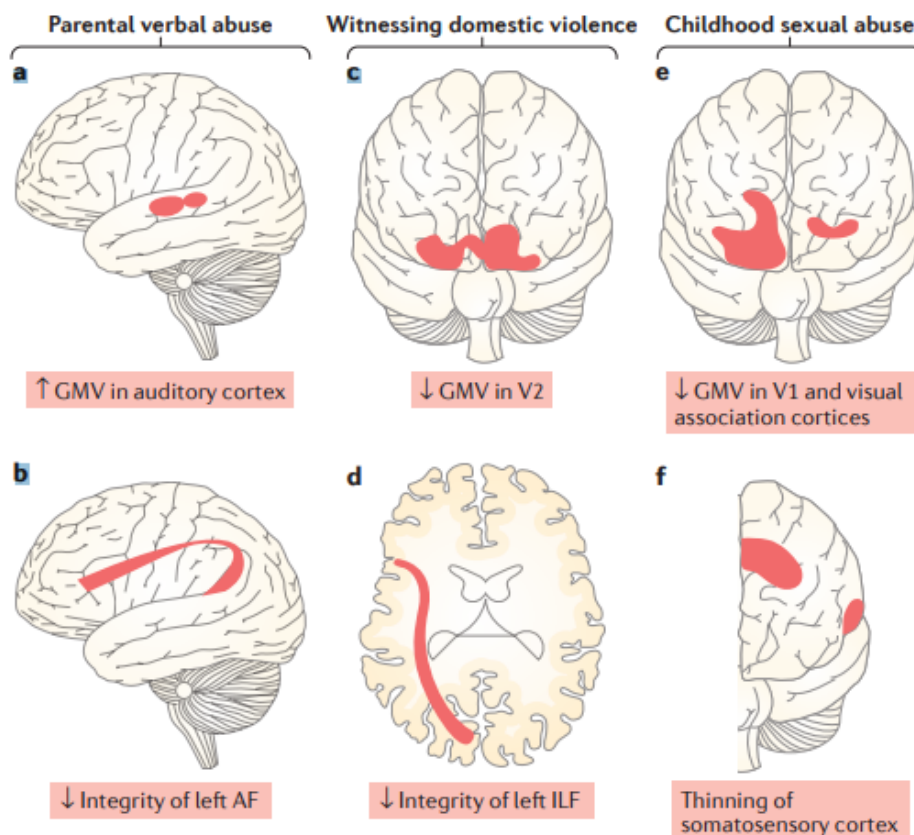
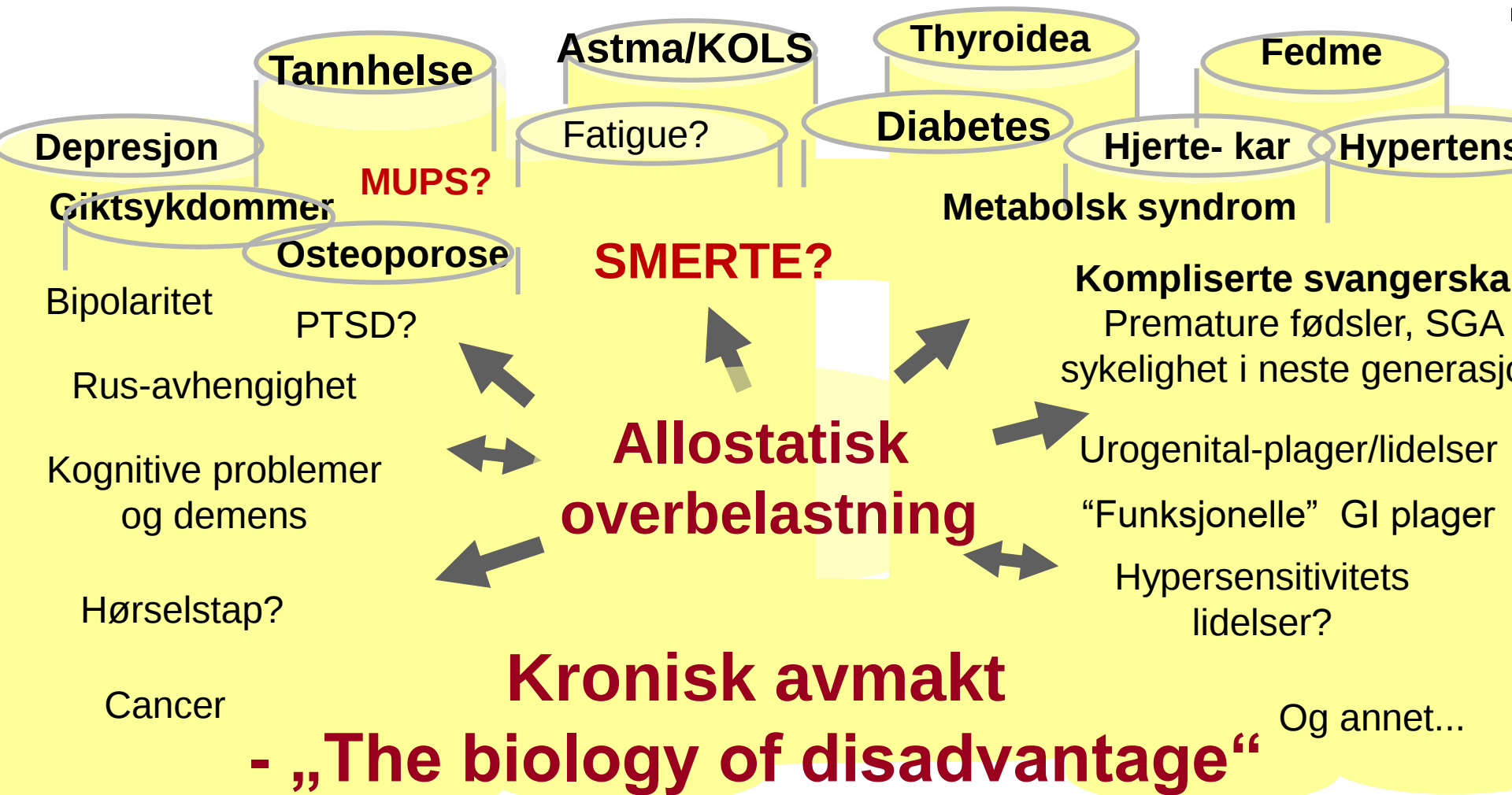


Figure 1 | **Abuse type-specific effects on the developing brain.** Images depicting the potential effects of exposure to specific types of childhood maltreatment on grey-matter volume (GMV) or thickness and fibre-tract integrity. Exposure to parental verbal abuse was associated with increased GMV in the auditory cortex portion of the left superior temporal gyrus²⁵ (part **a**) and decreased integrity of the left arcuate fasciculus (AF) interconnecting Wernicke's area and Broca's area²⁶ (part **b**). Visually witnessing multiple episodes of domestic violence was associated with reduced GMV in right lingual gyrus, left occipital pole and bilateral secondary visual cortex (V2)²⁷ (part **c**) and decreased integrity of the left inferior longitudinal fasciculus (ILF), which serves as a visual–limbic pathway²⁸ (part **d**). Adults reporting exposure to multiple episodes of childhood forced-contact sexual abuse were found to have reduced GMV in right and left primary visual cortex (V1) and visual association cortices, as well as reduced thickness in right lingual, left fusiform and left middle occipital gyri²⁹ (part **e**) and portions of the somatosensory cortex representing the clitoris and surrounding genital area³⁰ (part **f**). Part **a** is adapted with permission from REF. 25, Elsevier. Part **b** is adapted with permission from REF. 26, Elsevier. Part **c** is adapted from REF. 27. Part **d** is adapted with permission from REF. 28, Elsevier. Part **e** is adapted with permission from REF. 29, Elsevier. Part **f** is adapted from an image courtesy of C. Heim, Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin, Germany, and J. Pruessner, McGill University, Canada.

Teicher& Samson 2016 (Review)

Sansespesifikke
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Hvordan er det i NORGE?

Multimorbiditet Barndom og helse



ARTICLE

Co- and multi-morbidity patterns in an unselected Norwegian population: cross-sectional analysis based on the HUNT Study and theoretical reflections concerning basic medical models

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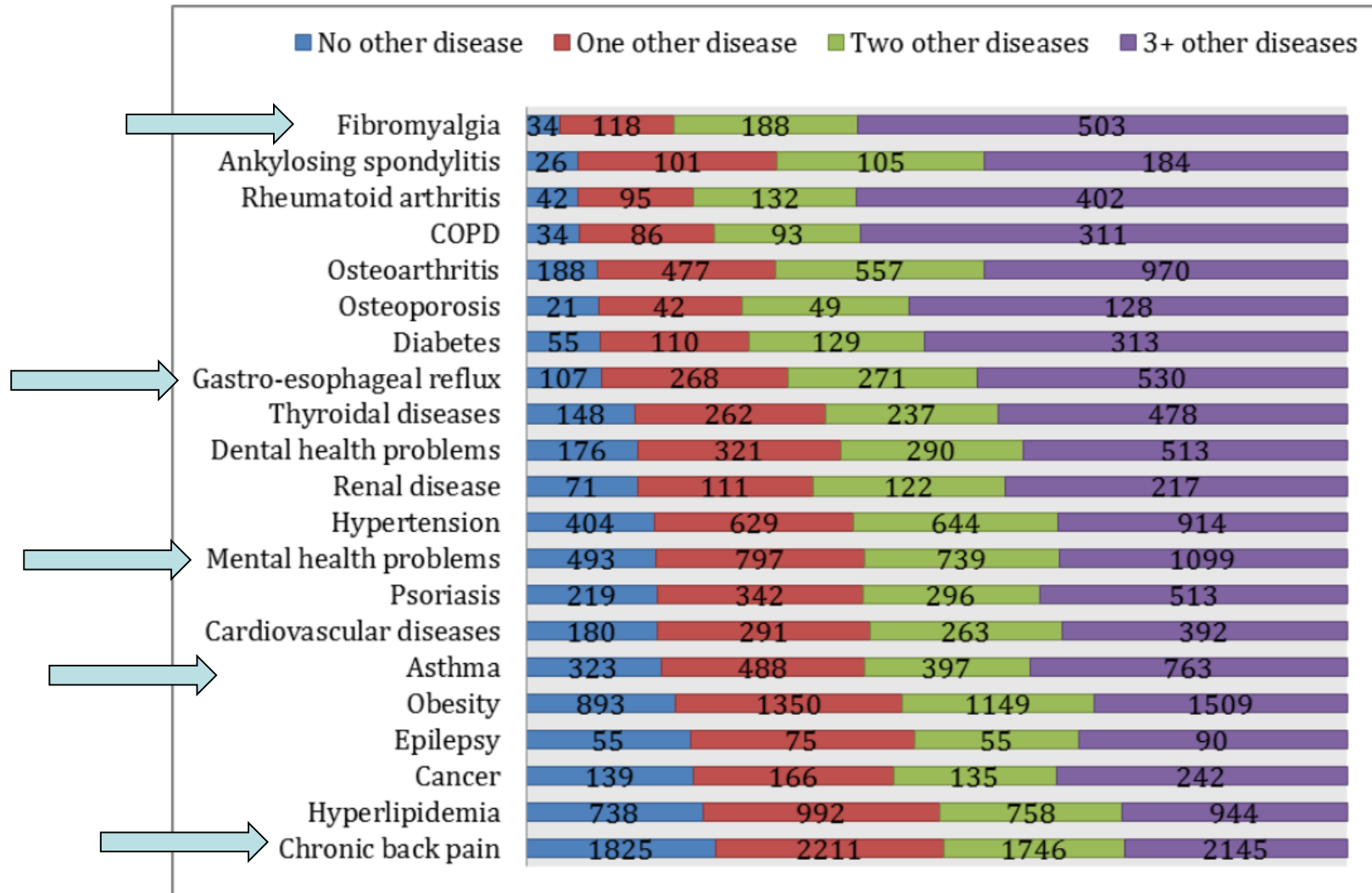
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Multimorbiditet ut fra 21 index-sykdommer i HUNT 3

Figure 3 Number and distribution of disease clustering / multimorbidity by index diseases in the age-group 40-59 years. COPD = Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease



RESEARCH ARTICLE

Self Reported Childhood Difficulties, Adult Multimorbidity and Allostatic Load. A Cross-Sectional Analysis of the Norwegian HUNT Study

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Abstract

Background

Multimorbidity receives increasing scientific attention. So does the detrimental health impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACE). Aetiological pathways from ACE to complex disease burdens are under investigation. In this context, the concept of *allostatic over-*



HUNT 3 (2006-8)

51 Hvor mye melk eller yoghurt drakk du vanligvis?

Sjelden/ aldri	1-6 gl. pr. uke	1 glass pr. dag	2-3 gl. pr. dag	Mer enn 3 glass pr. dag
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

52 Vokste du opp på gård med husdyr?

Ja	Nei
☐	☐

53 Når du tenker på barndommen/oppveksten din, vil du beskrive den som:

Svært god	☐	Vanskelig	☐
God	☐	Svært vanskelig.....	☐
Middels	☐		

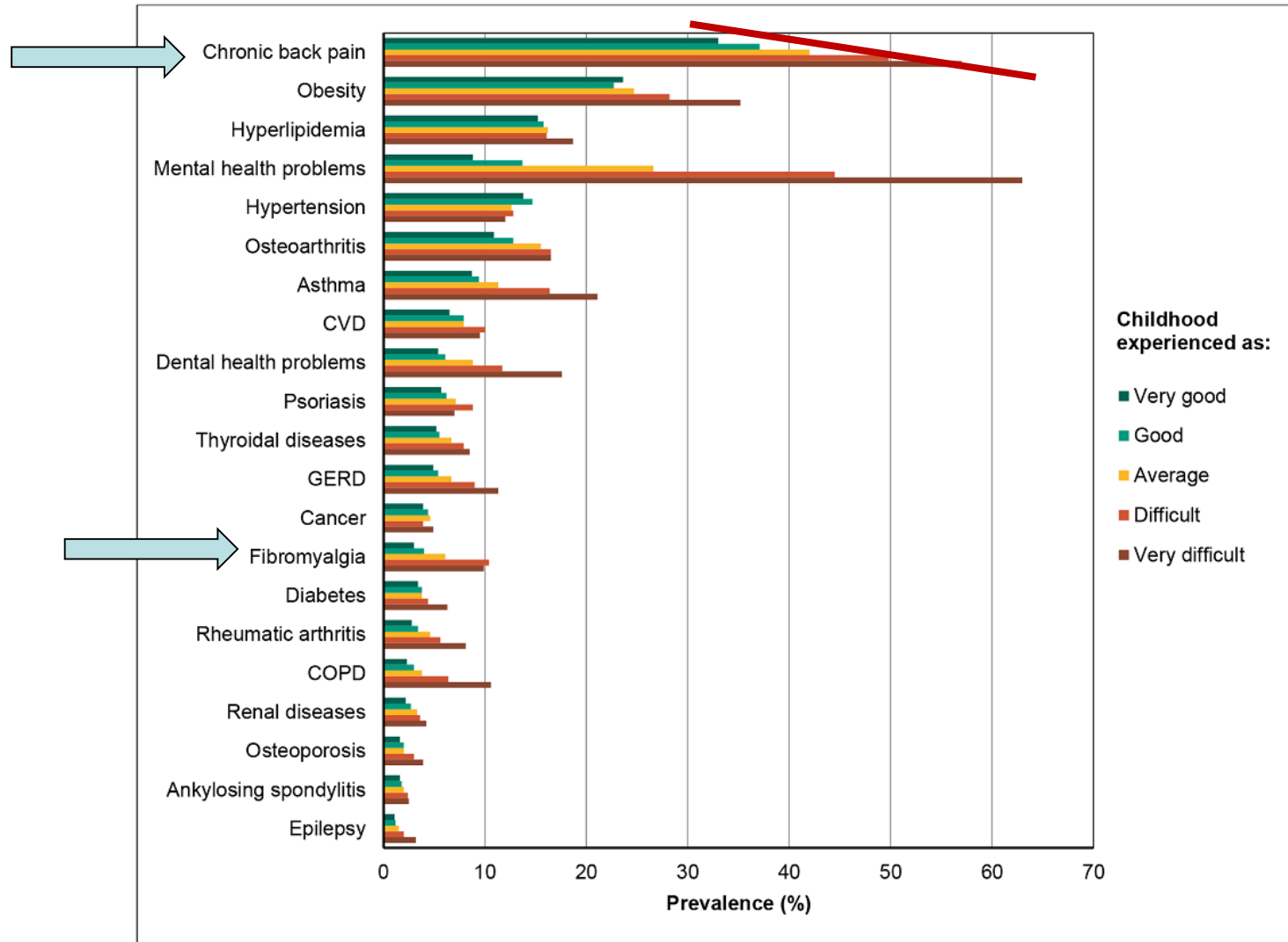


Fig 3. Prevalence of diseases/conditions according to childhood experience for adults (30–69y) in the HUNT3 Study.



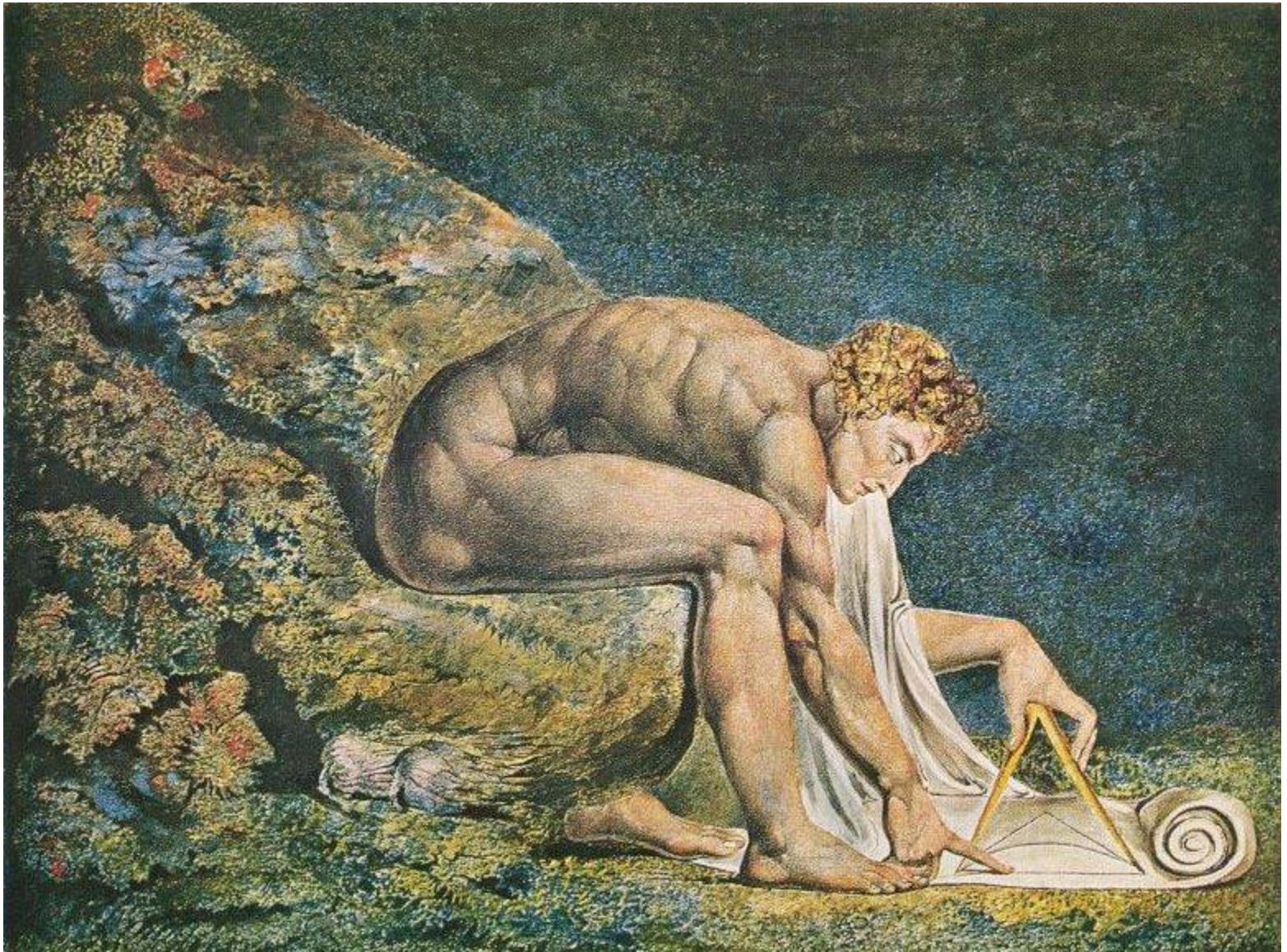
✿ “My Story Is Broken;
Can You Help Me Fix It?”

The joint construction of
narrative in medicine

Howard Brody

1994





William Blake: Newton (1795/1805).

Embodiment: a conceptual glossary for epidemiology

Nancy Krieger

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Recognising that we, as humans, are simultaneously social beings and biological organisms, the notion of “embodiment” advances three critical claims:

- (1) bodies tell stories about—and cannot be studied divorced from—the conditions of our existence;
- (2) bodies tell stories that often—but not always—match people’s stated accounts; and
- (3) bodies tell stories that people cannot or will not tell, either because they are unable, forbidden, or choose not to tell.

Just as the proverbial “dead man’s bones” do in fact tell tales, via forensic pathology and historical anthropometry,^{5–7} so too do our living bodies tell stories about our lives, whether or not these are ever consciously expressed.

BMJ Open Does 'existential unease' predict adult multimorbidity? Analytical cohort study on embodiment based on the Norwegian HUNT population

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ABSTRACT

Objectives: Multimorbidity is prevalent, and knowledge regarding its aetiology is limited. The general pathogenic impact of adverse life experiences, comprising a wide-ranging typology, is well documented and coherent with the concept *allostatic overload* (the long-term impact of stress on human physiology) and the notion *embodiment* (the conversion of sociocultural and environmental influences into physiological characteristics). Less is known about the medical relevance of subtle distress or unease. The study aim was to prospectively explore the associations between *existential unease* (coined as a meta-term for the included items) and multimorbidity.

Setting: Our data are derived from an unselected Norwegian population, the Nord-Trøndelag Health Study, phases 2 (1995–1997) and 3 (2006–2008), with a mean of 11 years follow-up.

Participants: The analysis includes 20 365 individuals aged 20–59 years who participated in both phases and was classified without multimorbidity (with 0–1 disease) at baseline.

Methods: From HUNT2, we selected 11 items indicating 'unease' in the realms of self-esteem, well-being, sense of coherence and social relationships. Poisson regressions were used to generate relative risk (RR) of developing multimorbidity, according to the

Strength and limitations of this study

- This large, prospective study explores subtle aetiological factors of multimorbidity, a fairly new area of investigation.
- The study shows that relatively subtle, existentially demanding life circumstances are associated with the development of multimorbidity.
- The data come from a large, homogenous and relatively affluent population. Finding effect of subtle unease on future health even in this population highlights its importance.
- The basic science concept allostatic load is key to our hypothesis. We described the participants' allostatic load at the level of tertiary outcomes (established diseases/conditions) in accordance with the literature. Our findings suggest that a subjective experience of existential unease is associated with allostatic load in a long-term perspective.
- The findings have relevance for general practice/primary healthcare and raise the question whether attentive, person-centred dialogues can contribute to treatment and prevention of complex disease within the frame of an established doctor–patient relationship.

Child maltreatment and adult multimorbidity: results from the Canadian Community Health Survey.

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Abstract

OBJECTIVES: This study investigated associations between three types of child maltreatment (exposure to intimate partner violence, sexual, and physical abuse) and multimorbidity (chronic physical conditions, pain conditions, and mental disorders) in adults.

METHODS: Multinomial logistic regression was used to analyze weighted data from the 2012 Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS - MH 2012), a representative population sample (N = 23,846) of respondents ages 18+.

RESULTS: All three subtypes of child maltreatment independently predicted increased odds of experiencing multimorbidity as an adult, while adjusting for covariates (adjusted odds ratios ranged from 1.34 (95% CI = 1.00, 1.80) to 4.87 (95% CI = 2.75, 8.63)). A dose-response relationship between the number of child maltreatment subtypes and risk for multimorbidity was also observed (adjusted odds ratios ranged from 1.38 (95% CI = 1.11, 1.73) to 10.96 (95% CI = 6.12, 19.64)).

CONCLUSION: The current results highlight the importance of considering a range of childhood adversities and suggest that public health approaches that aim to decrease the prevalence and severity of child maltreatment have the potential to ameliorate adult multimorbidities. Future research is encouraged to investigate these issues using longitudinal population-level data.

KEYWORDS: Child abuse; Chronic disease; Intimate partner violence; Mental disorder; Public health

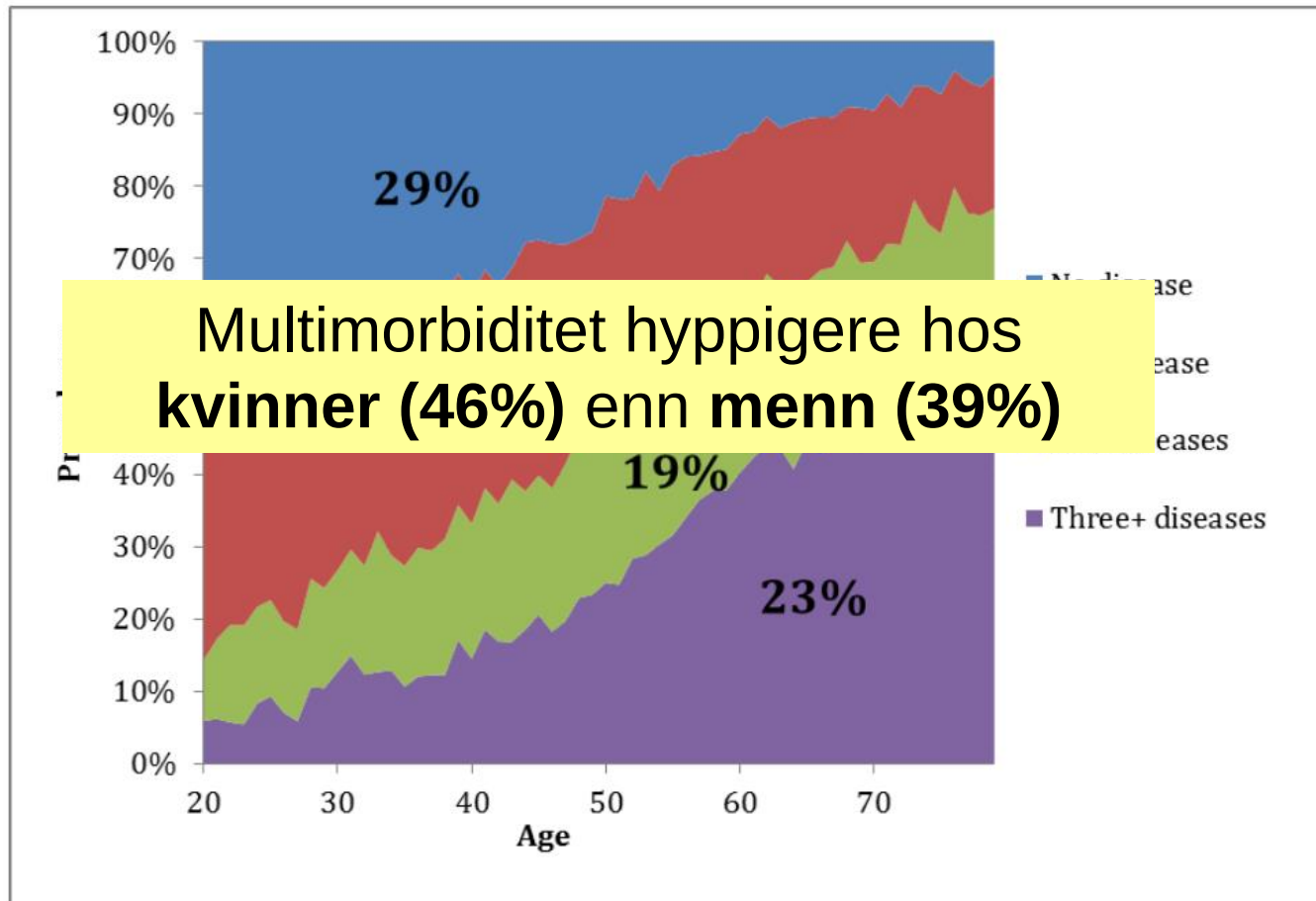
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Prevalens HUNT 3

(ca 48000 deltakere 29-79 år)

Figure 1 Age distribution and prevalence of multimorbid diseases/conditions among participants aged 20-79 years in the HUNT 3 Study. Bold prevalence numbers are age standardized



Multimorbiditet hyppigere hos kvinner (46%) enn menn (39%)

Figure 2 Prevalence of mental health problems in relation to increasing number of somatic health conditions in the age groups 20-39 years; 40-59 years; and 60-79 years in the HUNT 3 study