

Considerations of Assessment of Long Term Pain and Function

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 - Pain interference
 - Functional status (disease specific vs generic)
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- In studies that directly compare self-report and objective measures of physical function or functional status, what are the self-report measures really measuring?
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Not very

- If we use actigraphy as the current gold standard for measuring activity or function in real life settings . . .
 - There is a consistently poor relationship ($r = 0 - .40$) between average activity levels and measures of functional status or activity.¹⁻⁴
 - There is a strong trend towards these relationships being stronger (albeit still rather weak) when the objective measure is compared to *activity* measures vs. *functional status* measures.

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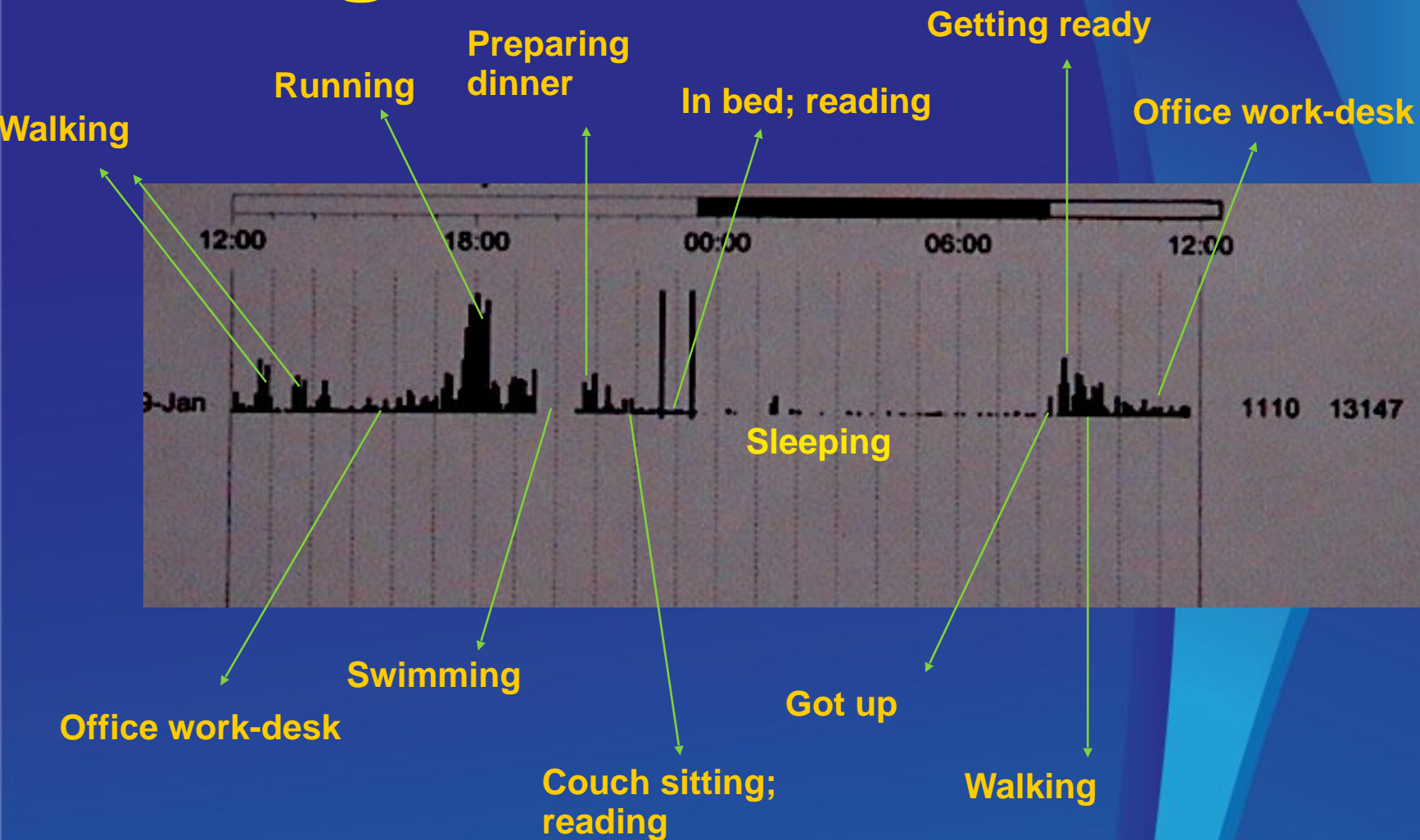
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Relationship between symptoms, self-reported, and objective measures of activity, in fibromyalgia

- Patients with FM have amongst the lowest self-reported functional status of any chronic illness
- This parameter has been very difficult to improve in interventional studies
- How is self-reported activity related to:
 - Objective measures of activity
 - Specific symptoms

Actogram I



Results – Objective Activity

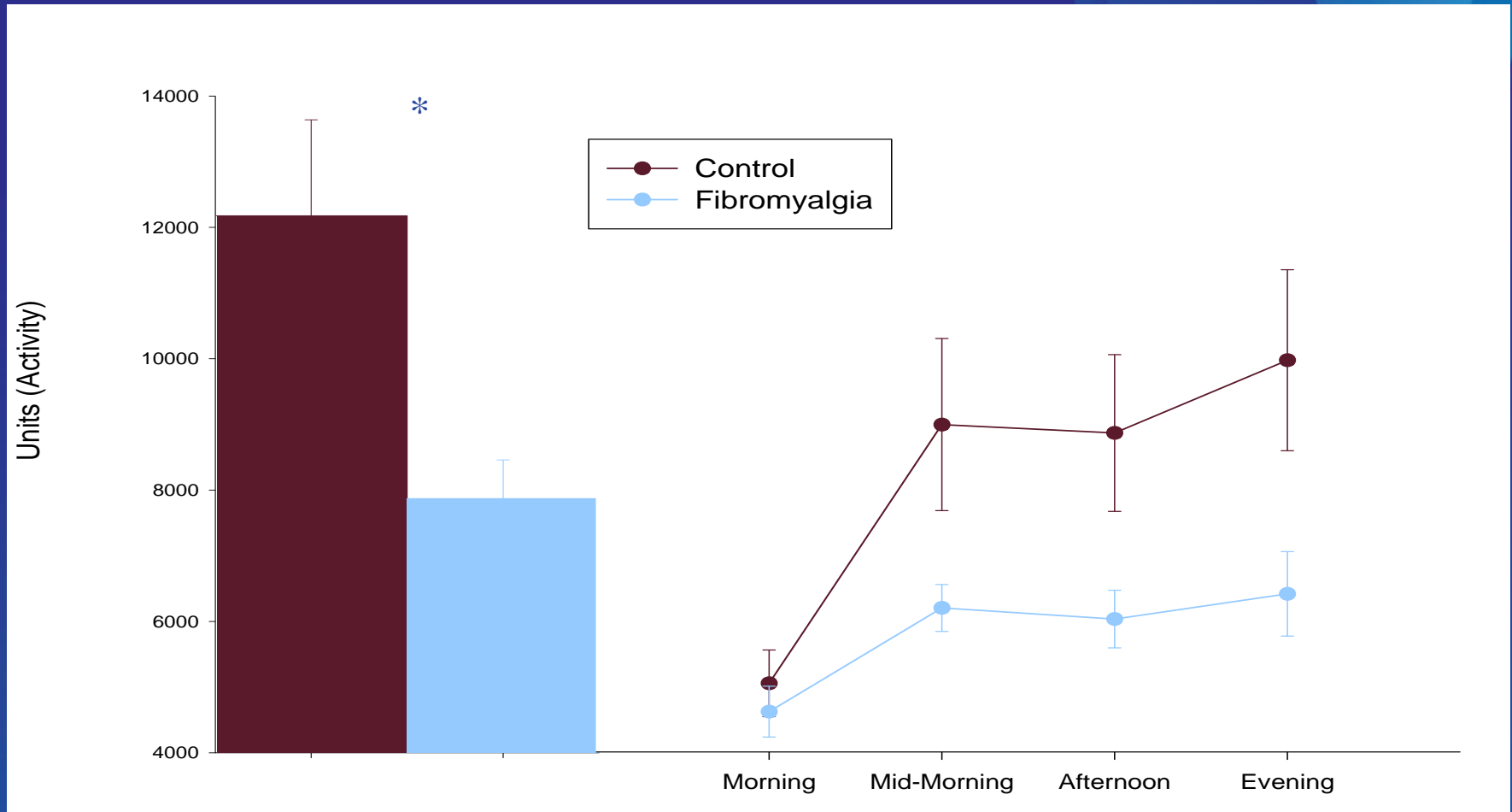
- *Average* daytime and nighttime activity levels were nearly identical in the patient and the control groups ($p=ns$).

	Daytime	Nighttime	PCS
Patients	1456±429	147±156	36
Controls	1445±556	152±107	56

Peak Activity

- *Peak* activity was significantly lower in the FM patient group relative to the control group ($p=0.008$).
 - 7870 ± 3223 vs. 12178 ± 7862 activity units
- *Variability* of peak activity was also significantly different between groups
 - Levene's test on SDs, $p=0.001$

Average and Diurnal Peak Activity Levels of Fibromyalgia Compared to Controls



*p<0.05; Error Bars=SEM

Assessment of Pain and Activity in a Placebo-Controlled Crossover Trial of Celecoxib in Osteoarthritis of the Knee

- RCT in OA (n=47) to examine how to better differentiate active treatment from placebo
- The WOMAC pain subscale was the most responsive of all five pain measures.
- Pain–activity composites resulted in a statistically significant difference between celecoxib and placebo but were not more responsive than pain measures alone. However, a composite responder defined as having 20% improvement in pain or 10% improvement in activity yielded much larger differences

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- The most responsive actigraphy measure was peak activity, with a between-group difference of 91.9 counts/min ($P = 0.090$); mean activity and total activity did not approach statistical significance.
- Actigraphy was more responsive than the WOMAC function scale, possibly due to lower placebo responsiveness.

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Self-report vs. Objective Measures of Other Domains

■ Sleep

- Correlation between multiple PSG measures and multiple self-report measures in sleep apnea patients ranges from $r = .01-.24$, mean $r = .09$.¹
- Correlations between self-report and PSG measures in insomnia $r = .05 - .36$.²

■ Memory/cognition

- Very poor relationship between subjective measures and objective performance based measures in both healthy individuals, and individuals with mild TBI, but there is a modest relationship between subjective measures and mood measures.^{3,4}

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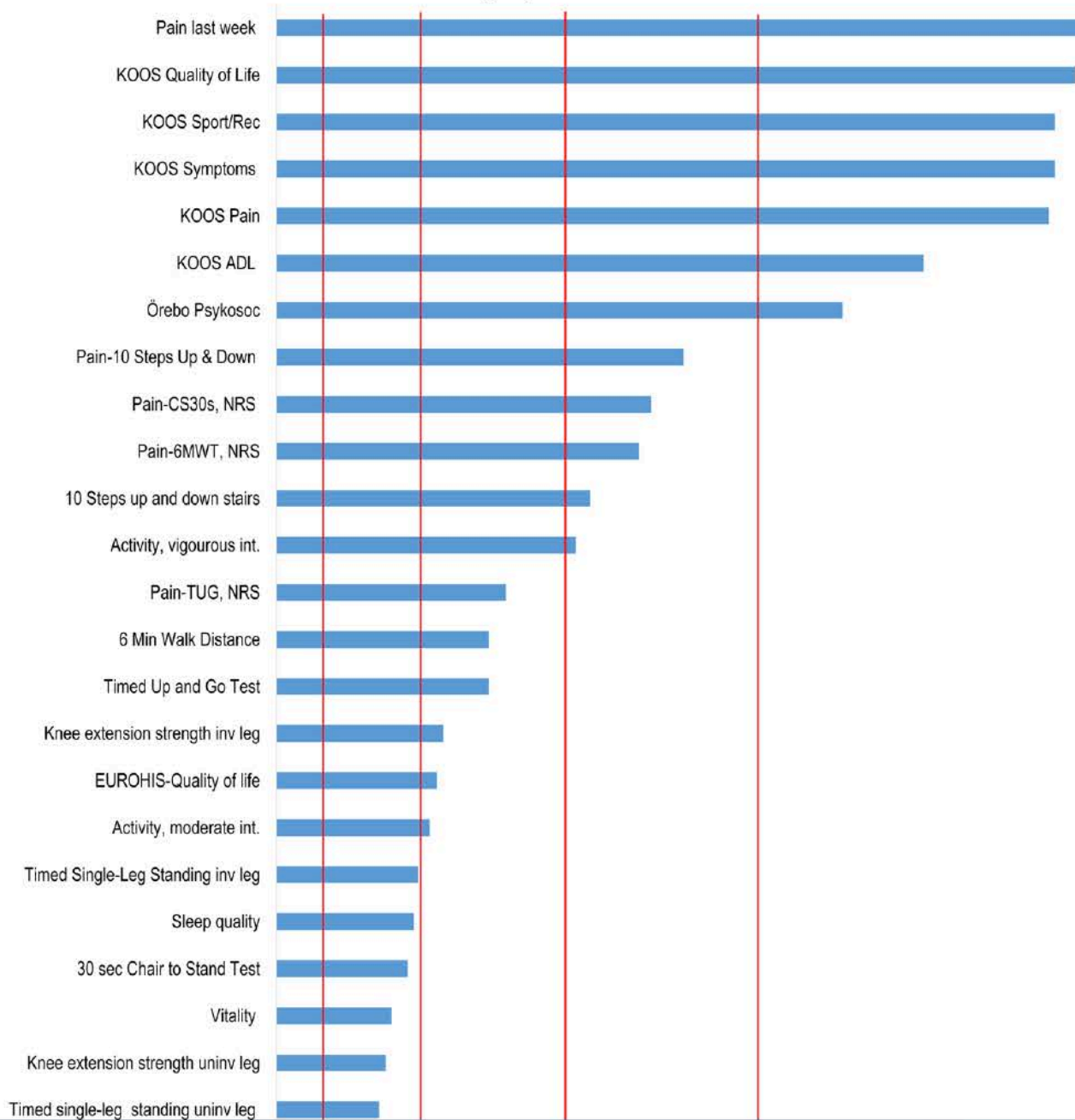
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Relative difference among 27 functional measures in patients with knee osteoarthritis: an exploratory cross-sectional case-control study



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Functional measures with KOA
 Ranked between-group effect sizes in cases and controls



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