

# La réduction des risques et des dommages est-elle efficace et quelles sont ses limites en matière d'alcool ?

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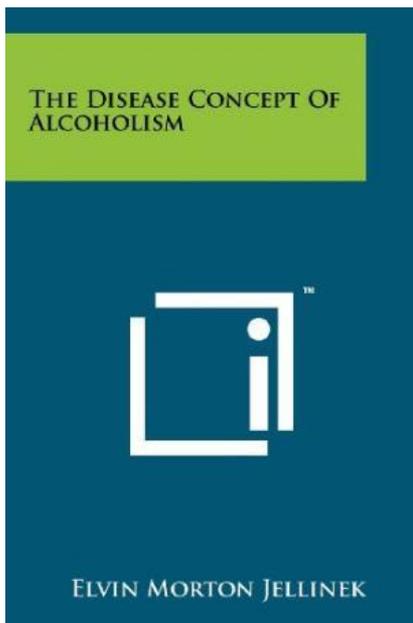
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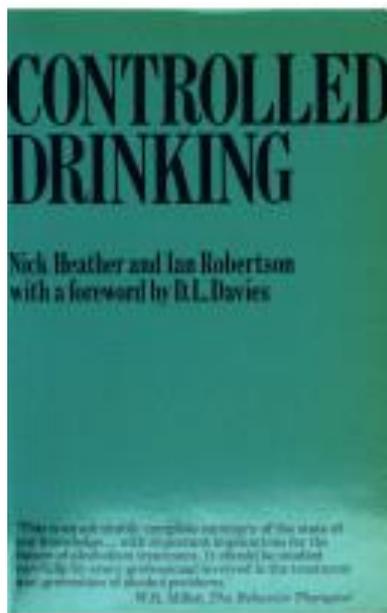
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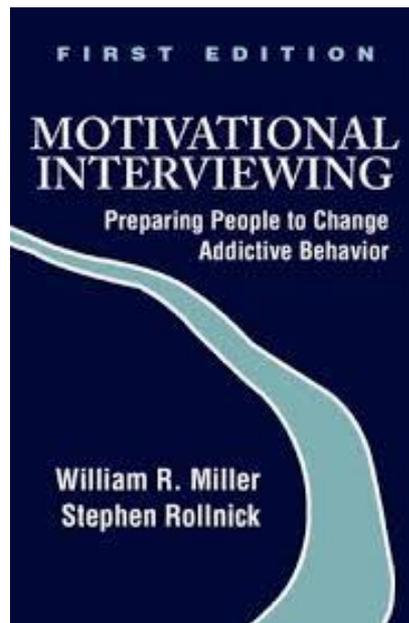
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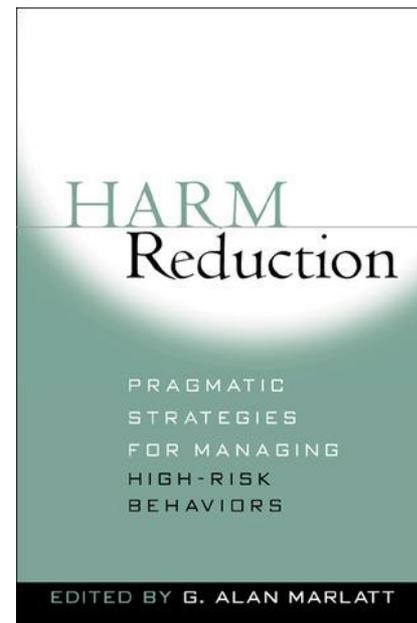
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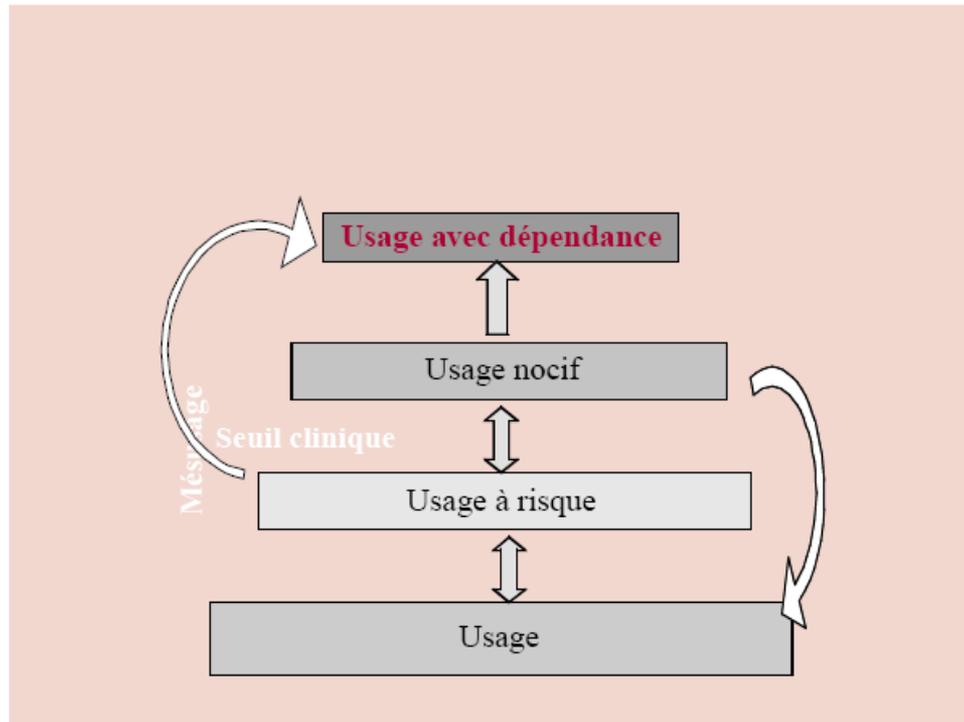
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# ALCOOL ET SANTÉ



## Drug harms in the UK: a multicriteria decision analysis

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### Summary

**Background** Proper assessment of the harms caused by the misuse of drugs can inform policy makers in health, policing and social care. We aimed to apply multicriteria decision analysis (MCDA) modelling to a range of drugs in the UK.

**Method** Members of the Independent Scientific Committee on Drugs, including two invited specialists, met in a 1-day interactive workshop to score 20 drugs on 16 criteria: nine related to the harms that a drug produces in the individual and seven to the harms to others. Drugs were scored out of 100 points, and the criteria were weighted to indicate their relative importance.

**Findings** MCDA modelling showed that heroin, crack cocaine, and metamfetamine were the most harmful drugs to individuals (part scores 34, 37, and 32, respectively), whereas alcohol, heroin, and crack cocaine were the most harmful to others (46, 21, and 17, respectively). Overall, alcohol was the most harmful drug (overall harm score 72), with heroin (55) and crack cocaine (54) in second and third places.

**Interpretation** These findings lend support to previous work assessing drug harms, and show how the improved scoring and weighting approach of MCDA increases the differentiation between the most and least harmful drugs. However, the findings correlate poorly with present UK drug classification, which is not based simply on considerations of harm.

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### Introduction

Drugs including alcohol and tobacco products are a major cause of harms to individuals and society. For this reason, some drugs are scheduled under the United Nations 1961 Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs and the 1971 Convention on Psychotropic Substances. These controls are represented in UK domestic legislation by the 1971 Misuse of Drugs Act (as amended). Other drugs, notably alcohol and tobacco, are regulated by taxation, sales, and restrictions on the age of purchase. Newly available drugs such as mephedrone (4-methylmethcathinone) have recently been made illegal in the UK on the basis of concerns about their harms, and the law on other drugs, particularly cannabis, has been toughened because of similar concerns.

To provide better guidance to policy makers in health, policing and social care, the harms that drugs cause need to be properly assessed. This task is not easy because of the wide range of ways in which drugs can cause harm. An attempt to do this assessment engaged experts to score each drug according to nine criteria of harm, ranging from the intrinsic harms of the drugs to social and health-care costs.<sup>1</sup> This analysis provoked major interest and public debate, although it raised concerns about the choice of the nine criteria and the absence of any differential weighting of them.<sup>2</sup>

To rectify these drawbacks we undertook a review of drug harms with the multicriteria decision analysis (MCDA) approach.<sup>3</sup> This technology has been used successfully to lend support to decision makers facing complex issues characterised by many, conflicting objectives—eg, appraisal of policies for disposal of

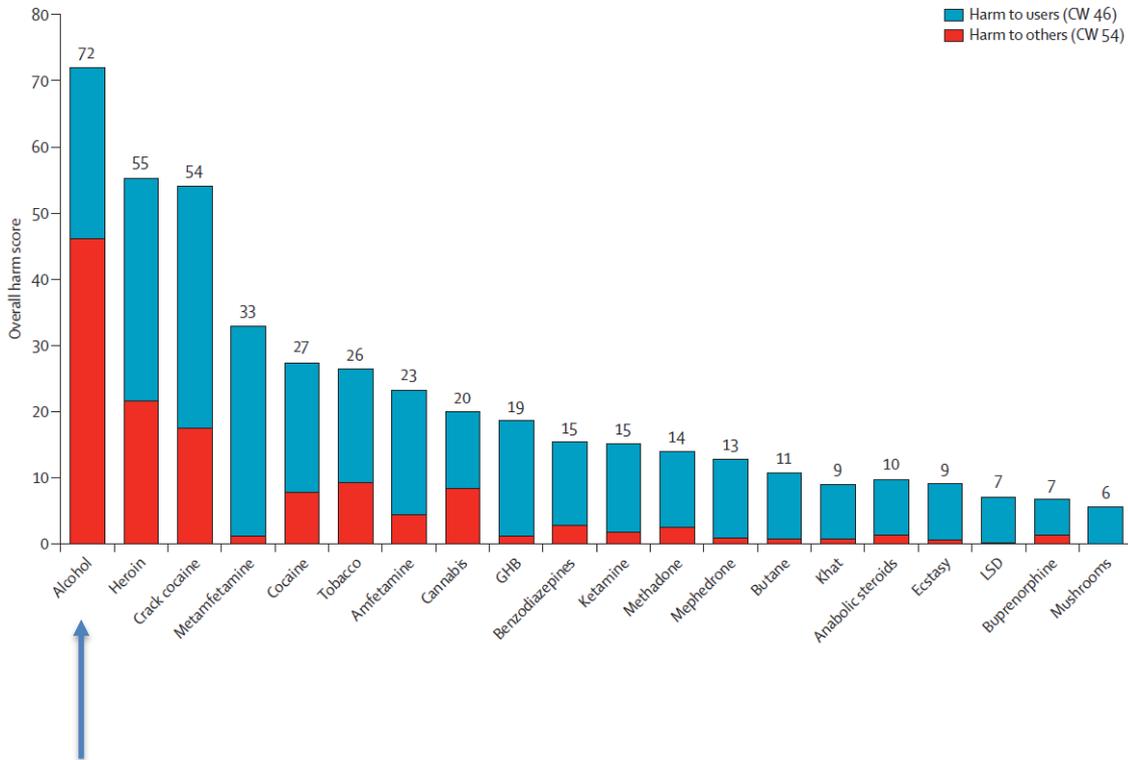
nuclear waste.<sup>4</sup> In June, 2010, we developed the multicriteria model during a decision conference,<sup>5</sup> which is a facilitated workshop attended by key players, experts, and specialists who work together to create the model and provide the data and judgment inputs.

### Methods

#### Study design

The analysis was undertaken in a two-stage process. The choice of harm criteria was made during a special meeting in 2009 of the UK Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs (ACMD), which was convened for this purpose. At this meeting, from first principles and with the MCDA approach, members identified 16 harm criteria (figure 1). Nine relate to the harms that a drug produces in the individual and seven to the harms to others both in the UK and overseas. These harms are clustered into five subgroups representing physical, psychological, and social harms. The extent of individual harm is shown by the criteria listed as to users, whereas most criteria listed as to others take account indirectly of the numbers of users. An ACMD report explains the process of developing this model.<sup>6</sup>

In June, 2010, a meeting under the auspices of the Independent Scientific Committee on Drugs (ISCD)—a new organisation of drug experts independent of government interference—was convened to develop the MCDA model and assess scores for 20 representative drugs that are relevant to the UK and which span the range of potential harms and extent of use. The expert group was formed from the ISCD expert committee plus two external experts with specialist knowledge of



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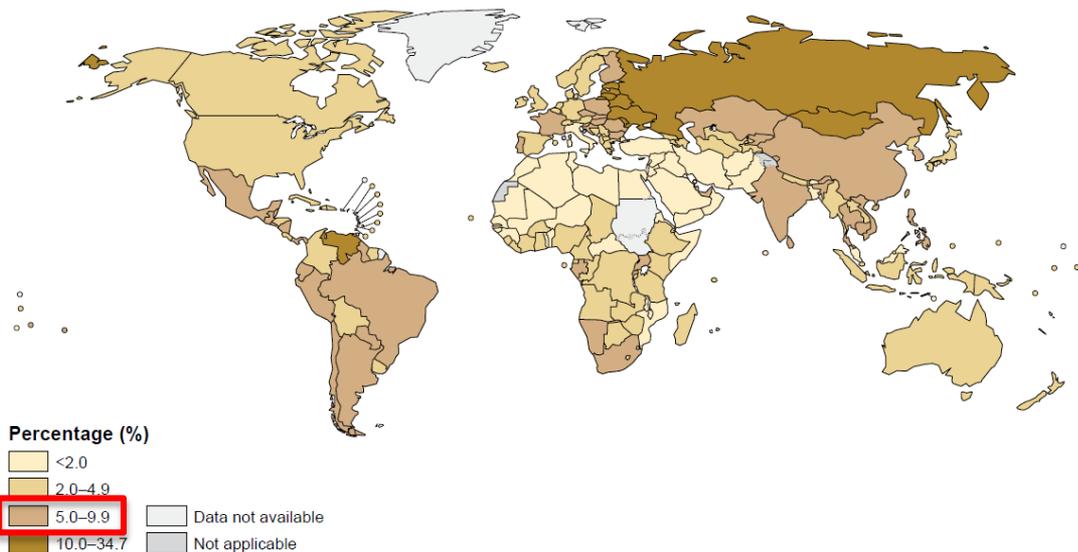
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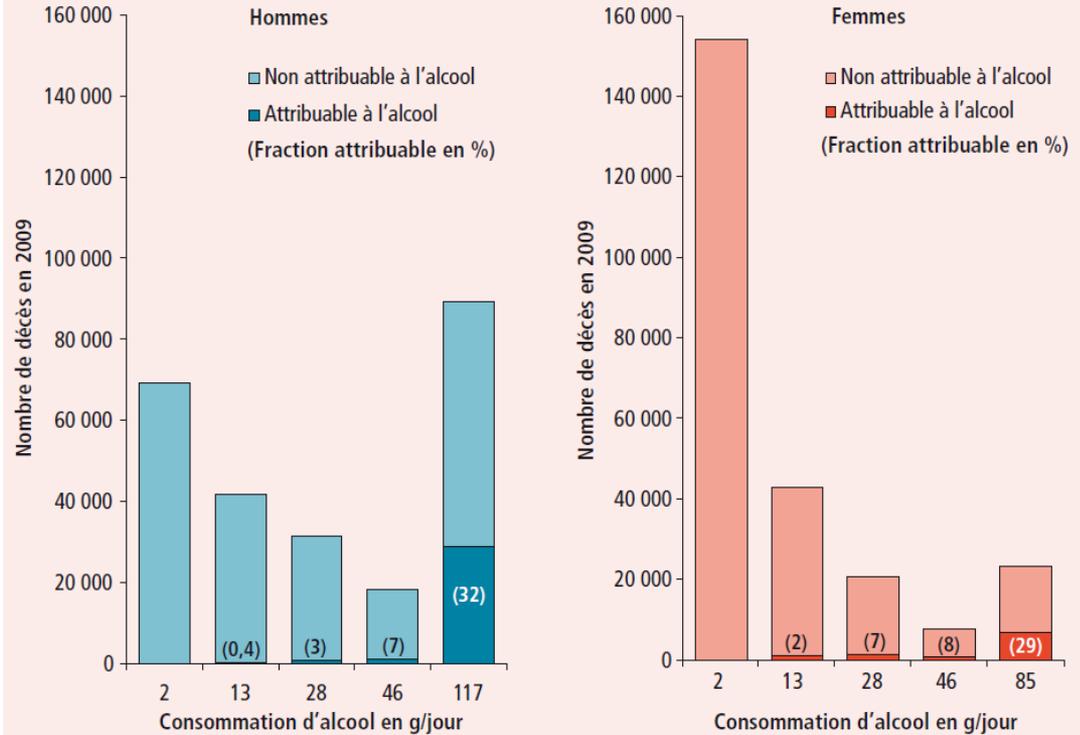


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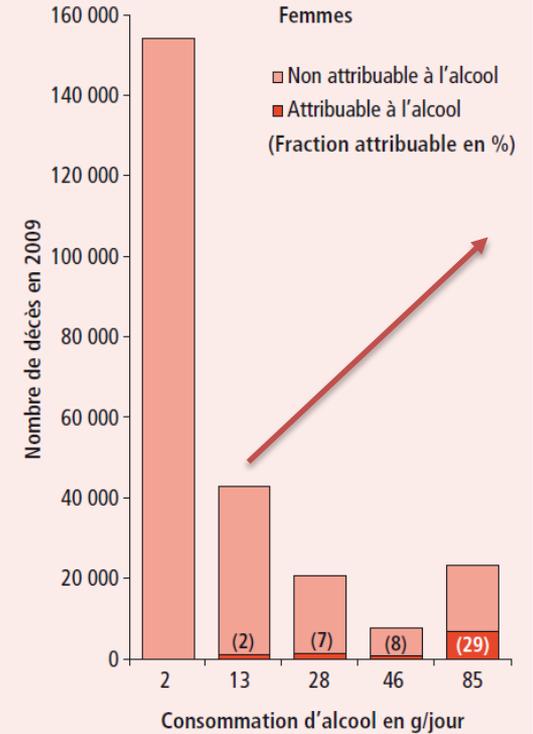
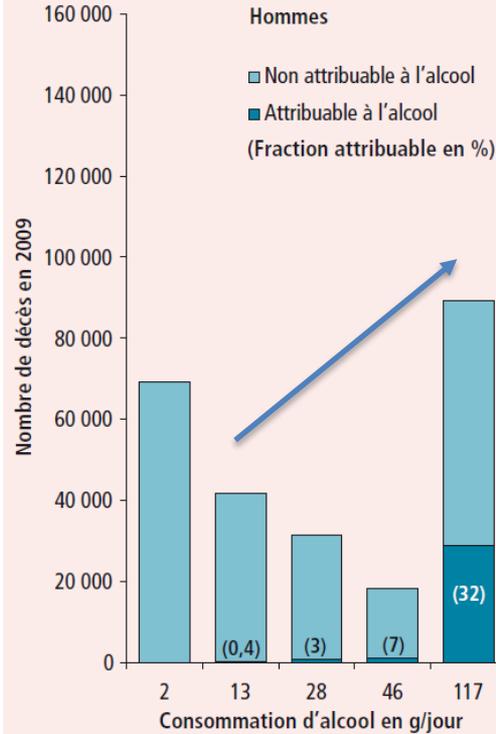


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# **BÉNÉFICES DE LA RÉDUCTION DE LA CONSOMMATION**

## REVIEW

### Reduction of Drinking in Problem Drinkers and All-Cause Mortality

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**Abstract**—Alcohol consumption has been linked with considerable mortality, and reduction of drinking, especially of heavy drinking, has been suggested as one of the main measures to reduce alcohol-attributable mortality. Aggregate-level studies including but not limited to natural experiments support this suggestion; however, causality cannot be established in ecological analysis. The results of individual-level cohort studies are ambiguous. On the other hand, randomized clinical trials with problem drinkers show that brief interventions leading to a reduction of average drinking also led to a reduction of all-cause mortality within 1 year. The results of these studies were pooled and a model for reduction of drinking in heavy drinkers and its consequences for all-cause mortality risk was estimated. *Caveat* parvo: the higher the level of drinking, the stronger the effects of a given reduction. Implications for interventions and public health are discussed.

#### BACKGROUND: AGGREGATE-LEVEL STUDIES OF REDUCTION OF DRINKING AND ALL-CAUSE MORTALITY

Alcohol consumption has been linked with considerable mortality as a result of being causally related to >200 International Classification of Diseases codes (Rehm *et al.*, 2009; Lim *et al.*, 2012). Most risk curves for disease and injury outcomes suggest a monotonic dose–response relationship between average volume of alcohol consumption and all-cause mortality where higher levels of volume of alcohol consumed are associated with higher risk for mortality (Rehm *et al.*, 2010a). The most notable exceptions are ischaemic conditions (Patra *et al.*, 2010; Roerecke and Rehm, 2012) and diabetes (Baliunas *et al.*, 2009). Overall, the detrimental effects of alcohol outweigh by far the beneficial effects, and as a result, the risk of mortality increases steadily after 10 g average daily consumption in European populations and is more accelerated with heavy drinking (Rehm *et al.*, 2011; Nichols *et al.*, 2012). As a consequence, reduction of drinking, and especially of heavy consumption, has been suggested as the main measure to reduce alcohol-attributable mortality (Anderson and Baumberg, 2006; Babor *et al.*, 2010), with most of the underlying evidence stemming from aggregate-level studies.

There has been a tradition in alcohol research to study the aggregate-level relationship between *per capita* consumption of alcohol and mortality, both all-cause mortality and various cause-specific mortality such as liver cirrhosis, suicide or categories of unintentional injury [for an overview see (Noström and Ranstedt, 2005)]. In summary, this literature showed that overall changes in aggregate consumption in a country were associated with changes of all-cause mortality of the same direction, i.e. if *per capita* consumption went down, the rate of all-cause mortality went down, and if consumption went up, the rate of all-cause mortality went up (Her and Rehm, 1998; Noström, 2001; Noström and Ranstedt, 2005).

While these data have shown consistent associations, causality cannot be established in ecological studies like this

(Morgenstern, 1995, 2008). For instance, it cannot be ruled out that economic conditions led to both a change in the level of drinking and mortality. Natural experiments, defined as empirical studies in which an often abrupt change in conditions occurred, such as a change in alcohol policy or by other factors out of the control of an experimenter and the drinkers concerned, allow better determination of causal direction than simple associations over time. However, alternative explanations such as concurrent secular trends during the time of the natural experiment cannot be ruled out (Cook and Campbell, 1979).

A number of natural experiments, most importantly the so-called Gorbachev reform (Leon *et al.*, 1997), but also the 12-fold rise of taxes on distilled spirits during World War I in Denmark (Thorsen, 1990; Skog, 1993), prohibition in the USA (Dills and Miron, 2004) or the effect of German seizure of wine in France during World War II (Zatonski *et al.*, 2010) all indicate that reduced consumption led to decreases in mortality rates. For illustration, we will just elaborate on the most prominent example, the Gorbachev reform of the 1980s, during which state-owned legal alcohol production was drastically reduced in the Soviet Union. Even though unrecorded alcohol consumption increased, the overall annual consumption of pure alcohol fell from 14.21 *per capita* in 1984 to 10.71 in 1987—a decrease of some 25% (Shkolnikov and Nemtsov, 1997). In that period, all-cause mortality rates in Russia in the 40–44 age range decreased by 39% for men and by 20% for women.

Between 1987 and 1994, after the alcohol ban was rescinded in 1987, alcohol consumption increased again to 14.5 l *per capita*, slightly more than its former level. In this period, all-cause mortality rates more than doubled for men and almost doubled for women in the age group 40–44 years (Leon *et al.*, 1997). There are few alternative explanations for the decrease in mortality, as most other changes during that time would have led to an expectation of increased mortality. Of course, for the second period between 1987 and 1994, other changes associated with the dissolution of the Soviet Union could easily be hypothesized as responsible for

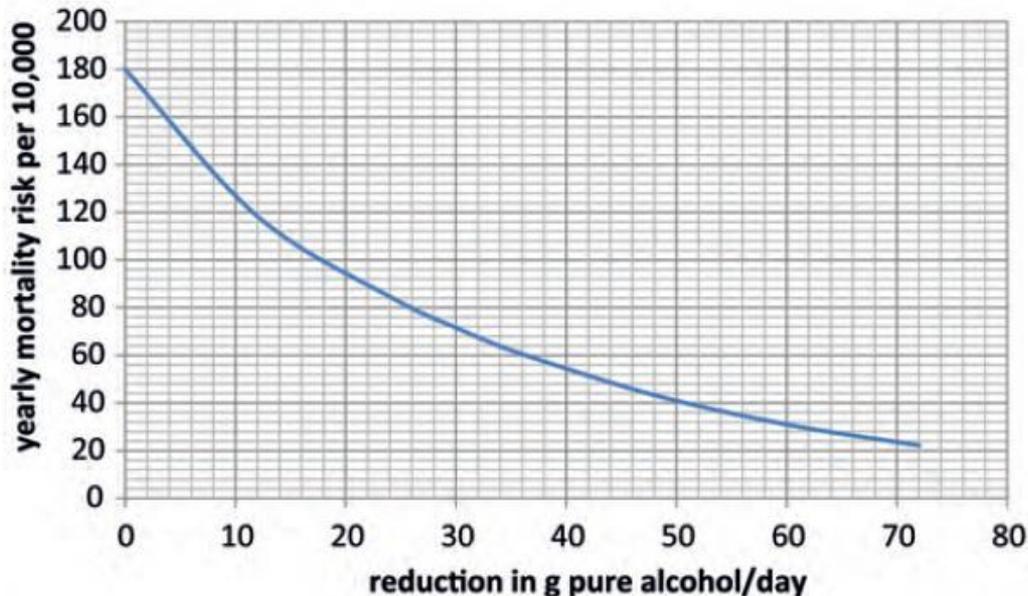


Fig. 2. Reduction of alcohol intake in grams of pure alcohol per day in heavy drinkers and associated mortality risk reduction (based on BI in hospital studies).

# Impact de la réduction d'alcool sur la qualité de vie



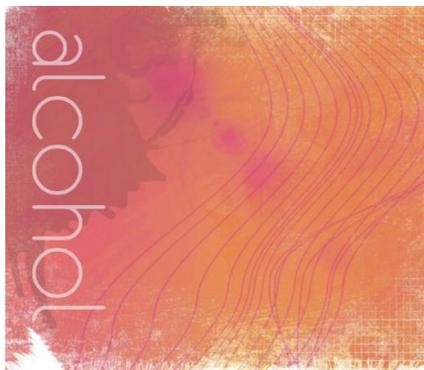
Table 3. Correlation coefficients for the relationship between changes from baseline to Week 24 in the number of monthly heavy drinking days (HDD) and monthly total alcohol consumption (TAC) *versus* changes in patient-reported outcome measures in the total population (nalmeferine and placebo pooled data).

	HDD		TAC	
	Pearson Correlation Coefficient <sup>a</sup>	p-value	Pearson Correlation Coefficient <sup>a</sup>	p-value
SF-36 MCS score	-0.1941	<0.0001	-0.2061	<0.0001
SF-36 PCS score	-0.0569	0.2578	-0.0707	0.1596
EQ-5D Utility Index score	-0.0772	0.1217	-0.0761	0.1271
EQ-5D Health State score	-0.2023	<0.0001	-0.1811	0.0003
DrInC Total score	0.2046	<0.0001	0.2446	<0.0001

<sup>a</sup> negative values indicate a positive correlation for QoL while positive values indicates a positive correlation for DrInC

**DrInC**, drinker inventory of consequences; **EQ-5D**, EuroQoL-5 dimensions; **MCS**, mental component summary; **PCS**, physical component summary; **SF-36**, Short-Form health survey-36; **VAS**, visual analogue scale.

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# **RÉDUCTION DES RISQUES**

## ***UNE POLITIQUE DE SANTÉ PUBLIQUE***

## 10 domaines d'action

leadership, prise de conscience et engagement

action des services de santé

action communautaire

politiques et mesures de lutte contre l'alcool au volant

offre d'alcool

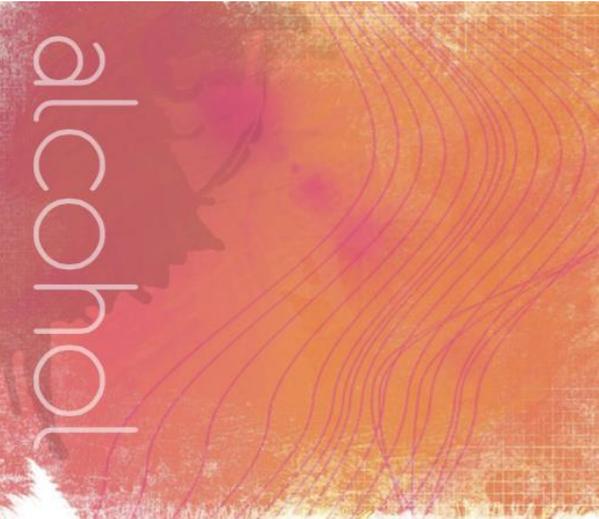
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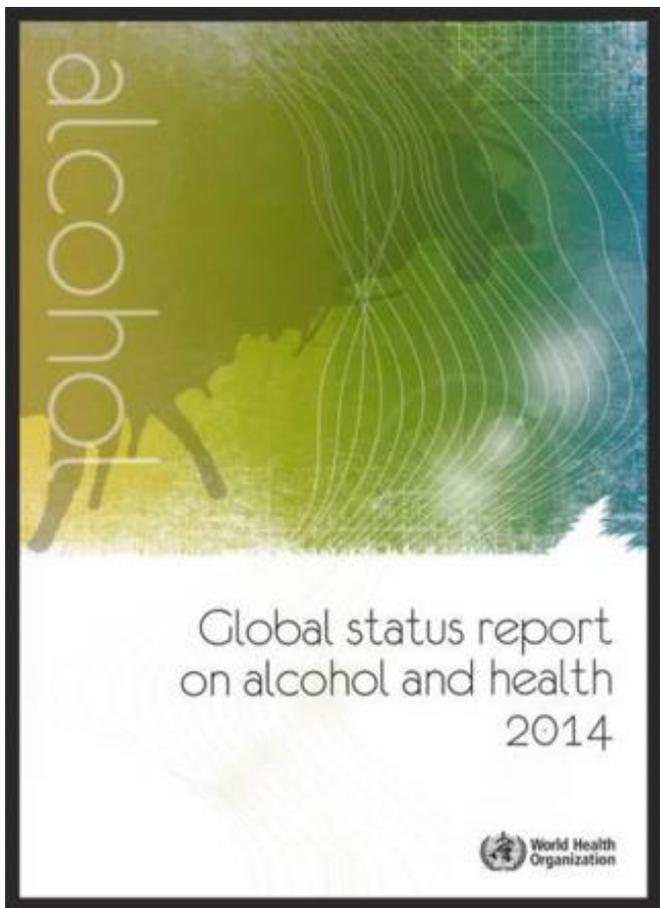
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# France

Total population: 63 231 000 ▶ Population aged 15 years and older (15+): 82% ▶ Population in urban areas: 85% ▶ Income group (World Bank): High income

## POLICIES AND INTERVENTIONS

Written national policy (adopted/revised) / National action plan	Yes (2008/—) / No
Excise tax on beer / wine / spirits	Yes / Yes / Yes
National legal minimum age for off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	18 / 18 / 18
National legal minimum age for on-premise sales of alcoholic beverages (beer / wine / spirits)	18 / 18 / 18
Restrictions for on-/off-premise sales of alcoholic beverages: Hours, days / places, density Specific events / intoxicated persons / petrol stations	No, No / Yes, Yes Yes / Yes / Yes
National maximum legal blood alcohol concentration (BAC) when driving a vehicle (general / young / professional), in %	0.05 / 0.05 / 0.05 (0.02 public transport)
Legally binding regulations on alcohol advertising / product placement	Yes / Yes
Legally binding regulations on alcohol sponsorship / sales promotion	Yes / Yes
Legally required health warning labels on alcohol advertisements / containers	Yes / Yes
National government support for community action	Yes
National monitoring system(s)	Yes

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## Action des services de santé

Soutenir les programmes d'**entraide** ou d'**auto-assistance**

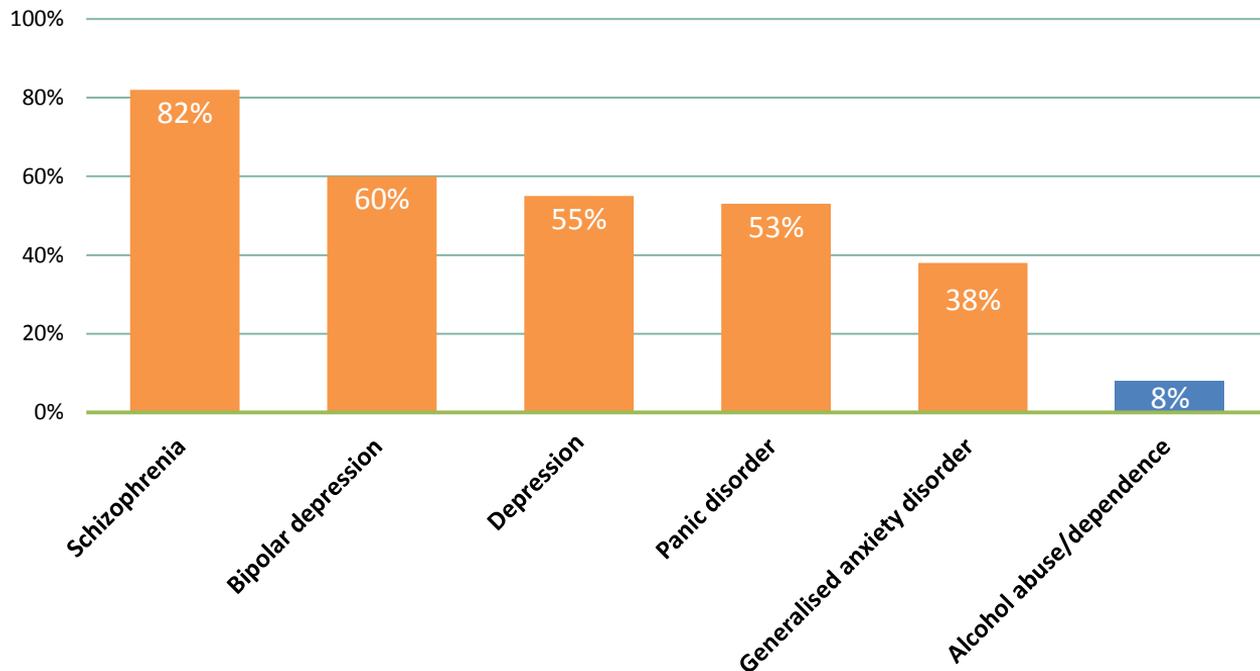
Soutenir les initiatives de dépistage et les interventions brèves dans les **soins primaires** et ailleurs

Soutenir les initiatives de dépistage précoce et prise en charge de la consommation chez les **femmes enceintes** et les femmes en âge de procréer

Développer la prévention et le dépistage du **syndrome d'alcoolisation fœtale**

**Augmenter la capacité des systèmes de santé et de protection sociale** à assurer la prévention, le traitement et la prise en charge des troubles liés à l'alcool

# Sujets en traitement pour troubles mentaux en Europe *dans l'année*



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## Mortalité évitée en augmentant la proportion de personnes dépendants de l'alcool traitées

Alcohol Consumption, Alcohol Dependence and Related Harms in France: Increasing Public Health by Increasing the Availability of Treatment for Alcohol Dependence

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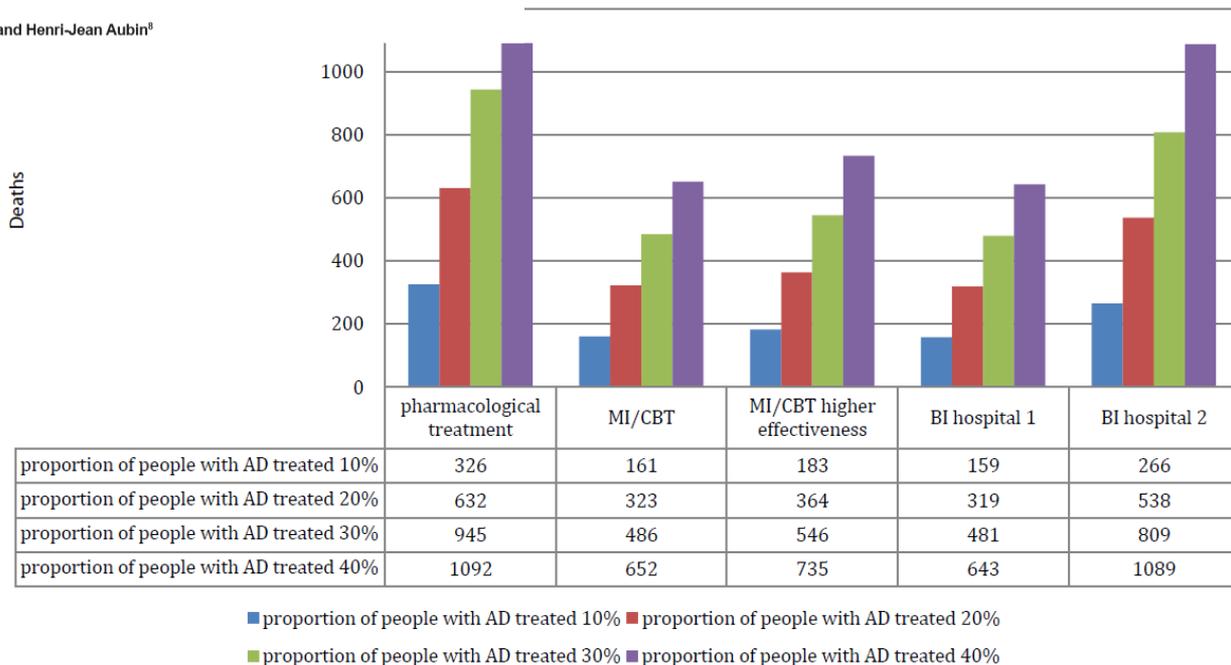


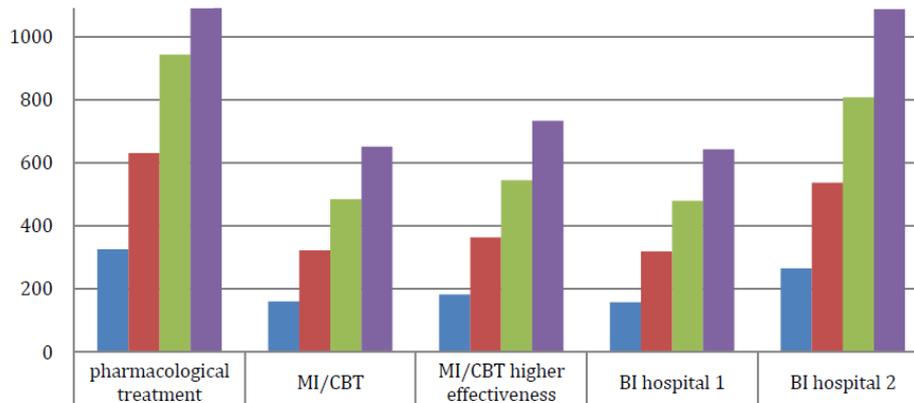
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Augmentation de la proportion de personnes traitées  
Jusqu'à 40%  
=  
1 311 moins de morts par an



	pharmacological treatment	MI/CBT	MI/CBT higher effectiveness	BI hospital 1	BI hospital 2
proportion of people with AD treated 10%	326	161	183	159	266
proportion of people with AD treated 20%	632	323	364	319	538
proportion of people with AD treated 30%	945	486	546	481	809
proportion of people with AD treated 40%	1092	652	735	643	1089

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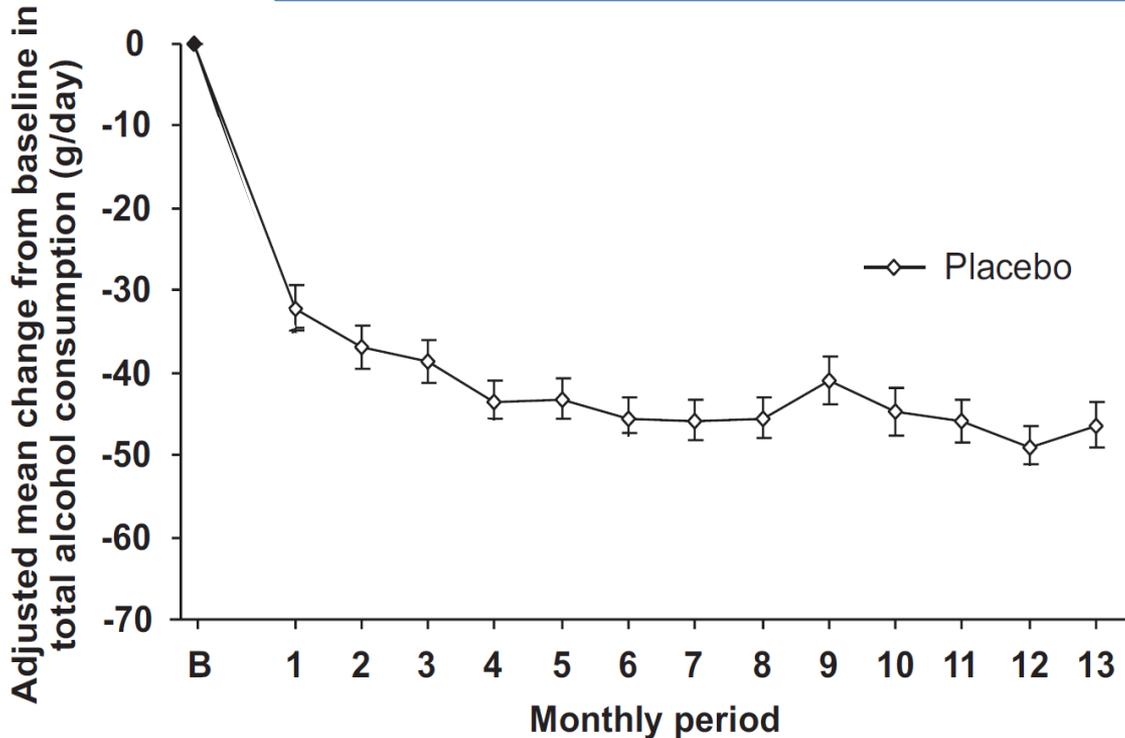
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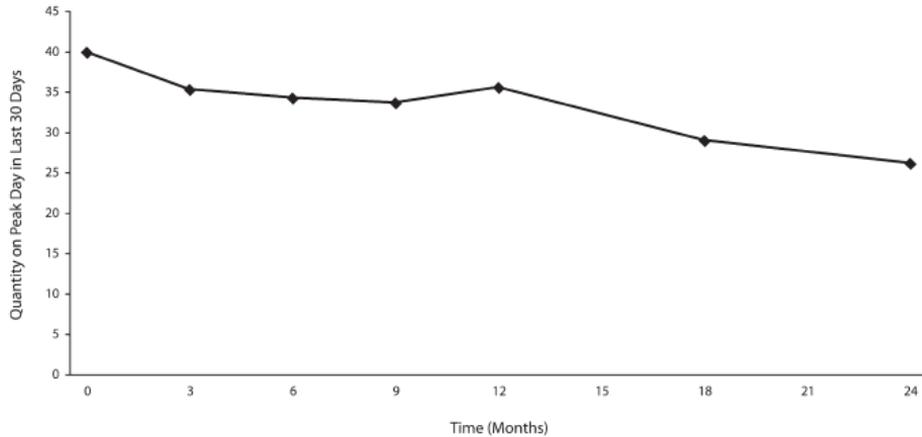


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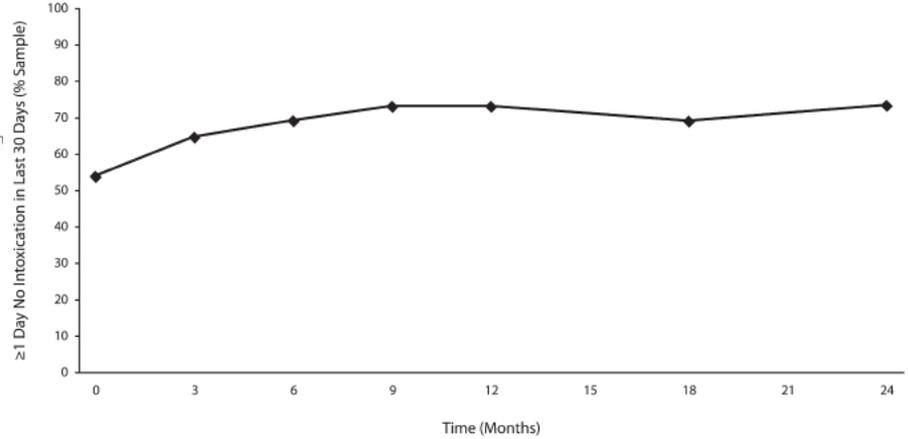
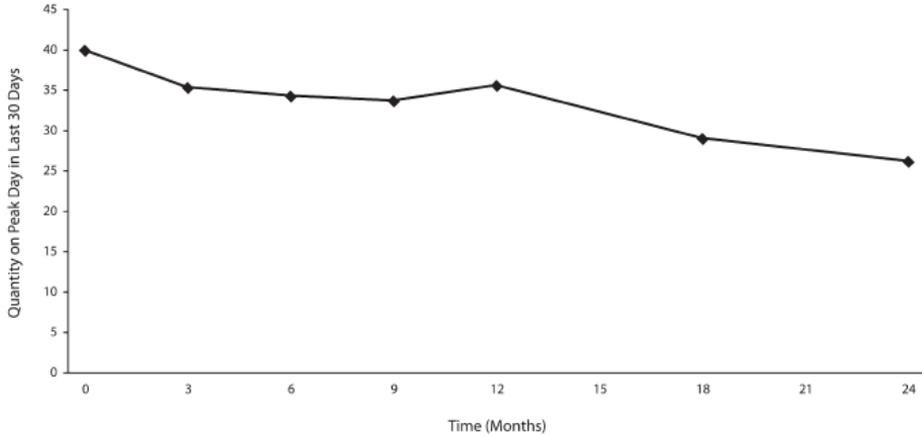
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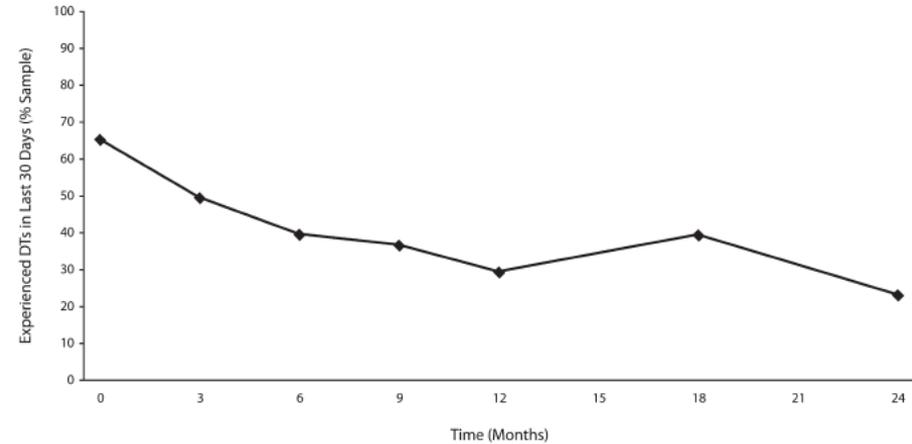
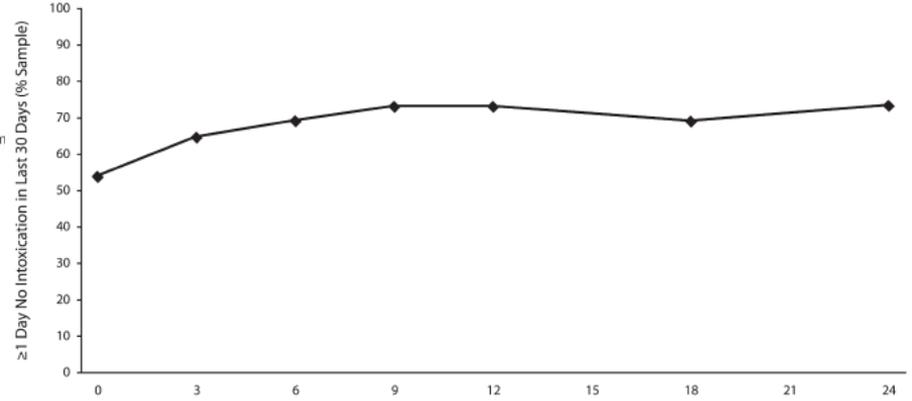
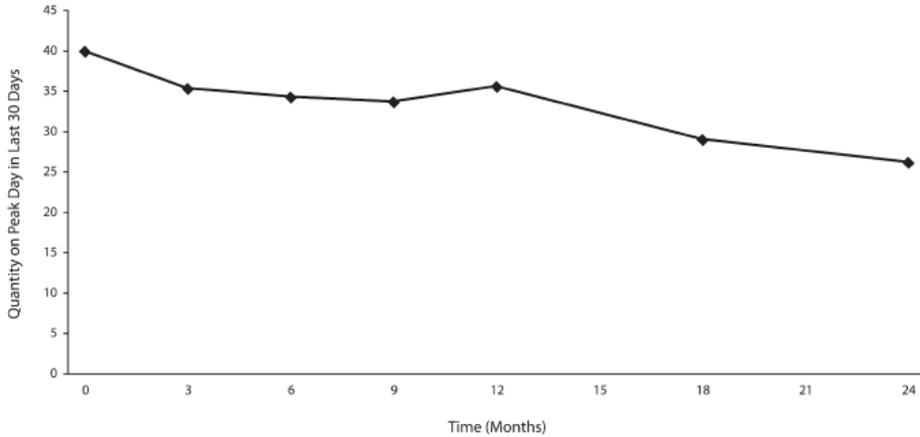
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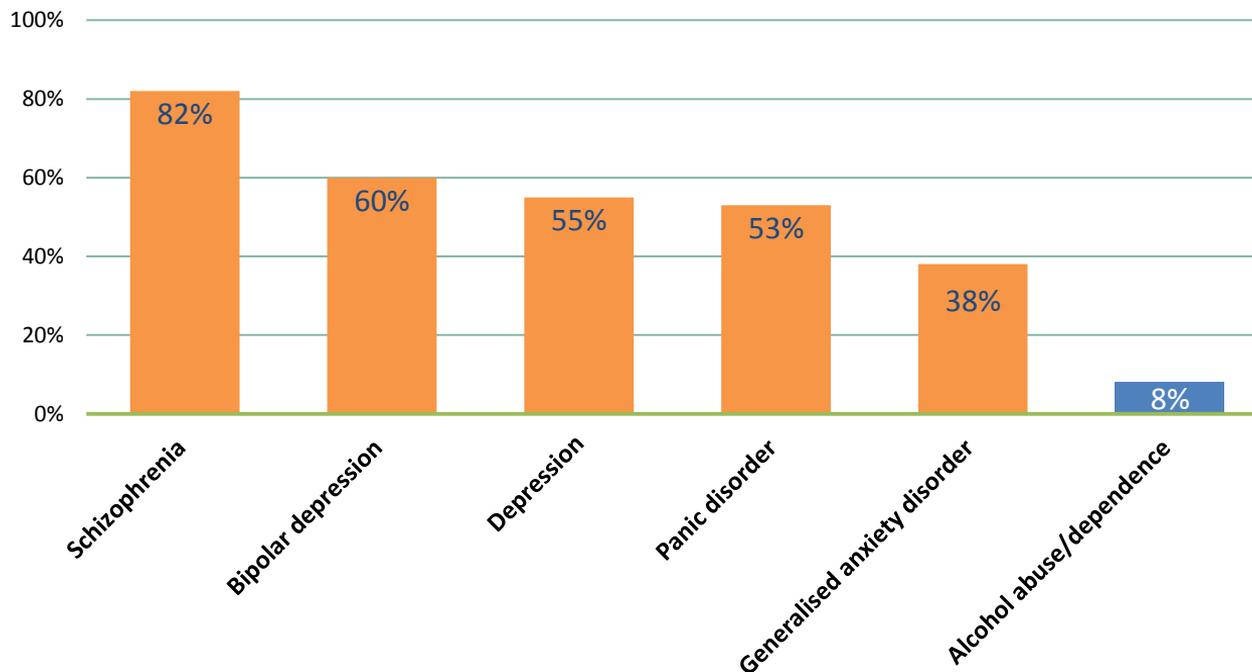


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Perceived barriers to treatment for alcohol problems by survey year.

	Rank <sup>a</sup>	1991–1992 N= 1072	2001–2002 N= 1012	p
<b>Predisposing</b>				
Did not think anyone could help	7	9.11 (1.06)	14.15 (1.25)	.003
Too embarrassed to discuss it	4	11.06 (1.13)	18.57 (1.75)	<.001
Afraid of what others would think	11	7.26 (0.95)	7.82 (1.08)	.699
Hated answering personal questions	9	4.31 (0.70)	10.97 (1.40)	<.001
Afraid would be put into the hospital	12	4.14 (0.69)	8.90 (1.25)	.002
Afraid of the treatment	13	4.19 (0.64)	8.35 (1.20)	.003
<b>Enabling/restricting</b>				
Could not afford to pay	6	11.91 (1.23)	13.20 (1.35)	.493
Did not know any place to go for help	14	5.16 (0.75)	7.51 (0.99)	.061
Did not have a way to get there	16	0.62 (0.20)	3.71 (0.63)	<.001
Did not have time	10	7.30 (1.15)	8.29 (1.16)	.543
Had to wait too long	18	0.64 (0.22)	1.21 (0.39)	.211
Inconvenient hours	17	1.23 (0.35)	2.75 (0.55)	.024
Can not speak English well	21	0.00 (0.00)	0.18 (0.09)	.060
Could not arrange child care	20	0.45 (0.18)	0.35 (0.17)	.681
Family member objected	19	0.60 (0.26)	0.94 (0.31)	.417
Afraid would lose job	15	2.05 (0.45)	2.79 (0.72)	.388
<b>Need</b>				
Thought problem was not serious enough	3	24.64 (1.67)	20.66 (1.49)	.081
Thought the problem would get better by itself	2	20.04 (1.66)	32.90 (1.97)	<.001
Thought should be strong enough to handle it alone	1	29.84 (1.80)	41.37 (1.95)	<.001
Did not think it was necessary (despite family requests)	8	4.57 (0.81)	11.09 (1.29)	<.001
Wanted to keep drinking	5	12.78 (1.28)	15.83 (1.37)	.109

## Obstacles à s'engager dans des soins

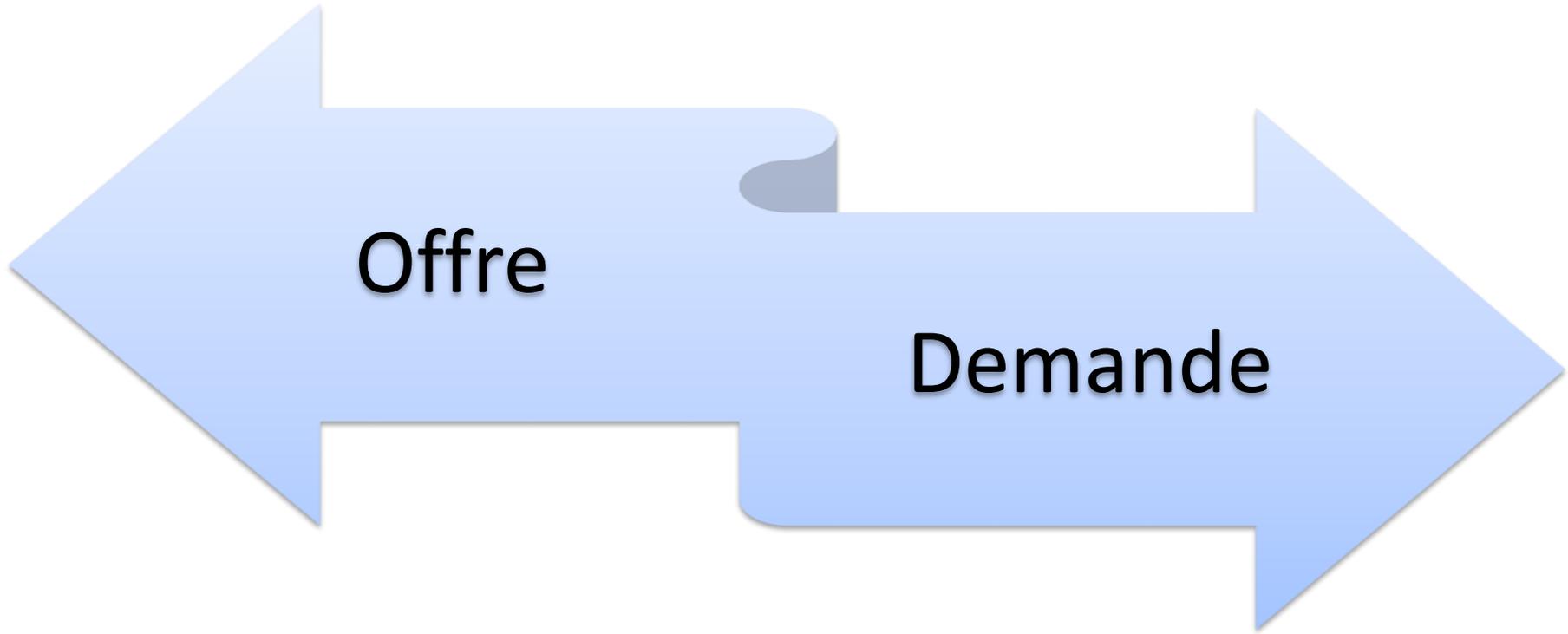
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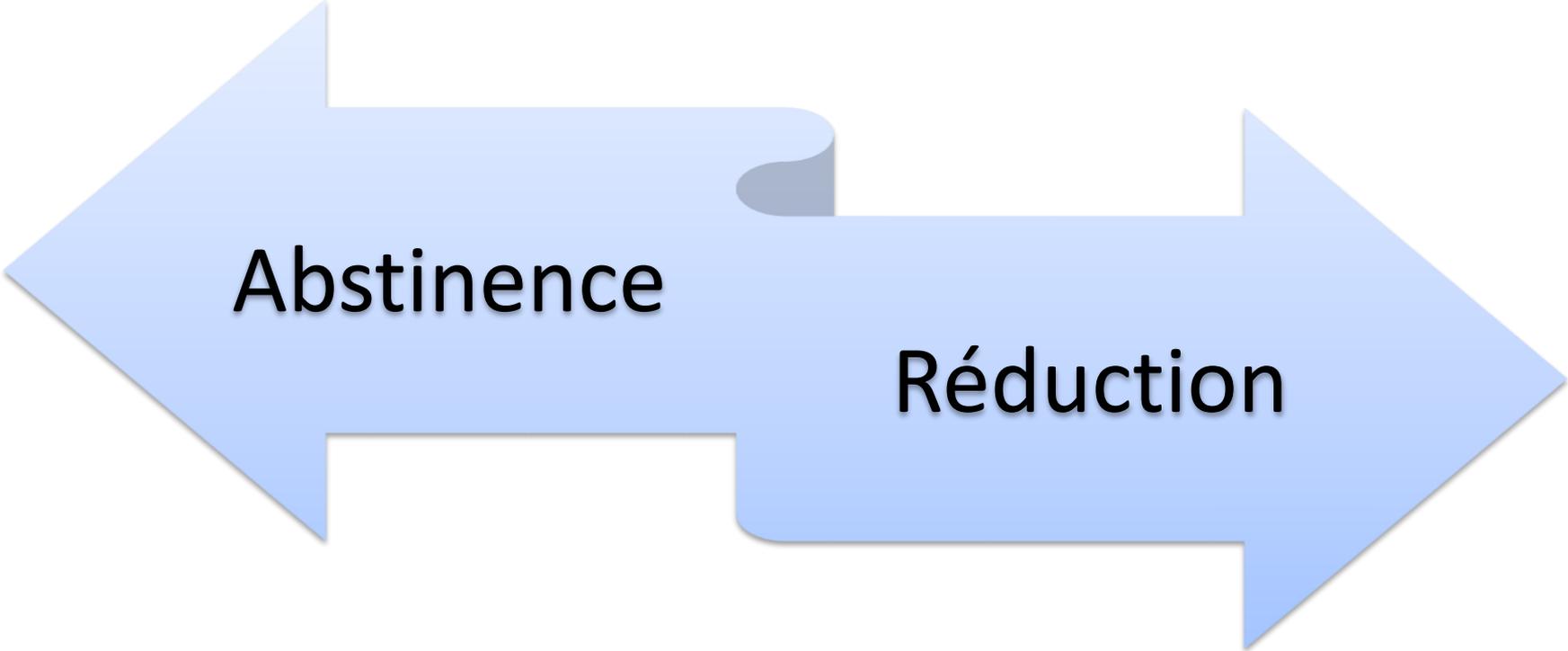
2. Le problème finira par s'améliorer tout seul

3. Le problème n'est pas suffisamment grave

4. Trop gêné pour en parler

5. Souhaite continuer à boire

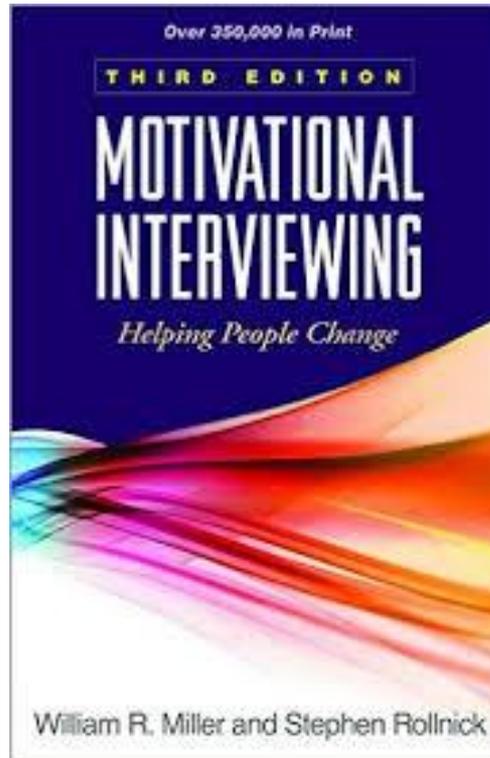




**Abstinance**

**Réduction**

# Approche centrée sur le patient



# Recommandation de bonne pratique

## Mésusage de l'alcool : dépistage, diagnostic et traitement



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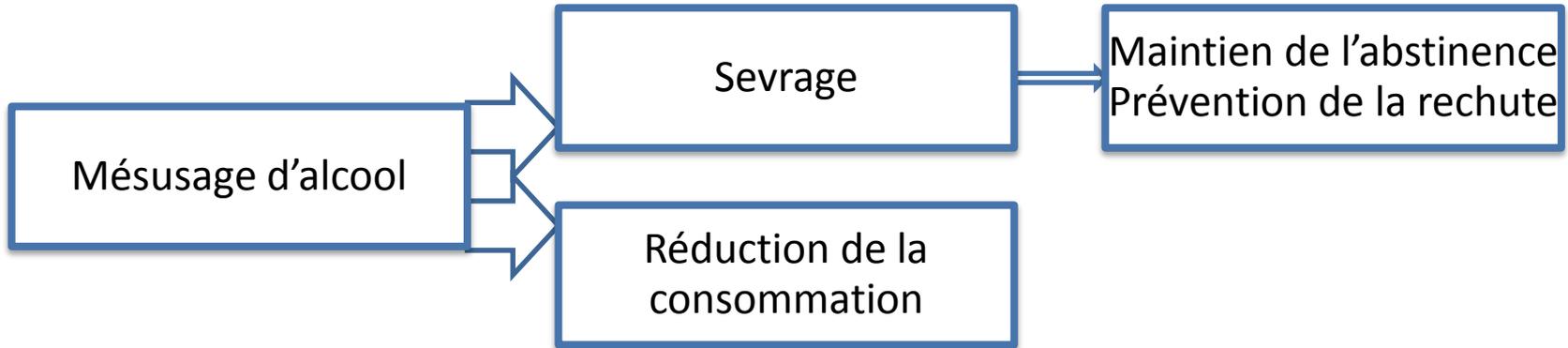
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Pour les sujets avec une dépendance peu sévère, sans comorbidité significative, et si le soutien social est adéquat, envisager l'objectif de consommation de réduction de la consommation

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Ainsi, dans une perspective de réduction des dommages, toute cible de la réduction de la consommation est plus acceptable que le *statu quo*, et mérite d'être valorisée.

# Recommandations

Programmes d'entraide et d'auto-assistance

Médecins généralistes

Programmes orientés vers les femmes enceintes

Programmes de réduction des risques en centre d'hébergement social

Approche thérapeutique centrée sur le patients

Adapter l'offre de soins aux besoins ressentis par les usagers

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