

# Interrogating large clinical databases to improve clinical performance

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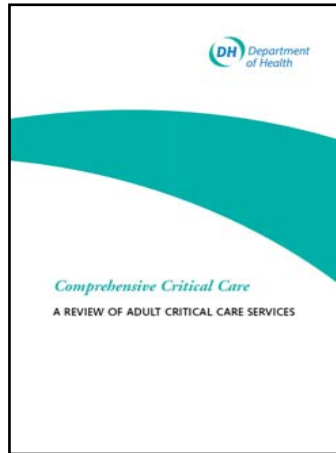


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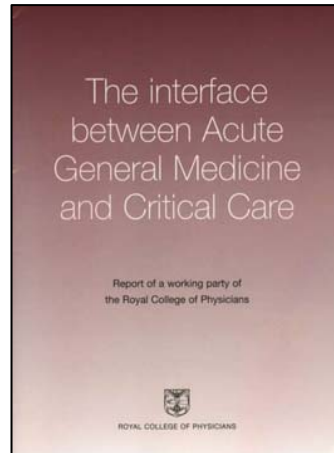
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- ❑ In-hospital assessment of pain
- ❑ Biochemistry Haematology Outcome Model (BHOM)

# Reports discussing early warning scores 2000-2007

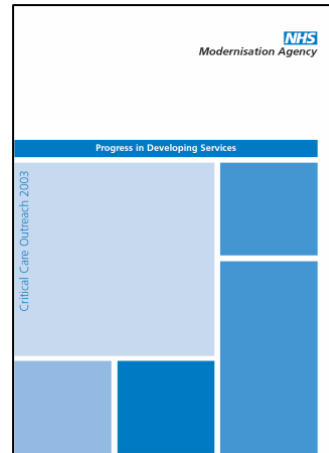
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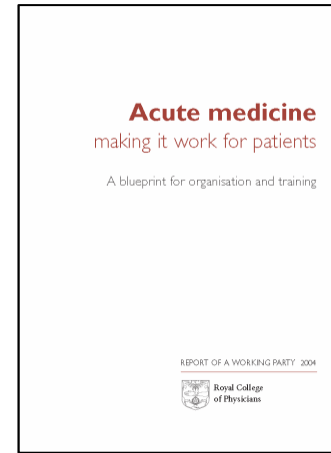
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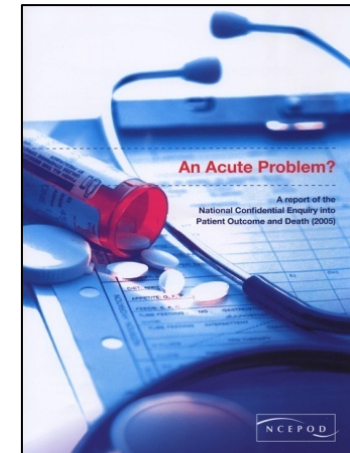
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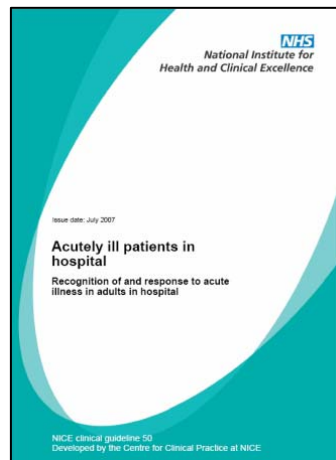
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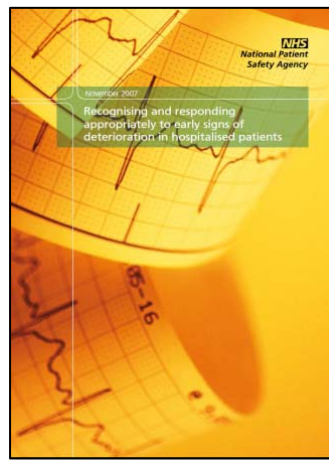
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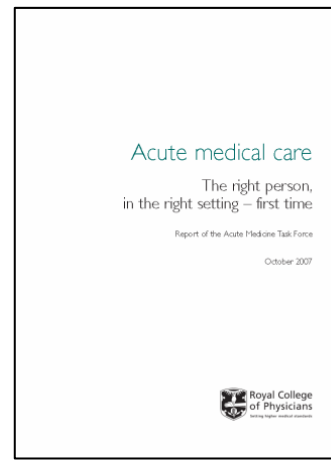
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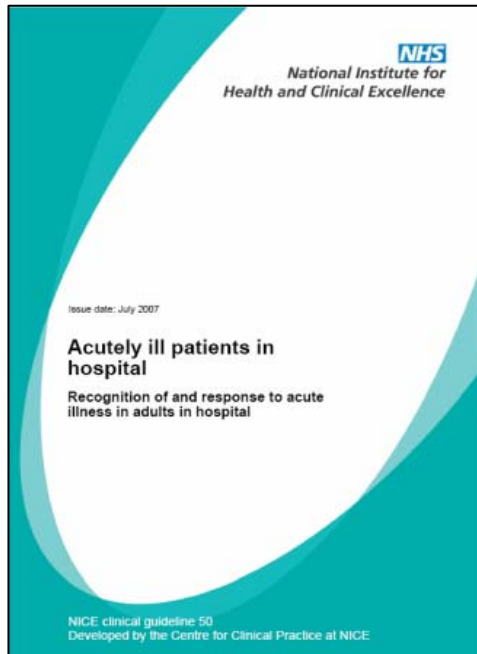
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# Earl Warning Scores



# NICE 2007: early warning scores



*"...Physiological track and trigger systems should be used to monitor all adult patients in acute hospital settings..."*

*"... Track and trigger systems should use multiple-parameter or aggregate weighted scoring systems, which allow a graded response..."*

*"...Multiple-parameter or aggregate weighted scoring systems used for track and trigger systems should measure:*

- heart rate*
- respiratory rate*
- systolic blood pressure*
- level of consciousness*
- oxygen saturation*
- temperature..."*

# Aggregate-weighted "track and trigger" systems

- ❑ periodic measurement of selected basic vital signs
- ❑ assign weighted scores to vital signs measurements on the basis of their derangement from an arbitrarily agreed "normal" range.
- ❑ trigger value (e.g.,  $\geq 3$ ) set locally, depending upon system used.
- ❑ total score [Early Warning Score] leads to a graded response

	Points						
	3	2	1	0	1	2	3
HR (bpm)		$\leq 40$	41-50	51-100	101-110	111-129	$\geq 130$
sBP (mmHg)	$\leq 70$	71-80	81-100	101-199		$\geq 200$	
RR (bpm)		$\leq 8$		9-14	15-20	21-29	$\geq 30$
Temp ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )		$\leq 34.9$		35-38.4		$\geq 38.5$	
Neuro (AVPU)				Alert	Reacts to Voice	Reacts or Pain	Unresponsive

# Variations in parameters in existing EWSs

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Smith et al. Resuscitation 2008; 77: 170-179.

# Royal College of Physicians: early warning scores

The interface  
between Acute  
General Medicine  
and Critical Care

**Acute medicine**  
making it work for patients

Acute medical care

The right person,  
in the right setting – first time

Report of the Acute Medicine Task Force

October 2007



*"... There is no justification for the continued use of multiple different early warning scores to assess illness severity..."*

*"... The physiological assessment of all patients should be standardised across the NHS with the recording of a minimum clinical data set resulting in a NHS early warning (NEW) score..."*

*"... This will provide a standardised record of illness severity and urgency of need, from first assessment and throughout the patient journey..."*

*"... This NEW score should be familiar to all staff and should be used to trigger the most appropriate response, either in the community or in hospital..."*

*"... Although many similar systems may exist, the development of a national system would promote clinical communication and facilitate wide adoption..."*

# VitalPAC system: aims

To develop a PDA-based system to facilitate patient-centric data collection at point and time of delivery of care directly into a database, avoiding need for paper.

## Aims

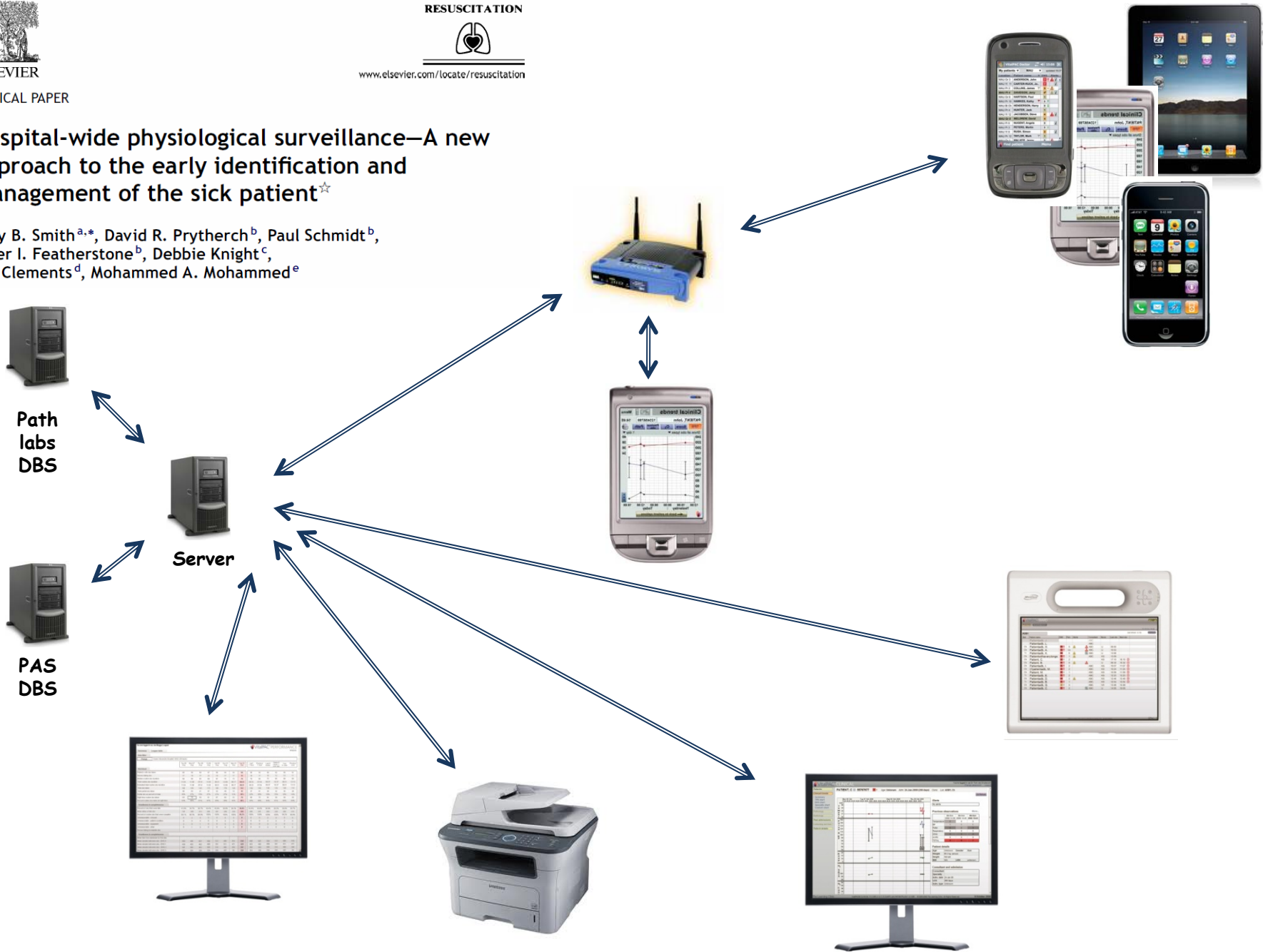
- To improve the vital signs monitoring process
- To improve the legibility and usefulness of the charting of vital signs
- To improve systems used to detect deterioration
- To improve the escalation of care for deteriorating patients
- To audit the "triggering" and "response" processes





# Hospital-wide physiological surveillance—A new approach to the early identification and management of the sick patient<sup>☆</sup>

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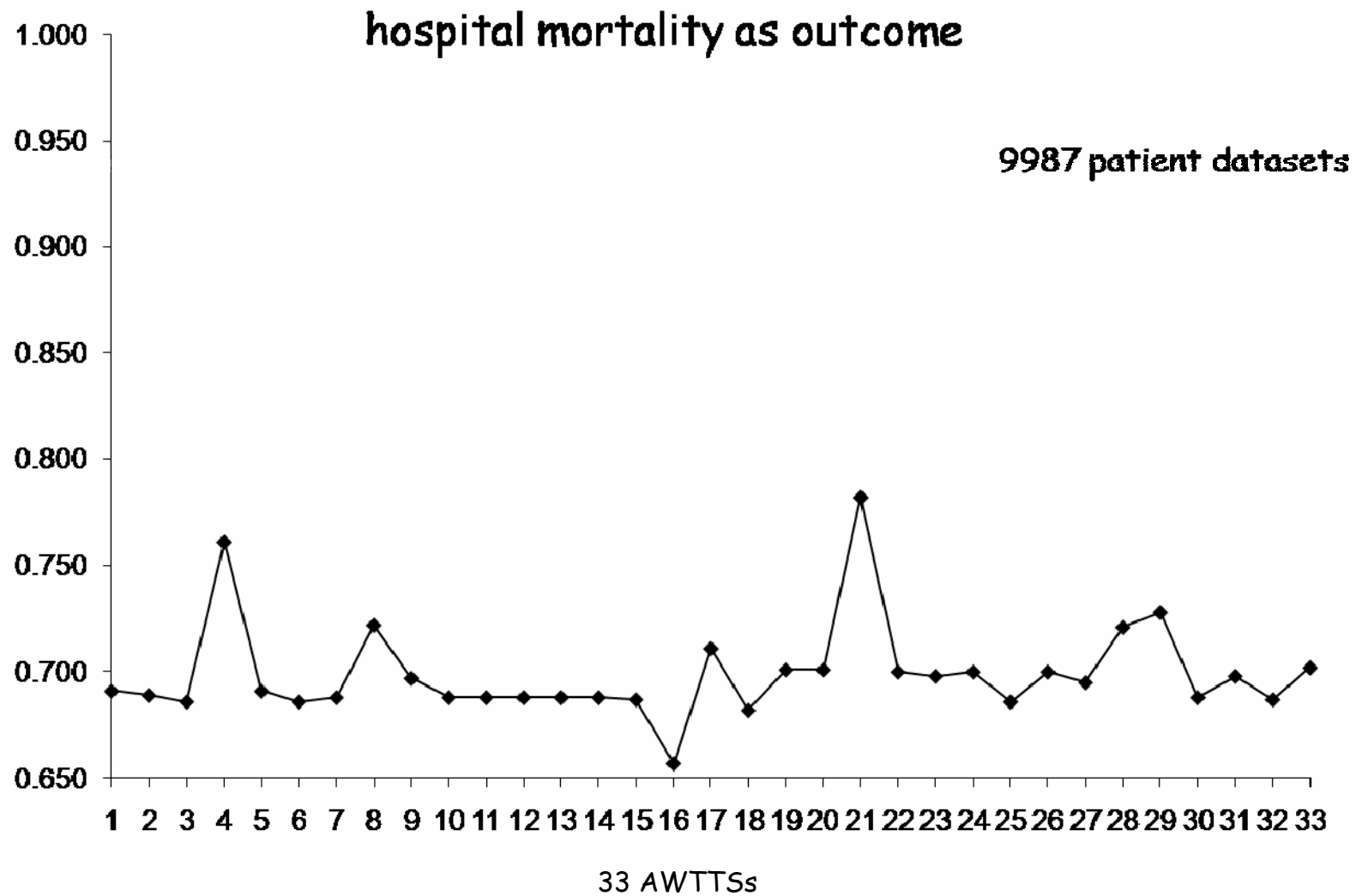


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# Receiver Operator Characteristics Curves for 33 AWTTs

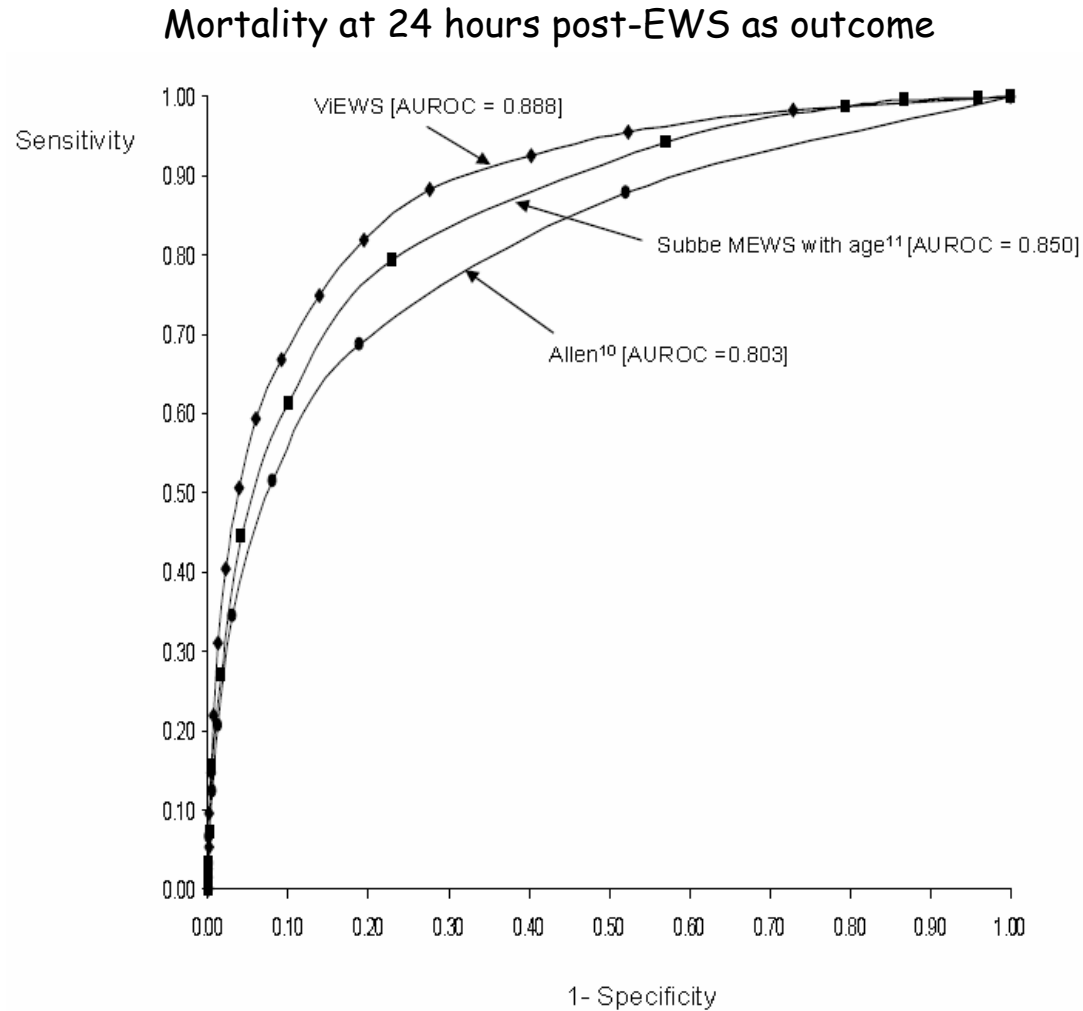


# ViEWS

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Pulse (bpm)		≤ 40	41 - 50	51 - 90	91 - 110	111 - 130	≥ 131
Temp (°C)	≤ 35.0		35.1 - 36.0	36.1 - 38.0	38.1 - 39.0	≥ 39.1	
Systolic BP (mm Hg)	≤ 90	91 - 100	101 - 110	111 - 249	≥ 250		
Resp rate (bpm)	≤ 8		9 - 11	12 - 20		21 - 24	≥ 25
AVPU				A			V, P or U
S <sub>p</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	≤ 91	92 - 93	94 - 95	≥ 96			
Inspired O <sub>2</sub>				On air			Any supplemental O <sub>2</sub>

Prytherch et al. Resuscitation 2010; 81: 932-937

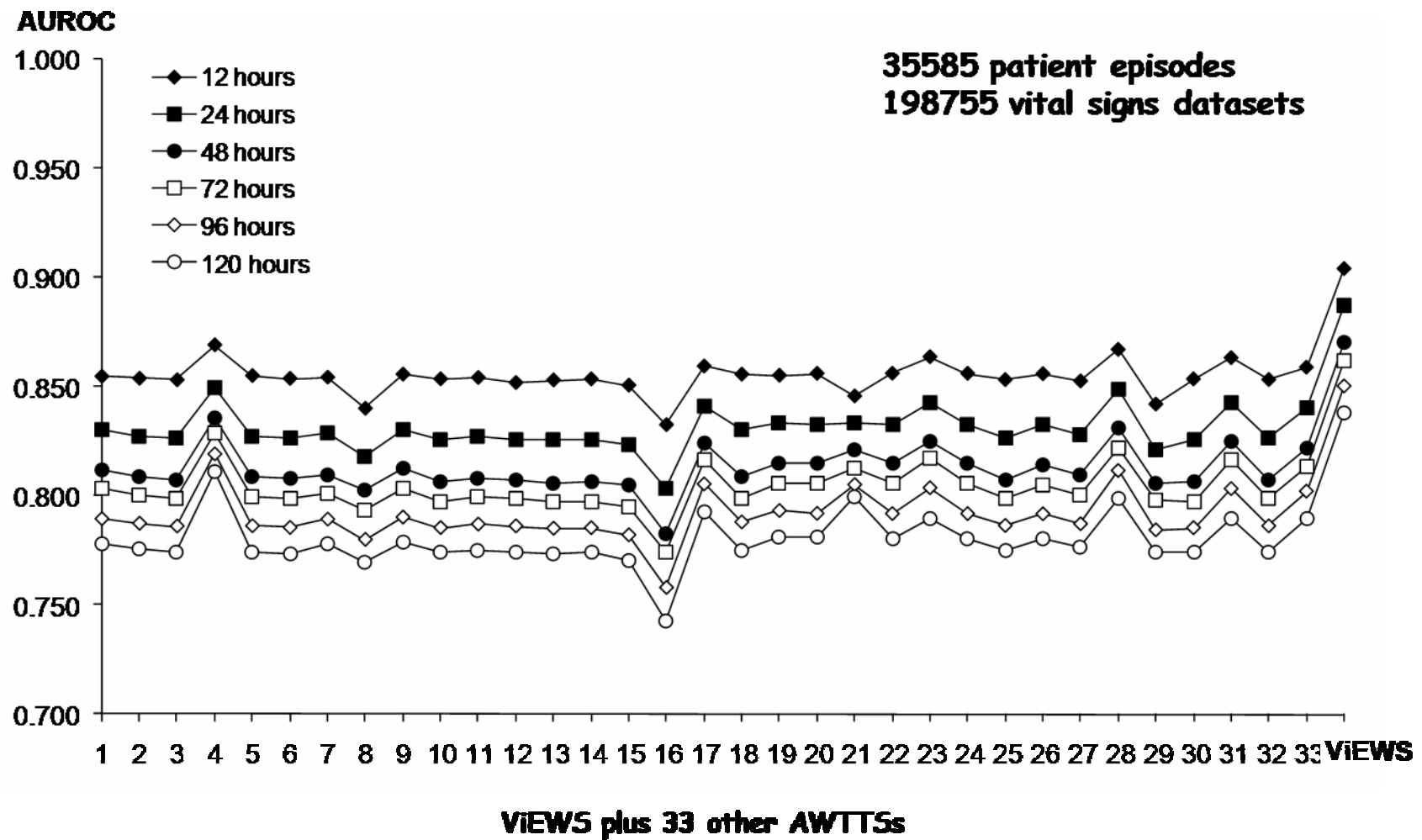
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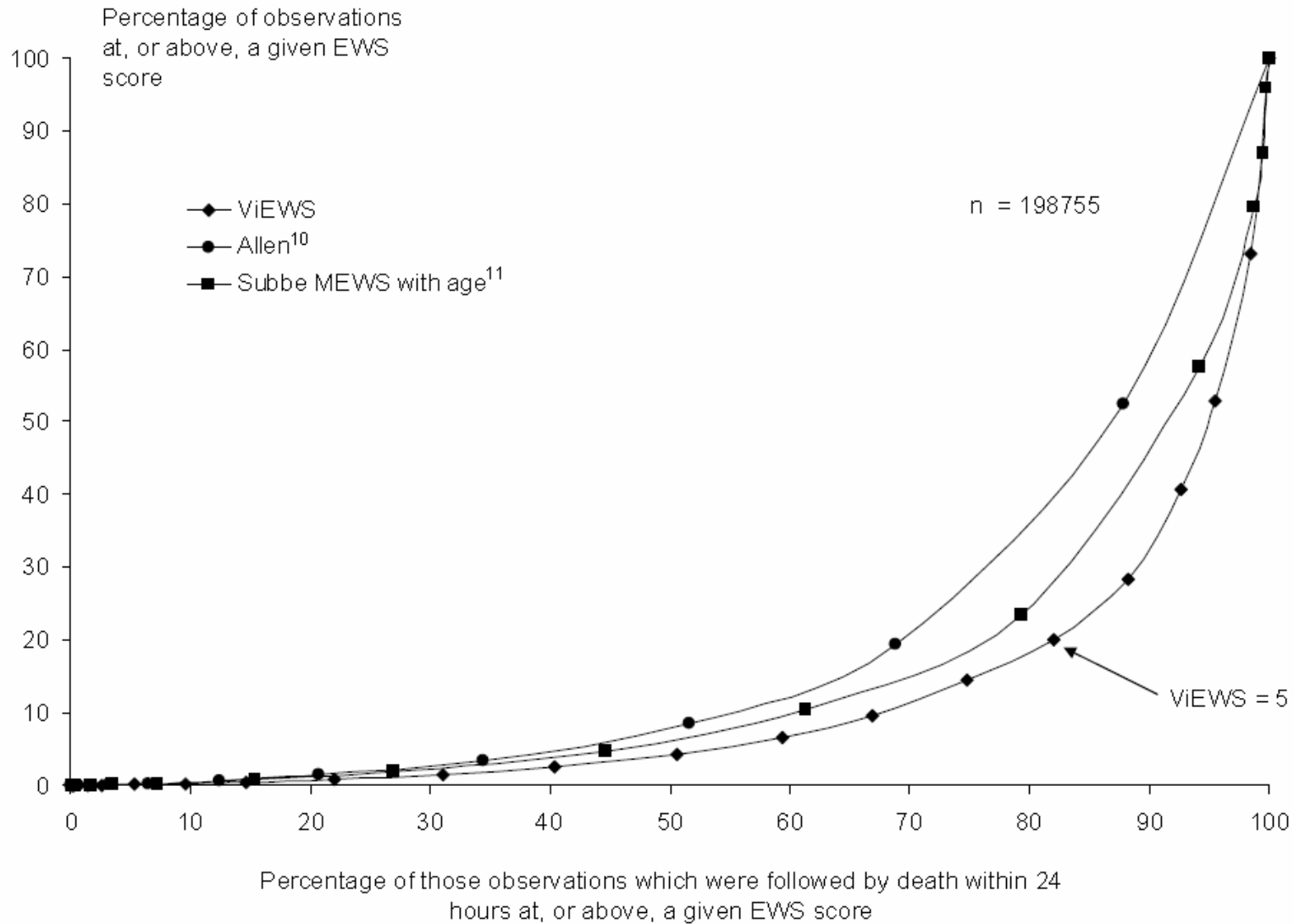
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# Early Warning Scores: comparison of performance

## Mortality as outcome



# Early Warning Score efficiency chart



Are the target SpO<sub>2</sub> values recommended by the British Thoracic Guidelines correct?





# Relevant history

## APACHE II, APACHE III, SAPS II, MPM

### P-POSSUM

Prytherch DR, Whiteley MS, Higgins B, Weaver PC, Prout WG, Powell SJ. POSSUM and P-POSSUM for predicting mortality.  
British Journal of Surgery 1998;85:1217-1220.

### BHOM

Prytherch DR, Sirl JS, Weaver PC, Schmidt P, Higgins B, Sutton GL.  
Towards a national clinical minimum dataset for general surgery.  
British Journal of Surgery 2003;90:1300-1305.

Prytherch DR, Sirl JS, Schmidt P, Featherstone PI, Weaver PC, Smith GB.  
The use of routine laboratory data to predict in-hospital death in medical admissions.  
Resuscitation 2005;66:203-207.

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Measuring clinical performance using routinely collected clinical data.  
Medical Informatics and the Internet in Medicine 2005; 30:151-156

# BHOM components

Surgical model	Medical model
Urea	Urea
Sodium	Sodium
Potassium	Potassium
Haemoglobin	Haemoglobin
White Blood Cell count	White Blood Cell count
	Albumin
	Creatinine
Age	Age
Gender	Gender
Mode of Admission	Mode of Admission
Bupa Operative Severity Score	

# General Medicine BHOM Validation: T2 v T1

Risk (%)	Discharges	Mean Risk (%)	Predicted Deaths	Reported Deaths	$\chi^2$
$\geq 0$ to $\leq 5$	1103	1.40	15	13	0.39
$> 5$ to $\leq 7.5$	119	6.16	7	6	0.26
$> 7.5$ to $\leq 10$	85	8.66	7	6	0.28
$> 10$ to $\leq 12.5$	68	11.29	8	10	0.79
$> 12.5$ to $\leq 15$	32	13.67	4	6	0.70
$> 15$ to $\leq 20$	66	17.34	11	12	0.03
$> 20$ to $\leq 25$	50	22.64	11	11	0.01
$> 25$ to $\leq 33$	61	29.20	18	20	0.38
$> 33$ to $\leq 50$	90	40.71	37	36	0.02
$> 50$ to $\leq 100$	93	74.58	69	78	4.24
$\geq 0$ to $\leq 100$	1767	10.68	189	198	7.09

$$\chi^2 = 7.09$$

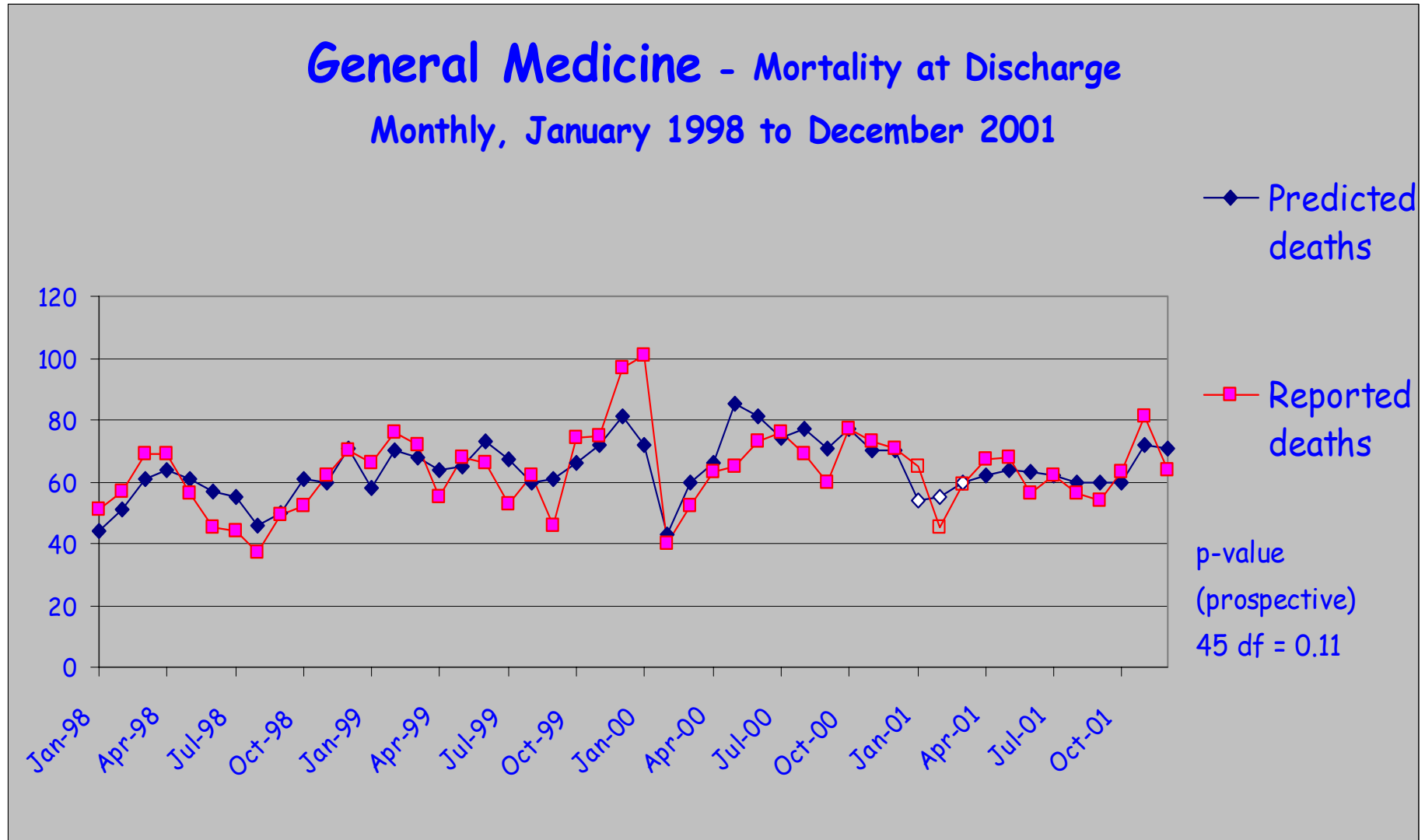
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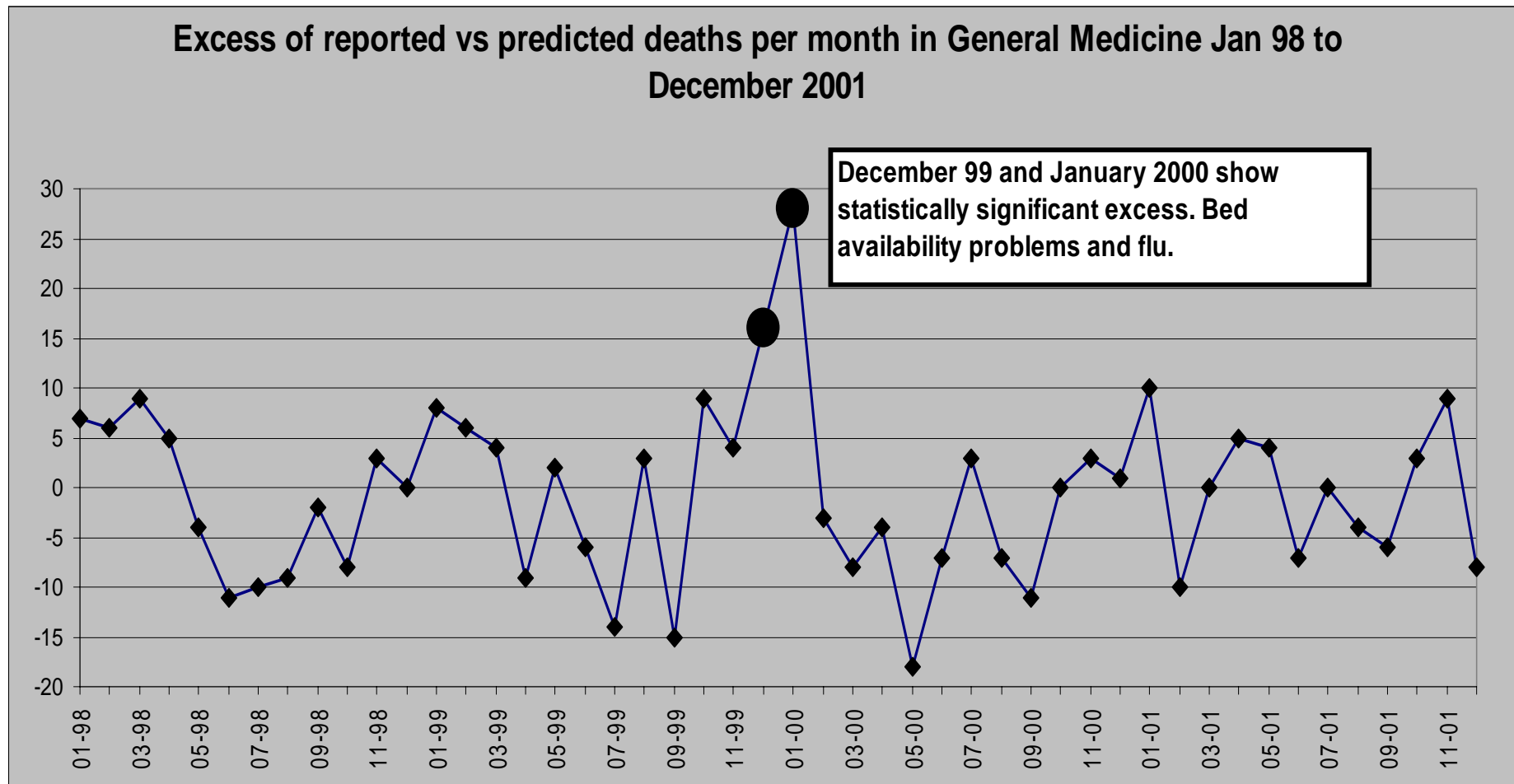
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# General Medicine BHOM performance over time



# General Medicine BHOM: excess deaths



## Key points re BHOM

- ❑ Necessary clinical data can be obtained from a single venesection
- ❑ Clinical data are used operationally in care of individuals
- ❑ All data already stored on hospital core IT systems - no "extra" effort is required to collect data
- ❑ Clinical data used are subject to extensive quality assurance
- ❑ Case mix adjusted and uses high quality data trusted by clinicians (no coded data) - more likely to win clinical acceptance
- ❑ Data immediately available to inform decisions
- ❑ Cannot be "gamed"
- ❑ Performance and surveillance tool

# Summary

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