

WHO BENEFITS FROM BRIEF  
MOTIVATIONAL INTERVENTION  
AMONG ALCOHOL-INTOXICATED  
YOUNG ADULTS ADMITTED TO  
THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT:  
A MODERATION ANALYSIS USING  
LATENT CLASSES

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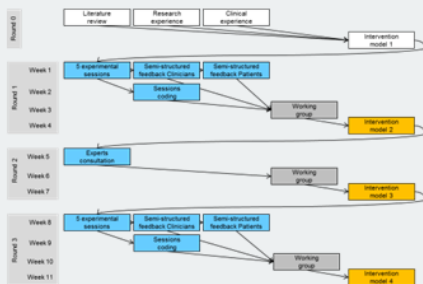
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# BACKGROUND

- Heavy drinking among young adults is a major public health concern
- Young adults admitted in the Emergency Department (ED) while intoxicated have high risk of poorer health outcomes (e.g. ED readmission, AUD, other SUD, mental health, unemployment)
- Brief motivational interviewing (MI) in the ED have shown promising but inconsistent results

# PROJECT DESIGN

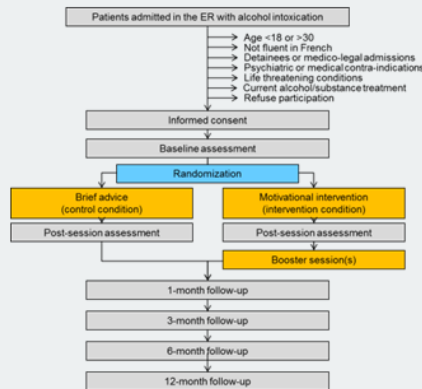
## Phase 1 Development



Iterative development and pre-test process

(Gaume et al., 2021, PlosONE)

## Phase 2 Efficacy



Randomized controlled trial

(Gaume et al., in press JAMA Network Open)

## Phase 3 Mechanisms



Psycholinguistic coding and qualitative analyses

## Phase 4

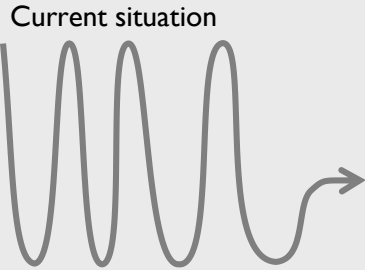

Model finalization and dissemination

# BRIEF MI MODEL

## 3 HORIZONTAL STRATEGIES

- ❑ **Taking time to build a significant relationship (relational factors)**
  - Empathy / Reflective listening / Curiosity
  - Acceptance / Avoid confrontation / Unconditional positive regard
  - Collaboration / Alliance
- ❑ **Change talk**
  - Elicit change talk
  - Soften sustain talk over the session (accepting ST when it appears but using MI techniques to lower it)
  - Reinforce Ability and Commitment talk
- ❑ **Give information and advice**
  - Causal attribution of ER admission to alcohol use
  - Adjust distorted perceptions, banalization, and misbelieves
  - Suggest change options if necessary
  - ✓ Motivational method: Elicit– Ask permission – Provide – Elicit

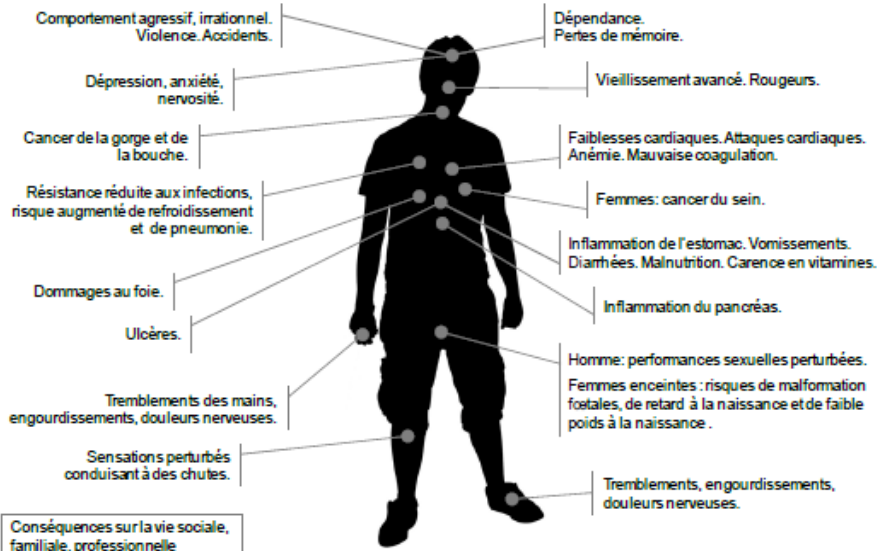
**3 STEPS** (length will depend on participant's readiness to change and willingness to talk)

	I Exploration		II Evoke change (look to the future)		III Planning	
Introduce oneself Ask permission to talk	 <p>Current situation</p>	Summarize (ambivalence/discrepancy)	 <p>Discrepancy Current situation vs. Important things/values</p> <p>A different situation, change (hypothetical)</p>	Summarize (discrepancy + potential change)	<p>Next steps? Make it concrete</p> <p>→ Commitment → Ability / Self-efficacy</p>	Summarize Thank - Affirm Propose to call back - Announce feedback letter
	Important things in life, Values, Meaning					

# STANDARDIZED BRIEF ADVICE

AUDIT  $\geq 8$  → Feedback hazardous use  
AUDIT  $> 16$  → Referral to treatment

## Effets de l'alcool sur la santé



Adapté de Babor et Higgins-Biddle, OMS, 2001

## Consommation à bas risque

- Pas plus de 14 boissons standards par semaine (~2-3 par jour)
- Pas plus de 5 boissons standards par occasion
- S'abstenir
  - quand on conduit ou qu'on utilise des machines
  - quand on consomme certains médicaments
- Pas plus de 7 boissons standards par semaine (~1-2 par jour)
- Pas plus de 4 boissons standards par occasion
- S'abstenir
  - quand on conduit ou qu'on utilise des machines
  - quand on consomme certains médicaments
  - quand on est enceinte ou qu'on allaite



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Patients 18-35 admitted in the ED with alcohol intoxication  
N=2108

Excluded:

- Life threatening conditions, N= 12 (0.6%)
- Detainees and medico-legal admissions, N= 35 (1.7%)
- Psychiatric or medical contraindications, N= 224 (10.6%)
- Not fluent in French, N= 214 (10.2%)
- Current alcohol/substance treatment, N= 107 (5.1%)
- Not well enough to sign consent, N= 25 (1.2%)
- Already included, N= 39 (1.9%)

- Left ED before meeting research staff:
  - Inclusion not feasible within 10 days, N= 166 (7.9%)
  - Cannot be reached to propose inclusion, N= 337 (16.0%)
  - Inclusion set but missed, N= 61 (2.9%)
- Refused participation, N= 538 (25.5%)
- Early dropout (started inclusion but stopped it, not feeling well), N= 6 (0.3 %)

Baseline assessment and randomization  
N= 344 (16.3%)

Left after randomization but before intervention  
N= 1 (0.04%)

Brief advice, N= 173 (50.3%)

Motivational intervention, N= 171 (49.7%)

Booster 1-week, N= 133 (78.2%)

Booster 1-month, N= 111 (65.3%)

Booster 3-month, N= 87 (51.2%)

1-month FU, N= 285 (83.1%)

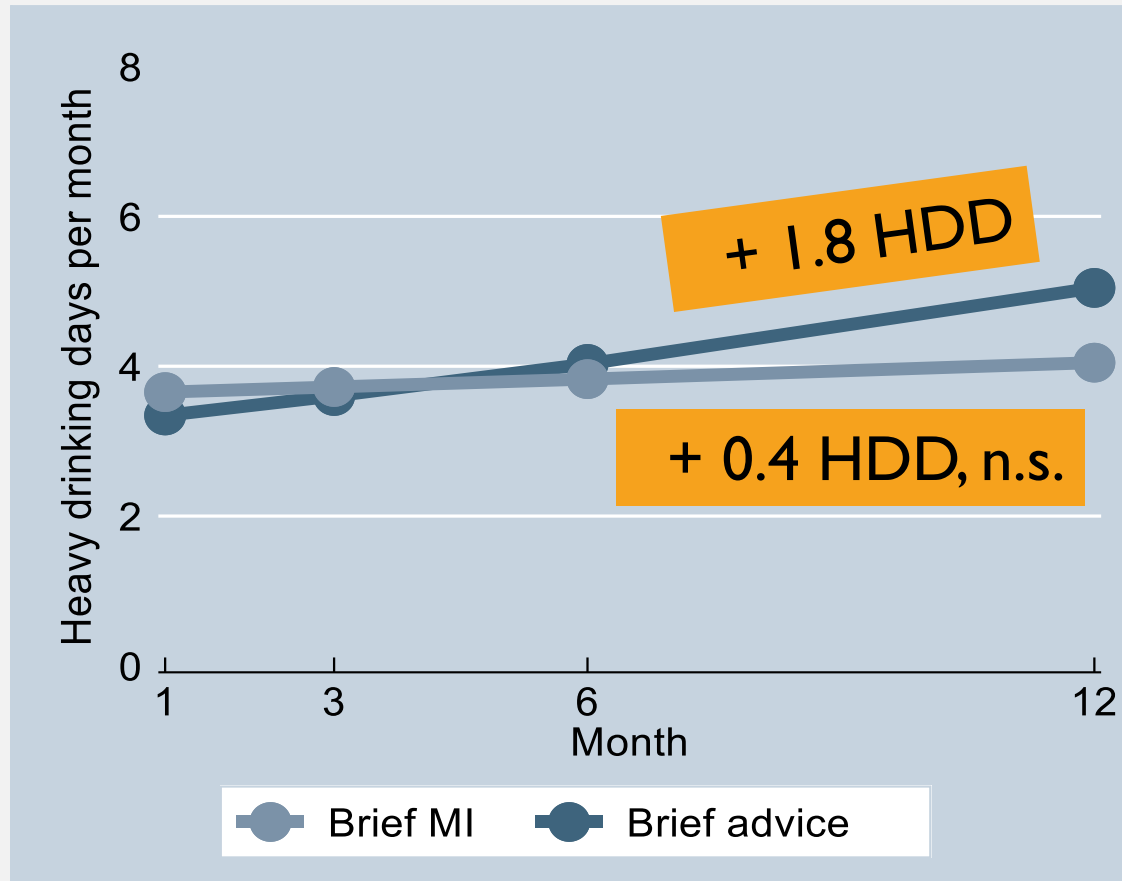
3-month FU, N= 275 (80.2%)

6-month FU, N= 268 (78.1%)

12-month FU, N= 272 (79.3%)

**STUDY  
FLOW-  
CHART**

# HEAVY DRINKING DAYS



	Coef. (SE) [95%CI]	P
Brief MI	0.09 (0.11) [-0.13 to 0.31]	0.43
Month (centered)	0.04 (0.01) [0.02 to 0.05]	<0.001
Brief MIxMonth	-0.03 (0.01) [-0.05 to -0.004]	0.02

GEE population-averaged model, Observations: 1102; Groups: 306 (i.e. patients); 1-4 observations/group (avg. 3.6). Negative binomial distribution; Log link; Exchangeable correlation structure. Sensitivity analyses adjusting for age and sex, and multiple imputation for missing data yielded similar patterns of findings.

# NEXT STEP

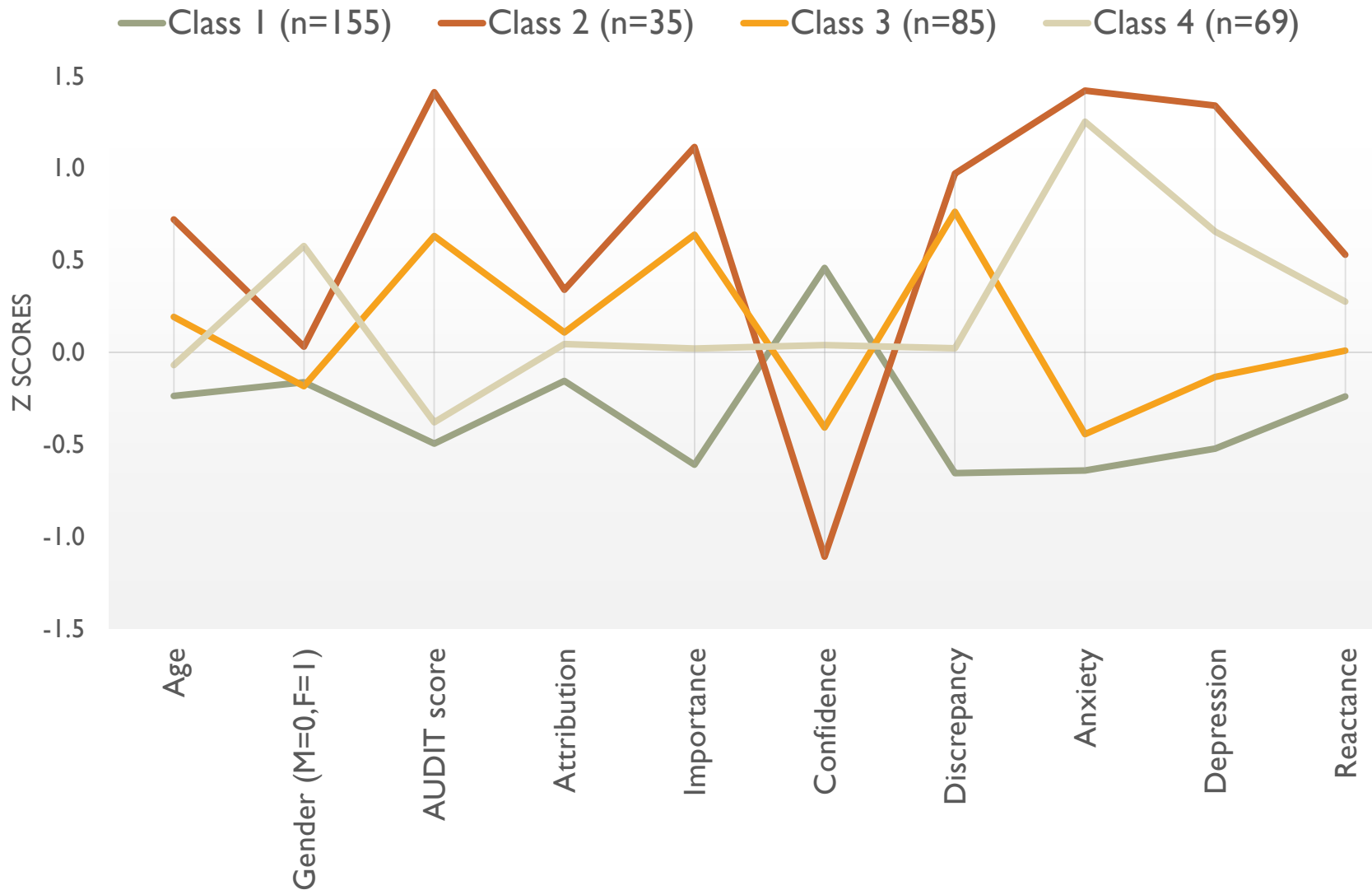
- Evaluate which patients benefitted from the brief MI
- Latent Class Analysis (LCA) to derive participants' profiles based on baseline characteristics
- Regression models with an interaction between intervention group and derived classes



# LCA FIT INDICES

Fit indices	AIC	BIC	ABIC	Entropy	VLMR *	LMR *	BLRT *
2 classes	15350.6	15488.9	15374.7	0.792	0.026	0.025	<0.001
3 classes	15243.6	15431.8	15276.4	0.797	0.032	0.033	<0.001
<b>4 classes</b>	<b>15153.4</b>	<b>15391.6</b>	<b>15194.9</b>	<b>0.833</b>	<b>0.097</b>	<b>0.100</b>	<b>&lt;0.001</b>
5 classes	15103.5	15391.5	15153.6	0.854	0.367	0.372	<0.001
6 classes	15060.1	15398.0	15118.9	0.860	0.537	0.540	<0.001

# GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF LATENT CLASSES



# INTERACTION BETWEEN INTERVENTION AND MODERATOR LATENT CLASSES

HDD AT 1 MONTH  
(adjusting for HDD baseline)



HDD AT 12 MONTH  
(adjusting for HDD baseline)



# DISCUSSION

- Class 3: effects of brief MI at short- and long-term
  - High severity, high importance, high discrepancy, but low confidence
  - Best effects for MI when individuals recognize an alcohol issue, want to change, but do not feel able to.
- Class 2: effects of brief MI at short-term only
  - Highest severity, lowest confidence, and mental health issues
  - Effects at short term, but more intensive treatment might be needed to maintain effects at long term.
- Class 1: findings seem to indicate better effects of BA
  - Low severity, but also low discrepancy and low expectations → alcohol not an issue
  - Also, lowest reactance: advice to avoid HDD might be enough

# CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS

- Patient' characteristics profiles should be considered when implementing brief interventions in the ED.
- Our findings suggest to:
  - Allocate more time and provide high-quality MI for people with high severity and mental health issues
  - Rely on short BA for those with low severity, low expectancies/discrepancy, and low reactance

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
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