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#### **Abstract**

Multimodal analgesia plays a crucial role in the management of postoperative pain after a cesarean section, ensuring the well-being and proper recovery of women. However, in Latin America, there is an inequity in the availability and access to this analgesic approach. This presentation objectively explores the reality of inequity in multimodal analgesia for cesarean sections in Latin America.

This inequity in multimodal analgesia for cesarean sections in Latin America is a reality that affects the quality of life of women and the healthcare they receive. It is essential to address this issue by improving resources, training, and raising awareness among healthcare professionals, as well as implementing health policies that promote equity. By doing so, we can ensure that all women have access to proper management of postoperative pain and optimal recovery after a cesarean section.

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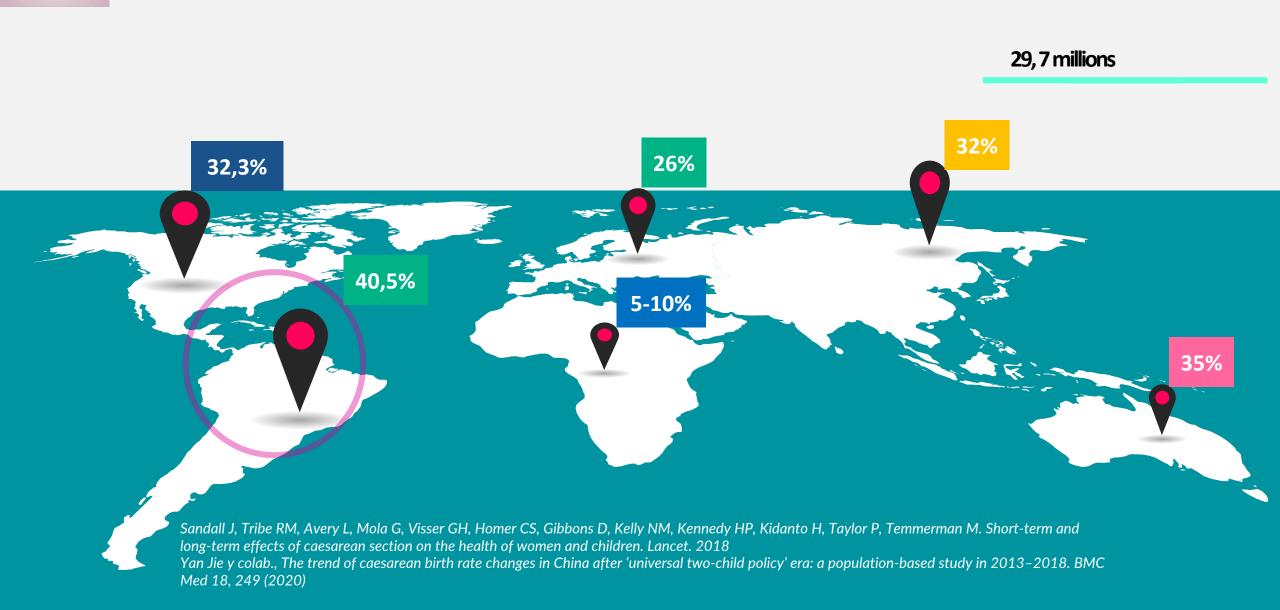




3 to 4% annual progression of caesarean section rate.



#### Cesarean sections in the world



#### inadequate management of postocerative pain in cesarean section



chronic abdominal pain is present in 10–20% of parturient within a year of delivery

One in 10 women have persistent pain at eight weeks post CD

This is associated with an up to three-fold increased risk of postpartum depression.

Immobilization for pain is a great risk of thrombotic - embolic disease

Bonding with and caring for a newborn

With moderate to severe pain to 80%

Bishop. D.G. Post-caesarean delivery analgesia in resource-limited settings: a narrative review. International Journal of Obstetric Anesthesia 2019

## Maternal satisfaction with postpartum surgical pain management in a hospital in northern Mexico

Table 1. Distribution of women according to the classification of the level of pain during the surgical puerperium.

Pain Intensity	Pain at time of interview		Maximum pain within 24 hours		Average pain level in the first 24 hours	
	f	%	f	%	f	%
Mild	86	33.2	32	12.4	42	16.0
Moderate	133	51.4	68	26.2	175	68.0
Severe	40	15.4	159	61.4	42	16.0

Source: Patient Pain Intensity Questionnaire

n=259.

López-España, Julia Teresa et al. SANUS. 2021

Table II. Characteristics of intraoperative analgesia in women undergoing cesarean section in Goiania, GO, Brazil, 2015

	Women undergoing caesarean section		
	n	%	
Postoperative analgesia (n= 1049)			
Opiate	521	49,7	
Opiate + simple analgesic	431	41,1	
Opiate + AINE	34	3,2	
Opiate+ simple analgesic + AINE	18	1,7	
Opiate+ simple analgesic +steroid	25	2,4	
Opiate+ steroid	13	1,2	
Opiate+ AINE+steroid	5	0,5	
Opiate + simple analgesic+ AINE+ steroid	2	0,2	

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- Variable	Women undergoing caesarean section		
	n	%	
Incisional pain (n= 1062)			
Yes	984	92,7	
No	78	7,3	

BORGES, Natalia Carvalho et al. Dolor postoperatorio en mujeres sometidas a cesárea. Enferm. glob. [online]. 2017











#### Guidelines on the Management of Postoperative Pain

Management of Postoperative Pain: A Clinical Practice Guideline From the American Pain Society, the American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine, and the American Society of Anesthesiologists' Committee on Regional Anesthesia, Executive Committee, and Administrative Council

**MULTIMODAL ANALGESIA** 



## PROSPECT guideline for elective caesarean section: updated systematic review and procedure-specific postoperative pain management recommendations

Roofthooft, E,. et al. Anaesthesia 2022

Tabla 1 Overall recommendations for pain management in patients undergoing elective caesarean section

#### **Pre-operatively**

- . Intrathecal long action opioid(e.g. morphine 50-100 ug(GradeA). Epidural morphine 2-3 mg (When an epidural catheter is used as part of a combined spinal epidural technique) (Grade A)
- . Oral paracetamol (Grade A)

#### Intra-operative after delivery

- . Intravenous paracetamol if not administered pre-operatively (Grade A)
- . Intravenous non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (Grade A)
- . Intravenous dexamethasone (Grade A)
- . If intratecal morphine not used, local anaesthetic, wound infiltration (single shot) or continuous wound infusion and/or regional analgesia techniques (fascialplane blocks such as transversus abdominis plane blocks and quadratus lumborum blocks) (Grade A)

#### **Postoperative**

- . Oral or intravenous paracetamol (Grade A)
- . Oral or intravenous non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (Grade A)
- . Opioid for rescue or when other recommended strategies are not posible (e.g. contra-indications regional anaesthesia)(Grade D)
- .Analgesic adjuncts include transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (Grade A)







#### The barriers and challenges

Lack of access to the right medicines

Lack of training of health personnel

Limitations in hospital infrastructure



## Strategies

The elaboration of protocols and clinical guidelines

Education and training of health personnel

Improve access to necessary medicines.

### **Conclusions**

Understanding the magnitude of postoperative pain after caesarean section.

Reduce the existing multimodal analgesia gap in different regions of Latin America

