# **Beyond Efficacy: Hard Outcomes in Treatment Studies**

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### Is there a problem?

## Efficacy and safety established

Well validated scales
Randomized clinical trial
Placebo
Short & long term data

## Effectiveness, safety (and reimbursemen)

Hard outcomes (economic data) Non-random No placebo Key is long term





#### Randomized clinical trials

#### Pro

Highest level of evidence Low risk for systematic bias Demonstrate "*efficacy*"

#### **Contra**

Narrow inclusion and exclusion criteria limits generalisability Difficult to demonstrate effect of old drugs "Enriched design" benefits the study drug Do not show "effectiveness" in the real world Expensive Long-term trials might be unethical





### The agenda for this session

Within-subject comparison as a tool to explore effectiveness in register studies	M Landén
Discussion	
Relapse prevention studies: What happens after drop out?	S Leucht
Discussion	
Industry Perspective: Risk characterization utilizing external data sources: A methodological consideration for clinical trials with high subject drop-out	J Geier
Discussion	
Regulatory Comment/Panel Audience Discussion	M Tome Speakers
Session 1 Adjourns	
Break	



