



# MINDFULNESS-BASED INTERVENTIONS FOR STAFF NURSES: A SYSTEMATIC REVIEW AND META-ANALYSIS

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"Nurses must have self-care and compassion for themselves so that they can care compassionately for their patients." —Jean Watson







#### **BACKGROUND:**



#### **□**Nurses

work

- \*the highest number of health care personnel globally
- \*inherently exposed to multidimensional workrelated stress on their daily work environment \*escalation of burnout and stress may result to extreme cases of depression and plan to quit their



#### **BACKGROUND:**



#### ■ Mindfulness-based interventions

\*Mindfulness- Buddhist practice; "moment-by-moment awareness"; "non-judgmental attention to experiences in the present moment" (Kabat-Zinn, 1990)

#### \*Attributes:

- a. Attention regulation- "taking notice"
- b. Body awareness- "conscious registration of stimuli"
- c. Emotion regulation
- d. Change in perspective of the self (Holzel et al., 2011)
- \*Five(5) Mindfulness-based Interventions- a.) Mindfulness-based stress reduction; b.) Mindfulness cognitive-behavioral therapy; c.) Dialectical behavior therapy; d.) Acceptance and commitment therapy; and e.) Mindfulness-based relapse prevention (Simkin & Black, 2014).



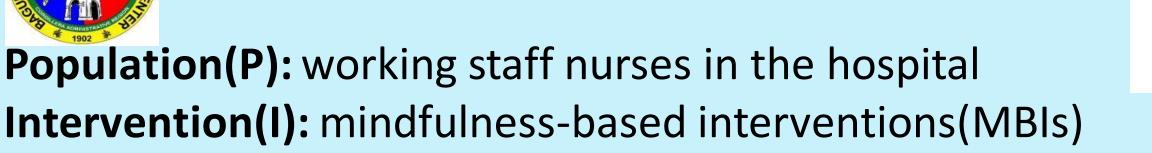
### **PURPOSE STATEMENT:**



The aim of the synthesis is to evaluate the effects of mindfulness-based interventions on different outcomes because there are few studies that translate knowledge on mindfulness practice for staff nurses.



## **PICOTS** question



Comparator(C): no intervention/wait-list/other intervention

Outcome(O):

Primary: decrease burnout, relief of stress, depression and anxiety

Secondary: quality of life, improve patient care

**Time(T):** any length of time

**Study design(S):** pre/post design, wait-list, randomized controlled trial



#### **METHODS:**



## **Inclusion Criteria:**

- ✓ staff nurses working in the hosiptal
- ✓ used mindfulnessbased intervention
- ✓ English language
- ✓ mindfulness variation

## **Exclusion Criteria:**

- x nursing students
- x mixed health care providers
- x without mindfulness intervention in the regimen provided



## LITERATURE SEARCH (April 2018)



Psychlnfo

Francis & Taylor

**JSTOR** 

**Cochane Central** 

Pubmed

**EMBASE** 

**EBSCOHOST** 

Elsevier

Wiley Online

Library

Springer

Semantic Scholar

Google scholar

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#### **SEARCH TERMS:**



- mindfulness meditationmindfulness
- mindfulness-based intervention
- loving-kindness meditation
- meditation

- transcendental meditation
- mindfulness-based stress reduction
- mindfulness-based cognitive therapy



## Preferred Reporting Items For Systematic Reviews And Meta-analyses (PRISMA)



Total literature searched	1156	
	$\rightarrow$	<b>1050</b> Duplicates removed and screened for applicability
Abstract and title screening	86	
	<b>→</b>	<b>66</b> Excluded articles:nursing students, mixed health care team, and mindfulness survey without intervetions
Considered for  Systematic Review and  Meta-analysis	20	



### **CODING SHEET**

Coding sheet for MBI for nurses

Code #

1	Author:													
2	Year:													
3	Country:													
4	Jadad score:													
5.	Study design:													
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18. Statistical Analysis:







Author(year, country)  Quality (Jadad Modified Score)	Study Design	No. of particpants enrolled(in cluded in analysis)	Setting	Intervention- Duration and Frequency	Control- Duration and Frequency	Measurement scale/ outcome measure	Demographics (age, gender, position and work experience)	Findings	Limitations and Observations
Alexander et al. (2015, USA) Jadad:5	Randomize d controlled trial pre- postinterve ntion	n=40k40)	Hospital- based	8 weeks yoga intervention	Usual care	1.Health Promoting Lifestyle Profile II 2.Freiburg Mindfulness Inventory 3.Maslach Burnout Inventory	46 years is the mean age, female 98%, 14 years average of work experience	Self-care(p<.001), mindfulness(p=.028), emotional exhaustion (p=.008), and depersonalization (p=.007)	Small sample size, lack of an active control group, self- report measures
Bazarko et al. (2013,USA) Jadad: NA	One group non- randomized pre/posttest interventio n	n=41(36)	Hospital- based	8 weeks MBSR- combined classroom and telephonic delivery- retreat, teleconference and self-practice	None	1. Perceived Stress Scale 2. Copenhagen Burnout Inventory 3. SF-12v2 Health Survey 4. Brief Serenity Scale 5. Jefferson Scale of Physician Empathy- validated for nurses 6. Self- compassion Scale	Mean age= 52 years, 100% female,	Post-intervention, there was significantly decreased stress(p<.001), and burnout. Change in health measured by the SF12v2 wa observed to have improved including general health, vitality, social functioning, mental health, physical compenent, and mental component. Improved serenity(p<.001), empathy(p<.001), self-compassion(p<.001)	Continued education credits and money were given to participants, self-selected, all females, self-report data





- Country: USA:12, Taiwan:1, Portugal:1, South Korea:1, Brazil:1, China:1, Norway:1, Canada:1, Israel:1
- 8 randomized controlled trial studies
- Samples from each study range from 8 to 160
- 951 total of participants
- Nurses: ICU, oncology and others are mixed; 100% women-8 studies; mostly women (90% and above)- 9 studies
- Recruitment: advertisements, monetary incentive, received 4hour shift as compensatory time, and continued education credits





#### **Intervention characteristics**

- ✓ yoga intervention (Alexander et al., 2015; Fang et al., 2015);
- ✓ MBSR program (Duarte et al., 2017; Wang et al., 2017);
- ✓ MBSR-combined classroom and telephonic delivery- retreat, teleconference and self-practice (Bazarko et al., 2013);
- ✓ relaxation response and breathing exercise (Calisi, 2017);
- ✓ Kouksundo (Korean Meditation) (Chang et al., 2016);
- ✓ stress management (Cohen-Katz et al., 2005);
- ✓ healing rhythms meditation, computer-guided, and meditation training program (Cutshall et al., 2011);
- ✓ reiki, yoga, and meditation (Deible et al., 2015);





#### **Intervention characteristics**

- ✓ mindfulness and loving-kindness meditation (dos Santos et al., 2016);
- ✓ guided mindfulness meditation (Gauthier et al., 2014);
- ✓ mindfulness training program (Horner et al. 2014);
- ✓ mindfulness and relaxation exercise- daily lectures, counseling, and informal gatherings and discussion (Isaksson Rø et al., 2010);
- ✓ educational workshop, written sessions, counseling, MBSR and aerobic exercise (Mealer et al., 2014);
- ✓ mindfulness meditation course (Pipe et al., 2009);
- ✓ imagery and progressive muscle relaxation (Poulin et al., 2008);
- ✓ cognitive interventions and learning stress reducing behavioral skills (Sarid et al., 2010);
  and
- ✓ smartphone application, Head space, an audio-guided mindfulness meditation program (Wylde et al., 2017)



## Effects Of Mindfulness-based Interventions (MBIs) On Nurses:



- ❖ improved stress relief (Bazarko, Cate, Azocar, & Kreitzer, 2013; Gauthier, Meyer, Grefe, & Gold, 2014),
- reduced anxiety (Cutshall et al., 2011),
- improved coping (Deible, Fioravanti, Tarantino, & Cohen, 2015),
- improved self-care (Alexander, Rollins, Walker, Wong, & Pennings, 2015),
- reduced symptoms of depression (Mealer, Conrad, Evans, Jooste, Solyntjes, Rothbaum, & Moss, 2014),
- ❖ reduced burnout (Cohen-Katz, Wiley, Capuano, Baker, & Shapiro, 2005; Isaksson Rø, Gude, Tyssen, & Aasland, 2010).
- \* advances in mindfulness: telehealth mindfulness intervention (Bazarko, Cate, Azocar, & Kreitzer, 2013) and smartphone-delivered mindfulness intervention (Wylde, Mahrer, Meyer, & Gold, 2017).





The low sample size of many studies pose a bias for representation and low generalizability due to variations of intervention, length of implementation and observed high attrition rate.

<u>Decision</u>: *Random effects model* versus Fixed effect model

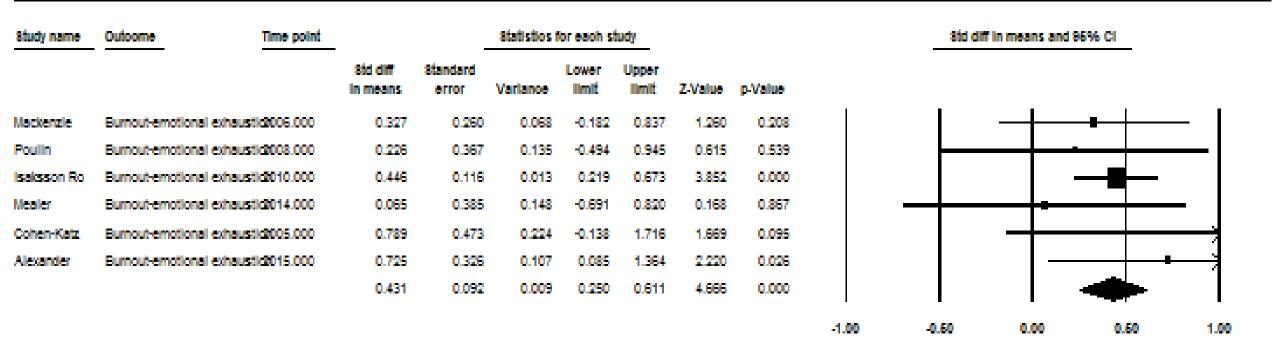


## Comprehensive Meta-analysis (CMA): Burnout(Maslach Burnout Inventory)



- \*confidence intervals have wider interval reflecting a poor precision
- \*spurious effect
- \*overall effect favors the intervention

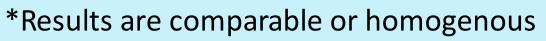
#### Meta Analysis





#### **Test of Heterogeniety**

\*Test for Heterogeniety=assess the studies are comparable; "mixing oranges and apples"





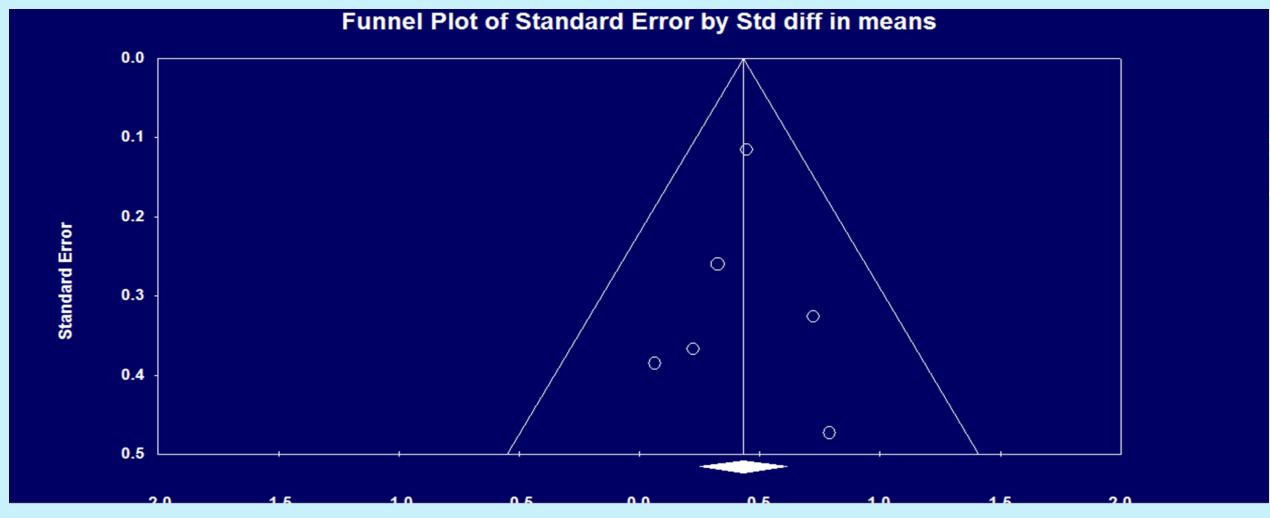
Model	Model Effect size and 95% confidence interval					Test of n	Test of null (2-Tail)		Heter	Heterogeneity			Tau-squared					
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Fixed Random	6		0.431 0.431	0.092 0.092	0.009 0.009	0.250 0.250	0.611 0.611	4.666 4.666		2.776	5	0.734			0.048	0.002	0.000	



#### **Publication Bias**

\*funnel plot is slightly symmetrical which indicates minimal publication bias.







#### Limitations of included studies:



- ❖lack of control group
- participants self-select
- ❖small number of participants
- ❖lack of follow-up
- reliance on self-report measures
- time constraints
- poor adherence and

- participation
- difficulty starting a new habit on performing mindfulness
- ❖lack of randomization
- voverlap in principles and techniques
- \*multimodal programs on mindfulness



#### **CONCLUSION:**

The meta-analysis in line with burnout as an outcome measure after mindfulness-based intervention for nurses may reveal beneficial effects.

Moreover, empowering professional nurses through mindfulness-based interventions will better equip them to act with more awareness in patient care and attention to nursing practice.



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