



**SIP**

Societal Impact of Pain

# The challenge of measuring Chronic Pain in Europe

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## With Passion against Pain

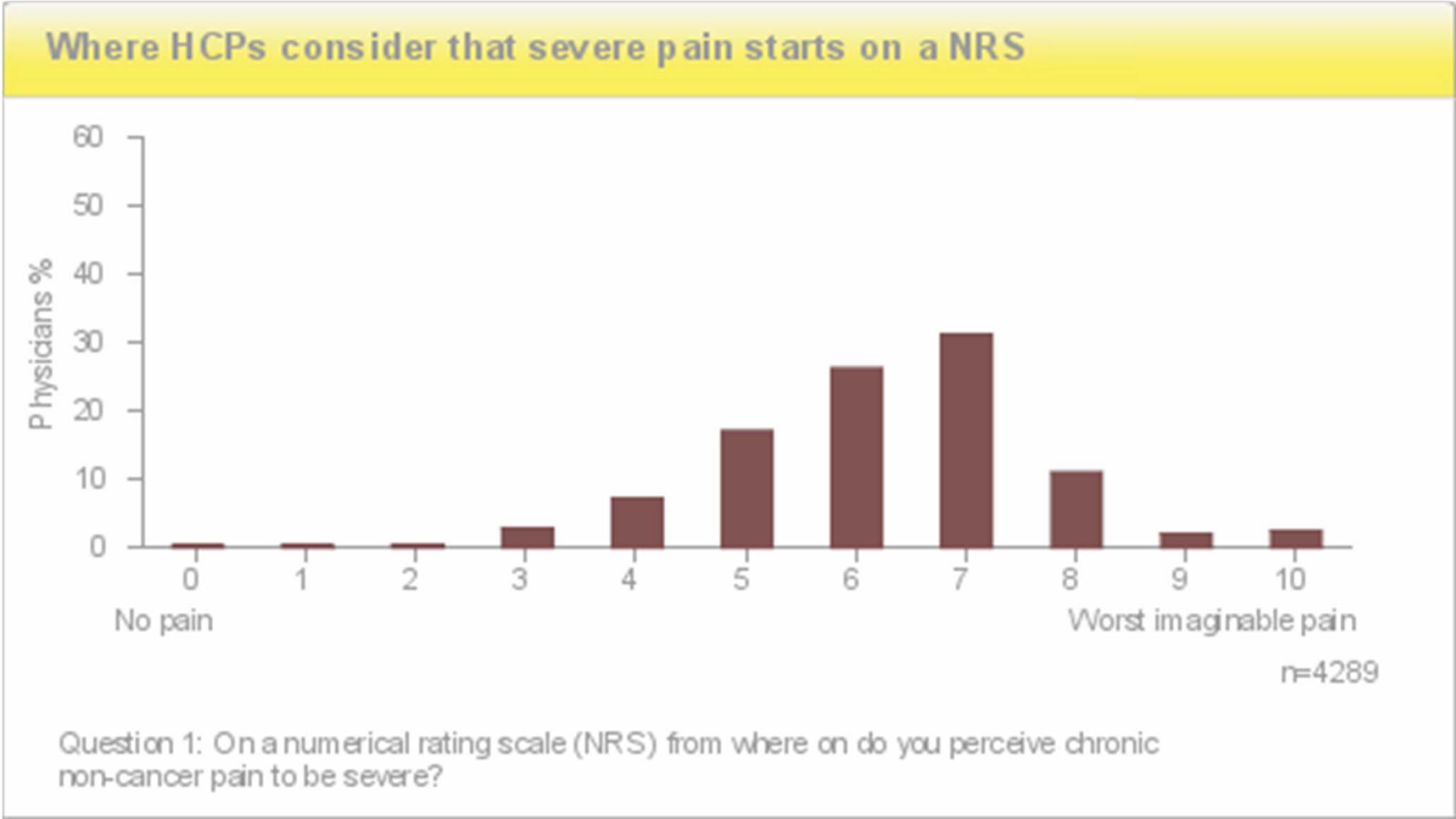
*“As we aspire to be the most patient-centric company, our daily work, as well as all strategic measures and decisions, shall always be guided by this vision. This means we set patient priorities and health as our first corporate goal, that we will build a better understanding of the patient’s needs and that we will develop our business according to these needs.”*

# Societal Impact of Pain 2010-2013

<b>SIP 2010</b> <b>Symposium</b> <b>Brussels</b> <b>La Hulpe</b>	<b>SIP 2011</b> <b>Symposium</b> <b>Brussels</b> <b>EU Parliament</b>	<b>SIP 2012</b> <b>Symposium</b> <b>Copenhagen</b> <b>Bella Center</b>	<b>SIP 2013</b> <b>Focus Groups</b> <b>Brussels, EU Parl &amp;</b> <b>Renaissance</b>
<p>Creating an international multi-stakeholder platform</p>	<p>Exchanging best practices &amp; engagement of EU officials / policy makers</p>	<p>Implementation of Road Map &amp; national policy outcomes</p>	<p>2 Focus Groups: Quality Indicators; Chronic Pain in the Working Population</p>
			

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# The challenge to improve what you cannot measure...



Source: CHANGE PAIN Physician Survey, 2009 – 2012: [http://www.change-pain.com/grt-change-pain-portal/GRT-CHANGE-PAIN-PORTAL\\_Home/Why\\_Change/Physician\\_Survey/Results/106400021.jsp?TargetChannelId=&\\_requestid=148](http://www.change-pain.com/grt-change-pain-portal/GRT-CHANGE-PAIN-PORTAL_Home/Why_Change/Physician_Survey/Results/106400021.jsp?TargetChannelId=&_requestid=148)

Status: April 2013: 4292 participants from > 30 countries worldwide.

# Measuring the quality of chronic pain management



**Structural Indicators**  
e.g. national pain plans,  
education programmes



**Process Indicators**  
e.g. multi-dimensional pain-oriented clinical assessment,  
patient activity



**Outcome Indicators**  
e.g. quality of life,  
return-to-work, pain relief



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Date of working status: 11 April 2013  
Consolidated version including all comments after 2nd feedback cycle  
Next Step:  
**Telephone conference with all 11 experts.**  
Dates to be communicated soon.

**SIP Recommendations**  
**on the European Implementation of**  
**Quality Indicators of Outcome**  
**in Chronic Non-Malignant Pain Management**

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**We look forward to a fruitful and „focussed“ discussion!**