

INTEGRATE-HTA - Integrated health technology assessment for evaluating complex technologies

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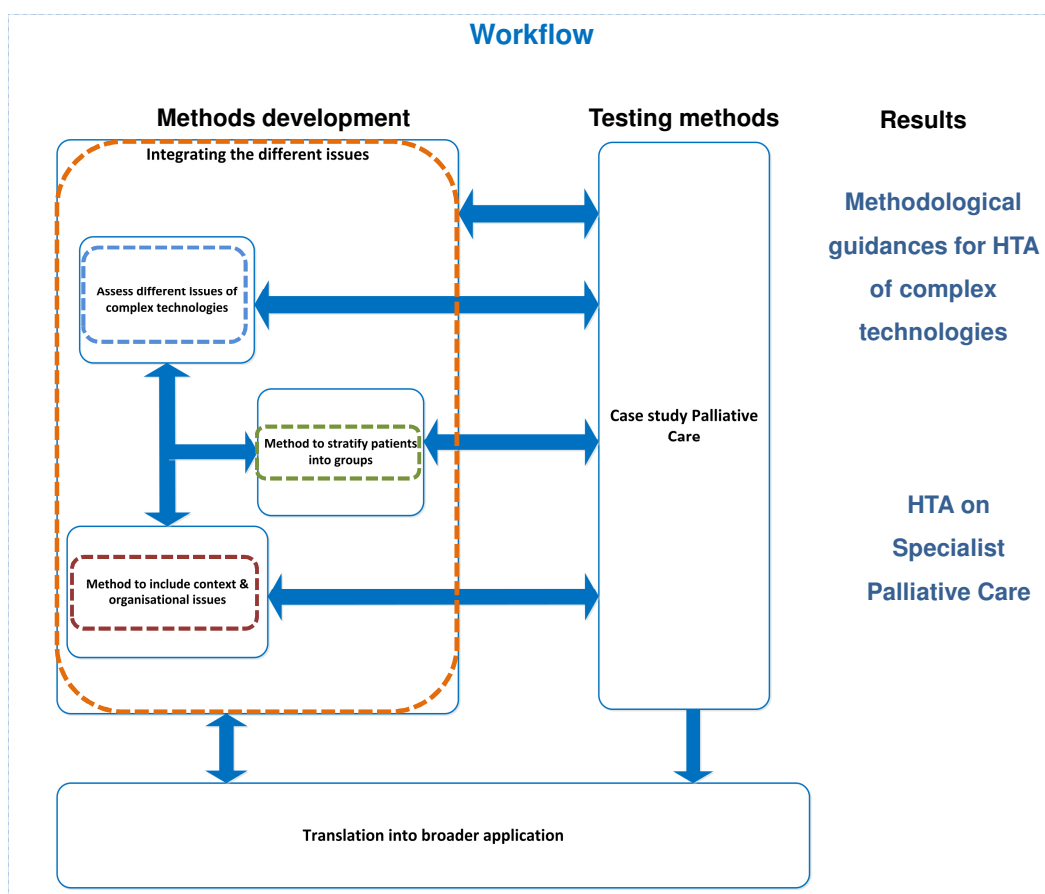
Project's background

- Increasing number of chronic diseases leads to increasing commitment of complex technologies.
- Contemporary HTA is not adequately equipped to assess complex technologies.
- The INTEGRATE-HTA project will bridge these existing gaps in HTA methodology.

Project aim

The INTEGRATE-HTA project aims at developing concepts and methods for a **comprehensive, patient-centred, and integrated** assessment of complex technologies.

That takes into account **effectiveness, economic, socio-cultural, ethical** issues, **patient preferences**, patient-specific **moderators of treatment**, and **context, setting, and implementation**.



Example of preliminary results:

Stakeholder-Involvement is essential for the assessment of complex technologies

Stakeholders are for example

- the target group(s) (e.g. patients),
- patient's relatives and friends,
- professionals working in the field of interest,
- political decision makers and scientific experts.

Stakeholder-Involvement is important

- to consider stakeholders' perspectives and unique practical expertise.
- to inform the study scope, e.g. to identify the "right" research questions or outcomes.

Stakeholder-Involvement in INTEGRATE-HTA

- Stakeholder-Advisory-Panels established in 7 countries: UK, Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, Italy, Poland, and Lithuania.
- Stakeholders are a) advising the project as research partners or b) take part in empirical research as participants.

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