Political of EBM

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**EBM** → RATIONAL project
- paradigm
- rational decision making
- effective use

**Political** project
- political debate
- power relationships

**Quantification**
- quantify & formalize medicine
- professional initiative = faith in science
- protect the public

**How?**
- Statistical methods

**Evidence based guidelines!!

**Medical practice**
- Medical knowledge

**Medical knowledge**
- discrepancies

**Political debate**
- tool to medical authority!
- technocratic tool or cost-cutting
- patient's experiences x values?
- irrational?

- No

**Political of EBM**
- RCT meta-analysis
- CPG as professional tool
- strategic tool = legitimacy
- intra-professional competition

**Diversity**
- many developers
- many levels of evidence

**Evidence of EBM?**
- meta-standards
  - transparency
  - no conflict of interest
  - group composition
  - size, review
  - recommendations
  - external review
  - updating...

**Trust-Worthiness**
- guideline's international network
- standards of guidelines, development
- efficiency = effectiveness
- best practices

Guidelines
- no standardization discussions
- typical!
- not inherently good or bad!
- not overestimate universals or reductionist nature!
- more studies in guideline development!
- Anthropology, sociology, psychology...

**Conclusion**
- Sociopolitical dimension = ?