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Abstract:

This article empirically examines how British 21st Army Group produced a functional doctrine by late 1944. How Field Marshal Bernard Law Montgomery in the outcome remains unclear despite significant scholarly literature. It shows his openness to the "bubbling up" of operational methods from subordinate commanders. He closely monitored and actively promulgated its output, and determined when he had gleaned sufficient feedback from it. His doctrinal influence on the British Army's final push against the Germans developed into British doctrine for many decades, and many other countries followed the British lead. This article examines its roots.

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