

Treatment Resistant Depression & Bipolar Disorder



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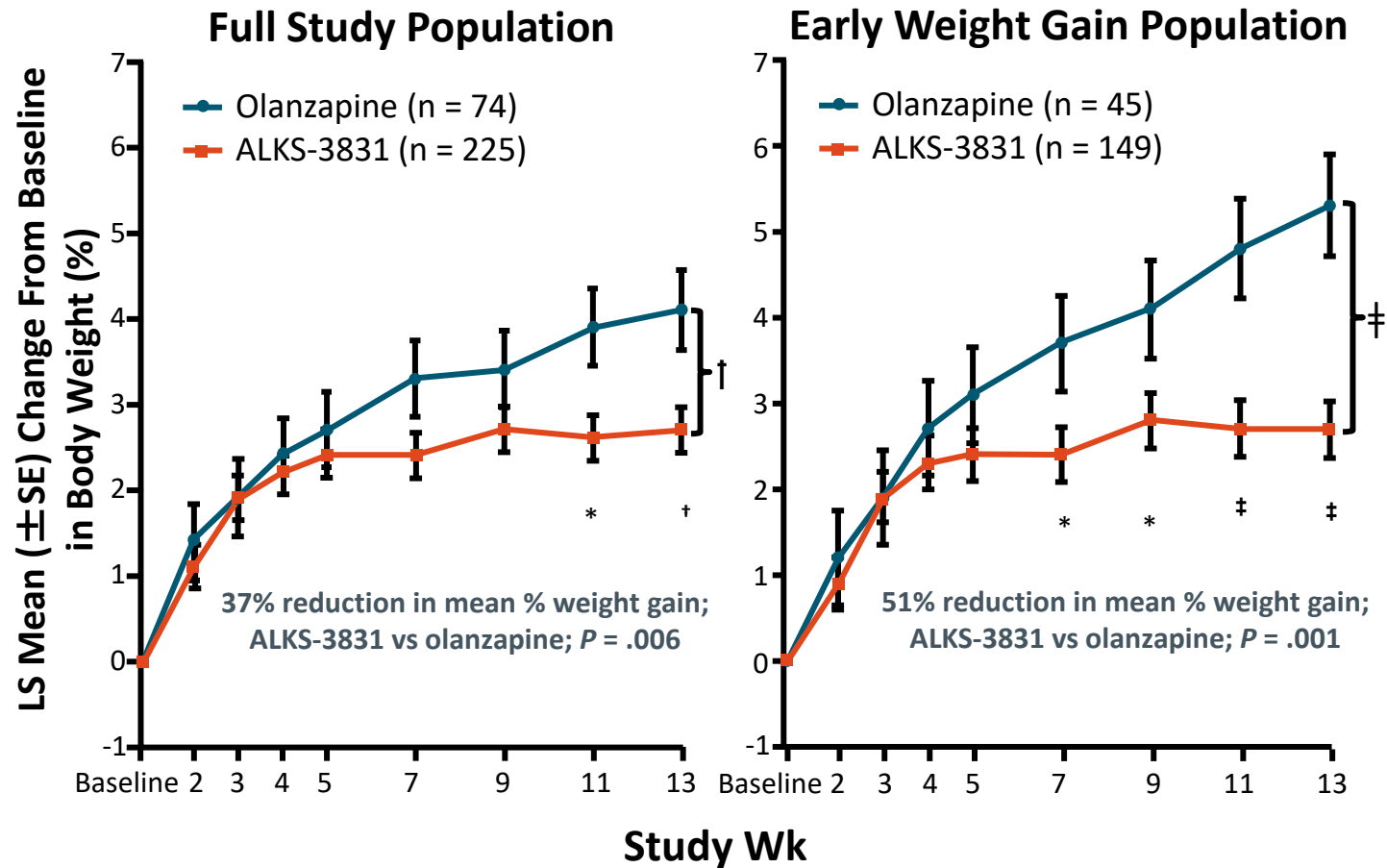
Patterns and Correlates of Patient-reported Helpfulness of Treatment for Common Mental and Substance Use Disorders in the WHO World Mental Health Surveys

Significant predictors of patient-level treatment helpfulness decomposed through associations with the helpfulness of individual professionals and persistence in help-seeking pooled across diagnostic categories and number of professionals seen

	Patient-level treatment helpfulness				Helpfulness of individual professionals				Persistence in help-seeking after prior unhelpful treatment			
	%	SE	RR	95% CI	%	SE	RR	95% CI	%	SE	RR	95% CI
Focal diagnostic category												
Major depressive disorder	28.3	0.6	1.19*	1.12-1.26	26.6	0.8	1.11*	1.02-1.21	24.8	0.9	1.08*	1.04-1.11
Bipolar disorder												
Major depressive episode	3.1	0.2	0.94	0.75-1.17	3.9	0.5	0.85	0.62-1.16	4.2	0.6	1.06	0.97-1.16
Mania/hypomania	6.1	0.3	1.11	0.98-1.27	6.4	0.4	1.08	0.91-1.29	6.4	0.4	1.03	0.95-1.12

Kessler RC, et al. World Psychiatry. 2022 Jun;21(2):272-286.

ALKS-3831: Olanzapine + Samidorphan (Opioid Antagonist)



* $P < .05$ vs olanzapine; † $P < 0.01$ vs olanzapine; ‡ $P < .001$ vs olanzapine

Dosage and Administration

Indication	Recommended Starting Dose (Olanzapine/Samidorphan)	Recommended Dose (Olanzapine/Samidorphan)
Schizophrenia (2.2)	5 mg/10 mg or 10 mg/10 mg	10 mg/10 mg 15 mg/10 mg 20 mg/10 mg
Bipolar I disorder (manic or mixed episodes) (2.3)	10 mg/10 mg or 15 mg/10 mg	5 mg/10 mg 10 mg/10 mg 15 mg/10 mg 20 mg/10 mg
Bipolar I disorder adjunct to lithium or valproate (2.3)	10 mg/10 mg	10 mg/10 mg 15 mg/10 mg 20 mg/10 mg

Second Generation Antipsychotic Drugs in Bipolar Depression

	Monotherapy		Adjunctive (to lithium or valproate)	
	Bipolar I	Bipolar II	Bipolar I	Bipolar II

Lumateperone*



Quetiapine¹



Olanzapine/Fluoxetine²



Lurasidone³

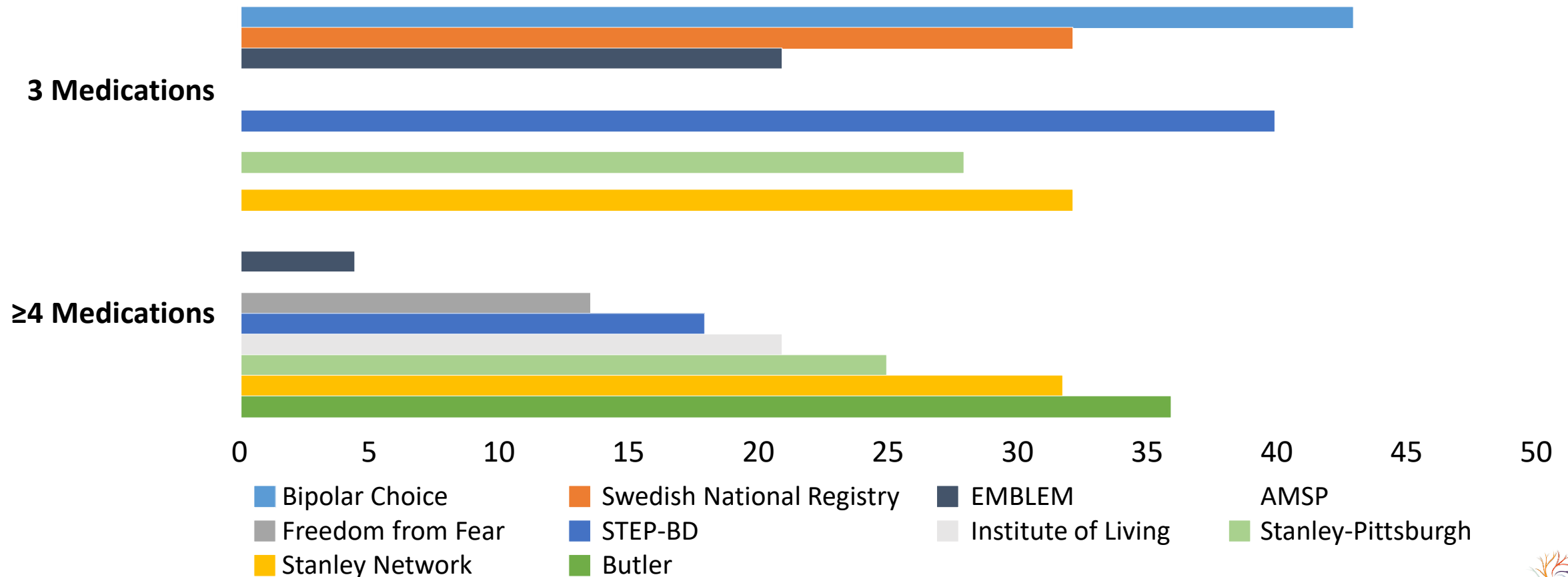


Cariprazine⁴



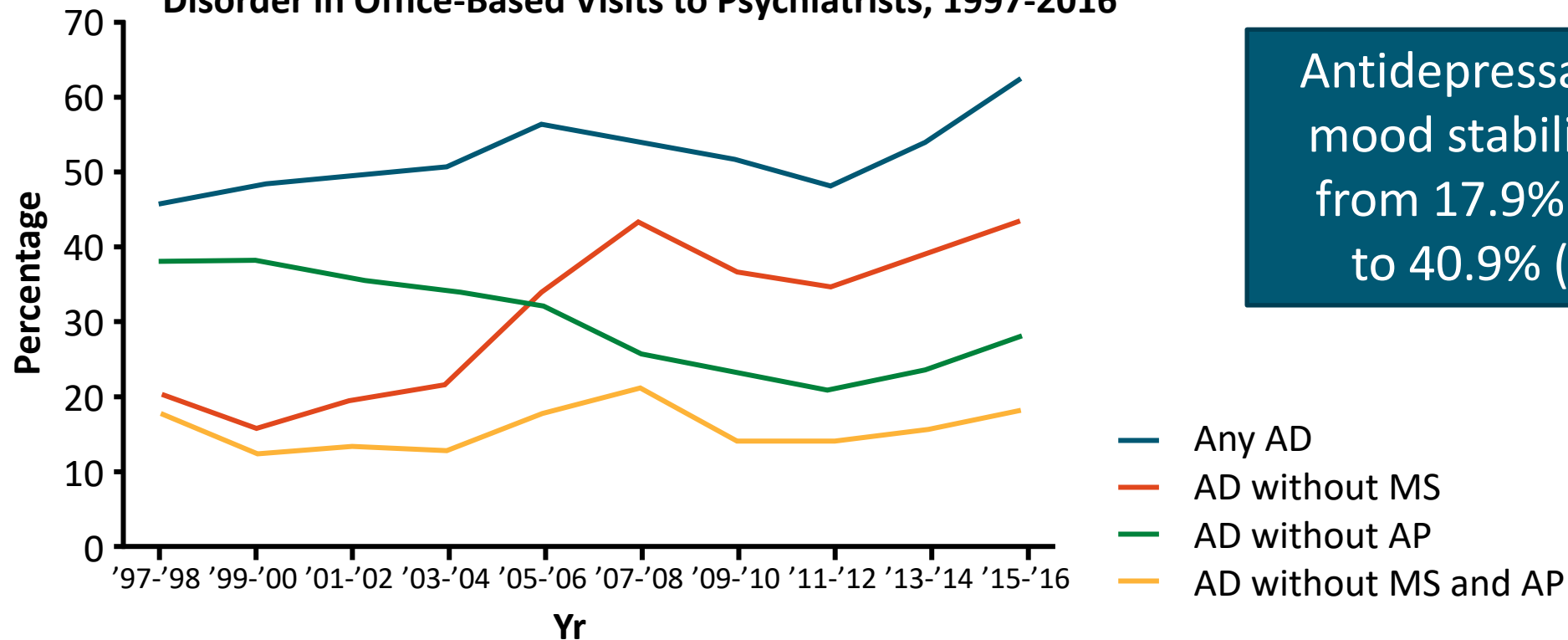
Complex Polypharmacy in Bipolar Disorder Is the Rule Rather Than the Exception

Representative Percentages of Patients With Bipolar Disorder Receiving 3 or >4 Psychotropic Medications During Postacute Maintenance Treatment Across Major Studies



Rising Use of Antidepressants and Antidepressants Without Mood Stabilizers in Bipolar Disorder

Prescribing Trends for Antidepressants in the Treatment of Bipolar Disorder in Office-Based Visits to Psychiatrists, 1997-2016



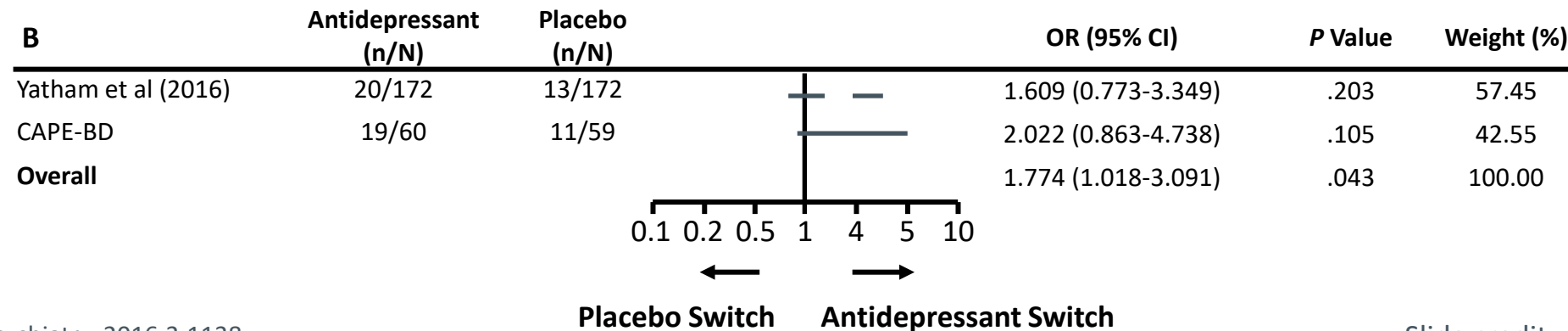
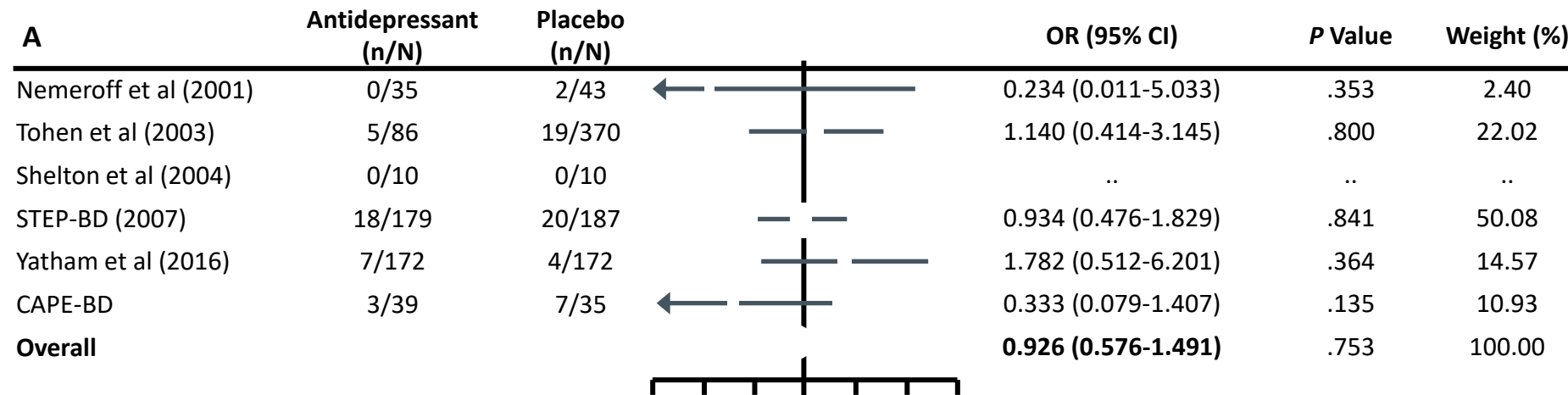
Antidepressants without a mood stabilizer increased from 17.9% (1997-2000) to 40.9% (2013-2016)

Data from the National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey.

Modern Adjunctive Antidepressant Therapy: Switch Risk

Treatment-Emergent Affective Switches

(A) Acute treatment (B) 52-wk extensions



International Guidance on the Evidence and Implementation of Ketamine and Esketamine

Synthesizing the Evidence for Ketamine and Esketamine in Treatment-Resistant Depression: An International Expert Opinion on the Available Evidence and Implementation

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Replicated international studies have underscored the human and societal costs associated with major depressive disorder. Despite the proven efficacy of monoamine-based antidepressants in major depression, the majority of treated individuals fail to achieve full syndromal and functional recovery with the index and subsequent pharmacological treatments. Ketamine and esketamine represent pharmacologically novel treatment avenues for adults with treatment-resistant depression. In addition to providing hope to affected persons, these agents represent the first non-monoaminergic agents with proven rapid-onset efficacy in major depressive disorder. Nevertheless, concerns remain about the safety and tolerability of ketamine and esketamine in mood disorders. Moreover, there is uncertainty

about the appropriate position of these agents in treatment algorithms, their comparative effectiveness, and the appropriate setting, infrastructure, and personnel required for its competent and safe implementation. In this article, an international group of mood disorder experts provides a synthesis of the literature with respect to the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of ketamine and esketamine in adults with treatment-resistant depression. The authors also provide guidance for the implementation of these agents in clinical practice, with particular attention to practice parameters at point of care. Areas of consensus and future research vistas are discussed.

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Ketamine in Bipolar Depression

3 randomized trials in bipolar depression:

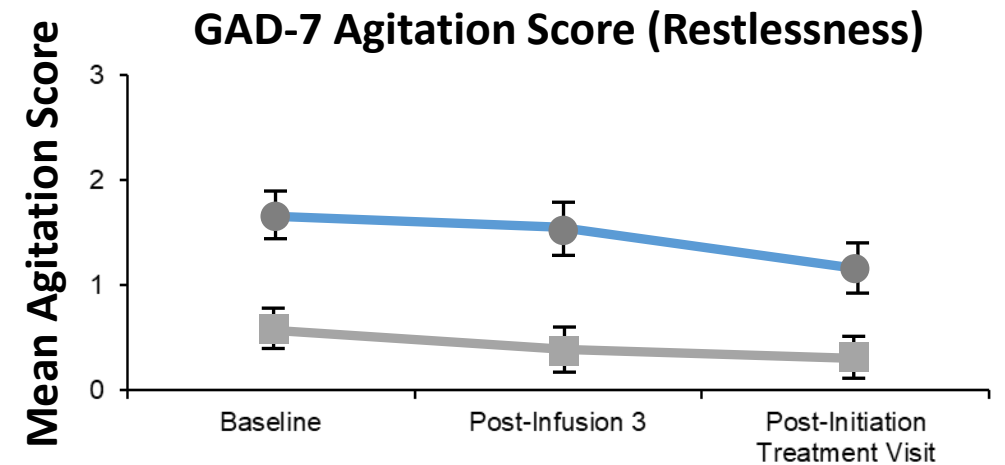
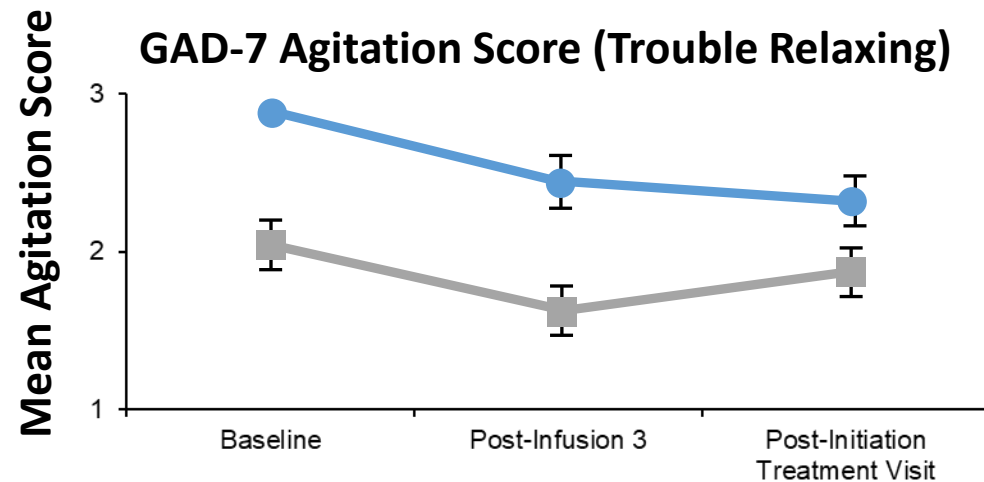
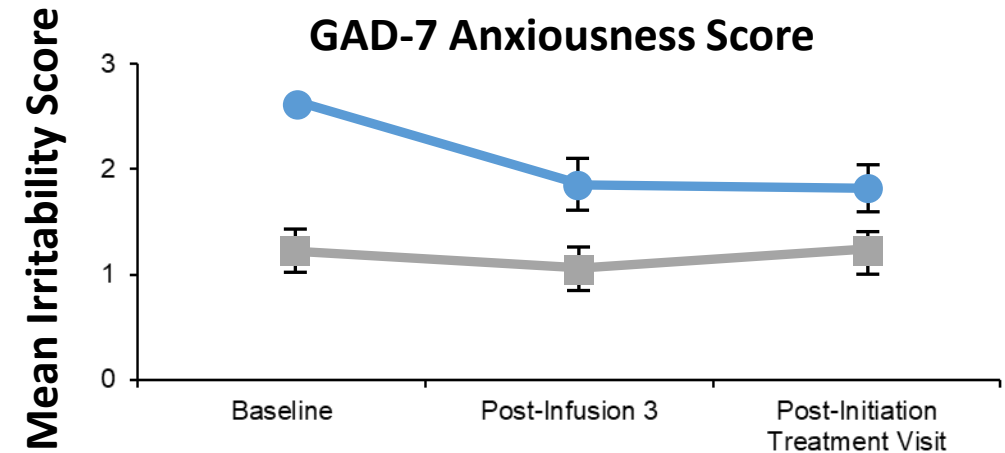
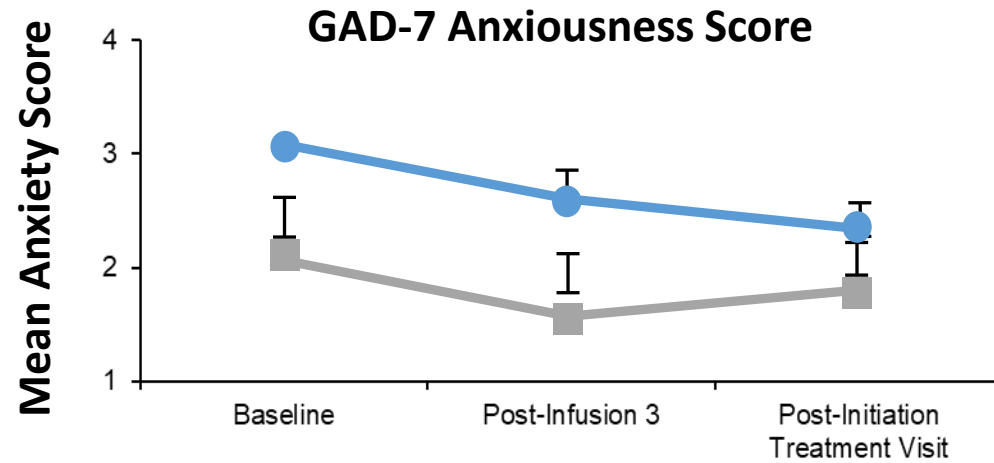
Authors	n	Day 3-4 Response, OR (95% CI)
Murrough et al ¹	24	4.67 (1.57-13.84)
Diazgranados et al ²	18	15.55 (0.70-346.72)
Zarate et al ³	15	3.92 (0.14-112.90)

2021 International Expert Opinion on Ketamine and Esketamine:

“The high rate of TRD in persons with bipolar disorder, as well as preliminary evidence supporting the safety and efficacy of ketamine, would justify consideration of ketamine as an investigational treatment in bipolar disorder.”⁴

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Ketamine Improves Anxiety, Agitation, and Irritability in Adults With Treatment-Resistant Bipolar Depression



● AIA
■ Non-AIA

Ketamine for the Acute Treatment of Severe Suicidal Ideation: Double Blind, Randomised Placebo Controlled Trial

thebmj Visual Abstract



Ketamine and suicidal ideation

Benefits for acute treatment of severe suicidal ideas

Summary



This study confirmed the rapid, safe in the short term, and persistent benefits of ketamine for acute care in suicidal patients. Comorbid mental disorders appear to be important moderators

Study design



Randomised controlled trial | Double blind | Exclusion: psychotic disorders, substance use disorders

Population



156 adults admitted to hospital with severe suicidal ideas
 Beck Scale for suicidal ideation: median 22
 Age: 18-76 years (median 40)
 Sex: 68% women



Comparison

Placebo

Saline

73



Experimental

Ketamine (0.5 mg/kg)

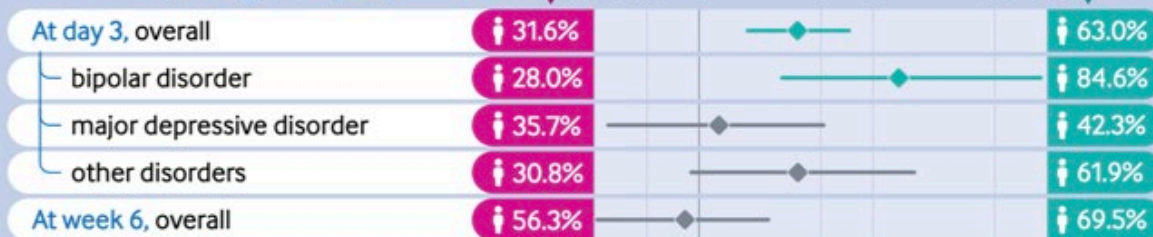
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Two 40 minute intravenous infusions at 24 hour intervals

Outcomes

Remission of suicidal ideas, overall and per diagnostic group



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REVIEW



The effect of ketamine on anhedonia: improvements in dimensions of anticipatory, consummatory, and motivation-related reward deficits

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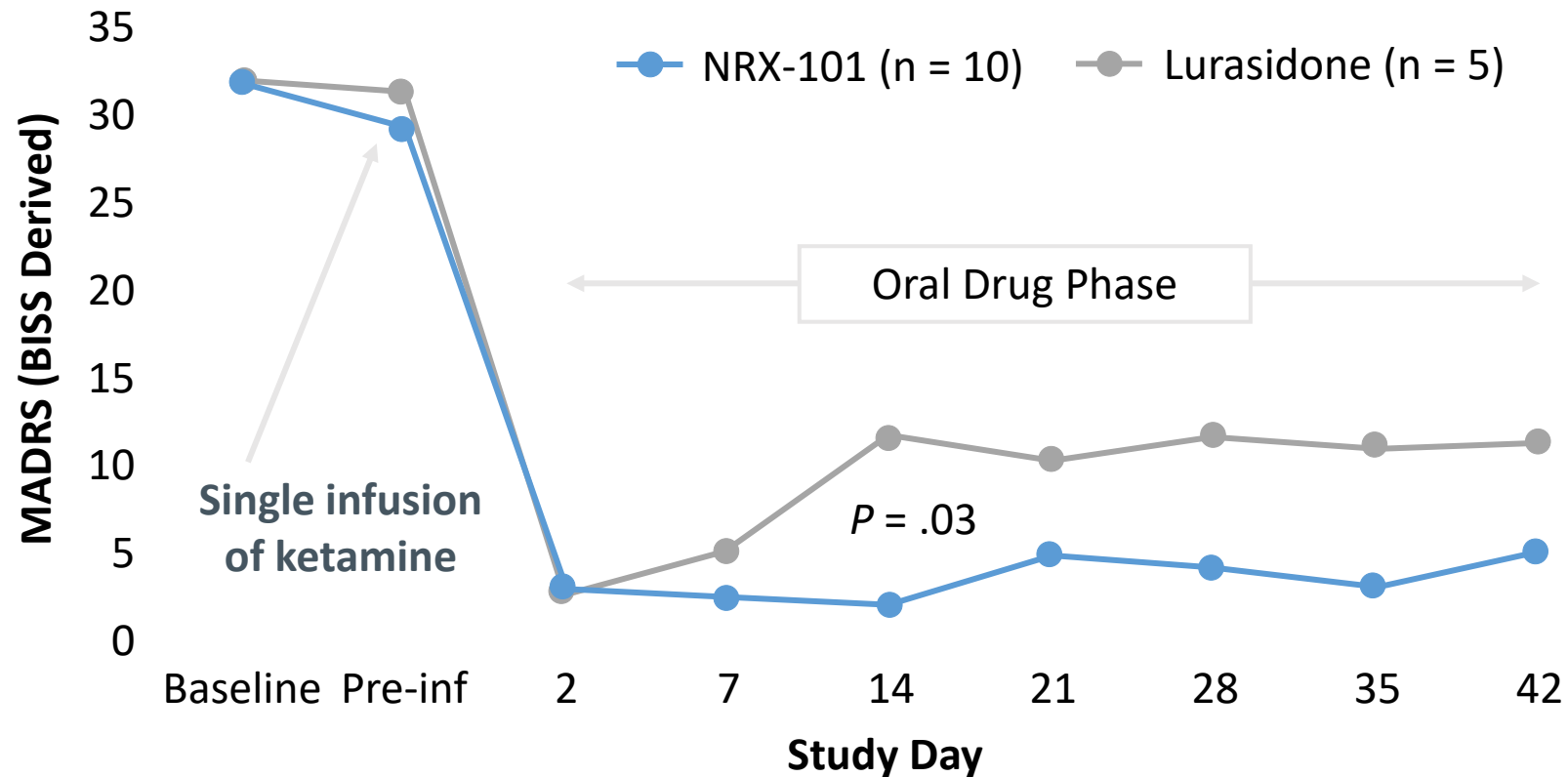
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Treatments on the Horizon: NRX-101 (D-Cycloserine + Lurasidone)

Proof of Concept Clinical Trial

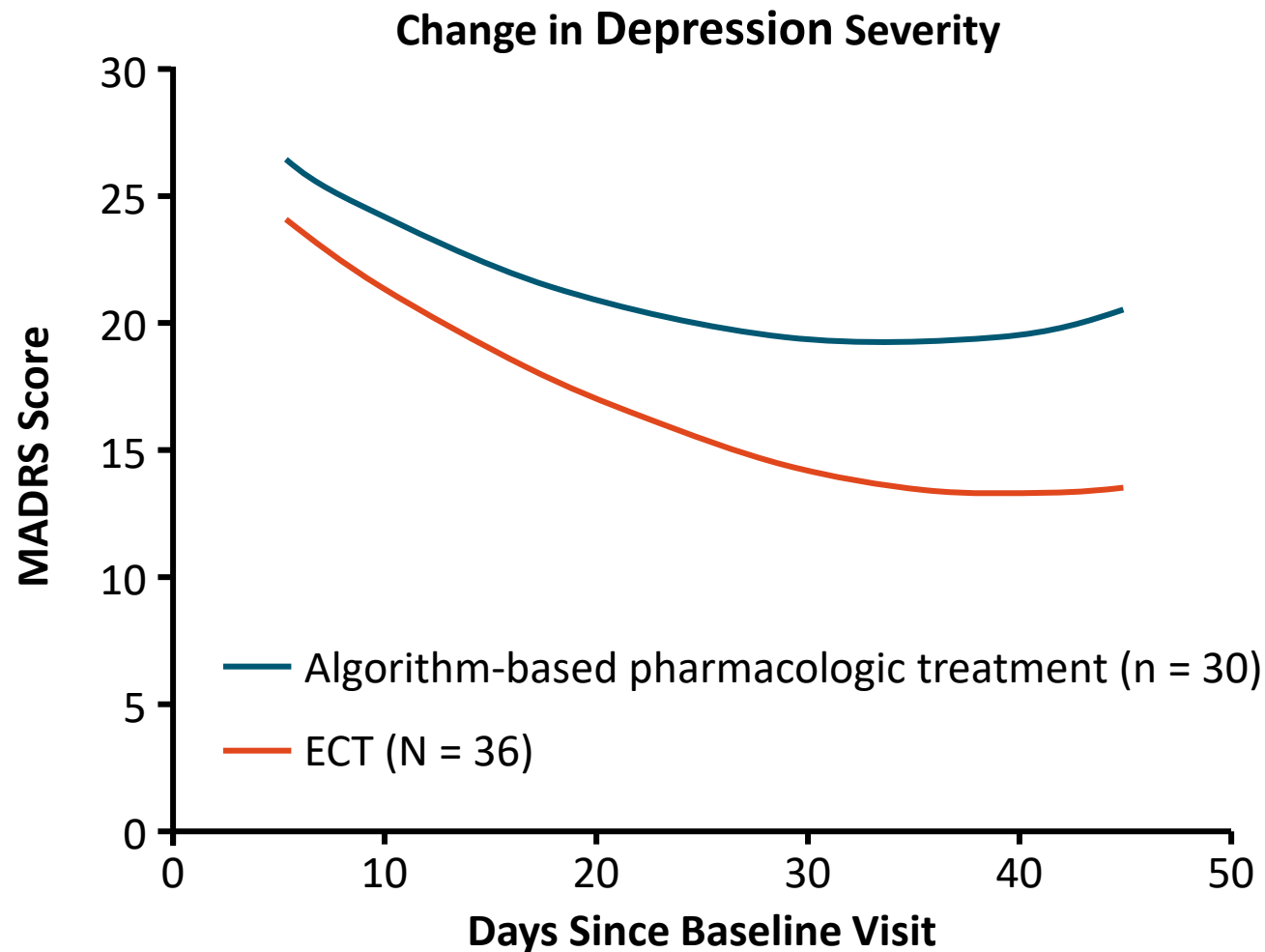
Depression Score NRX-101 vs lurasidone



NRX-101:

Fixed-dose combination of lurasidone plus D-cycloserine (putative NMDA antagonist believed to increase glutamate/glutamine at the glycine site, with activity in the anterior cingulate cortex)

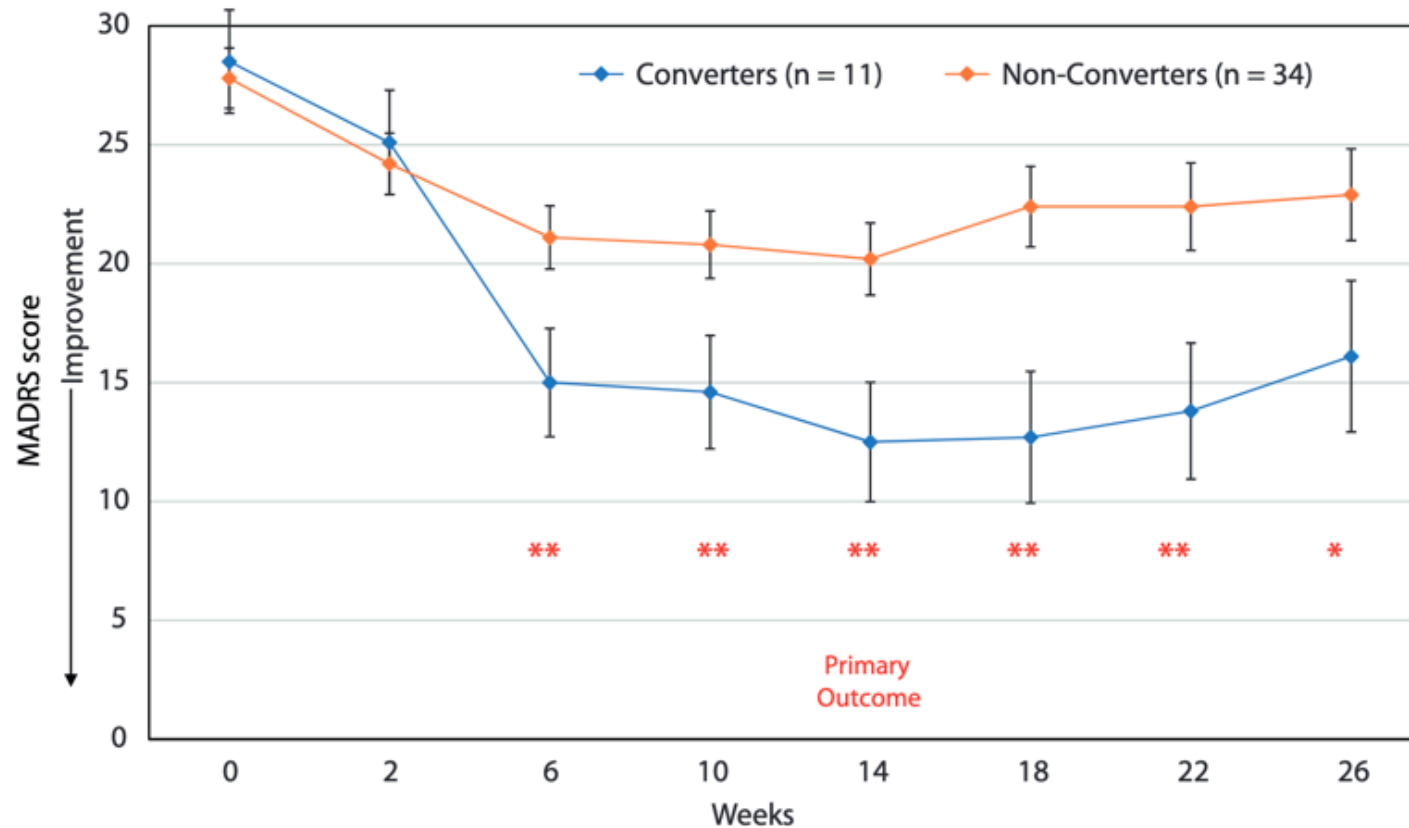
ECT for Treatment-Resistant Bipolar Depression



- Response rates at 6 wk:
 - Algorithm-based therapy: 35.0%
 - ECT: 73.9% ($P = .01$)
- Remission rates at 6 wk:
 - Algorithm-based therapy: 30.0%
 - ECT: 34.8% ($P = .74$)
- AEs possibly related to ECT:
 - Failing memory ($n = 2$)
 - Tension or inner unrest ($n = 1$)
 - Increased sweating ($n = 3$)
 - Diminished sexual desire ($n = 2$)
 - Headache ($n = 1$)
 - Tooth damage ($n = 1$)

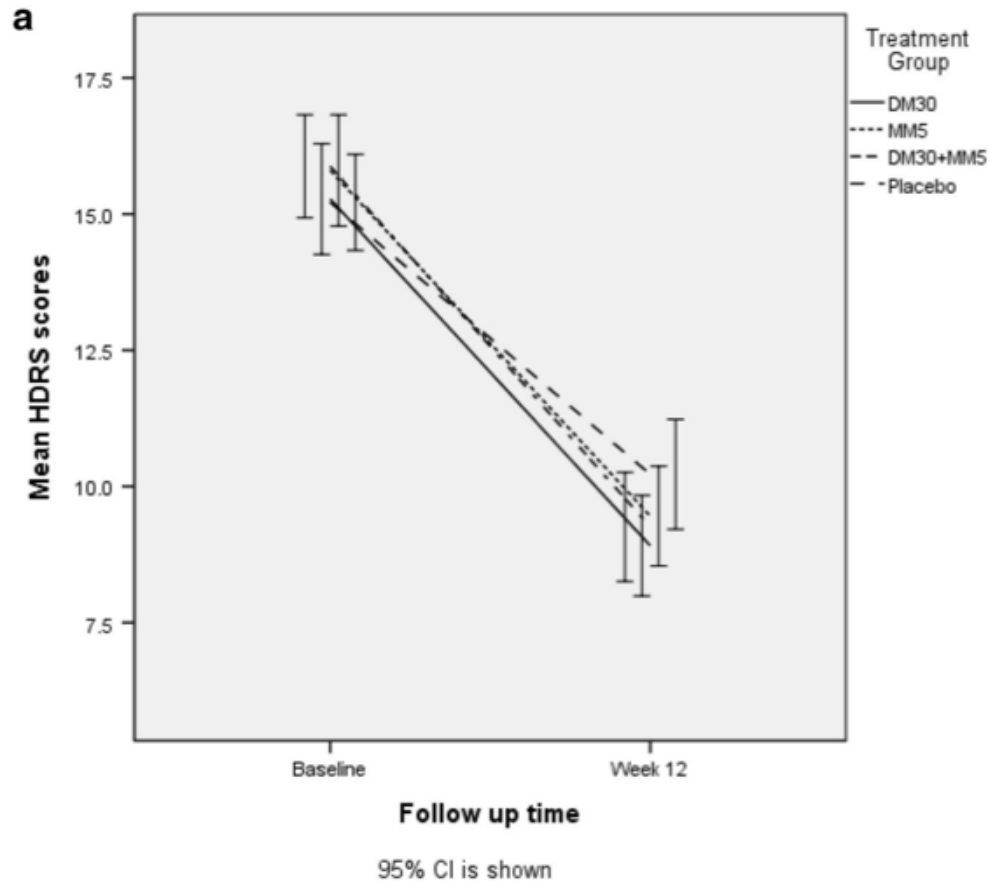
Treating Insulin Resistance With Metformin as a Strategy to Improve Clinical Outcomes in Treatment-Resistant Bipolar Depression (the TRIO-BD Study): A Randomized, Quadruple-Masked, Placebo-Controlled Clinical Trial

Estimated Marginal Mean Changes From Baseline MADRS Scores Between Converters and Non-Converters

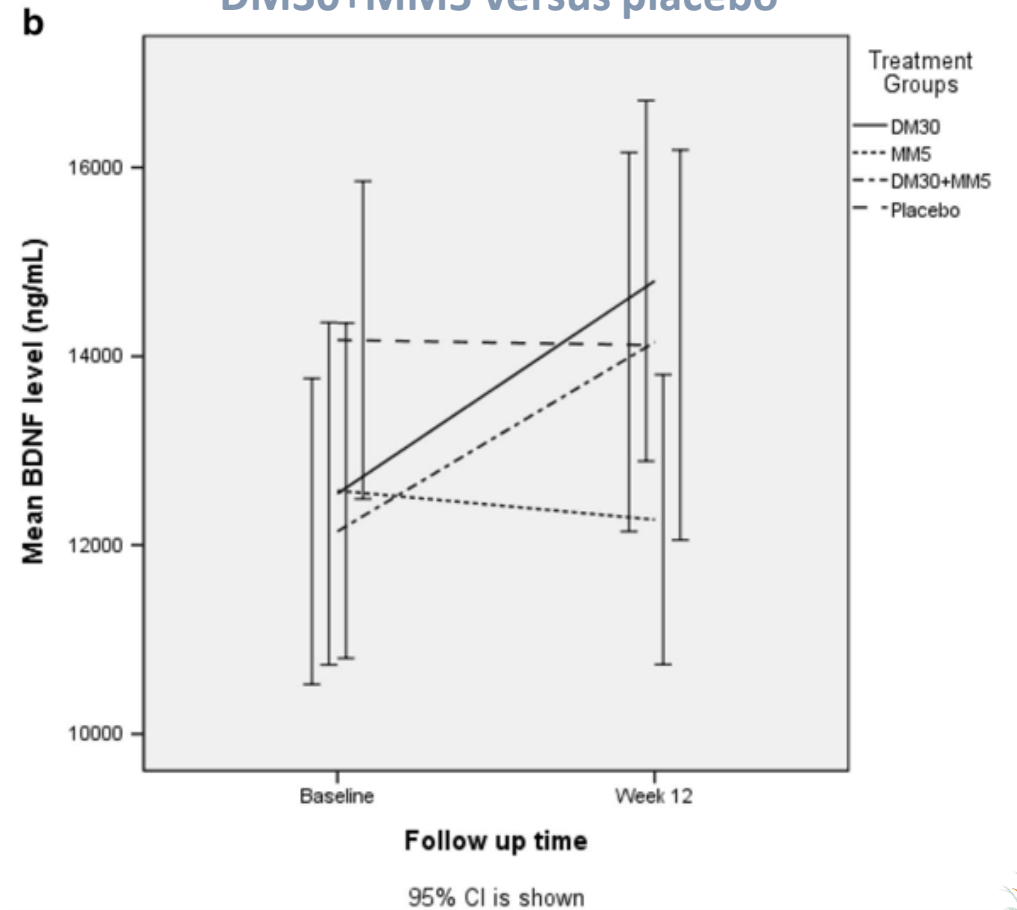


Mixed-model analyses adjusted for treatment, site, age, age at onset, marital status, baseline body mass index (BMI), baseline Montgomery-Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS) scores, conversion status at week 14, and conversion status \times weeks of treatment. Bars at time points represent standard error at each time point.

Difference in symptoms of depression in BD-II patients taking add-on DM30, MM5, and DM30+MM5 versus placebo











Difference in plasma BDNF levels in BD-II patients taking add-on DM30, MM5, and DM30+MM5 versus placebo



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ARTICLE

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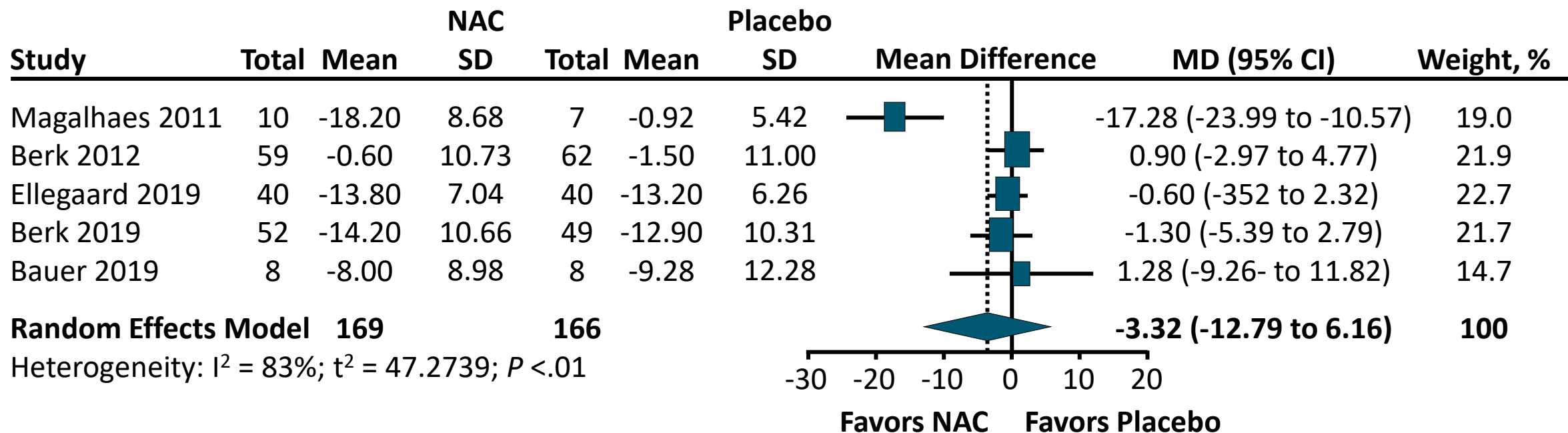
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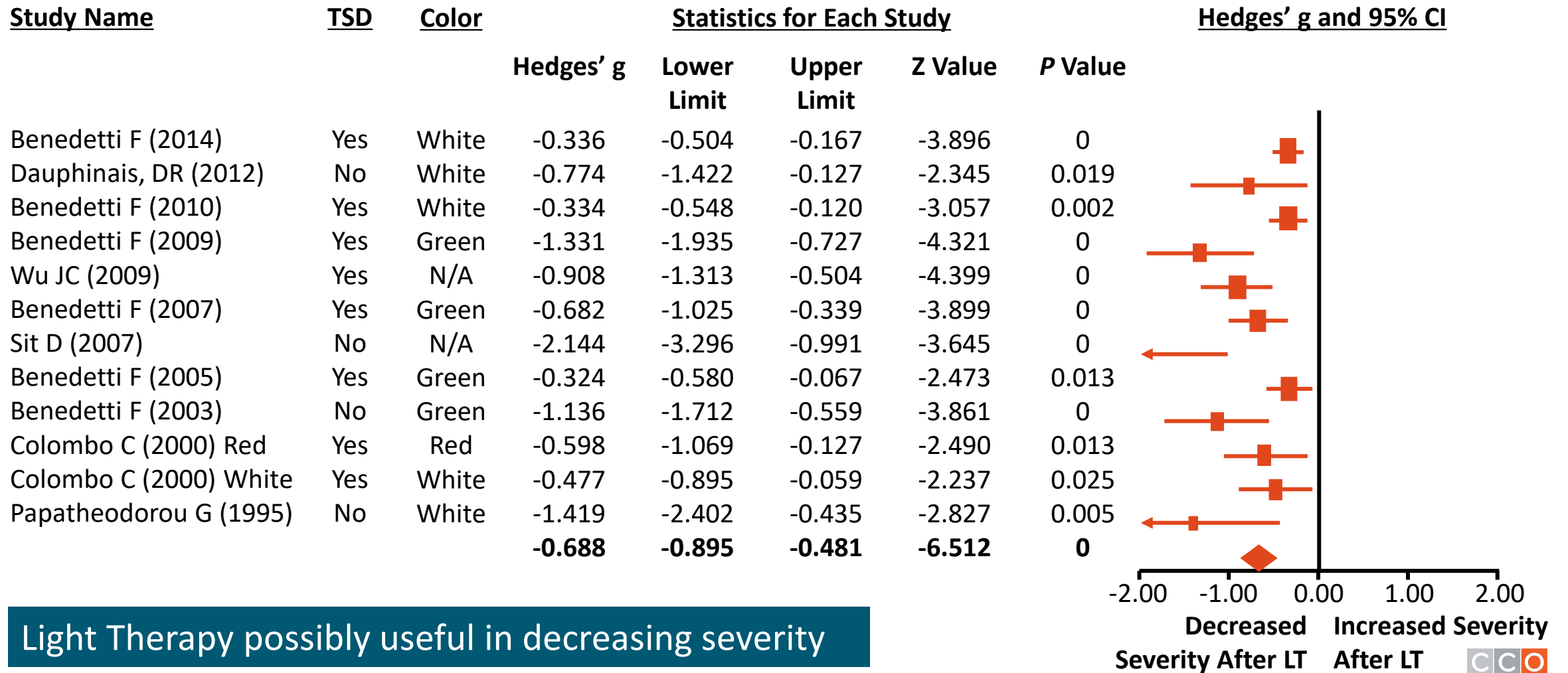
NAC in Bipolar Depression: Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized, Controlled Trials

MADRS change from baseline in depressive symptoms of bipolar depression in patients receiving NAC or placebo



NAC was not shown to be more effective than placebo

Light Therapy in Treatment of Bipolar Depression



Light Therapy possibly useful in decreasing severity

ECT Equally Effective in Treatment-Resistant Bipolar Disorder vs Major Depressive Disorder

**Odd Ratios Measured From Response Rates
(≥50% Reduction in the Hamilton Depression Rating Scale Score)**

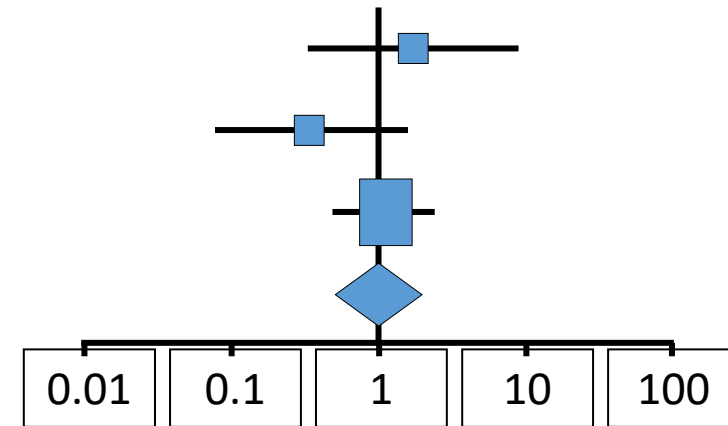
Study Name

Statistics for Each Study

Odds Ratio and 95% CI

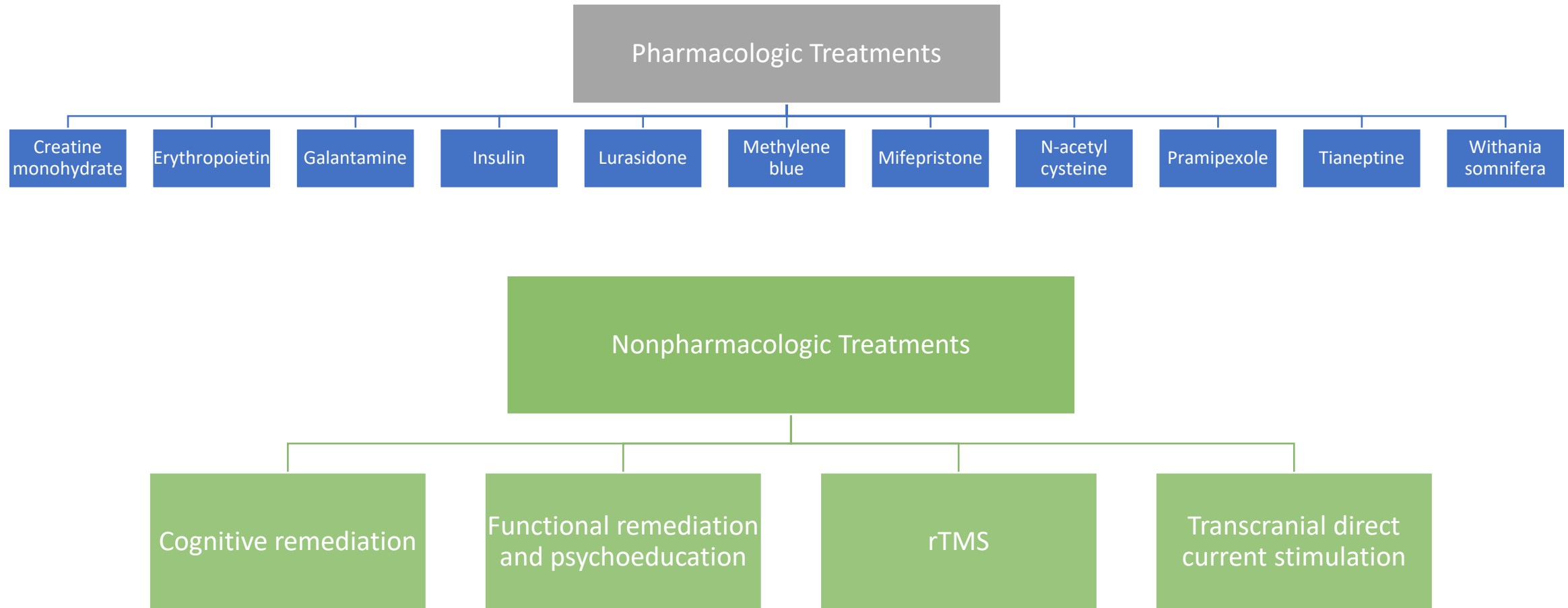
Odds Ratio Lower Limit Upper Limit Z Value P Value

Sienart P	1.692	0.328	8.721	0.629	.529
Medda P	0.338	0.073	1.560	-1.390	.164
Bailine S	1.075	0.490	2.355	0.180	.857
	0.940	0.494	1.786	-0.190	.849



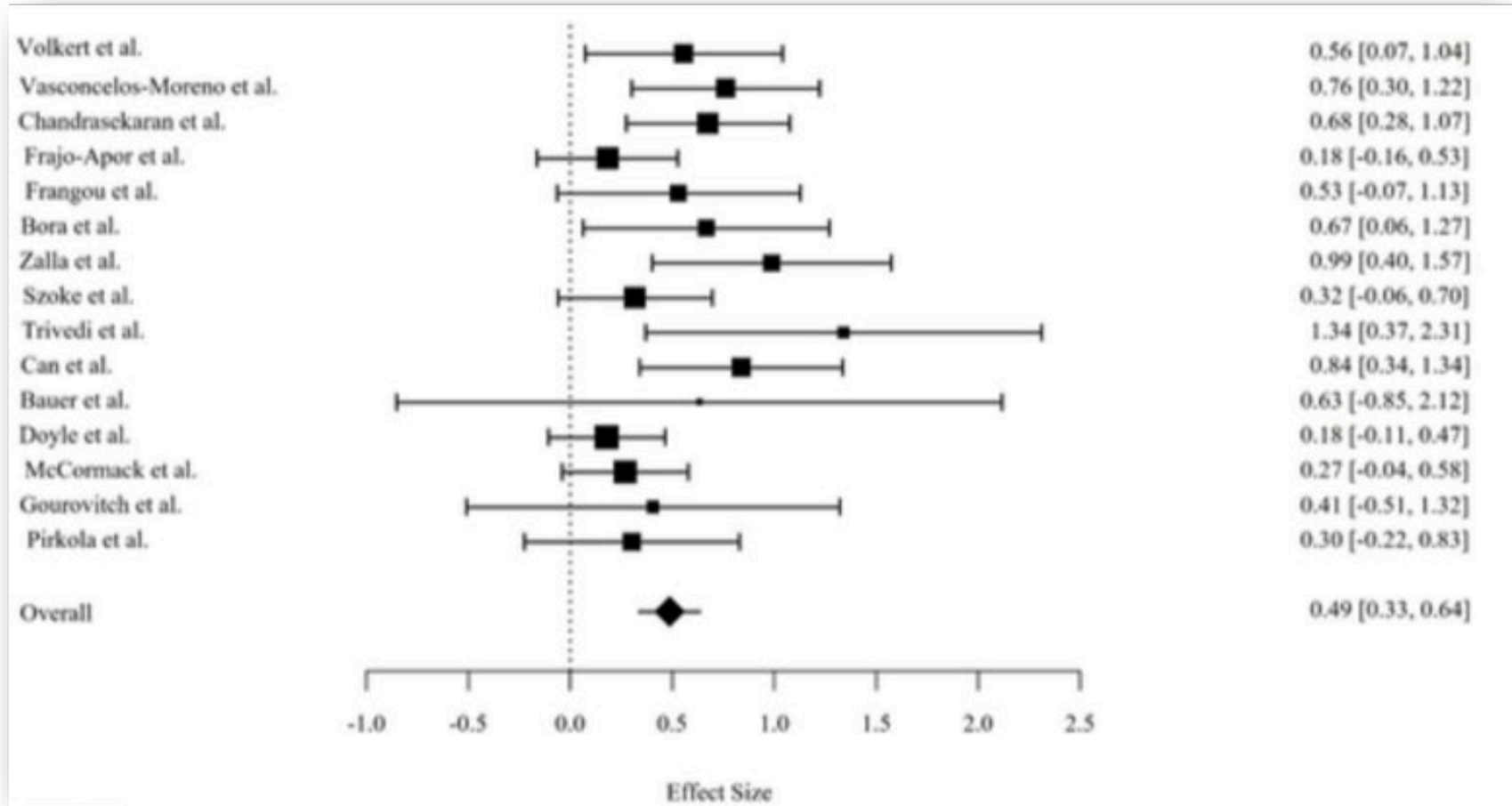
Bitemporal ECT was equally effective for acute TRBD-De vs unipolar TRD cases.

Treatments Explored for Possible Procognitive Effects in Bipolar Disorder



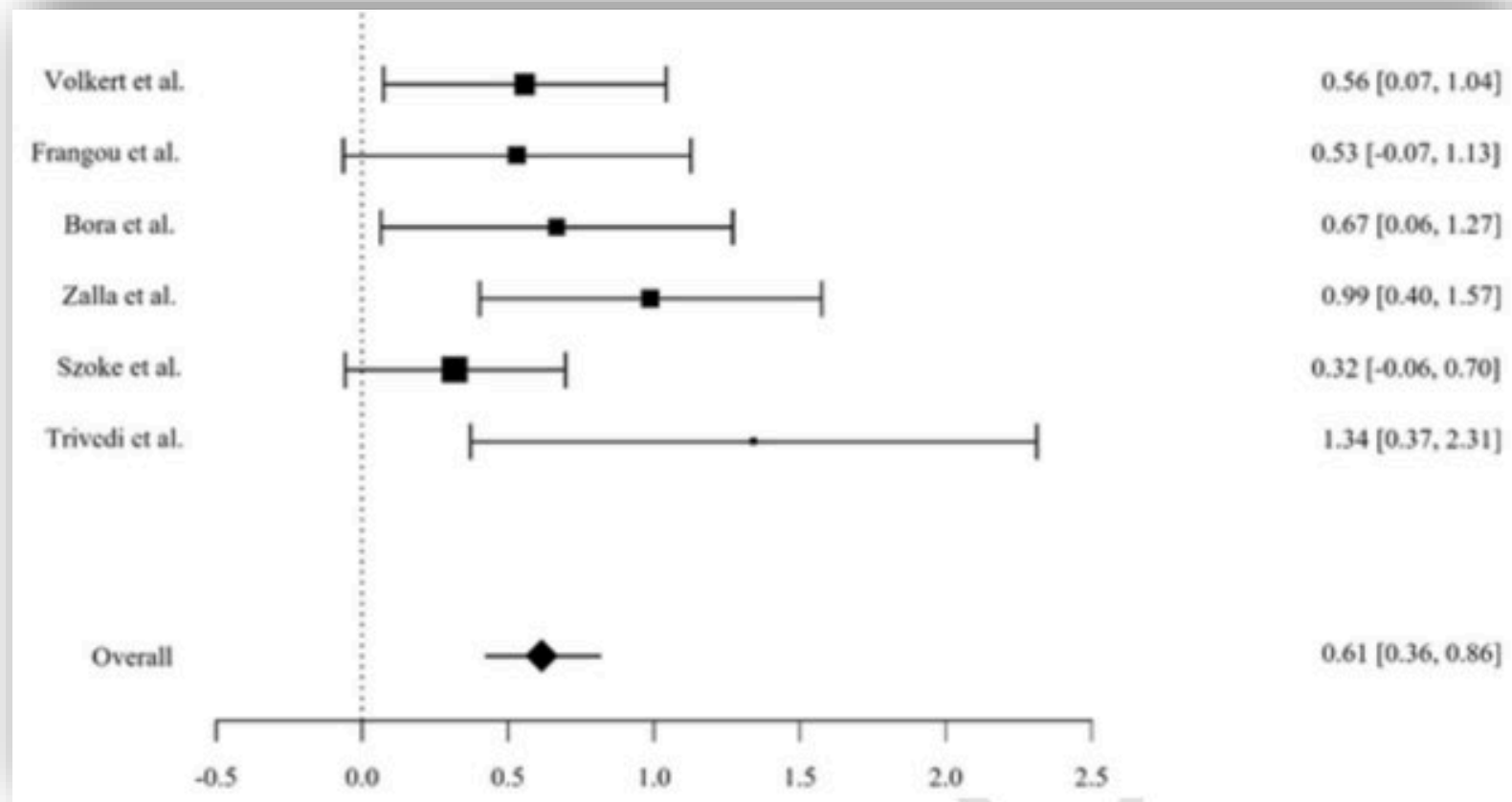
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Forest plot displaying the effect size (ES) in Cohen's d of UR compared to HC across all domains of cognition



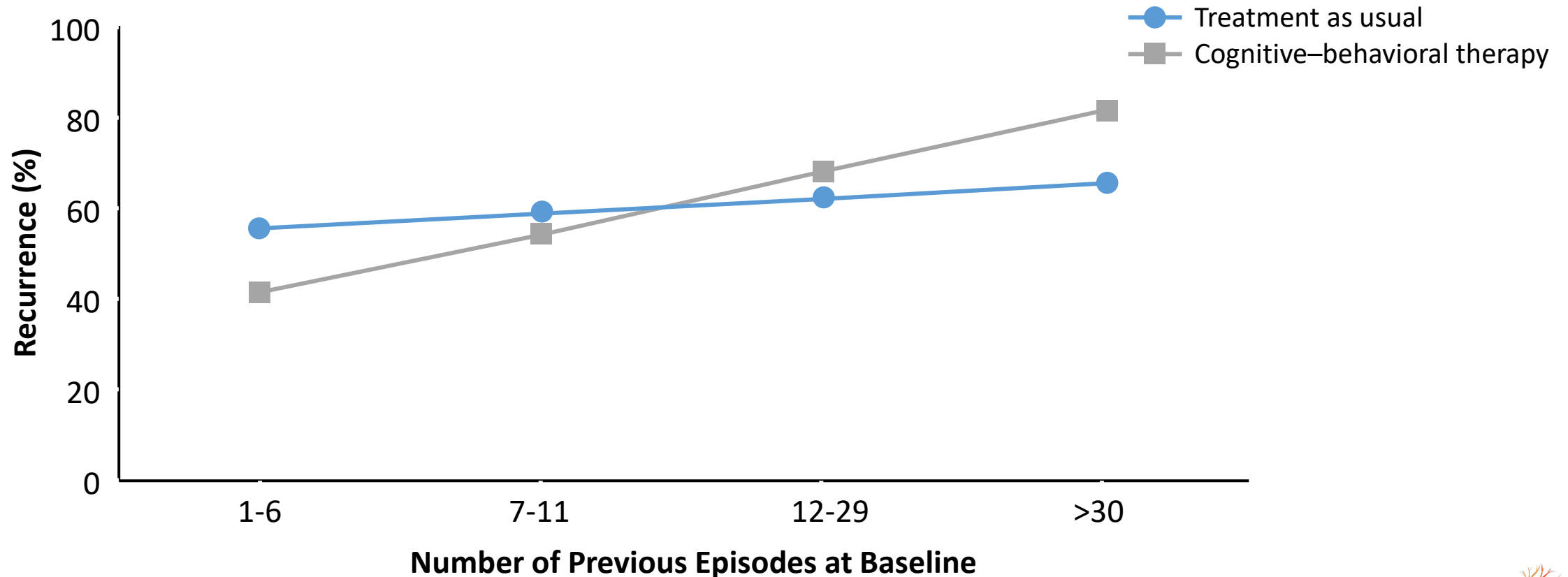
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Forest plot displaying the ES in Cohen's d between UR and HC on the executive function domain



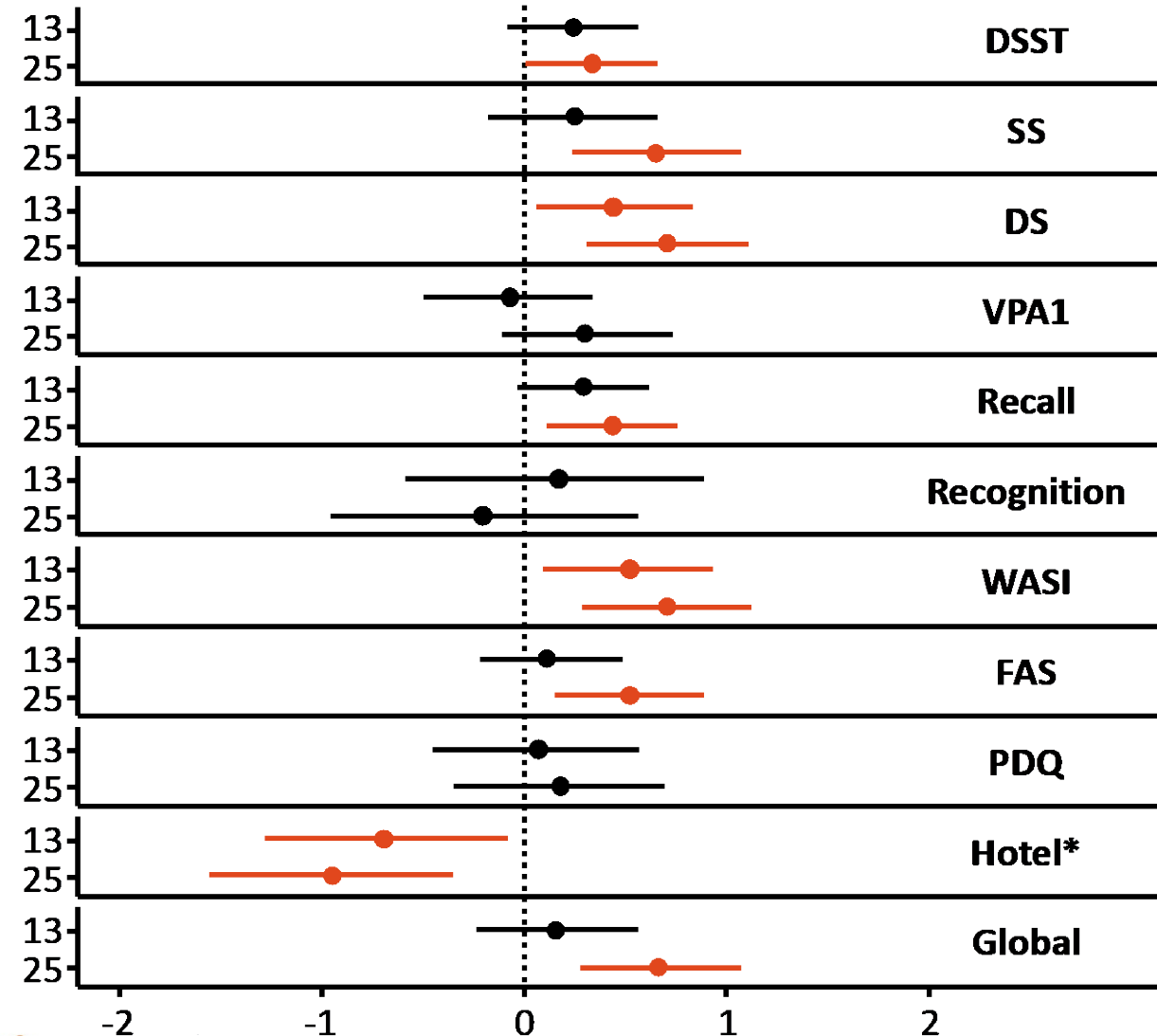
Cognitive–Behavioral Therapy Less Effective in Persons With Bipolar Disorder and Multiple Episode Illness

Actuarial Percentage Recurrence According to Treatment Group and Number of Previous Episodes (Cox Regression Analysis)



Cognitive Remediation Improves Measures of Cognition, Patient Reported Outcomes, and Function in Adults With Bipolar Disorder

Cognitive outcomes after CRT and TAU. Effect size (time x group interactions) at Wk 13 and Wk 25 compared with pretreatment cognitive performance.

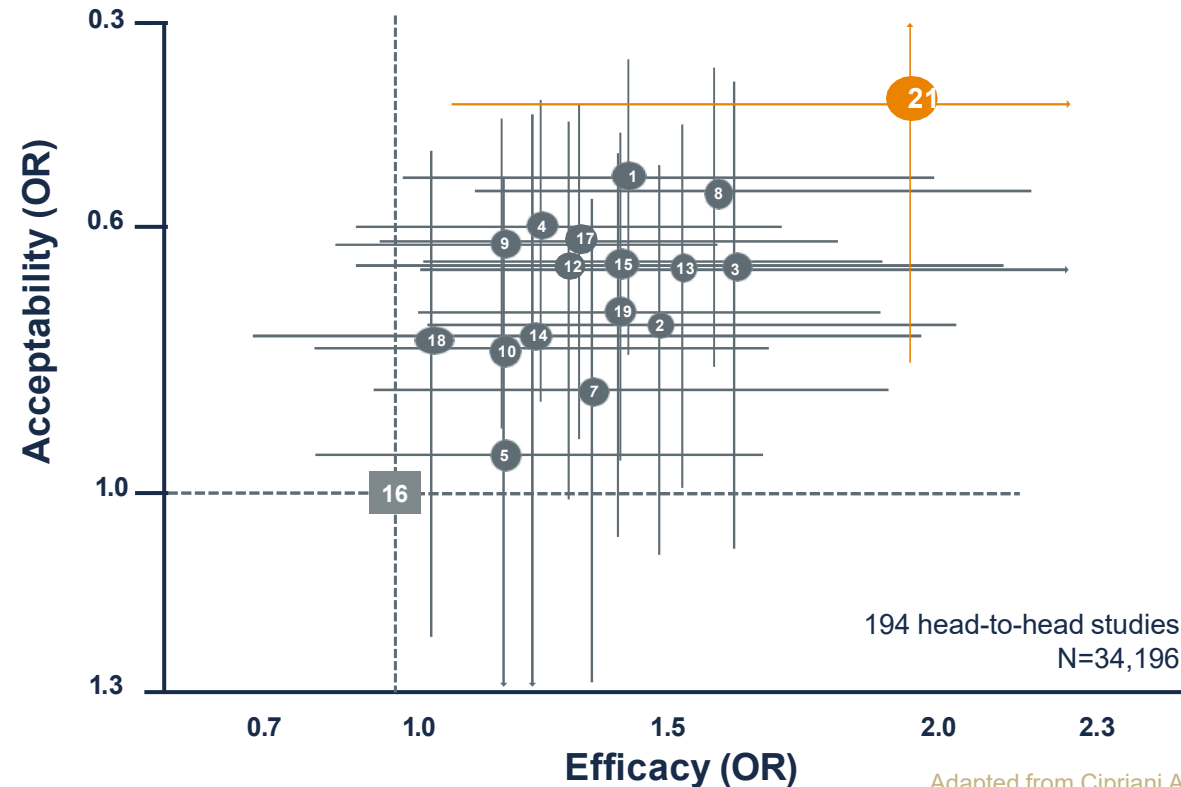




Efficacy and tolerability of antidepressants vs placebo¹

- A large network meta-analysis including 522 trials and 116,477 patients compared 21 antidepressants in the acute treatment of MDD in adults
- All antidepressants were shown to be **more effective than placebo**

Comparative efficacy and tolerability analysis of head-to-head studies[‡]:



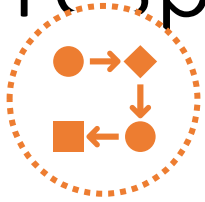
- 1 = agomelatine
- 2 = amitriptyline
- 3 = bupropion
- 4 = citalopram[§]
- 5 = clomipramine
- 7 = duloxetine
- 8 = escitalopram^{||}
- 9 = fluoxetine
- 10 = fluvoxamine
- 12 = milnacipran
- 13 = mirtazapine
- 14 = nefazodone
- 15 = paroxetine
- 16 = reboxetine
- 17 = sertraline
- 18 = trazodone
- 19 = venlafaxine
- 21 = vortioxetine

Adapted from Cipriani A, et al. 2018.

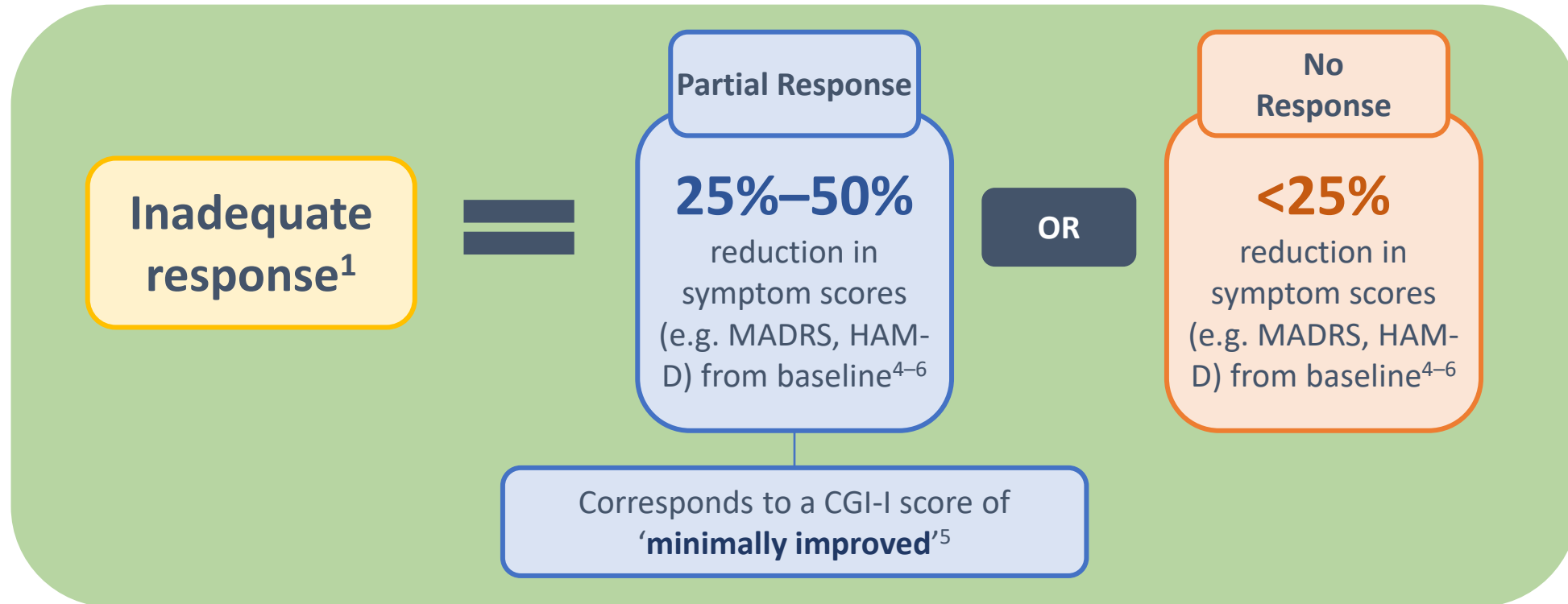
*Antidepressive response was defined by a reduction of $\geq 50\%$ of the total score on a standardised observer-rating scale for depression (HAM-D or MADRS). [†]Acceptability was defined based on all-cause discontinuation of the treatments. LOCF data are reported as OR in comparison with reboxetine, which is the reference drug. Error bars represent 95% credibility intervals. [‡]A network meta-analysis of only head-to-head studies included a single direct study comparison of vortioxetine at a dose of 10 mg/day and venlafaxine at a dose of 150 mg/day. The error bars, indicating 95% credibility intervals, reflect limited data for vortioxetine in this network meta-analysis. [§]Citalopram is indicated for depression and prevention of relapse/recurrence, panic disorder with or without agoraphobia, and obsessive-compulsive disorder. ^{||}Escitalopram is indicated for the treatment of major depressive episodes, panic disorder with or without agoraphobia, social anxiety disorder (social phobia), generalised anxiety disorder and obsessive-compulsive disorder. Prescribing information for citalopram, escitalopram and vortioxetine can be found at the end of this slide deck. Registration status may differ from country to country. HAM-D = Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; LOCF = last observation carried forward; MADRS = Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale; OR = odds ratio.



How are inadequate response and partial response defined?



Guidelines recommend assessing improvement no more than 2 weeks after starting a medication¹⁻³

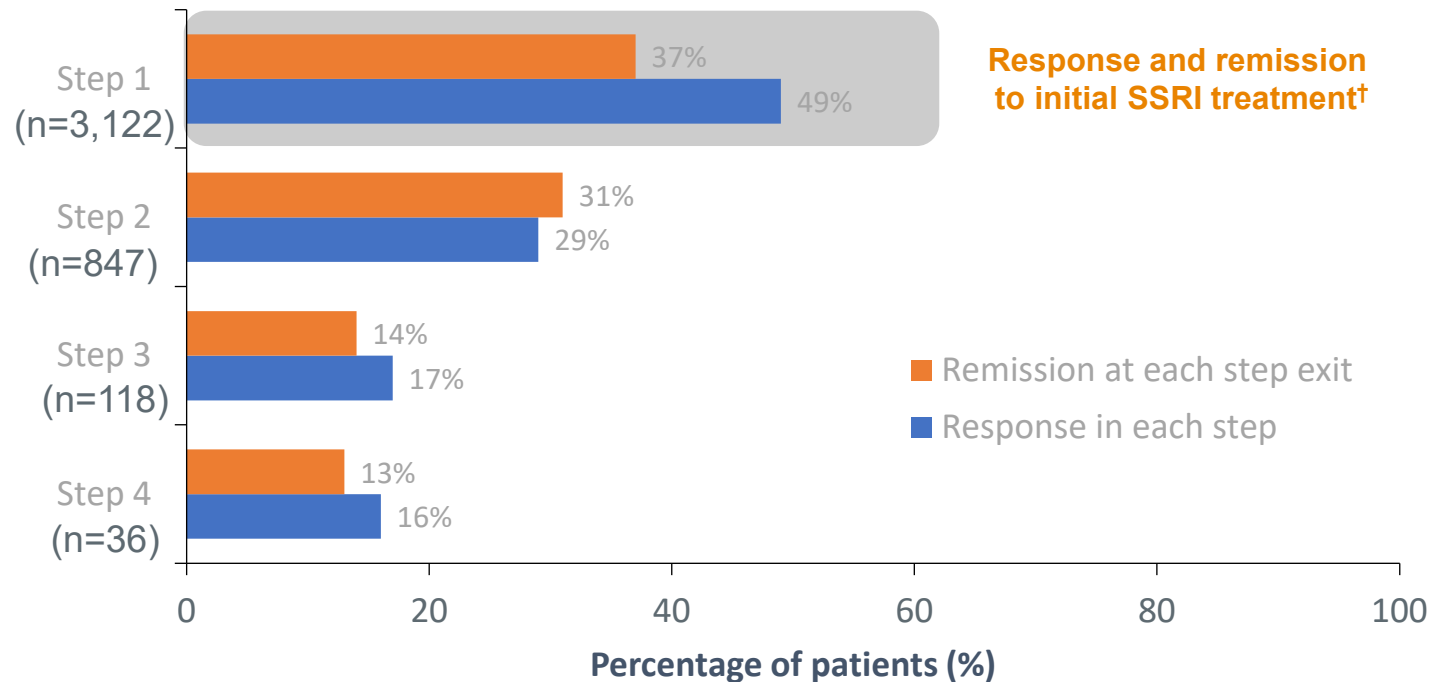


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Approximately 60% of patients with MDD do not respond adequately to initial antidepressant treatment¹

Patients achieving response at each treatment step in the STAR*D study^{†1}



Adapted from Rush AJ, et al. 2006.¹



Continuous treatment optimisation and monitoring of treatment responses is often required for patients with MDD to achieve remission²

[†]At Step 1, patients received citalopram as their first treatment step. Response defined as 50% or more reduction in QIDS-SR16 score from entry score at each step. Remission defined as QIDS-SR16 score ≤ 5 at exit from the indicated treatment step. Study population: outpatients with MDD aged 18–75 years, female (Step 1, 62.2%; Step 2, 59.1%; Step 3, 50.5%; Step 4, 48.8%). Citalopram is indicated for depression and prevention of relapse/recurrence, panic disorder with or without agoraphobia and obsessive-compulsive disorder. Prescribing information for citalopram can be found at the end of this slide deck. MDD = major depressive disorder; QIDS-SR16 = Self-reported 16-item Quick Inventory of Depressive Symptomatology; SSRI = selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor; STAR*D = Sequenced Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression. 1. Rush AJ, et al. Am J Psychiatry. 2006;163:1905-1917; 2. Habert J, et al. Prim Care Companion CNS Disord. 2016;18:e1-e11.

Patients with MDD and partial response present various challenges for treatment in clinical practice

Low work productivity¹

Partial responders are **1.4x** more likely to experience significant **work productivity loss**

Residual symptoms⁴⁻⁶

Common residual symptoms include anhedonia, emotional blunting and cognitive impairment

Comorbid conditions²

80% of partial responders have at least 1 comorbid condition

Failure with multiple treatment options³

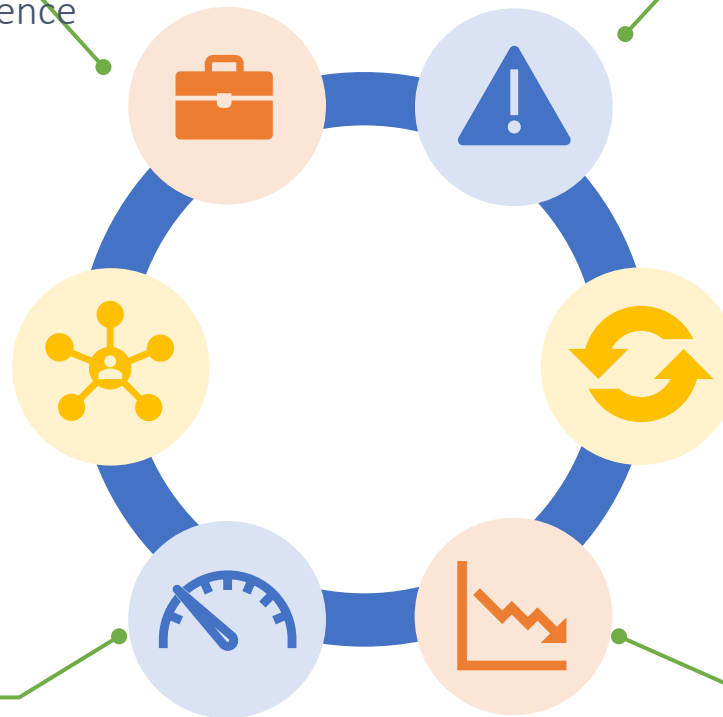
83% of partial responders fail to respond to at least 2 antidepressants

Unsatisfied with treatment⁵

25% of partial responders are not satisfied with their treatment

Poor prognosis⁷

Partial responders are **2.35x** more likely to relapse



MDD = major depressive disorder.

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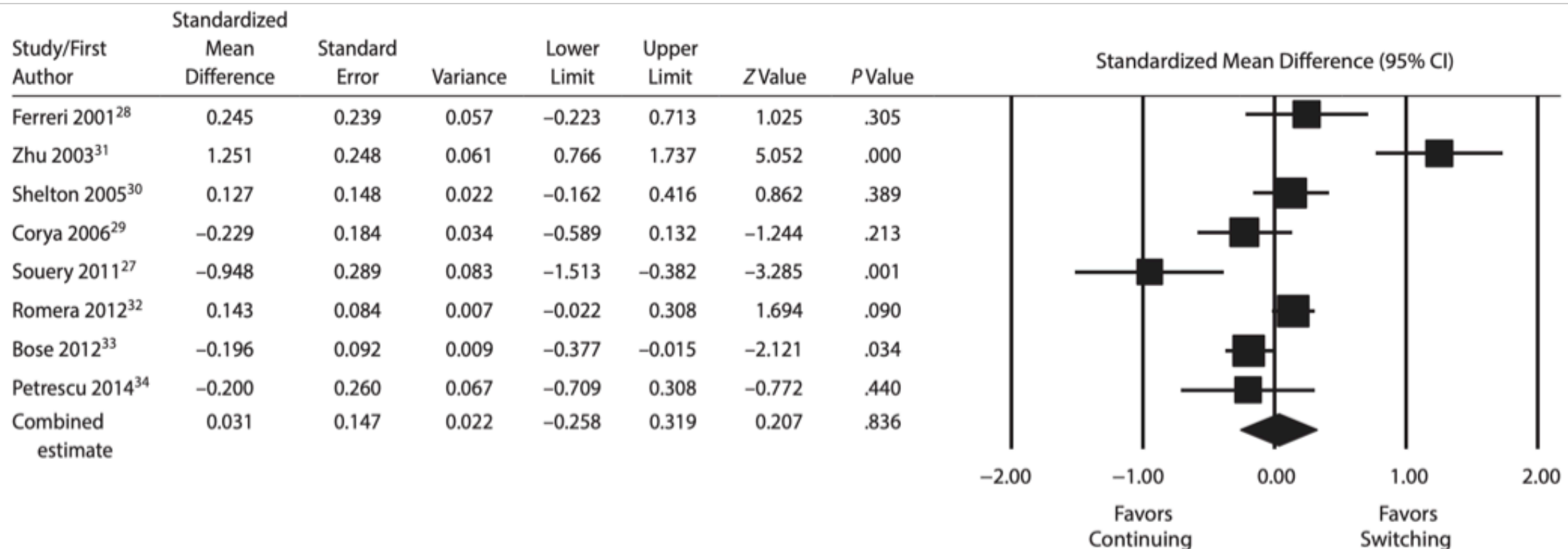
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Major depressive disorder	28.3	0.6	1.19*	1.12-1.26	26.6	0.8	1.11*	1.02-1.21	24.8	0.9	1.08*	1.04-1.11
Bipolar disorder												
Major depressive episode	3.1	0.2	0.94	0.75-1.17	3.9	0.5	0.85	0.62-1.16	4.2	0.6	1.06	0.97-1.16
Mania/hypomania	6.1	0.3	1.11	0.98-1.27	6.4	0.4	1.08	0.91-1.29	6.4	0.4	1.03	0.95-1.12

Kessler RC, et al. World Psychiatry. 2022 Jun;21(2):272-286.

Switching the Antidepressant After Nonresponse in Adults With Major Depression: A Systematic Literature Search and Meta-Analysis

Broad Analysis (dose escalation allowed in the continuation arms): Switching to a New Antidepressant Versus Continuation of the Initial Antidepressant in Patients With Major Depressive Disorder After Nonresponse to Antidepressant Monotherapy

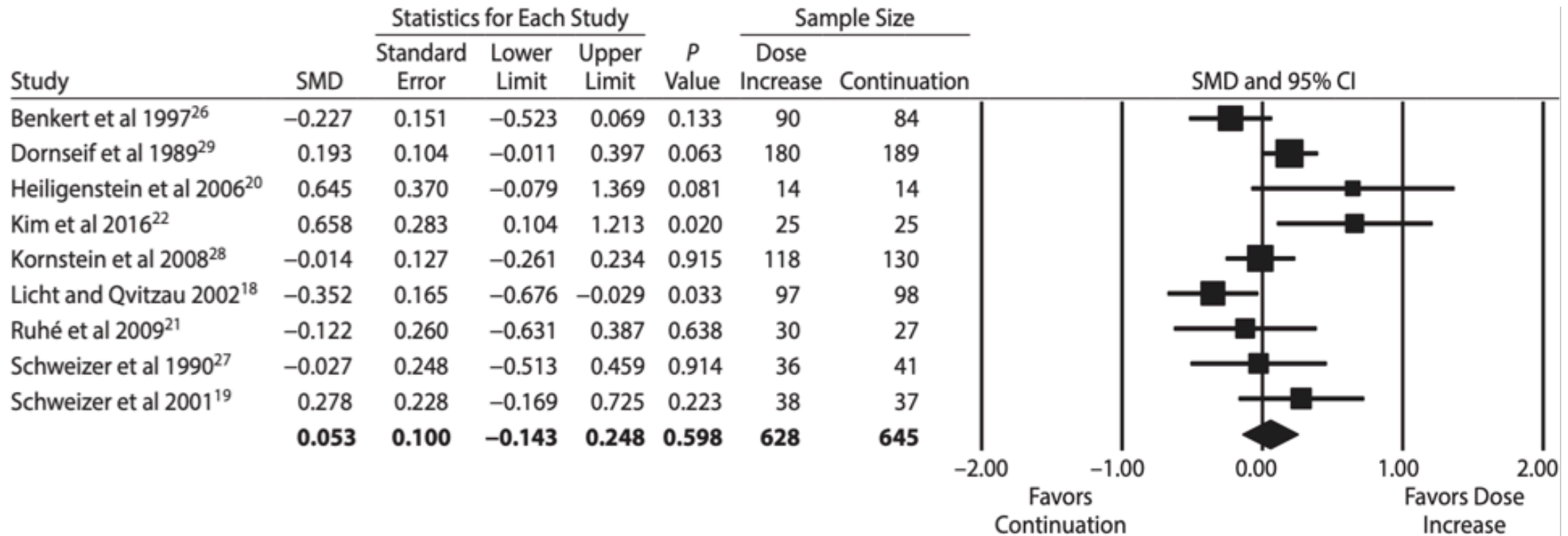
Standard Mean Difference



Dose Increase Versus Unchanged Continuation of Antidepressants After Initial Antidepressant Treatment Failure in Patients With Major Depressive Disorder: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized, Double-Blind Trials

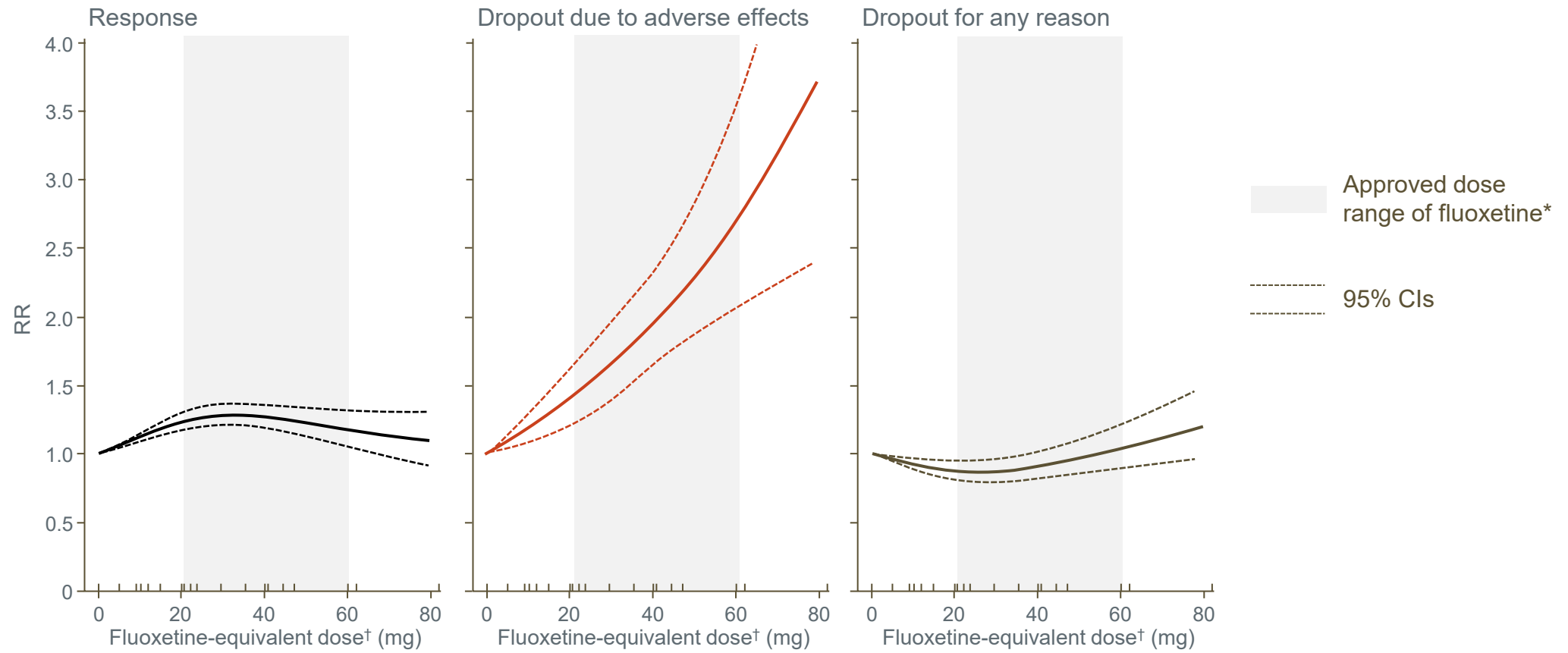
Dose Increase Versus Unchanged Continuation of Antidepressants After Initial Antidepressant Treatment Failure

All studies



Increasing doses of SSRIs were associated with linear increase in AEs, whereas response rates were not

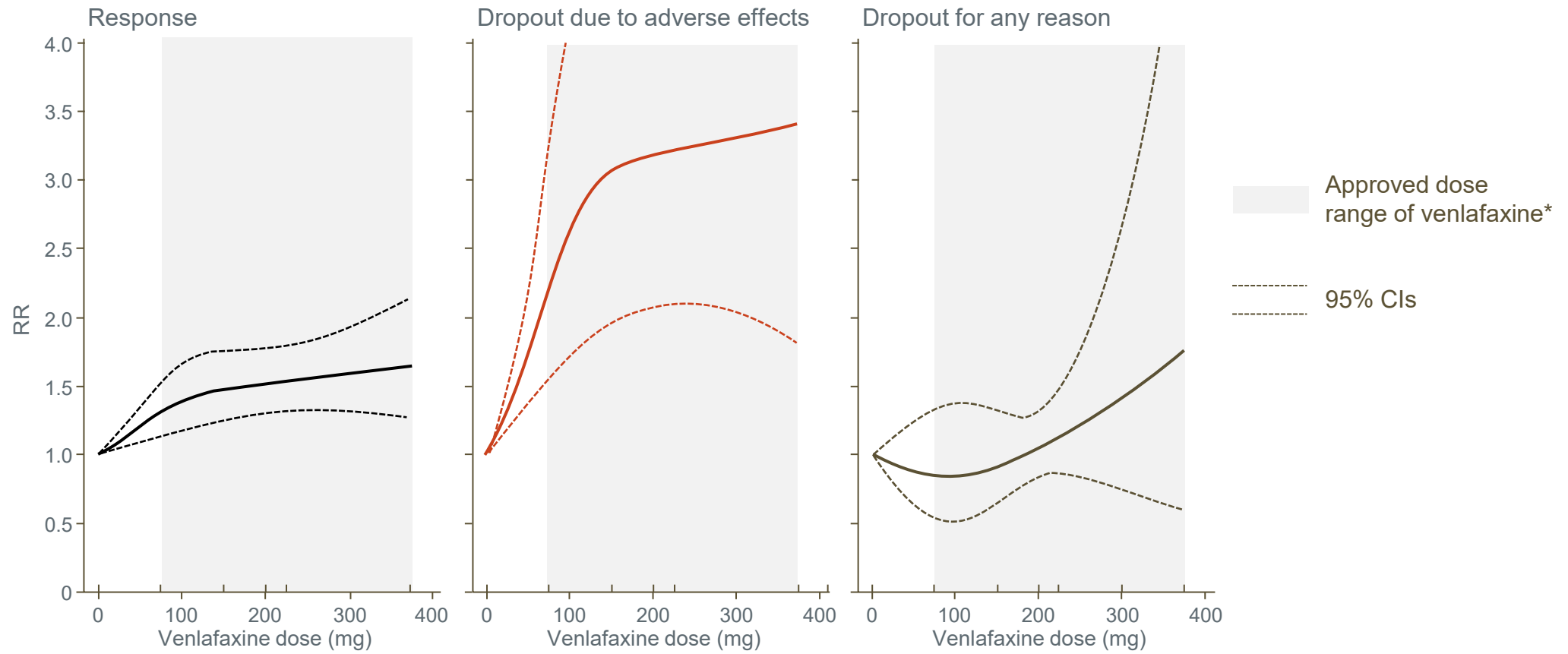
Meta-analysis: Dose-outcome relationships for SSRIs (99 treatment groups)



Each tick on the x-axis represents the dose examined in a treatment group. *Obtained from the Summary of Product Characteristics for fluoxetine. †Doses of citalopram, escitalopram, paroxetine and sertraline were converted to fluoxetine equivalents. An abbreviated Prescribing Information for citalopram and escitalopram can be found at the end of this slide deck. For further information please consult your local Summary of Product Characteristics. AE=adverse event; CI=confidence interval; RR=risk ratio; SSRI=selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor. Furukawa TA et al. Lancet Psychiatry 2019;6:601-9.

Venlafaxine Had an Increasing Dose-Efficacy Relationship Only in the Lower Approved Dose Range (75–150 mg), But Dropouts Due to AEs Increased Steeply with Increasing Doses at This Range

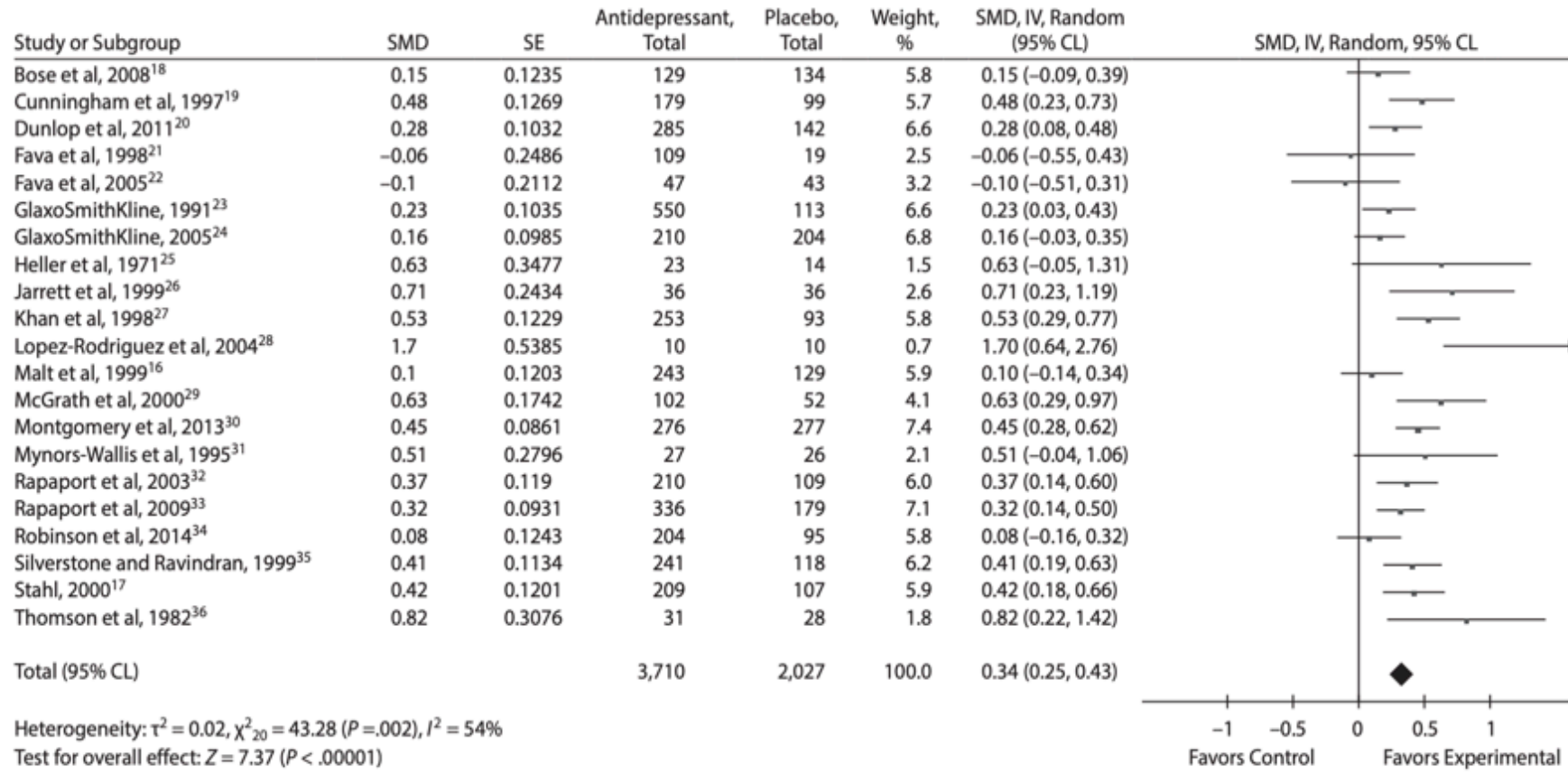
Meta-analysis: Dose-outcome relationships for venlafaxine (16 treatment groups)



Each tick on the x-axis represents the dose examined in a treatment group. *Obtained from the Summary of Product Characteristics for venlafaxine. AE=adverse event; CI=confidence interval; RR=risk ratio. Furukawa TA et al. Lancet Psychiatry 2019;6:601-9.

Long-Term Acute-Phase Treatment With Antidepressants, 8 Weeks and Beyond: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized, Placebo-Controlled Trials

Primary Outcome Second-Line Analysis: Treatment Effect (standardized mean difference [SMD]) After 12 Weeks of Antidepressant Monotherapy Versus Placebo in Randomized Double-Blind Trials



^aWeighted according to random-effects analysis.
 Abbreviations: CL = confidence limit, SE = standard error.

Most Frequently Prescribed First-Line Antidepressants and Adjunctive Treatments

First-line Antidepressants	Percent
Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs)	53.4
Serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs)	23.6
Norepinephrine and specific serotonergic antidepressants (NaSSAs)	8.2
Tricyclic antidepressants (TCAs)	5.1
Melatonergic antidepressants	5.0
Other antidepressants	4.7

Adjuncts to First-Line Antidepressants	Percent
Benzodiazepines and related drugs	33.2
Antidepressants	29.0
Antipsychotics	24.2
Mood stabilizers	10.1
Pregabalin	7.3
Low-potency antipsychotics/low-dose quetiapine (<100 mg/day)	6.6

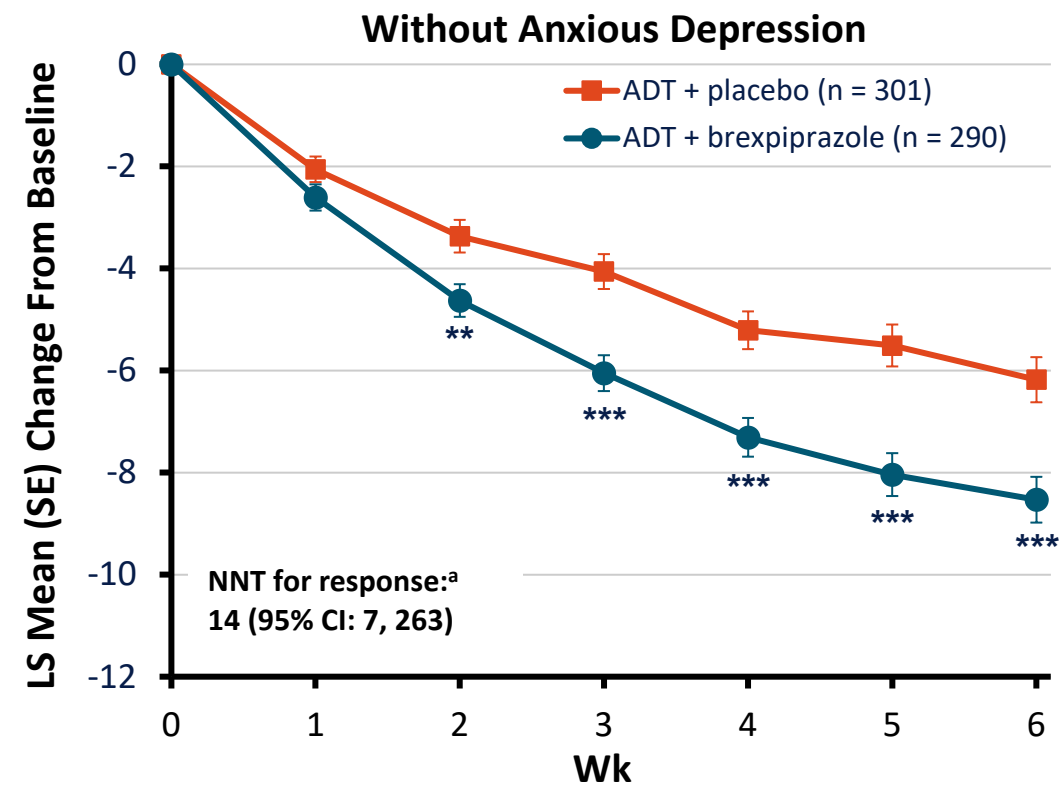
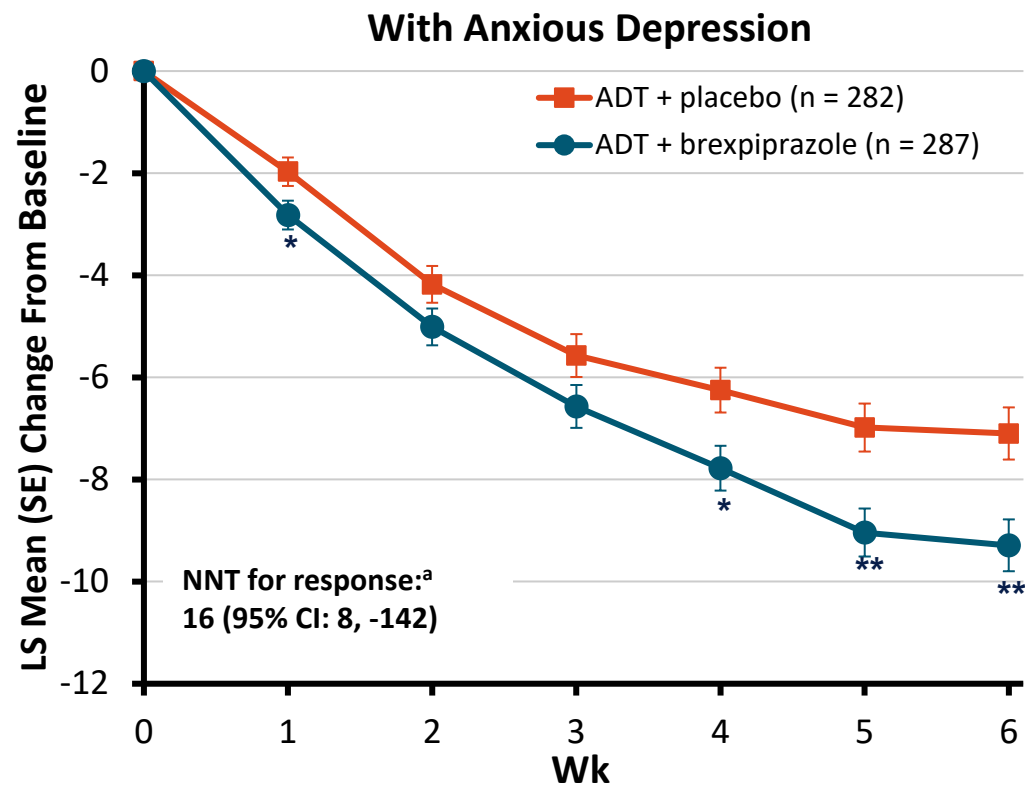
Data from 1181 adult in- and outpatients with major depressive disorder in retrospective assessment of current prescription trends in European university/academic psychiatric centers

Second Generation Antipsychotics for Adjunctive Treatment of Major Depressive Disorder

FDA Approved	At Least 1 Positive Trial	Ongoing Trials
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Olanzapine/fluoxetine combination▪ Aripiprazole▪ Quetiapine XR▪ Brexpiprazole	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ziprasidone▪ Risperidone▪ Cariprazine▪ Lurasidone (mixed features/anxiety)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Lumateperone

Aripiprazole PI. Brexpiprazole PI. Quetiapine XR PI. Olanzapine/fluoxetine PI. Wang. Chonnam Med J. 2016;52:159a.
Earley. Psychopharmacol Bull. 2018;48:62. NCT04985942.

Adjunctive Therapy With Brexpiprazole: Patients With and Without Anxious Depression



* $P < .05$. ** $P < .01$. *** $P < .001$ vs placebo. MMRM.

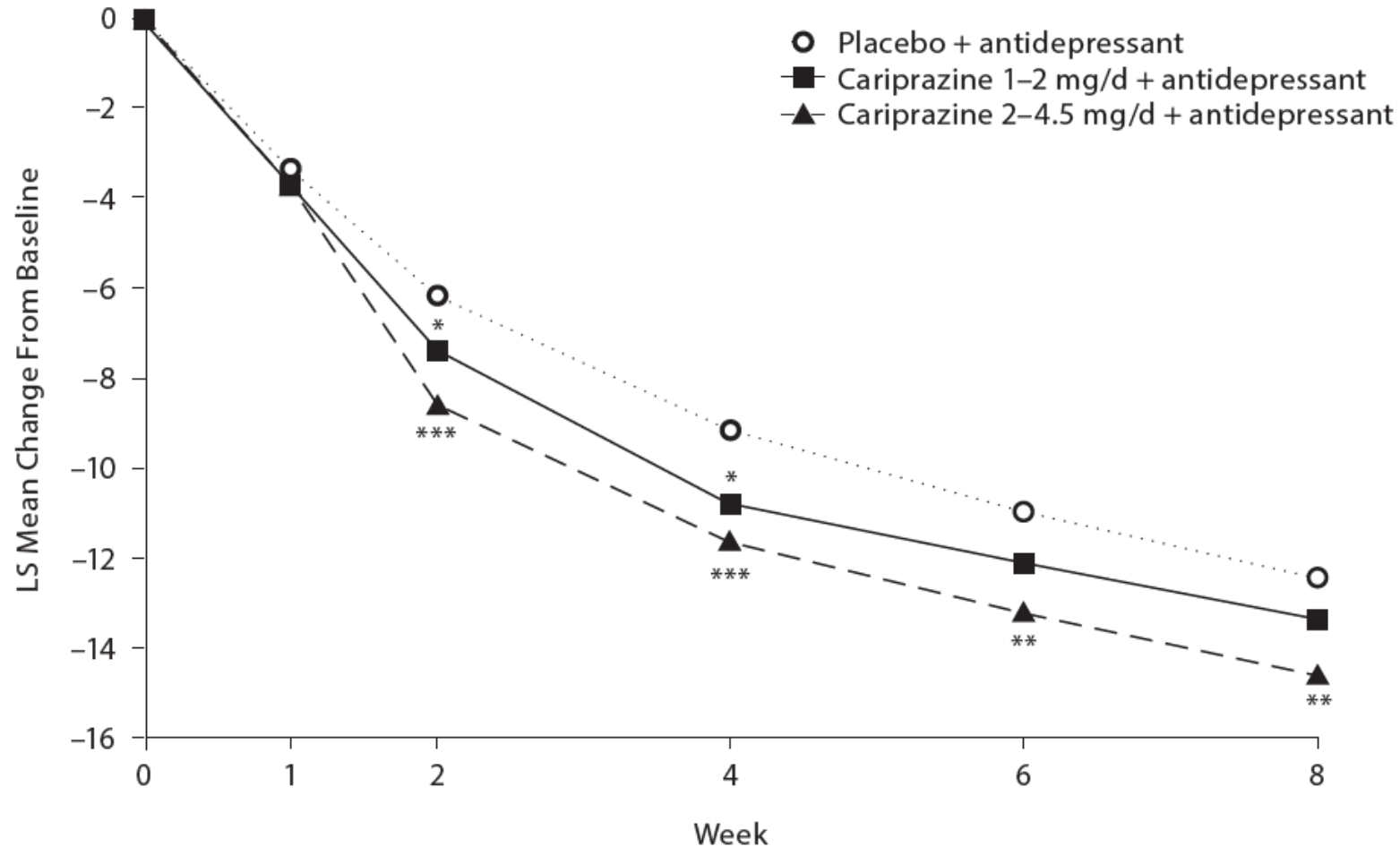
^aResponse defined as $\geq 50\%$ reduction from baseline in MADRS total score.

MADRS total baseline for patients with anxious depression: ADT + placebo, 28.6; ADT + brexpiprazole, 28.9.

MADRS total baseline for patients without anxious depression: ADT + placebo, 24.8; ADT + brexpiprazole, 24.6.

Adjunctive Cariprazine (2–4.5 mg/day) is Effective for MDD With Inadequate Antidepressant Response

A. MADRS Total Score (primary endpoint)

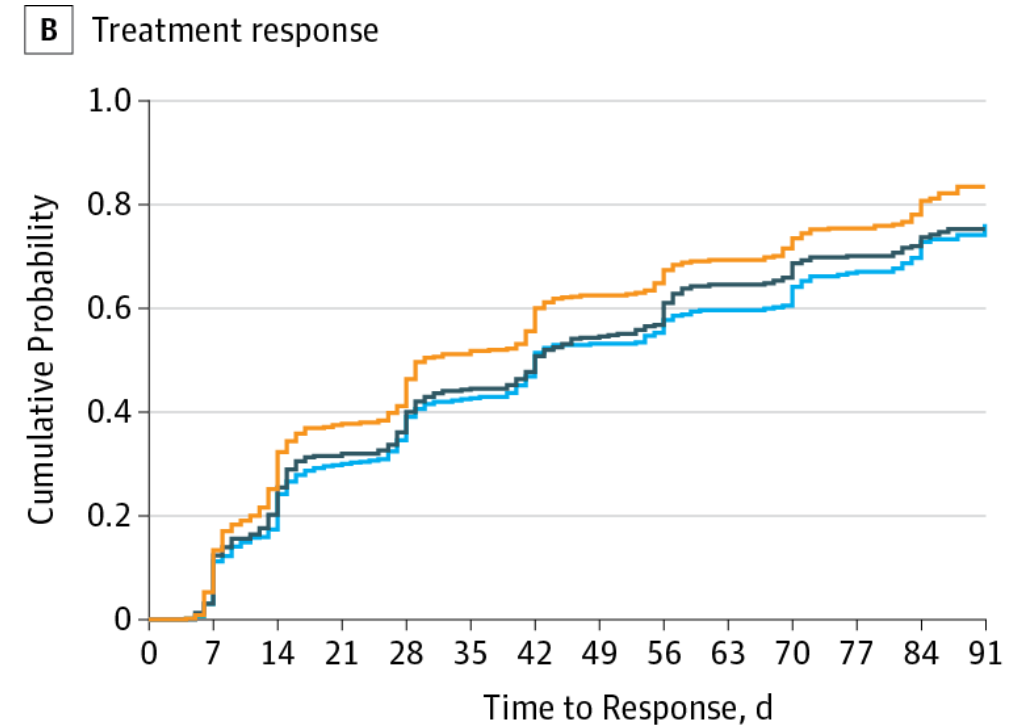
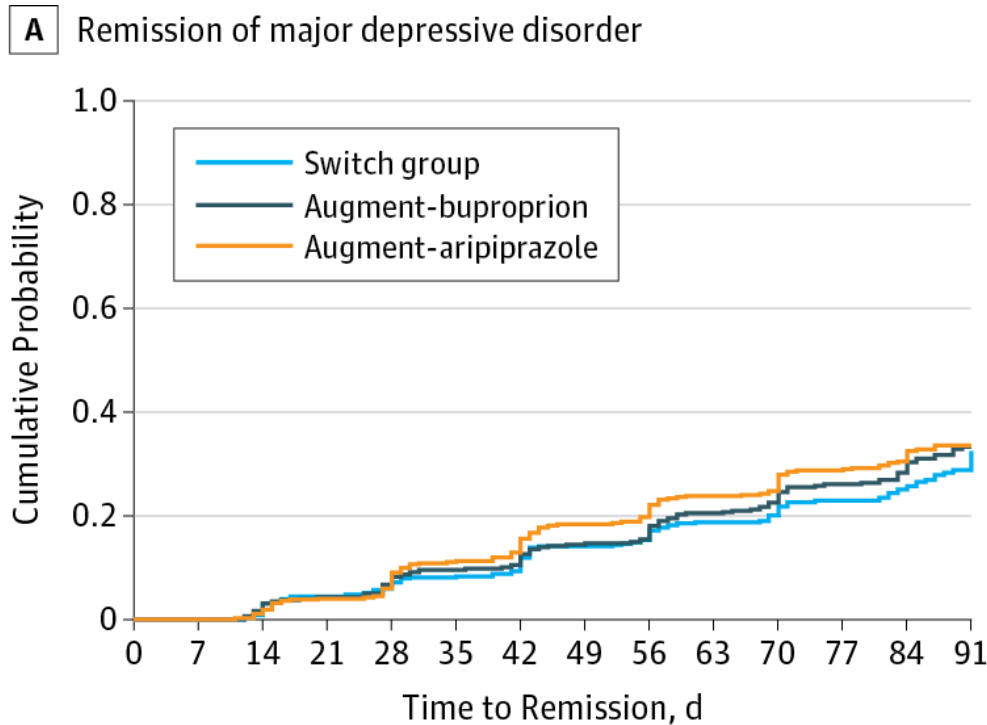


Treatment-emergent adverse events (TEAEs) that occurred in $\geq 10\%$ of patients in either cariprazine group and at incidence greater than placebo were akathisia, insomnia, and nausea

* $P < .05$. ** $P < .01$. *** $P < .001$ versus placebo for pairwise comparisons; not adjusted for multiple comparisons

LS=least squares
MADRS = Montgomery-Åsberg
Depression Rating Scale

Switching Antidepressants vs. Atypical Antipsychotic Augmentation vs. Antidepressant Combination



No. at risk

Switch group	511	477	428	379	331	292	221
Augment-bupropion	506	475	431	387	352	305	247
Augment-aripiprazole	505	467	427	383	341	307	245

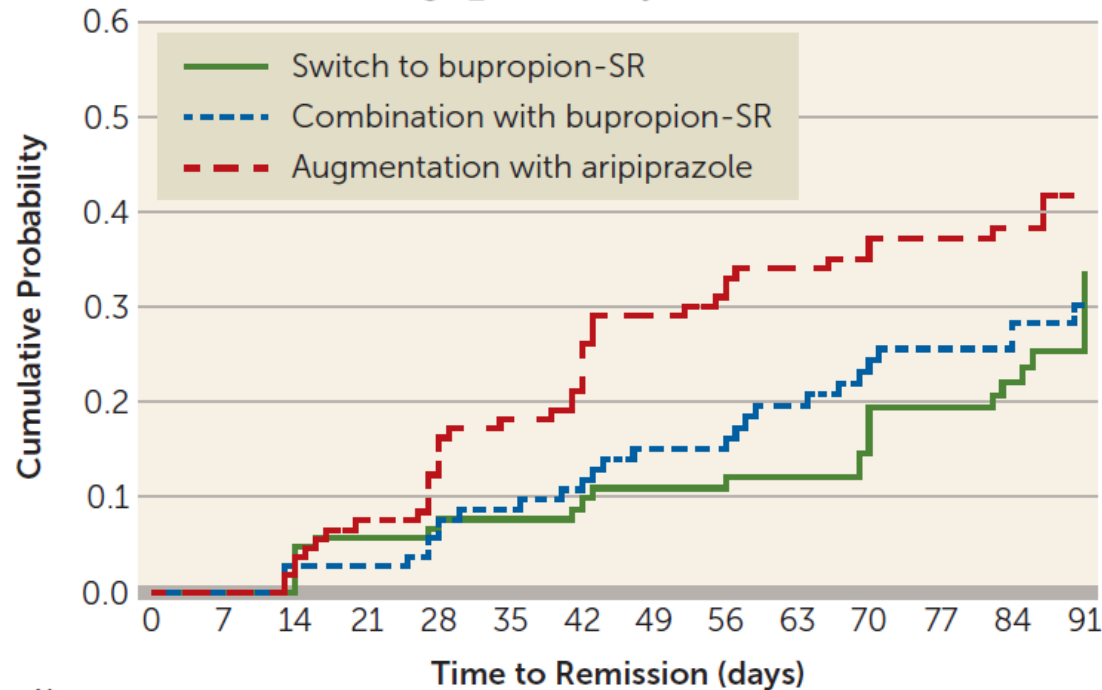
	511	395	294	218	173	141	77
	506	386	292	223	174	124	79
	505	357	272	198	149	116	72

Mohamed S et al. JAMA 2017;318(2):132-45.

Moderators of Depression Remission in Patients Without Adequate Response to At Least One Antidepressant

Higher Remission Rates With Aripiprazole Augmentation Among Those Age 65 Years or Older

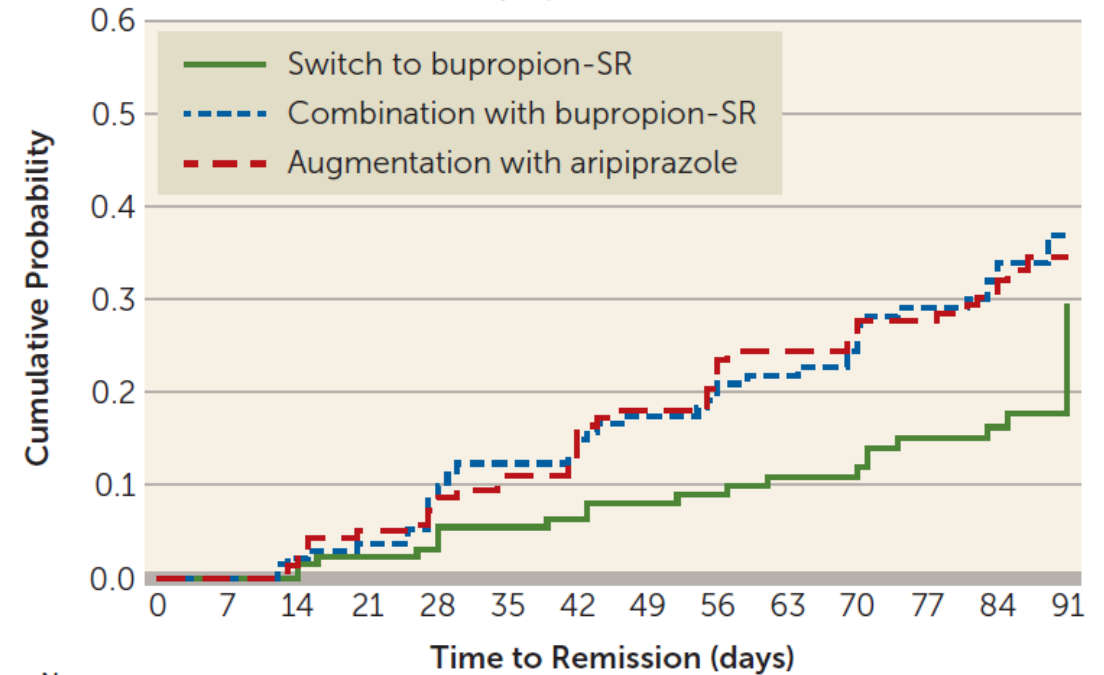
Age ≥65 Years by Treatment



N	117	105	93	84	77	70	55
Switch to bupropion-SR	117	105	93	84	77	70	55
Combination with bupropion-SR	114	104	96	83	77	63	54
Augmentation with aripiprazole	109	105	90	80	69	62	53

Lower Remission Rates With Switch to Bupropion-SR Among Those Endorsing the Greatest Levels of Mixed Symptoms

Mixed Symptoms Score 13–25



N	144	131	121	108	97	91	69
Switch to bupropion-SR	144	131	121	108	97	91	69
Combination with bupropion-SR	145	133	117	102	93	83	67
Augmentation with aripiprazole	146	138	126	114	100	90	75

Use of Low-Dose Quetiapine Increases the Risk of Major Adverse Cardiovascular Events: Results From a Nationwide Active Comparator-Controlled Cohort Study

Risk of major adverse cardiovascular events and secondary outcomes with use of low-dose quetiapine (QUE) compared to use of Z-drugs (ZDR)

	N. patients QUE/ZDR	N. events QUE/ZDR	Follow-up QUE/ZDR	Hazard ratio (95% CI)	p
Major adverse cardiovascular events					
Intention-to-treat analysis (adjusted)	22,827/131,582	877/11,464	73/817	1.13 (1.02-1.24)	0.014
As-treated analysis (adjusted)	60,564/454,552	850/5,513	59/272	1.11 (1.00-1.24)	0.046
As-treated analysis (fully adjusted)	60,564/454,552	850/5,513	59/272	1.52 (1.35-1.70)	<0.001
Non-fatal myocardial infarction					
Intention-to-treat analysis (adjusted)	22,828/131,588	138/2,895	74/829	0.91 (0.73-1.14)	0.42
As-treated analysis (adjusted)	60,564/454,552	109/1,307	59/273	0.69 (0.52-0.90)	0.007
As-treated analysis (fully adjusted)	60,564/454,552	109/1,307	59/273	0.91 (0.69-1.21)	0.53
Non-fatal ischemic stroke					
Intention-to-treat analysis (adjusted)	22,827/131,586	267/4,378	74/825	0.98 (0.83-1.15)	0.81
As-treated analysis (adjusted)	60,564/454,552	256/1,920	59/273	1.01 (0.83-1.21)	0.95
As-treated analysis (fully adjusted)	60,564/454,552	256/1,920	59/273	1.37 (1.13-1.68)	0.002
Death from cardiovascular causes					
Intention-to-treat analysis (adjusted)	22,828/131,593	565/6,262	74/837	1.26 (1.11-1.43)	<0.001
As-treated analysis (adjusted)	60,564/454,552	558/2,903	59/274	1.37 (1.20-1.56)	<0.001
As-treated analysis (fully adjusted)	60,564/454,552	558/2,903	59/274	1.90 (1.64-2.19)	<0.001

Follow-up in 1,000 person-years. The intention-to-treat analysis is adjusted for baseline confounding by fine stratification weights. The as-treated analysis is adjusted for baseline confounding by inverse probability of treatment weights, or fully adjusted by inverse probability of treatment weights and informative censoring by inverse probability of censoring weights.

Højlund M, et al. World Psychiatry. 2022 Oct;21(3):444-451.

International Guidance on the Evidence and Implementation of Esketamine

Synthesizing the Evidence for Ketamine and Esketamine in Treatment-Resistant Depression: An International Expert Opinion on the Available Evidence and Implementation

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Replicated international studies have underscored the human and societal costs associated with major depressive disorder. Despite the proven efficacy of monoamine-based antidepressants in major depression, the majority of treated individuals fail to achieve full syndromal and functional recovery with the index and subsequent pharmacological treatments. Ketamine and esketamine represent pharmacologically novel treatment avenues for adults with treatment-resistant depression. In addition to providing hope to affected persons, these agents represent the first non-monoaminergic agents with proven rapid-onset efficacy in major depressive disorder. Nevertheless, concerns remain about the safety and tolerability of ketamine and esketamine in mood disorders. Moreover, there is uncertainty

about the appropriate position of these agents in treatment algorithms, their comparative effectiveness, and the appropriate setting, infrastructure, and personnel required for its competent and safe implementation. In this article, an international group of mood disorder experts provides a synthesis of the literature with respect to the efficacy, safety, and tolerability of ketamine and esketamine in adults with treatment-resistant depression. The authors also provide guidance for the implementation of these agents in clinical practice, with particular attention to practice parameters at point of care. Areas of consensus and future research vistas are discussed.

Am J Psychiatry 2021; 00:1–17; doi: 10.1176/appi.ajp.2020.20081251

Novel Glutamatergic Modulators for the Treatment of Mood Disorders: Current Status

Broad glutamatergic modulators

- (R,S)-ketamine
- Esketamine
- (R)-ketamine
- (2R,6R)-hydroxynorketamine
- Dextromethorphan (DXM)
- Nuedexta (DXM/quinidine)
- Deudextromethorphan (AVP-786)
- Axsome (AXS-05)
- Dextromethadone (REL-1017)
- Nitrous oxide
- AZD6765
- CLE100
- AGN-241751

Subunit (NR2B)-specific N-methyl-d-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonists

- Eliprodil (EVT-101)
- Traxoprodil (CP-101,606)
- Rislendaz (MK-0657/CERC-301)

Glycine site modulators

- D-cycloserine (DCS)
- NRX-101, rapastinel (GLYX-13)
- Apimostinel (NRX-1074)
- Sarcosine
- 4-Chlorokynurenine (4-CI-KYN/AV-101)

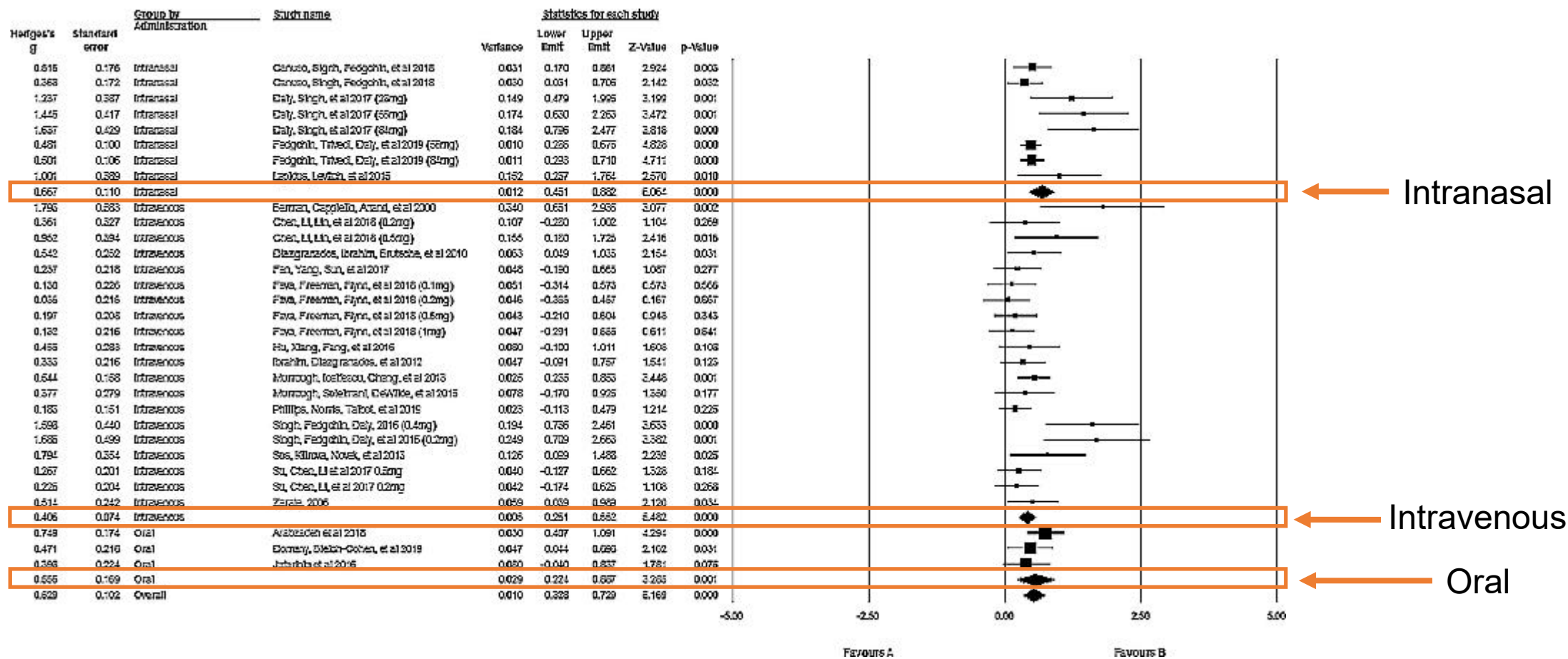
Metabotropic glutamate receptor (mGluR) modulators

- Basimglurant
- AZD2066
- RG1578
- TS-161

Mammalian target of rapamycin complex (mTORC1) activators

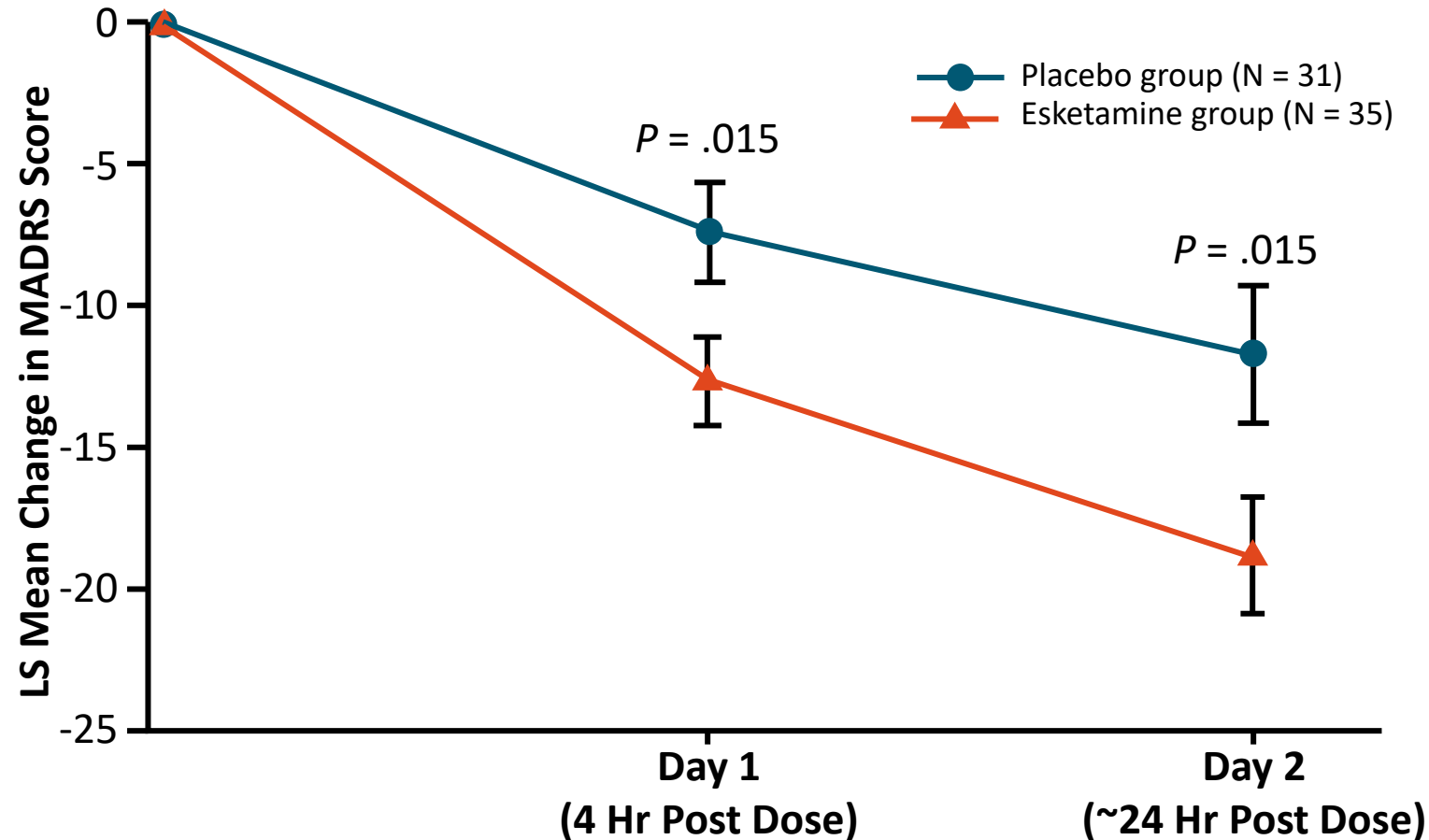
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Efficacy of Intravenous, Intranasal and Oral Ketamine in Adults With TRD



Esketamine for MDD With Active Suicidal Ideation and Intent: MDD Improvement at 4- and 24-Hr Post Dose

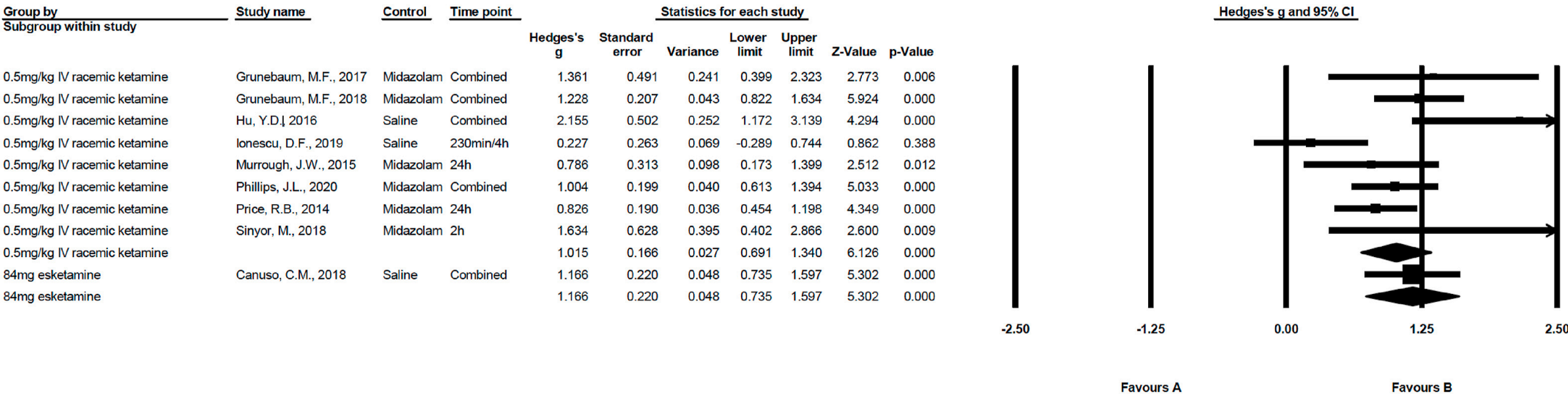
4 and 24 Hr After Initial Dose



Esketamine significantly improved symptoms as little as 4 hr post dose; effects continued at 24 hr



The Acute Antisuicidal Effects of Single-Dose Intravenous Ketamine and Intranasal Esketamine in Individuals With Major Depression and Bipolar Disorders: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis



The forest plot for all studies included, grouped by administration. Squares plot effect size of individual studies, diamonds plots summary measures of each formulations and overall findings. **Favours A (Placebo); Favours B (Es/ketamine).**

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REVIEW



The effect of ketamine on anhedonia: improvements in dimensions of anticipatory, consummatory, and motivation-related reward deficits

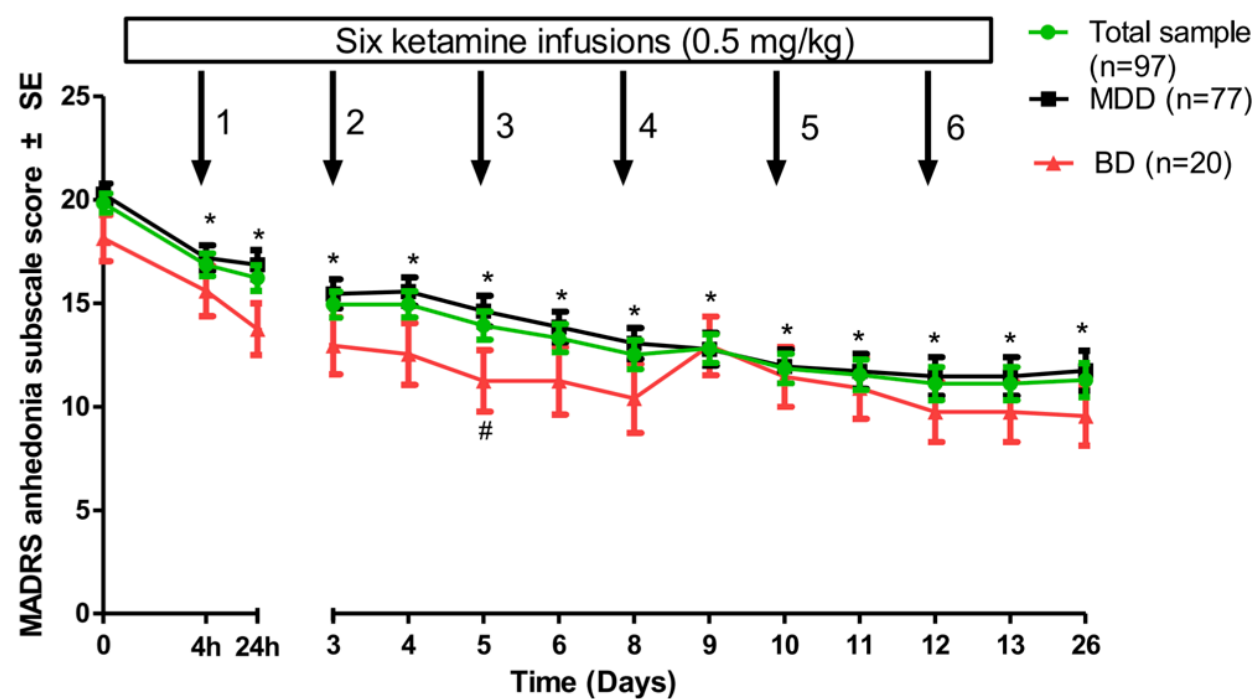
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Comparative Effectiveness of Repeated Ketamine Infusions in Treating Anhedonia in Bipolar and Unipolar Depression

Change in MADRS anhedonia subscale score of patients with MDD and BD following six ketamine infusions



Abbreviations: BD=bipolar depression; MDD=major depressive disorder; MADRS=Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale; SE=standard error.

Zheng W, et al. J Affect Disord. 2022 Mar;300:109-113.

Hallucinogens

Classic Psychedelics

mechanism

Serotonin 5HT-2A
receptor agonism

examples

Psilocybin
Mescaline (Peyote)
Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD)
N,N-Dimethyltryptamine (DMT)

Dissociative

mechanism

Glutamatergic NMDA
receptor antagonists

examples

Ketamine,
Methoxetamine (MXE)
Phencyclidine (PCP)
Dextromethorphan (DXM)
Nitrous oxide

Empathogens/ Entactogens

mechanism

Mixed serotonin and
dopamine reuptake
inhibitors and releasers

examples

MDMA
Mephedrone

Psychedelics: Definition and Classification

Do not cause physical addiction, craving, delirium...
Produce thought, mood, and perceptual changes
Experiences similar to dreams, religious experiences,
or acute psychosis

Adapted from Grinspoon and Bakalar 1979.



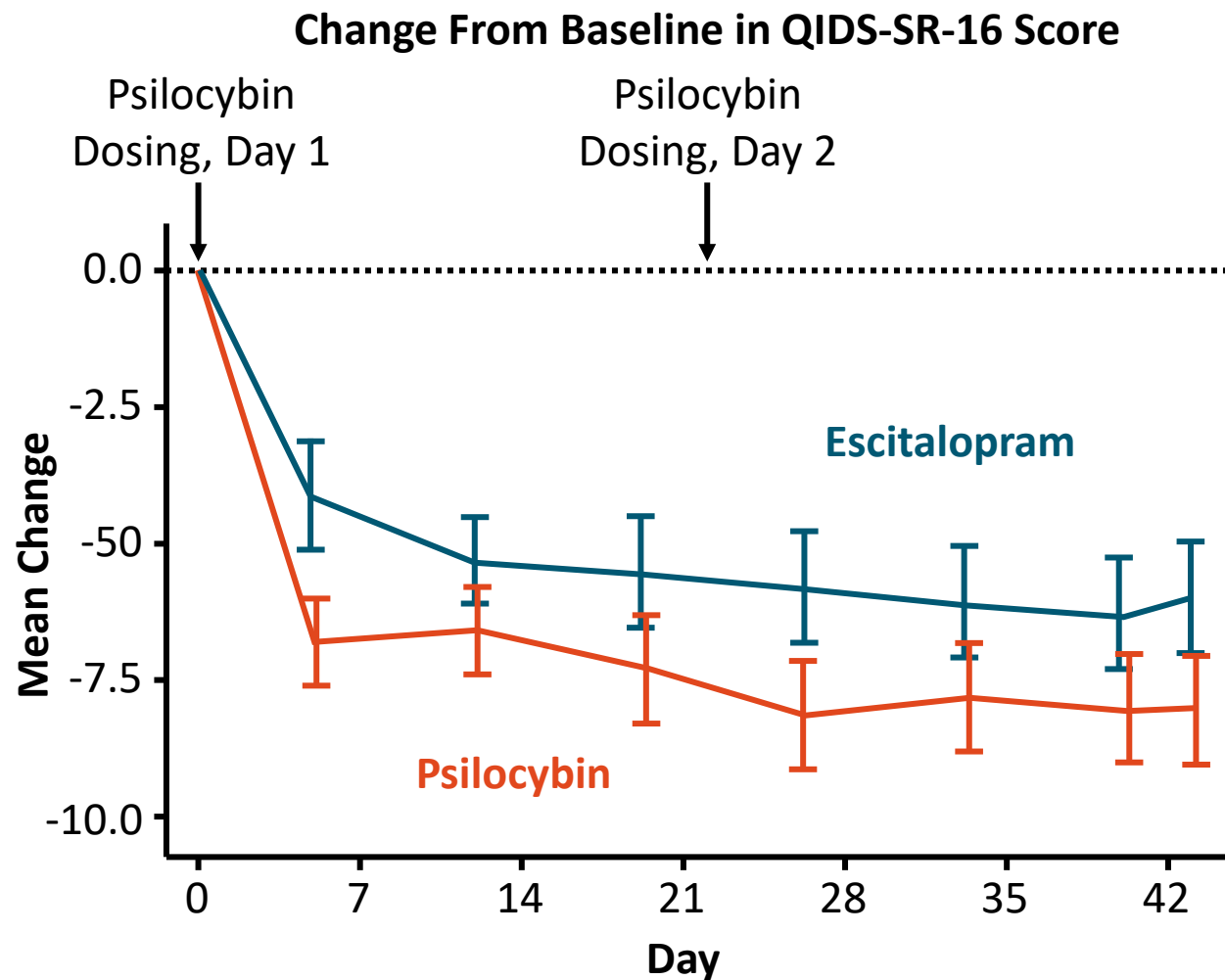
Tryptamine Derivatives

- LSD
- Psilocybin
- DMT - active in ayahuasca

Phenylethylamines

- Mescaline - main psychoactive agent in peyote
- MDMA

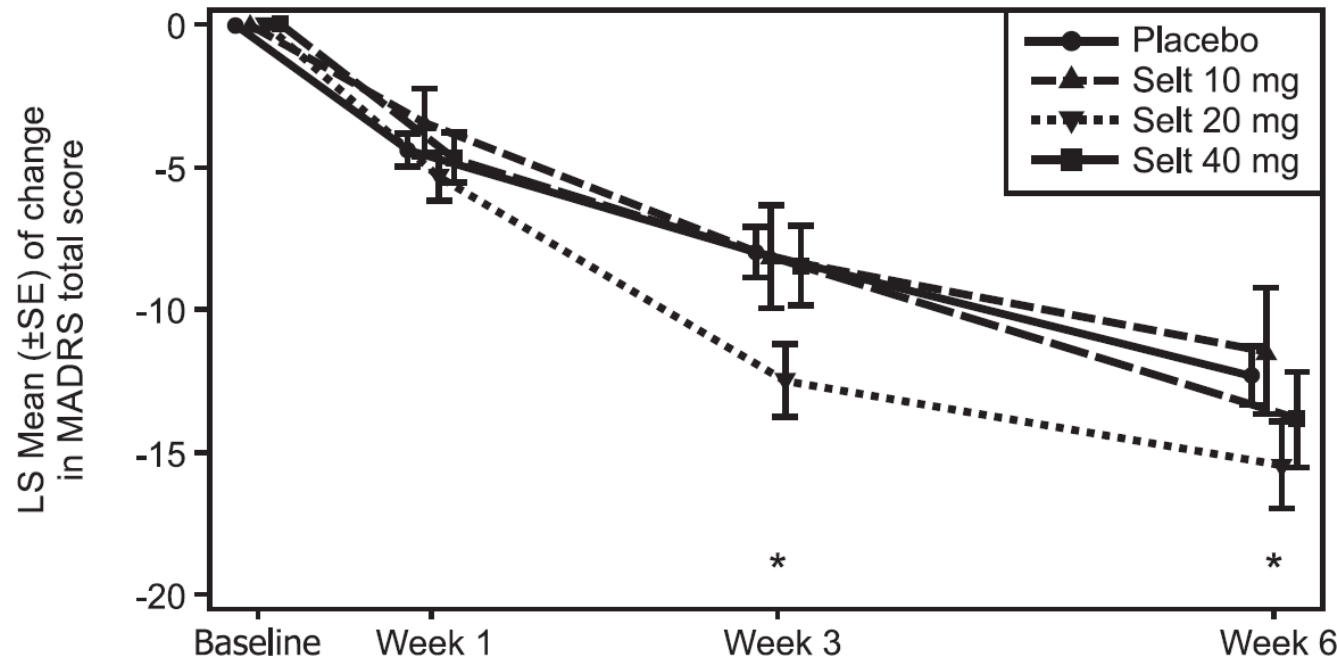
Psilocybin vs Escitalopram for Depression



Psilocybin vs Escitalopram for Depression

	Psilocybin (two 25 mg doses 3 wk apart) + placebo (microcrystalline cellulose) n = 30	Escitalopram (10 mg daily [3 wk], then 20 mg [3 wk]) + placebo (psilocybin, 1 mg dose 3 wk apart) n = 29
N=59 adults with moderate to severe MDD		
Change in QIDS-SR-16 depressive symptom score at 6 wk (range, 0-27; higher score = greater depression)	-8.0±1.0	-6.0±1.0
	Difference, -2.0 points (95% CI: -5.0 to 0.9)	
	Overall incidence of adverse events was similar in the 2 groups.	
	No significant difference between psilocybin and escitalopram in QIDS-SR-16 score change from baseline.	

Seltorexant (MIN-202), a Selective Orexin-2 Receptor Antagonist, Shows Antidepressant Effect



*seltorexant 20 mg vs placebo p<.10
N=283

No. of Patients (LS mean [SE]):

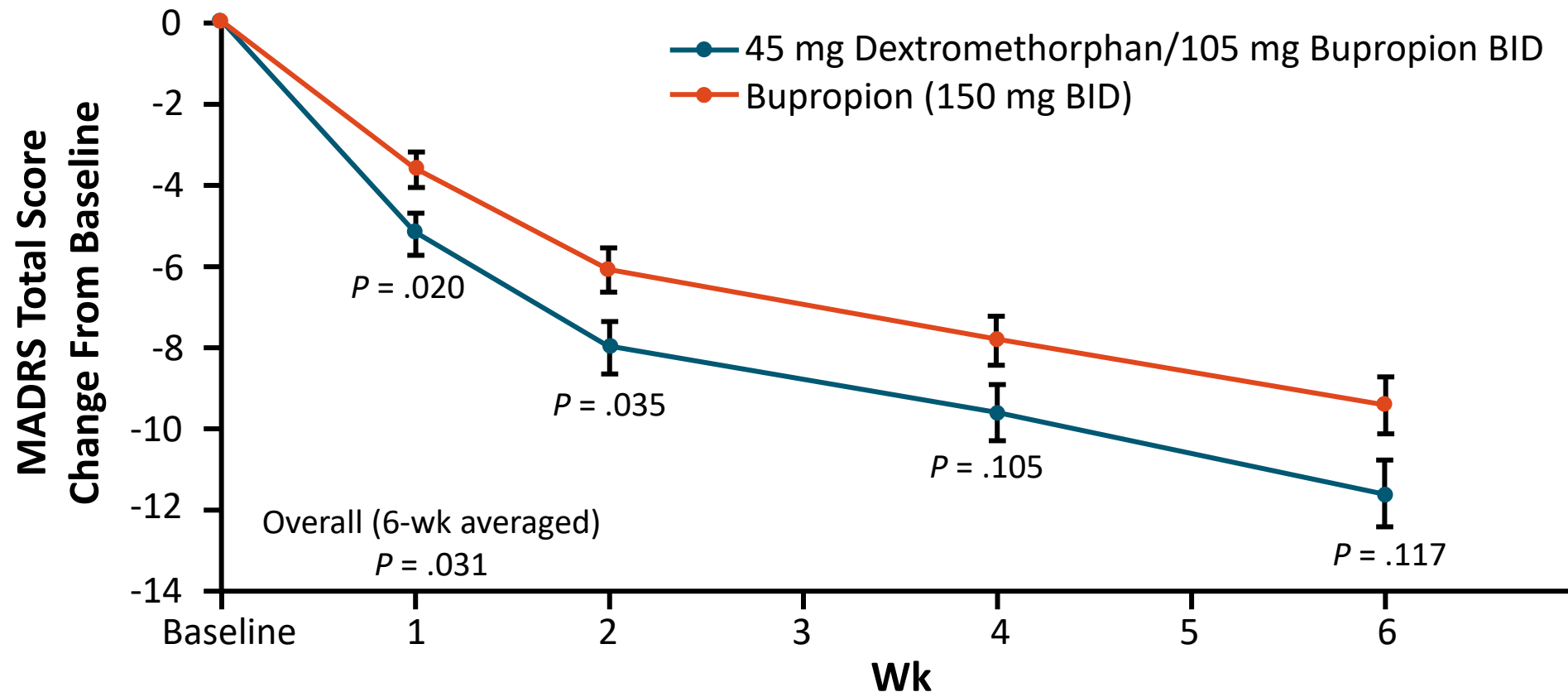
Placebo	137	136 (-4.4 [0.59])	133 (-8.0 [0.86])	124 (-12.3 [1.03])
Selt 10 mg	33	30 (-3.4 [1.21])	29 (-8.1 [1.80])	26 (-11.5 [2.20])
Selt 20 mg	61	60 (-5.3 [0.84])	58 (-12.5 [1.26])	55 (-15.5 [1.53])
Selt 40 mg	52	51 (-4.7 [0.92])	49 (-8.5 [1.38])	47 (-13.8 [1.66])

LS: least squares
MADRS: Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale
SE: standard error

Improvement in MADRS score at Week 6 for seltorexant 20 mg was greater in patients with baseline insomnia

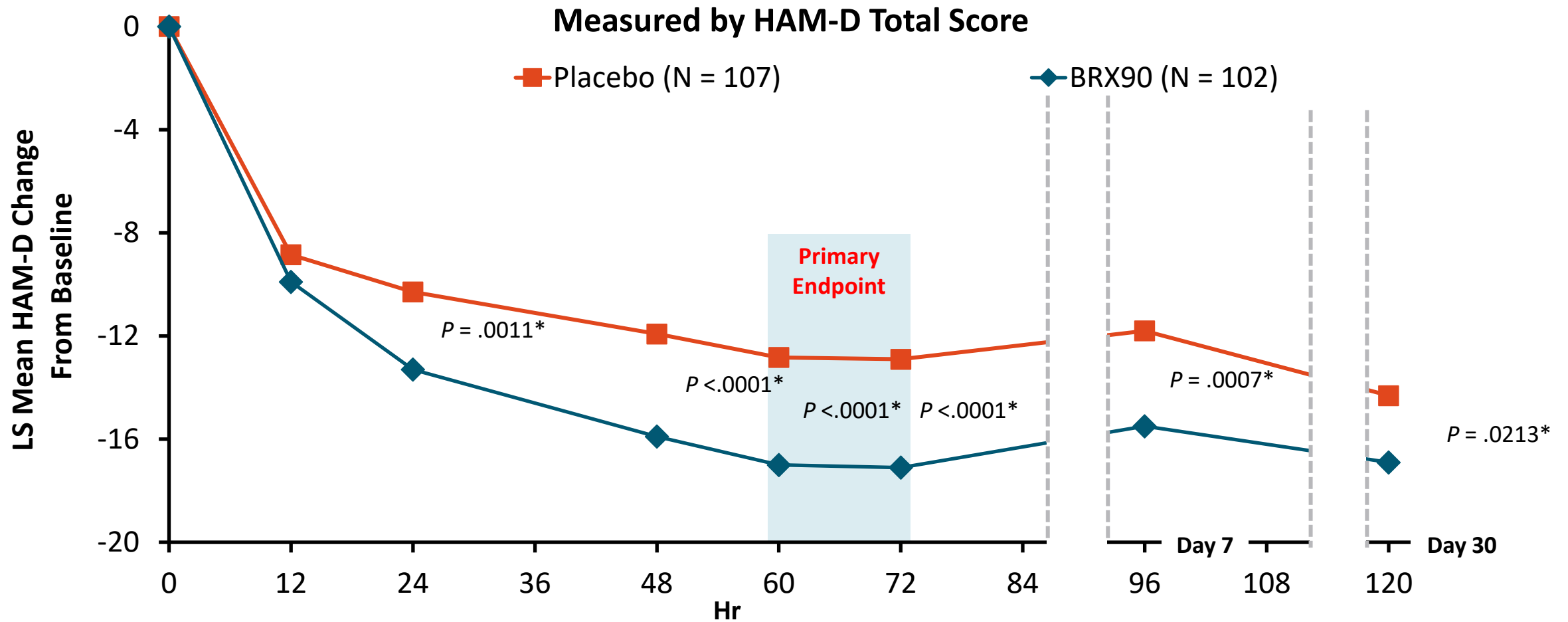


Dextromethorphan 45 mg/Bupropion 210 mg vs Bupropion 300 mg vs Placebo



- Wk 1 CGI-I: separated; $P = .045$
- Wk 6 MADRS remission: 47% vs 16%; $P = .0004$

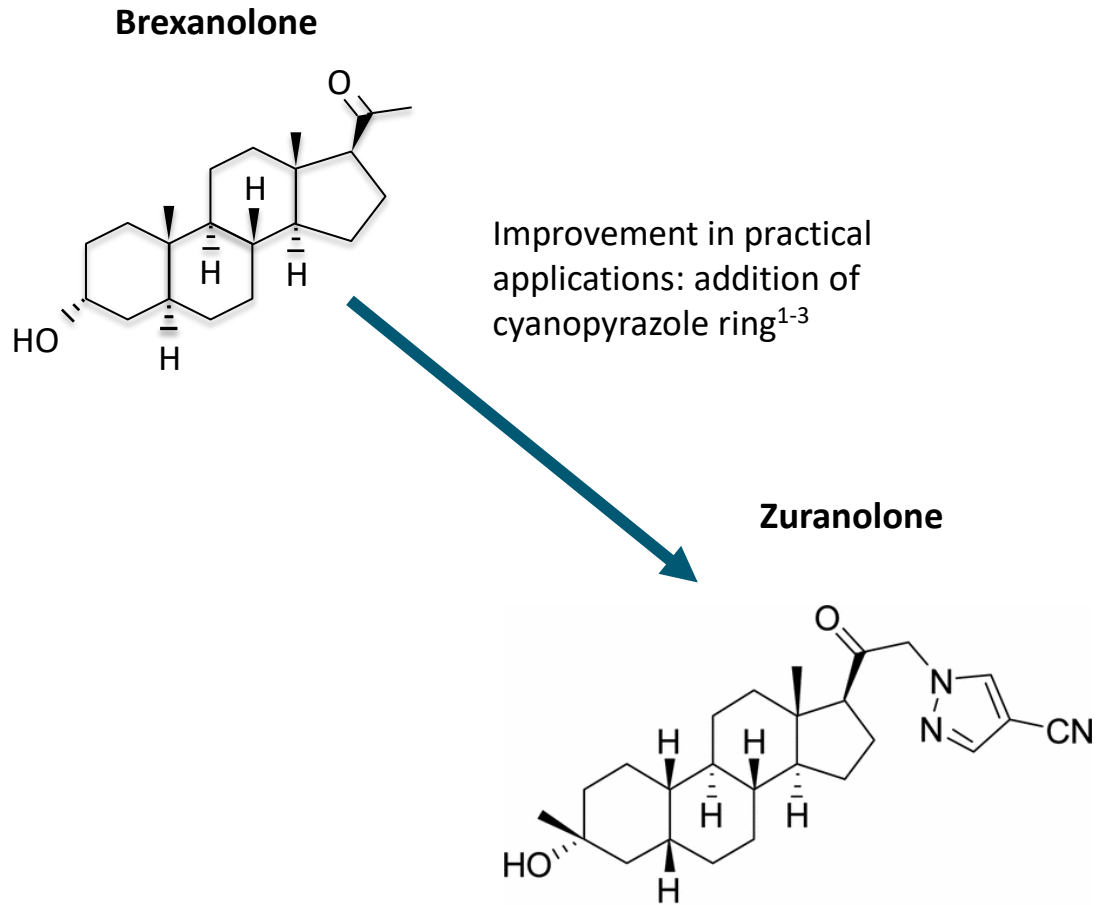
Brexanolone Injection Antidepressant Effects vs Placebo



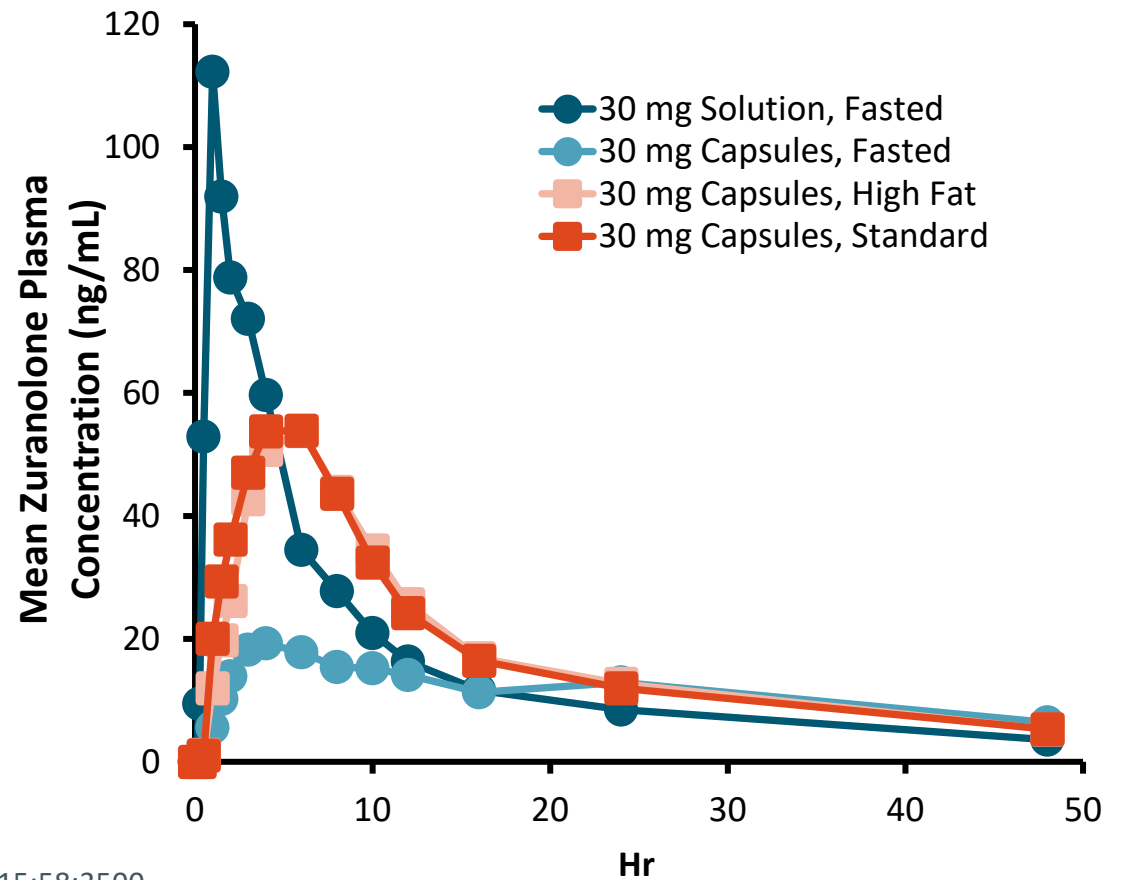
*LS mean difference in change from baseline of HAM-D total score with brexanolone injection vs placebo. Mixed effect model for repeat measures included study, pooled center, treatment, baseline antidepressant use, visit time point, and treatment-by-visit time point interaction terms as fixed effects and baseline total score as a covariate.

Meltzer-Brody et al. Lancet. 2018;392:1058.

Zuranolone



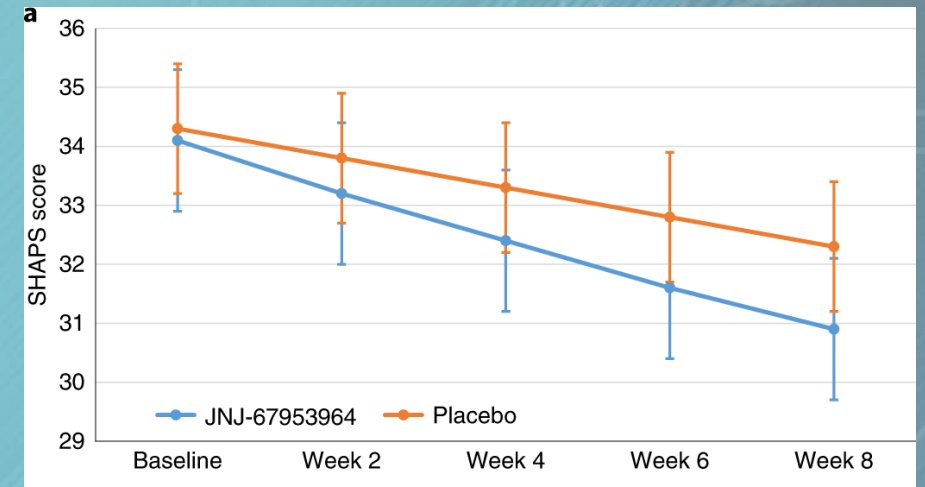
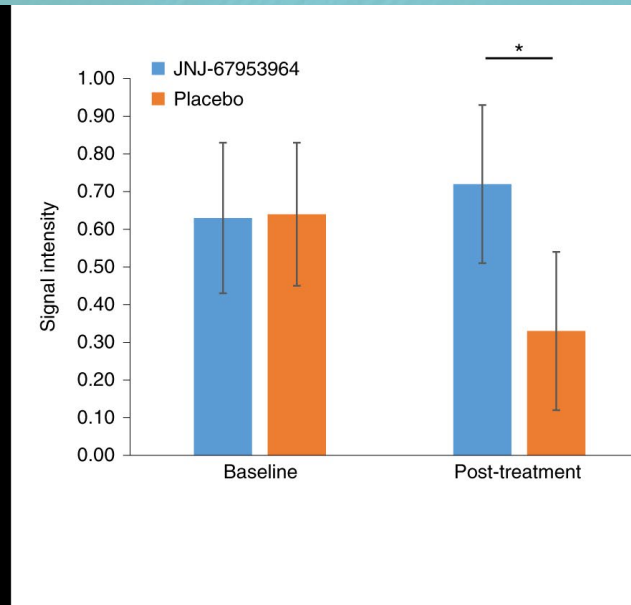
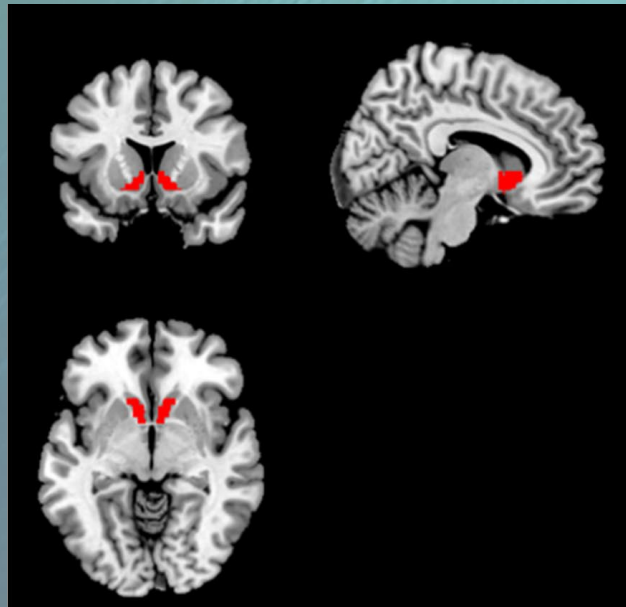
Zuranolone Plasma Concentration Over Time⁴



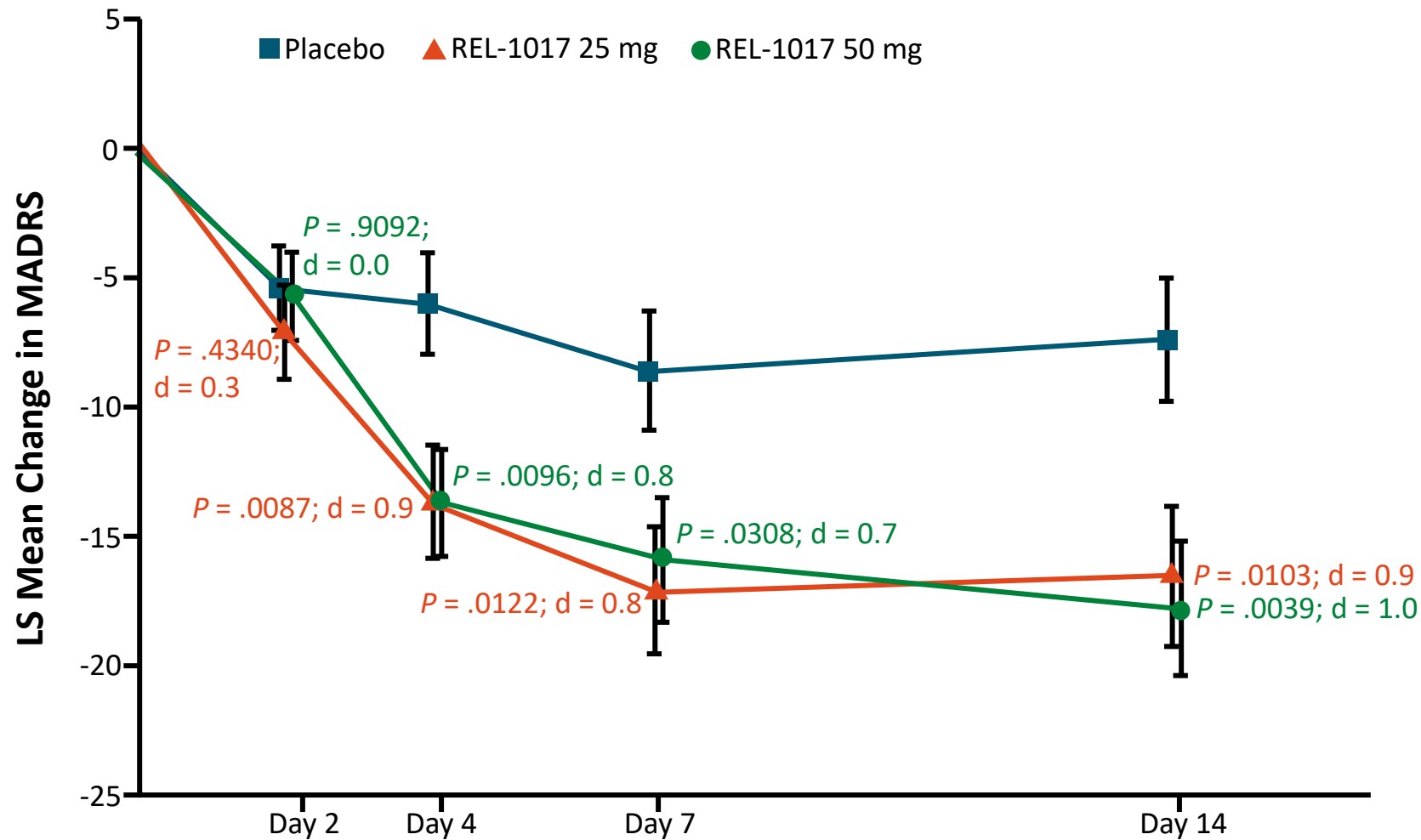
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Aticaprant, Kappa Opioid Receptor Antagonist, Studied as Adjunct for TRD

- Ongoing phase 3 clinical trial (VENTURA-1) investigating aticaprant as augmentation to antidepressant therapy for TRD in patients with moderate-to-severe anhedonia
- Phase 2a study found increased ventral striatum neural activation during reward anticipation and reduced anhedonia (SHAPS) with aticaprant treatment (JNJ-67953964)

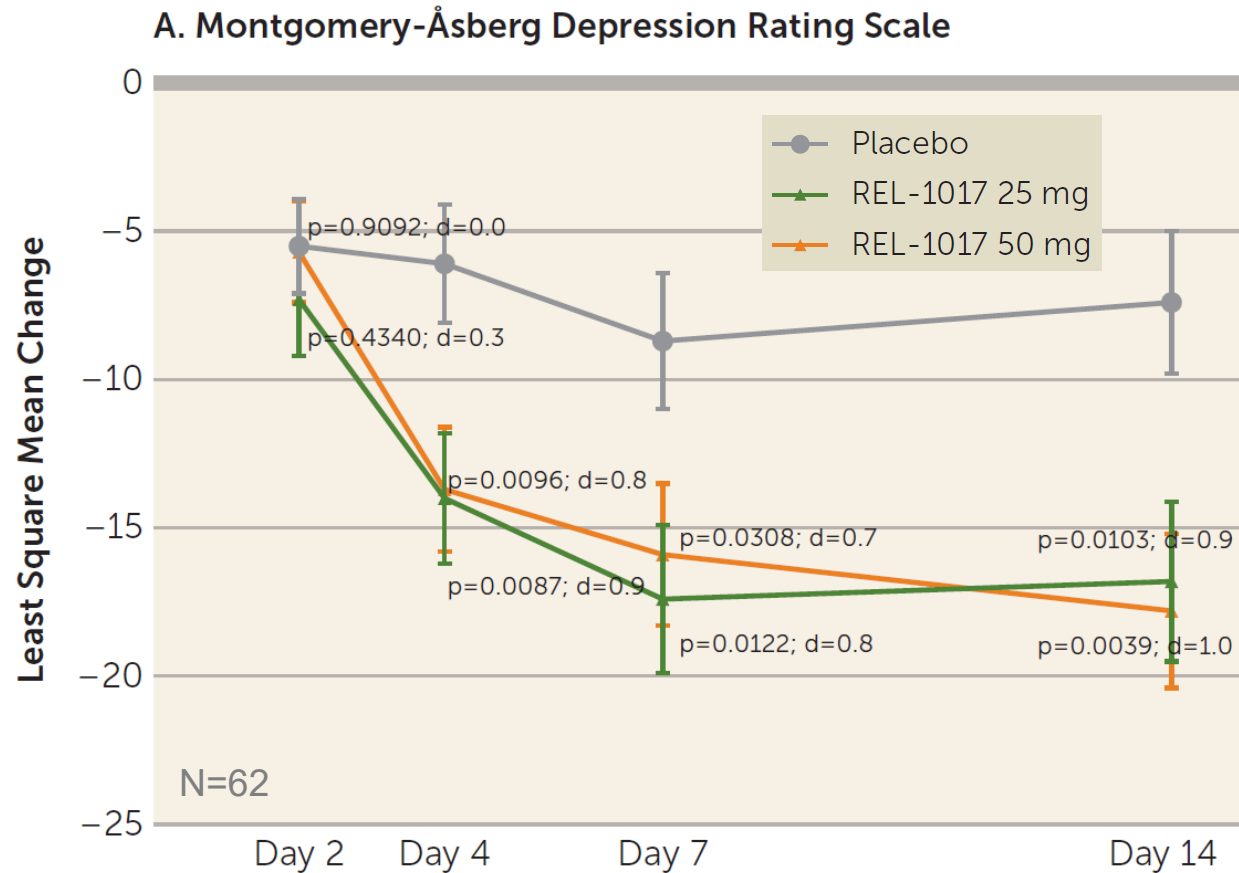


Rel-1017: Adjunctive Treatment for MDD



- REL-1017: “esmethadone”
- NMDAR antagonist
- Significantly increased plasma levels of BDNF with effects on neural plasticity

Efficacy and Safety of REL-1017 (Esmethadone) as Adjunctive Treatment in MDD: A Phase 2a Randomized Double-Blind Trial



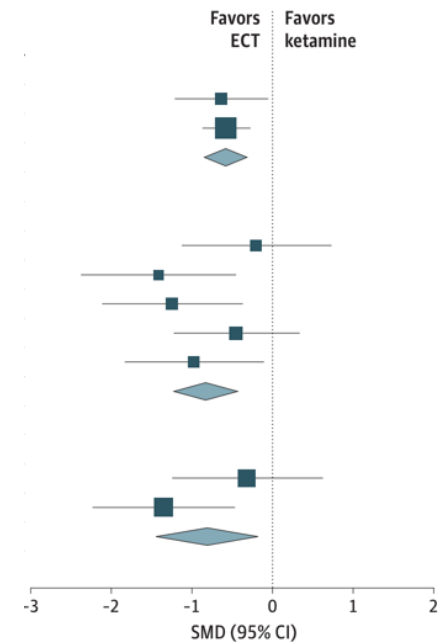
- The most common treatment-emergent adverse events that occurred in at least 5% of all patients were headache, constipation, nausea, and somnolence
- No evidence of dissociative or psychotomimetic effects, opioid effects, or withdrawal signs and symptoms

Goodwin et al NEJM 2022

Efficacy and Safety of Ketamine vs Electroconvulsive Therapy Among Patients With Major Depressive Episode A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

Severity of Depressive Symptoms Between Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) and Ketamine in Patients With Major Depressive Episode

Study	ECT		Ketamine		SMD (95% CI)
	Total	Mean (SD)	Total	Mean (SD)	
MADRS					
Basso et al, ³⁶ 2020	24	-17.420 (7.4900)	25	-13.000 (6.1500)	-0.636 (-1.211 to -0.061)
Ekstrand et al, ³⁷ 2021	91	-22.300 (9.6100)	95	-16.200 (11.3500)	-0.577 (-0.870 to -0.283)
Total (95% CI)	115		120		-0.589 (-0.850 to -0.327)
Heterogeneity: $\tau^2=0$; $\chi^2=0.03$; $df=1$; $P=.86$; $I^2=0\%$					
HDRS					
Ghasemi et al, ³⁸ 2014	9	-21.880 (5.8500)	9	-20.670 (5.4200)	-0.204 (-1.131 to 0.723)
Kheirabadi et al, ³⁹ 2019	12	-12.500 (3.5000)	10	-7.700 (2.9500)	-1.415 (-2.371 to -0.458)
Sharma et al, ⁴¹ 2020	13	-21.190 (5.8400)	12	-14.500 (4.3800)	-1.246 (-2.115 to -0.376)
Kheirabadi et al, ⁴⁰ 2020 (IM)	12	-12.330 (5.0300)	15	-10.140 (4.4400)	-0.451 (-1.221 to 0.319)
Kheirabadi et al, ⁴⁰ 2020 (oral)	12	-12.330 (5.0300)	12	-8.170 (2.9800)	-0.972 (-1.826 to -0.117)
Total (95% CI)	58		58		-0.832 (-1.221 to -0.444)
Heterogeneity: $\tau^2=0.0475$; $\chi^2=5.1$; $df=4$; $P=.28$; $I^2=22\%$					
BDI					
Ghasemi et al, ³⁸ 2014	9	-26.780 (8.7000)	9	-23.780 (9.5100)	-0.313 (-1.245 to 0.618)
Sharma et al, ⁴¹ 2020	13	-30.650 (5.7700)	12	-20.450 (8.6800)	-1.350 (-2.233 to -0.466)
Total (95% CI)	22		21		-0.859 (-1.500 to -0.218)
Heterogeneity: $\tau^2=0.3225$; $\chi^2=2.5$; $df=1$; $P=.11$; $I^2=60\%$					



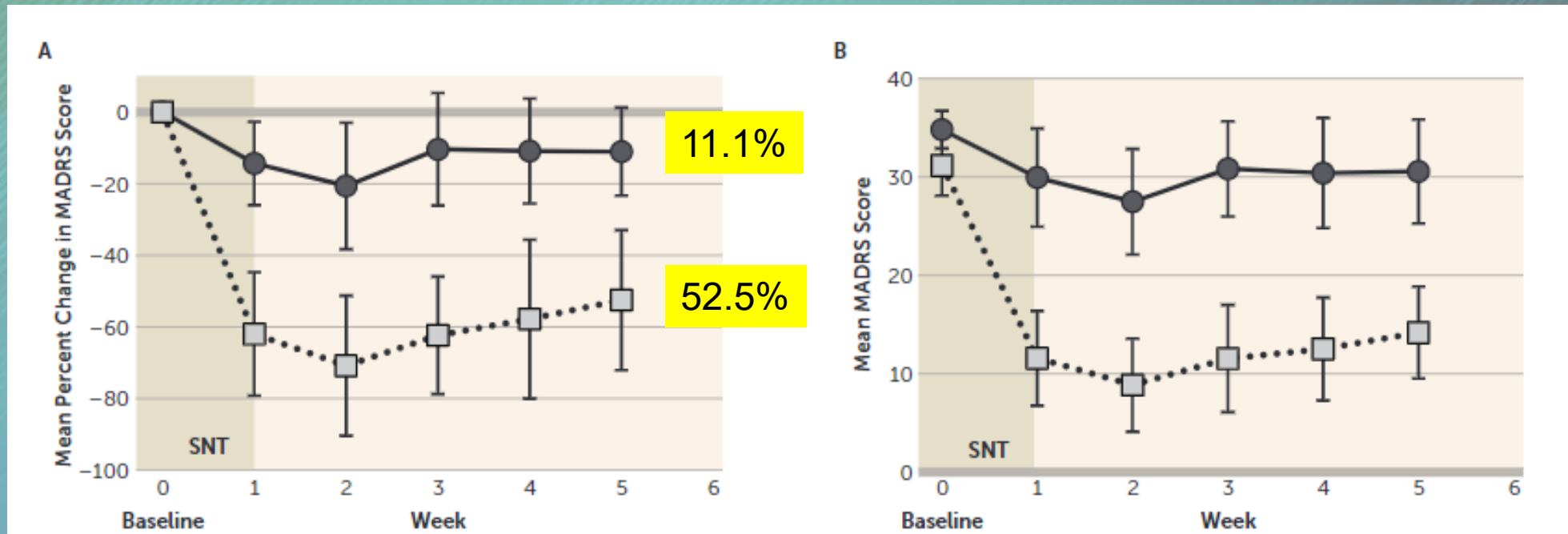
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Theta Burst rTMS: Stanford Neuromodulation Therapy Protocol

Effect sizes: 1.7 1.4 1.8 1.5 1.4

10 sessions over
5 days

18,000 pulses



11.1%

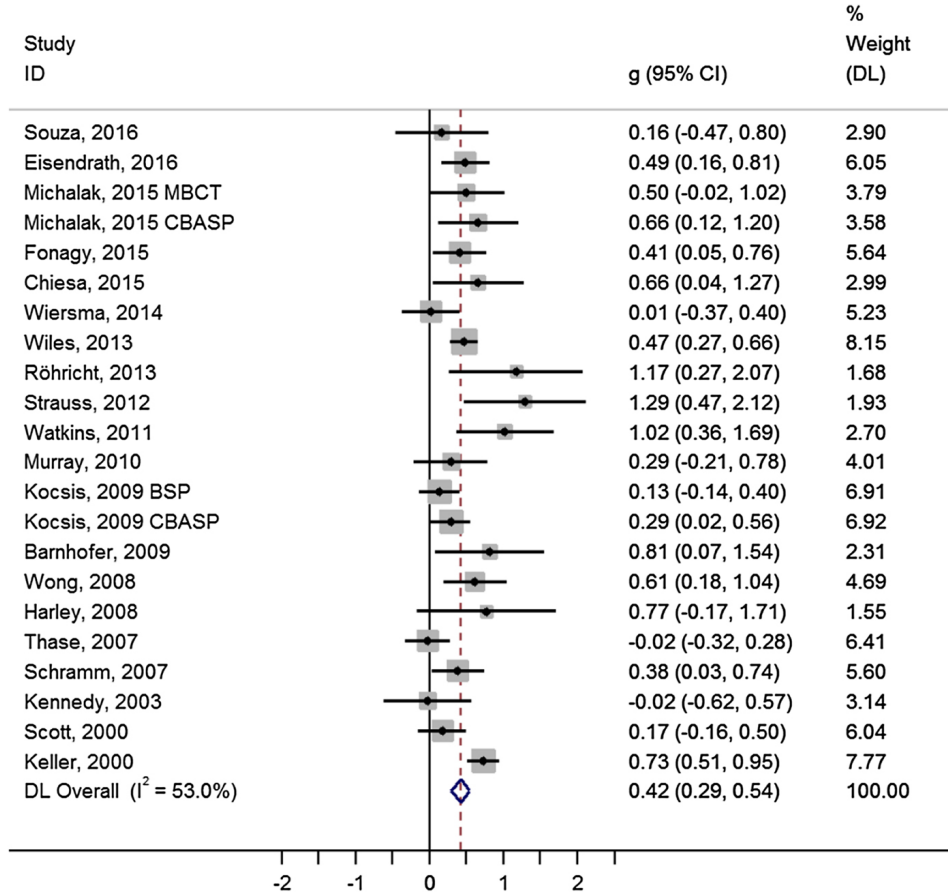
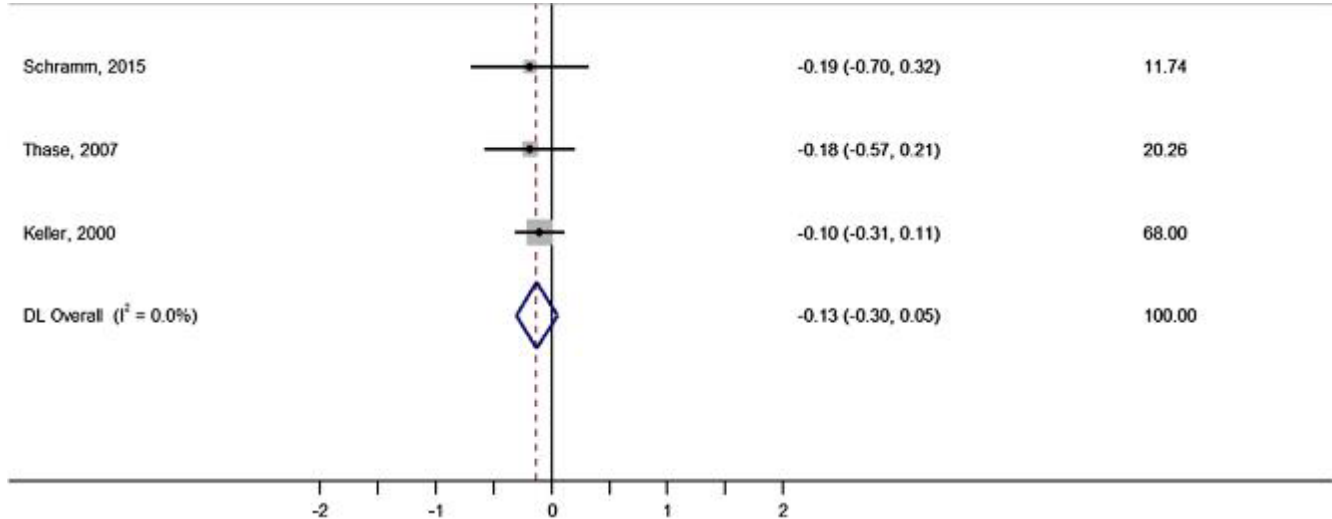
52.5%

At 4-week follow-up: response = 86%
remission = 79%





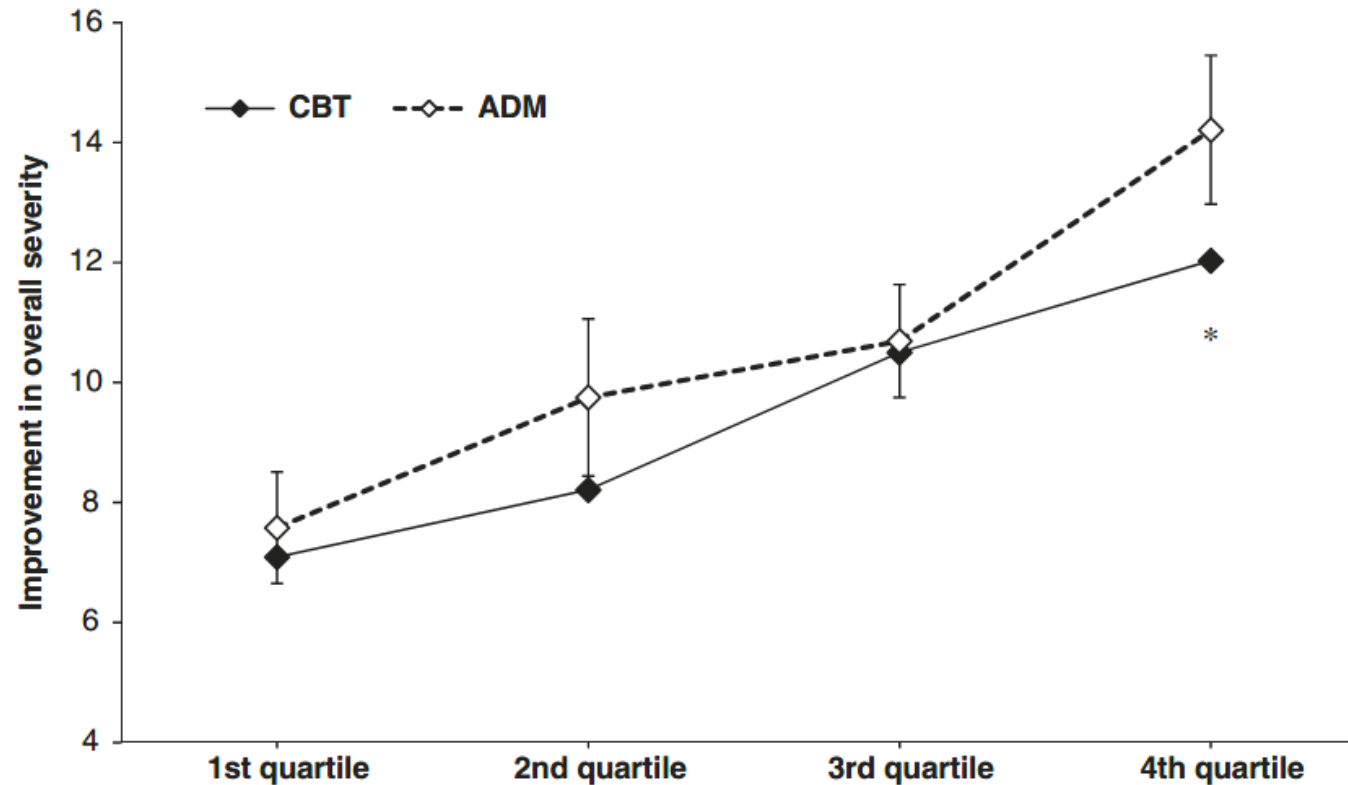
Psychotherapy Not Useful on Its Own But Is Useful in Combination for Treating TRD



Psychotherapy alone not superior to TAU, but effective as adjunct to TAU

TAU; routine treatments such as clinical management and/or the continuation, optimization or next step pharmacotherapy.

Antidepressants Are More Effective Than Psychotherapy in Targeting Fatigue, Cognitive Impairment, and Motivational Deficits



ADM: antidepressant medication
CBT: cognitive behavioral therapy

Five symptoms (i.e., “depressed mood,” “feelings of guilt,” “suicidal thoughts,” “psychic anxiety,” and “general somatic symptoms”) showed larger improvements in the medication compared to the CBT condition (effect sizes ranging from .13 to .16), whereas no differences were found for the twelve other symptoms.

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