

A PATIENT-CENTERED APPROACH TO CHILD & ADOLESCENT BIPOILAR BIPOILAR





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In 2018 and 2019

WE DISCUSSED

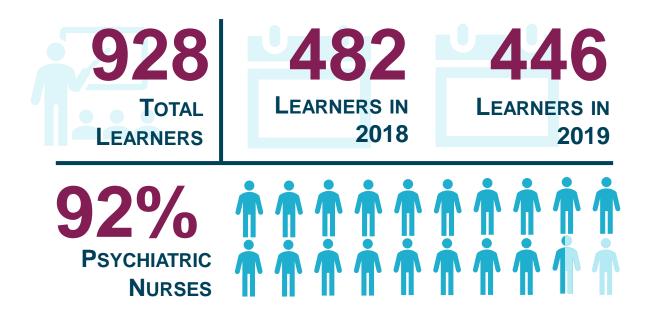


Diagnosing Bipolar Depression in Children and Adolescents



Managing Child and Adolescent Bipolar Depression

PARTICIPANTS





Where Learners Struggled





Deeper Dive: Treatment Selection

Learners were presented with a case: Catherine



Catherine is a teenager with bipolar 1 disorder. She was recently discharged from the hospital following a manic episode.

Over the course of the next several months, her treatment was adjusted based on side effects and mood stability.



When asked to select an appropriate antipsychotic for her, only 31% were able to do so.



Factors Related to Proficiency

Practice Setting

Role in Diagnosis

Confidence







Clinicians practicing in a residential facility were more likely to struggle with treatment selection¹

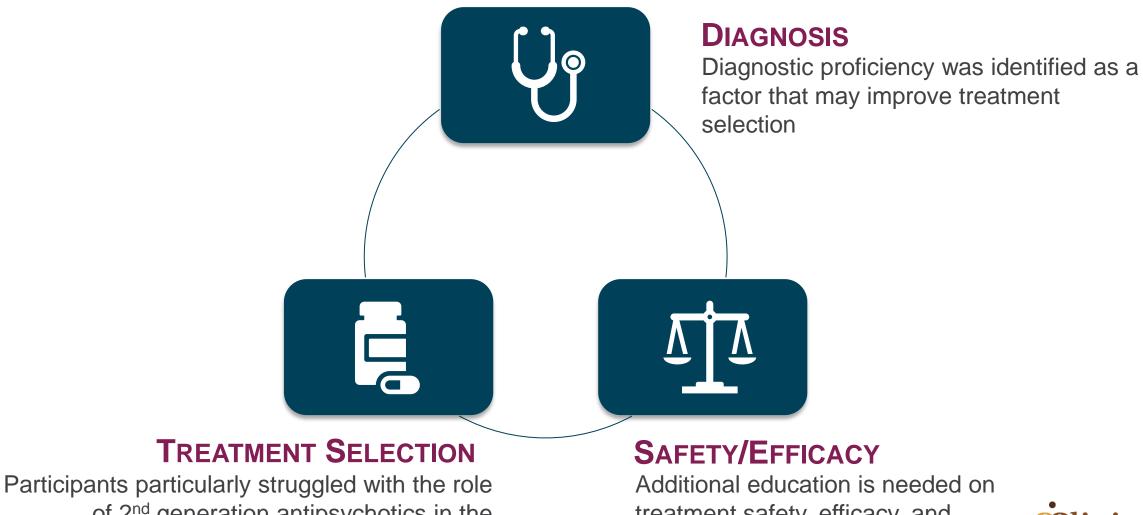
Independent diagnosticians were more likely to excel in treatment selection²

Level of confidence was directly related to proficiency

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- 1. As compared to clinicians practicing in other settings (nonprofits, group practice, university teaching hospitals;
- 2. As compared to clinicians who diagnose in partnership with other clinicians or who do not participate in diagnosis at all.

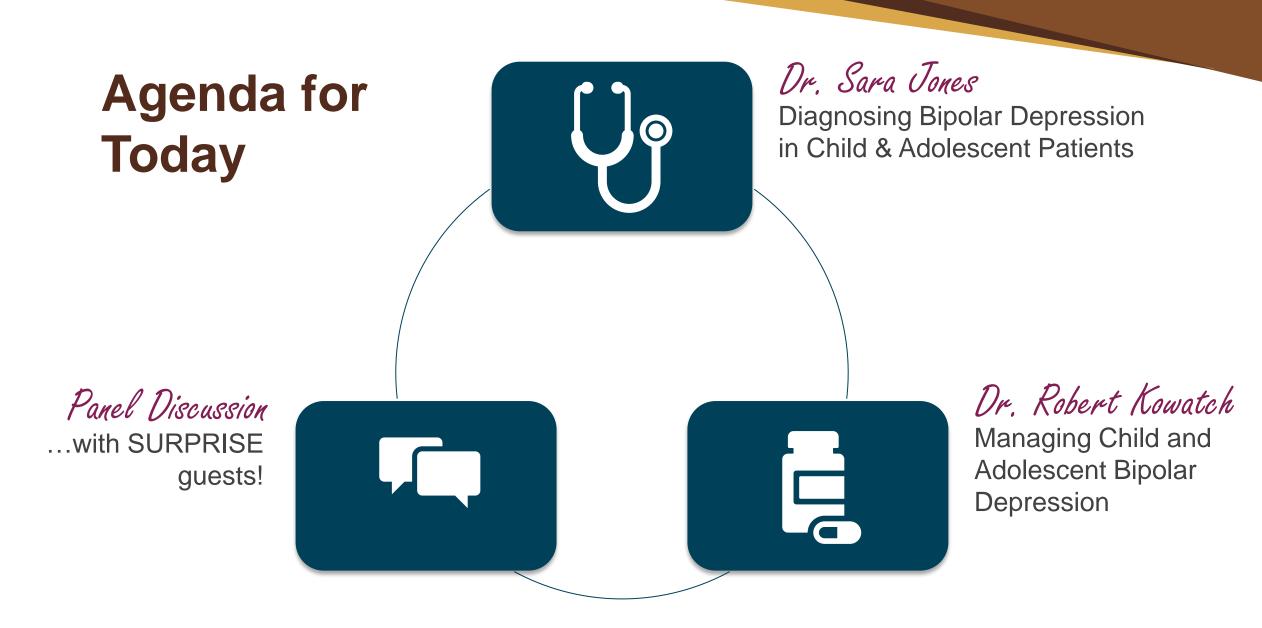
Continued Educational Needs



of 2nd generation antipsychotics in the treatment of pediatric bipolar depression

Additional education is needed of treatment safety, efficacy, and indication







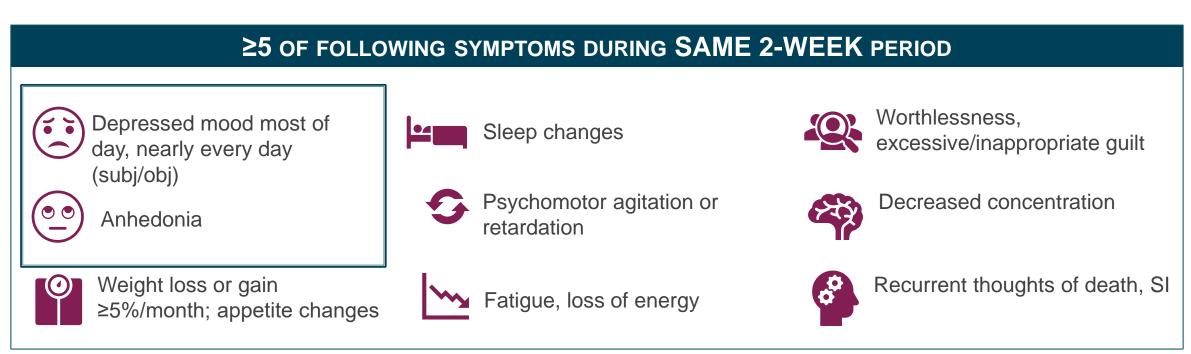
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Diagnosing Bipolar Depression in Child & Adolescent Patients

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Episodes of Depression: Bipolar I & II



AT LEAST 1 symptom must be depressed mood OR anhedonia

Symptoms must result in clinically significant distress and impaired functioning and cannot be caused by medical or substance use conditions



Episodes of Mania (Bipolar I) or Hypomania (Bipolar II)

Distinct period of abnormal, persistently elevated, expansive, or irritable mood, increased goal-directed activity and energy: **Mania** ≥1 week, **Hypomania** = 4 days. Cannot be caused by medical or substance use conditions.

\geq 3 of following symptoms*



Inflated self-esteem or grandiosity



Decreased NEED for sleep



Flight of ideas, racing thoughts

Distractibility



More talkative than usual

* During mood disturbance; 4 if only irritable

Mania: Severe symptoms that causes marked impairment in functioning Hypomania: Change in functioning uncharacteristic for individual, but not severe enough to cause marked impairment in functioning; noticed by others*

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Increased goal-directed

activity or psychomotor

Excessive involvement in

potential for negative

consequences

pleasurable activities, high

agitation

Diagnosing Pediatric Bipolar Disorder

Variable Course

Difficulties verbalizing

emotions

PREVALENCE

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~1 to 2% among children and adolescents

DIAGNOSIS

Mania or Hypomania + Major Depression = Bipolar Disorder

.....If only it were that easy 3

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Complexity & Controversies in Diagnosing!

Rapid

Fluctuations



Developmental

stage/issues

High rates of comorbid

disorders

Clinical Case



Maren 16-year-old Female

MEDICAL

- 22q11 deletion syndrome > increases risk of mental health d/o
- Issues with platelets, canal dysplasia, impaired hearing, developmental delays

SOCIAL

- Lives with biological parents, middle-to-upper SES, younger brother, 2 dogs
- Home-schooled, minimal social relationships

PSYCHIATRIC HISTORY

Nationwide (Columbus, OH): 22q11 deletion specialist Seeing me since November 2017: Referred after hospitalization

- Borderline intellectual functioning, ADHD, GAD; recent dx: ASD
- RX: risperidone 1 mg qhs, clonazepam 0.5 mg BID, escitalopram 20 mg



Clinical Case



Maren 16-year-old Female

Initial Evaluation

- Angry "a lot", physically aggressive with brother, daily anxiety, impulsivity, poor sleep (decreased need), binge-eating, elevated energy
- PHQ-9: 8, GAD-7: 12, CMRS-Parent: 18
- Modified escitalopram & risperidone

Follow-ups: 2018 to 2019

- Continued aggression, sleep difficulties, still binge eating
- Lisdexamfetamine: Increased agitation/aggression
- Trial lamotrigine: Improvement in 2 weeks....but rash 🙁
- Oxcarbazapine: Some "really good days, cautiously optimistic," less irritable, improved sleep, no binge eating
 - After 3 months: Increased mood lability, sleep problems, increased isolation
 - Symptoms continue to escalate, considering partial day tx; labs WNL, weekly therapy: Taper off oxcarbazepine, start lithium carbonate



Audience Response Question

Which of the following factors is needed to better differentiate Maren's diagnosis?

- A. History of trauma
- B. Family psychiatric history
- C. Laboratory tests
- D. All of the above

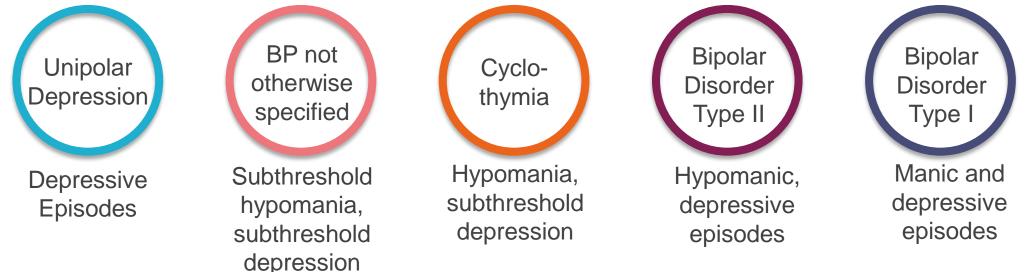


Differential Diagnoses

Unipolar Major Depression (MD)

- Symptoms of unipolar and bipolar MD are identical
- Most depressed youth referred to care are experiencing 1st episode of depression; difficulty to differentiate
- Follow longitudinally with ongoing assessment!

Conventional Diagnostic Classification





Possible Indicators of Bipolar Disorder

Family history Presence of psychosis History of treatmentresistant depression



Significant agitation/aggression in response to psychostimulant



Subsyndromal symptoms of mania in response to antidepressant



History of suicidal ideation/attempt



Mixed states, mood reactivity

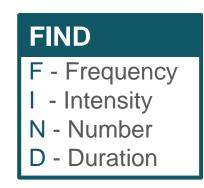


Assessment

- Strong history-taking is imperative!

HISTORY

- Requires careful probing and longitudinal assessment.
- Family psychiatric history
- History of trauma



CAREGIVERS

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Include caregivers and other adults (eg, teachers) in assessment, but DO NOT EXCLUDE the child

IMPAIRMENT

How is functioning being altered?

ADDITIONAL FACTORS

 Age, development, intellect, environment, social support (enmeshment versus neglect)







Pediatrics **Other Symptoms of Interest**

DEPRESSION



In pediatrics, this **can be** irritable mood

PSYCHOSIS



If valid, particularly with depression, may indicate bipolar

DECREASED NEED FOR SLEEP

...especially if the child is not tired the next day

"PLEASURABLE ACTIVITIES"



Inappropriate sexual behaviors without history of sexual trauma; other indulgences (ie, overeating)

MANIA



Increased activity and/or silliness above and beyond what is expected for their developmental stage, not accounted for by the situation

MANIC SYMPTOMS

— Mild/transient manic symptoms may precede or coexist with depression



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Bipolar and Related Disorders

OTHER SPECIFIED BIPOLAR AND RELATED DISORDERS

CYCLOTHYMIC DISORDER





WITH MIXED FEATURES

- MANIA or HYPOMANIA + \geq 3
- depressive SX
- DEPRESSION + ≥3 manic SX
- IF criteria for both are fully met = Manic episode, with mixed features

WITH RAPID CYCLING



- At least 4 mood episodes/12 months;
- can occur in any combination
- Remission may partially/fully occur OR instant switch can occur



DSM-5

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Screening Tools



Clinician-administered Rating Scales

- Young Mania Rating Scale (YMRS): 11 items, ages 5 to 17 years
- Columbia-Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS)



Parent-administered Rating Scales

- Young Mania Rate Scale Parent (P-YMRS): 11 items, ages 5 to 17 years
- Child Mania Rating Scale Parents (CMRS-P): 21 items
- The Children Behavior Checklist (CBCL; parent-report): Used to assess general psychopathology, can also screen for bipolar disorder
 *Parental reports: More effective in identifying mania than youth or teacher



Youth Focused

- General Behavior Inventory (GBI): 73 items, broad mood assistant
- Daily Mood Journal





FOLLOW-UP 1

Presentation: Symptoms persisted, but "no worse;" risk for hurting brother, self, and elopement

Treatment Plan: Taper off lithium, start lurasidone; modified risperidone & escitalopram

5 MONTHS

Presentation: Increased irritability, defiance, fighting with brother, poor sleep. Started new school, much improvement in mood and behavior, follows rules.

Treatment Plan: Tried to decrease risperidone d/t irregular menstruation, very volatile; Gradually increased mood lability>>depression>>daily SI

2019

Assessment: CMRS-Parent = 31 CC: "Things aren't good" Presentation: Erratic sleep, irritability, isolation, poor hygiene, poor self-esteem, decline in school performance Patient Report: Depression, thoughts of self-harm, "always unhappy" Treatment Plan: Increased lithium carbonate, altered risperidone doses

FOLLOW-UP 2

Presentation: Happier, denies SI, brighter, better sleep, no eating issues **Treatment Plan**: No change

MID-2019

Hospitalized. F/U: Consult with specialist and genetic testing





Risks Associated with Misdiagnosis

DIFFICULTY WITH DIAGNOSIS

• Variability in clinical presentation can make diagnosis difficult!



- Obscured by comorbidities and overlapping symptoms of other psychiatric disorders
- Can take up to 10 years to properly diagnose
- Presentation of early onset is typically more severe, but takes longer to diagnose

RISKS OF MISDIAGNOSIS



- Expose them to medications with risk of serious side effects and little benefit
- Highest risk for suicide: 32% lifetime risk

FAILING TO DIAGNOSE...



- Leaves them with untreated illness that may affect normal development
- May expose them to the adverse effects of medications for inaccurately diagnosed conditions



Differential Diagnoses



Most Confused

- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)
- Conduct disorder
- Disruptive mood dysregulation disorder (DMDD)
- Oppositional defiant disorder
- Intermittent explosive disorder



Symptoms Occurring Mainly in Bipolar and Rarely in Above

- Euphoria
- Grandiosity
- Decreased NEED for sleep
- Hypersexuality
- Hallucinations and/or delusions



Bipolar Disorder versus ADHD

If the ADHD symptoms	If the child with ADHD
Appeared later in life (≥12 years old)	Has hallucinations and/or delusions
Appeared abruptly in an otherwise healthy child	Has recurrent severe mood swings, temper outbursts, or rages
Were responding to psychostimulant medications and now are not	Begins to have periods of exaggerated elation, grandiosity, depression, less need for sleep, or inappropriate sexual behaviors
Fluctuate and tend to occur with mood changes	Has a strong family history of bipolar disorder, particularly if not responding to ADHD treatment

SUSPECT BIPOLAR DISORDER



Bipolar Disorder versus ODD or CD

If the behavior problems	If the child has/had
Only occur when the child is in the midst of an episode of mania or depression	Severe behavior problems that are not responding to treatment
Disappear when mood symptoms improve	"Off and on" oppositional or conduct symptoms
	Family history of bipolar disorder

OTHER DIFFERENTIALS:

- Anxiety disorders
 - Comorbidity ranges from 40% to 66%
 - Typical onset: Prior to 1st manic episode
- Schizophrenia
 - Very rare; must R/O mood disorder

- Autism spectrum disorder
 - Can present with mood lability, aggression, and agitation
- Disruptive mood dysregulation disorder
 - Constant irritability; not episodic
- Substance use disorder
 - May self-medicate if underlying mood d/o

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Differential Diagnosis: Other Considerations

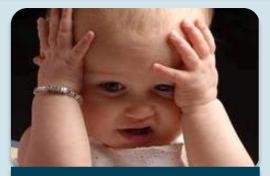


Chronic symptoms (hyperactivity, distractibility) should not be considered evidence of mania unless:

Occur episodically Clearly intensify with onset of mood symptoms



Prolonged presentations of maniclike symptoms that do not change in intensity should raise possibility of a diagnosis other than bipolar disorder



A child CAN have cooccurring disorders: Estimated to occur in over 50% with bipolar I*



Always consider: Social stressors, adjustment issues Medical problems Trauma history



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Maren Today

SO. MUCH. GROWTH!

CURRENT DIAGNOSIS

Bipolar I Disorder, in full remission

MEDICATION

Escitalopram, 10 mg Risperidone, 2 mg Aripiprazole, 10 mg Clonazepam, 0.5 mg qam/1 mg qhs



NONPHARMACOLOGIC THERAPY

Therapy every other week: CBT, MI Journaling, writing, YouTube Channel Yoga and Meditation "Self-care" days



Managing Child and Adolescent Bipolar Depression

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Program Outline

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT BIPOLAR DISORDER (BPD) DEPRESSION

Current FDA-approved treatment options



Evidence for emerging and novel treatments



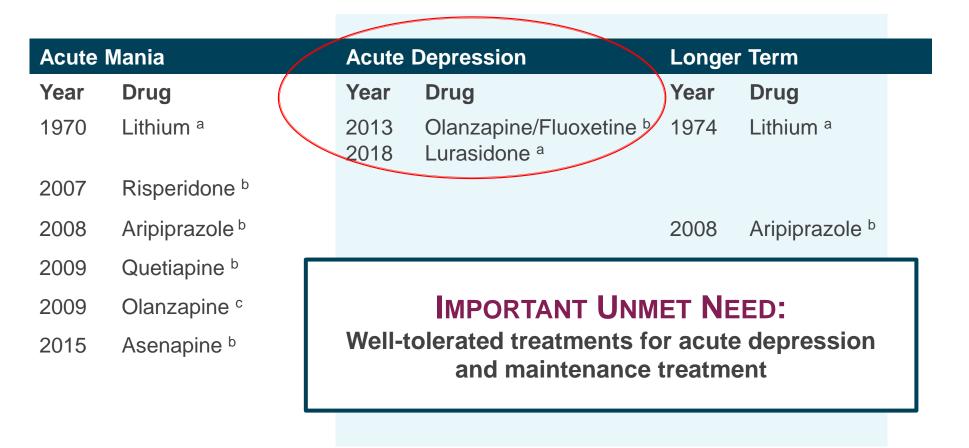
Combination therapy



Psychosocial Interventions



FDA Indicated Agents for Pediatric Bipolar Disorder

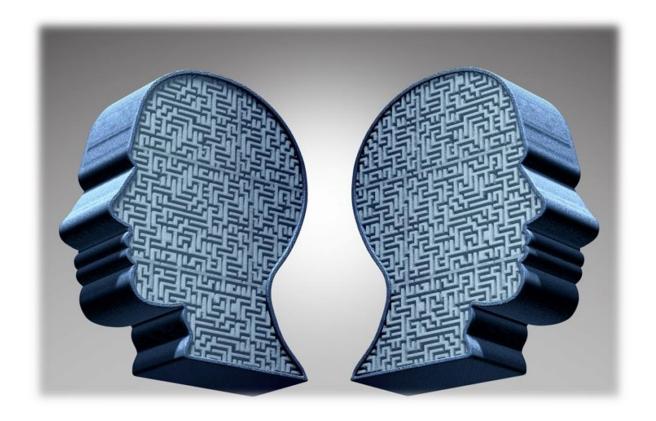




*Adjunctive (as well as monotherapy); ^aAges 7 to 17; ^bAges 10 to 17; ^cAges 13 to 17

Therapeutic Approaches For Bipolar Depression

- Pharmacotherapy
 - Antidepressants
 - Lithium
 - Antipsychotics
 - Quetiapine
 - Olanzapine/Fluoxetine (OFC)
 - Lurasidone
 - Antiepileptics
 - Lamotrigine
- Psychosocial Interventions





Antidepressants

SSRIs



Agents: Fluoxetine, escitalopram, paroxetine, others



Concerns: Potential P450 interactions with atypical antipsychotics, particularly with agents listed above; Large concern about inducing mania or rapid cycling



Advantages: Can also be used to treat anxiety, OCD

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Agents: Bupropion

Others





SSRI Induced Mania



DEMOGRAPHY

May be seen in as high as 50% of children with bipolar disorder



DIFFERENTIAL

Not to be confused with "behavioral disinhibition"



SUICIDALITY

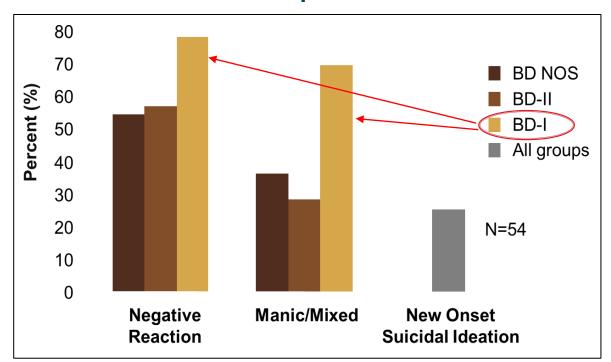
May account for reports of increased suicidality in children treated with SSRIs



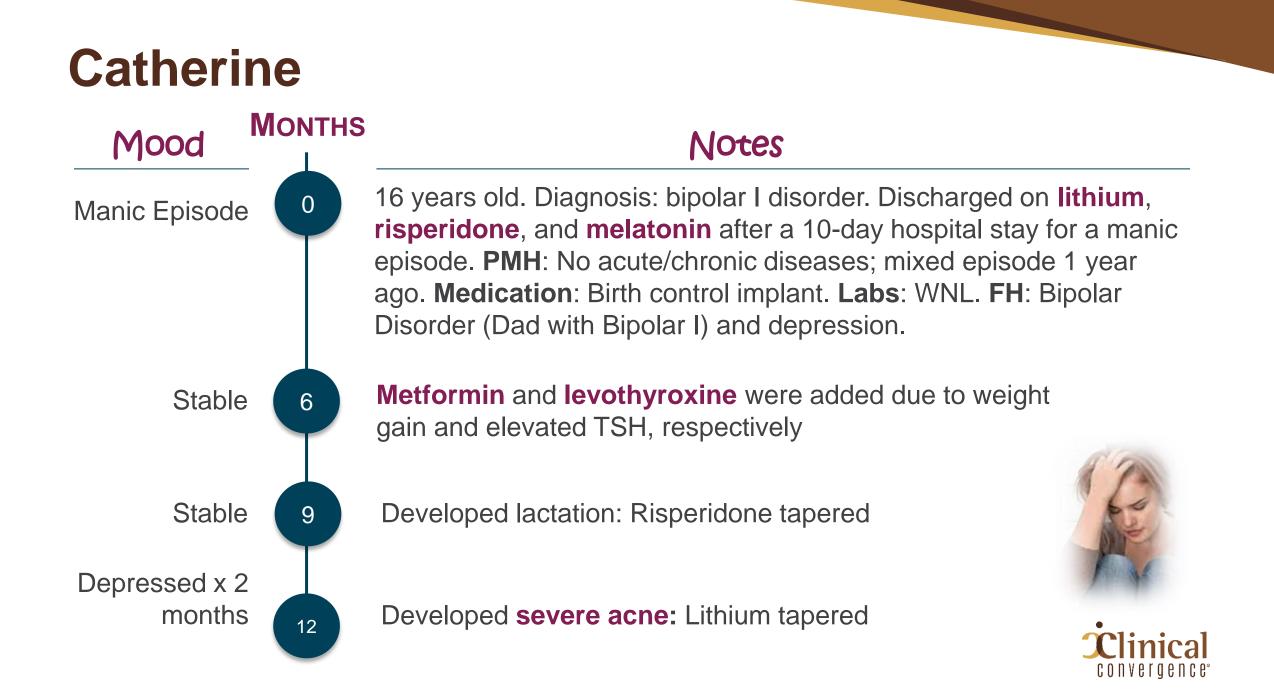
RISK FACTORS IN PATIENTS WITH DEPRESSION

Bipolar family history Psychomotor retardation Atypical depression Acute onset of depression

Negative Reactions to Antidepressants in Pediatric Bipolar Disorder







Audience Response Question

What would you do next?

- A. Start aripiprazole
- B. Start quetiapine
- C. Start olanzapine/fluoxetine
- D. Start lurasidone



Lithium

FDA Indication: For the treatment of manic episodes of manic-depressive illness. **Pediatrics: Ages 7 to 17 years**



STUDY

Lithium for adolescent BP I depression



DESIGN

42-day prospective open-label, N=30

SUBJECTS Lithium titrated to level of 1.0 to 1.2 mEq/L (Mean = 1.1 + 0.2 mEq/L)

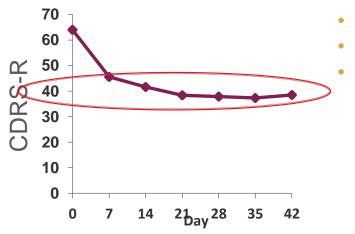
Patel NC, et al. J Am Acad Child Adolesc Psychiatry. 2006;45(3):289-297.



RESULTS

EFFICACY

SAFETY



- Headache (74%),
- Nausea/vomiting (67%)
- Polyuria/polydypsia (37%)

Management of Common Lithium Side Effects

System	Side Effect	Tactic	
Central Nervous System	Tremor, sedation, headache	Use a slow-release formulation dose twice daily	
Dermatological	Acne	Collaborative with primary care physician for management of acne	
Endocrine	Hypothyroidism	Consult with endocrinologist, augment with T3	
Gastrointestinal	Nausea, diarrhea	Split into 2 to 3 daily doses; Use a slow release formulation	
Metabolic	Weight gain	Encourage diet and exercise; Consider a trial of Metformin ¹	
Renal	Polyuria, decreases in renal function	Write note to allow for frequent trips to the bathroom during school; monitor serum creatinine or creatinine clearance, BUN and urine osmolality every 6 months	



Lamotrigine

STUDY

Adjunctive Maintenance Lamotrigine for Pediatric Bipolar I Depression



Placebo-Controlled, Randomized Withdrawal Study



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SUBJECTS Patients with BP I receiving conventional treatment Ages: 10 to 17 years

TREATMENT

Open-Label Phase: Lamotrigine x18 weeks **Double-Blind Phase:** Patients maintaining a stable lamotrigine dose for 2 weeks and a CGI-BP[S] score of 3 for 6 consecutive weeks were randomized to double-blinded treatment for up to 36 weeks

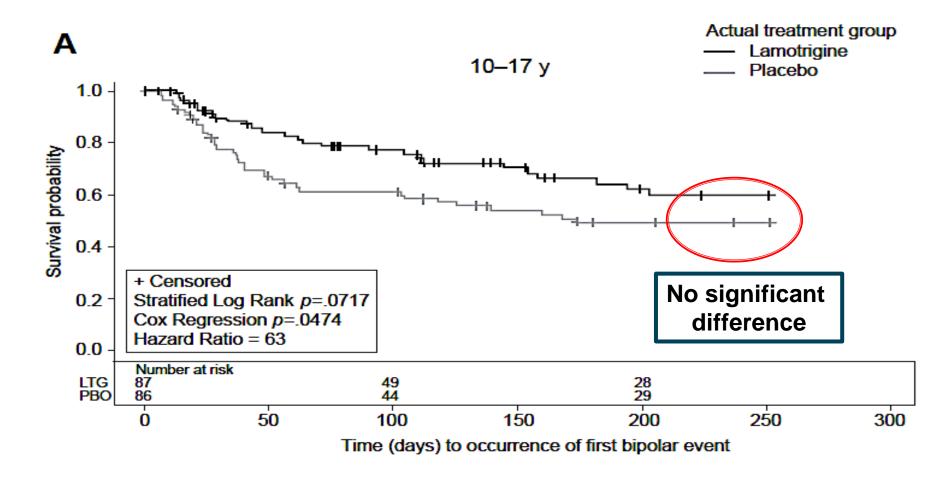


CGI-BP[S], Clinical Global Impression–Bipolar Severity of Illness

Finding RL, et al. J Am Acad Child Adolesc Psychiatry. 2015;54(12):1020-1031.

Lamotrigine

TIME TO THE OCCURRENCE OF A BIPOLAR EVENT (TOBE)



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Quetiapine

STUDY

Quetiapine XR versus Placebo for Pediatric Bipolar Depression



SUBJECTS BP I or II Current Episode: Depressed Ages: 10 to 17 years

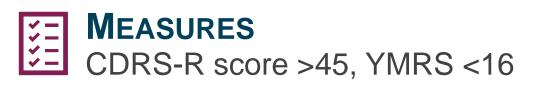
DBPC, Double blind, placebo controlled

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8 weeks of monotherapy, titrated according to schedule up to 150 to 300 mg/day

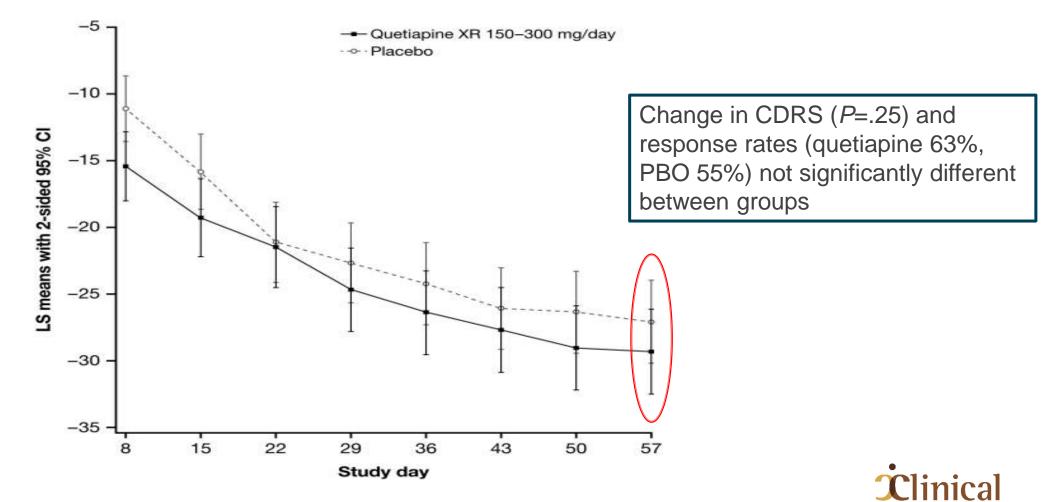
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
50 mg	100 mg	150 mg





Quetiapine

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Olanzapine/Fluoxetine

FDA Indications:

(1) Acute depressive episodes associated with bipolar I disorder; (2) Treatment resistant depression



STUDY

Olanzapine/Fluoxetine versus Placebo for Pediatric Bipolar Depression



DESIGN

2:1 Randomized Double-blind Placebo-controlled Trial, N=255

SUBJECTS BP I Inpatients or Outpatients Current Episode: Depressed Ages: 10 to 17 years

Detke HC, et al. J Am Acad Child Adolesc Psychiatry. 2015;54(3):217-224.



TREATMENT

GFC (6/25 to 12/50 mg/day) or placebo for up to 8 weeks

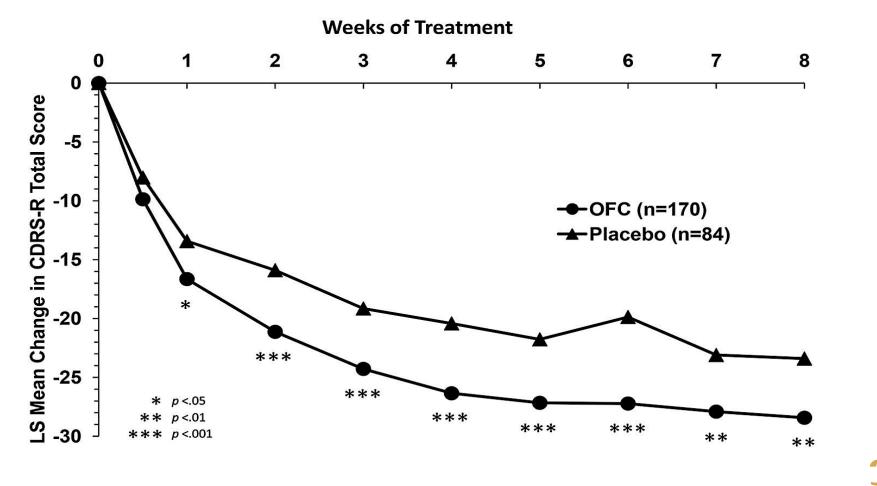
MEASURES * | | | | |

Baseline CDRS-R ≥40 and YMRS ≤15 Primary Outcome: CDRS-R total score via MMRM methodology



Olanzapine/Fluoxetine

CHANGE IN CDRS-R TOTAL SCORE

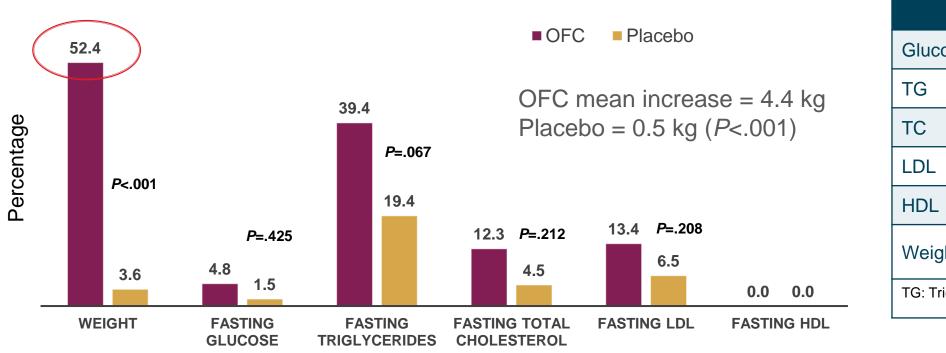


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Olanzapine/Fluoxetine

CHANGES IN WEIGHT, GLUCOSE, AND LIPIDS



	Baseline (mg/dL)	Fasting (mg/dL)		
Glucose	<100	≥126		
TG	<90	≥130		
тс	<170	≥200		
LDL	<110	≥130		
HDL	>65	<35		
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TG: Triglycerides, TC: Total Cholesterol				



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2nd Generation Antipsychotic Lurasidone

FDA Indications: (1) Adult schizophrenia; (2) Bipolar depression in adults taking lithium or valproate; (3) Bipolar depression in adults, children, teens (10 to 17 years) on its own



STUDY

Efficacy and Safety of Lurasidone in Children/Adolescents with BP I Depression





TREATMENT

Lurasidone (flexible dosing of 20 to 80 mg/day) or placebo for 6 weeks



PHARMACOLOGY

MEASURES

Antagonist: D₂, 5-HT_{2A}, 5-HT₇ receptors **Partial Agonist:** 5-HT_{1A} receptors

Baseline CDRS-R \geq 40 and YMRS \leq 15

Primary Outcome: CDRS-R

SUBJECTS Patients with BP I Depression Ages: 10 to 17 years

CDRS-R, Children's Depression Rating Scale–Revised; DBPC, Double Blind Placebo Controlled

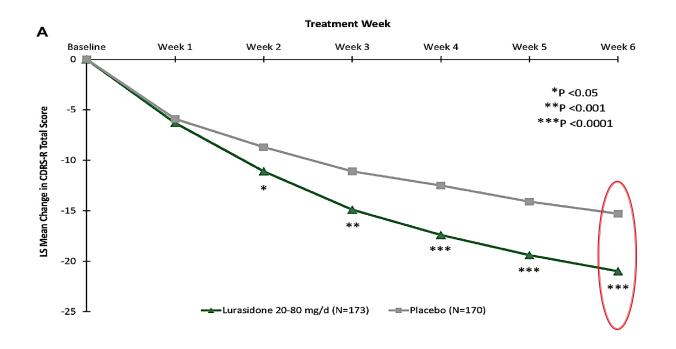
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Lurasidone

PRIMARY ENDPOINT

CDRS-R Total Score Change From Baseline



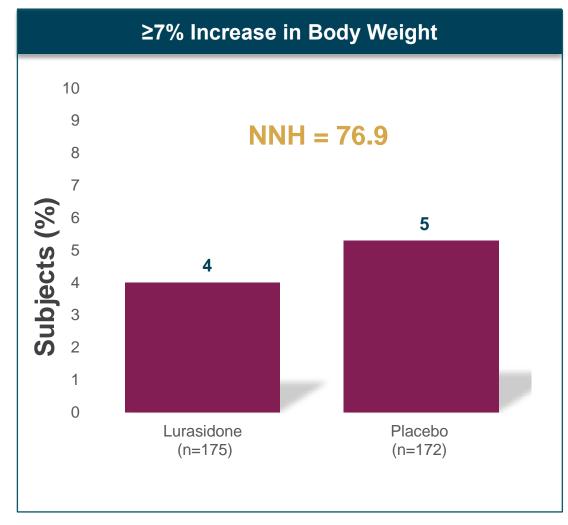
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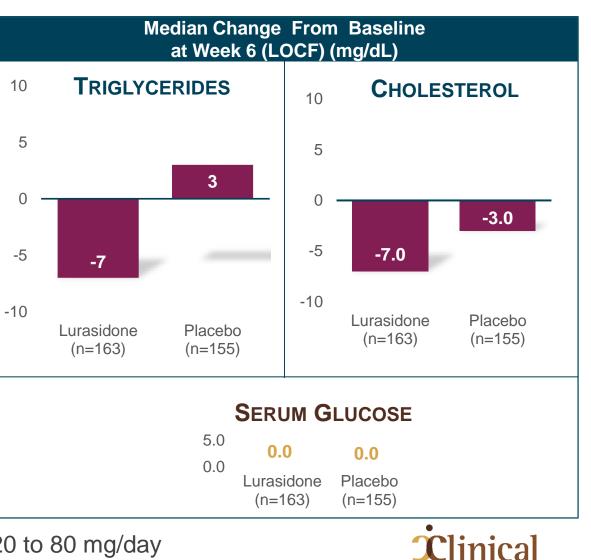
Adverse Event	Lurasidone	Placebo
Nausea	16%	5.8%
Somnolence	11%	5.8%
↑Weight	6.9%	1.7%
Vomiting	6.3%	3.5 %
Dizziness	5.7%	4.7%
Insomnia	5.1%	2.3%



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weight and Metabolics Lurasidone





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Lurasidone dose: 20 to 80 mg/day

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Psychosocial Interventions for Bipolar Disorder



Psychoeducation

 Multi-Family Psychoeducational Psychotherapy (MF-PEP)



Dialectical Behavioral Therapy

Suicidality

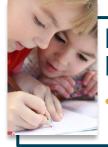


Cognitive Behavioral Therapy

Depression and anxiety



Circadian Rhythm Hygiene

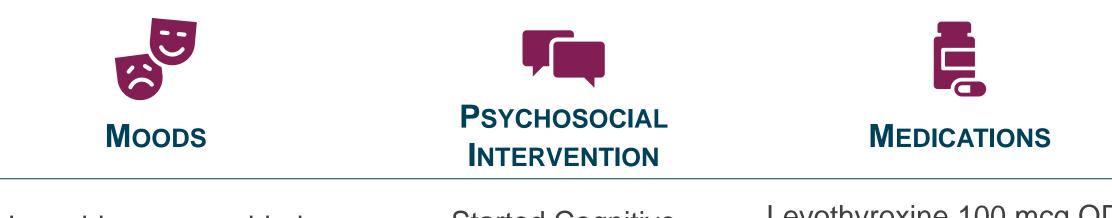


Intensive Behavioral/ Environmental Interventions

 Wraparound services; emotional support classes; approved private schools; partial hospitalization



Case: Catherine Now



Lurasidone was added and she is stable on her current regimen

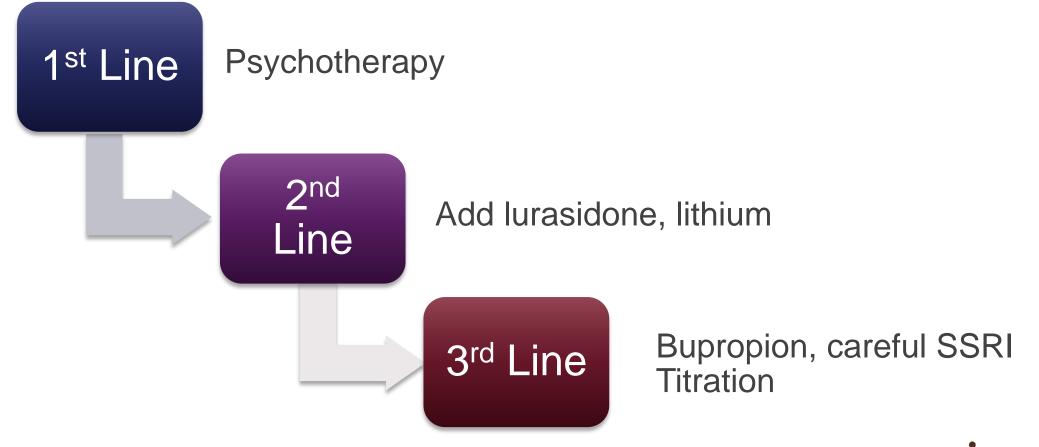
No longer depressed

Euthymic

Started Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Levothyroxine 100 mcg QD Lurasidone 20 mg QD Metformin 500 mg BID Valproate 1500 mg QD (for hypomanic symptoms)



Summary of Treatment for Pediatric Bipolar Depression





Panel Discussion



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