

# **Mood Disorders**

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### **Objectives**

- Mood, affect, mood disorders (mood D/O's)
- Nosology, epidemiology, treatment (tx) of:
  - Major depressive disorder (MDD)
  - Persistent depressive disorder
  - Premenstrual dysphoric disorder
  - Disruptive mood dysregulation disorder

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### Mood v. Affect

"mood"

- a sustained emotional attitude
- typically garnered through pt self-report

"affect"

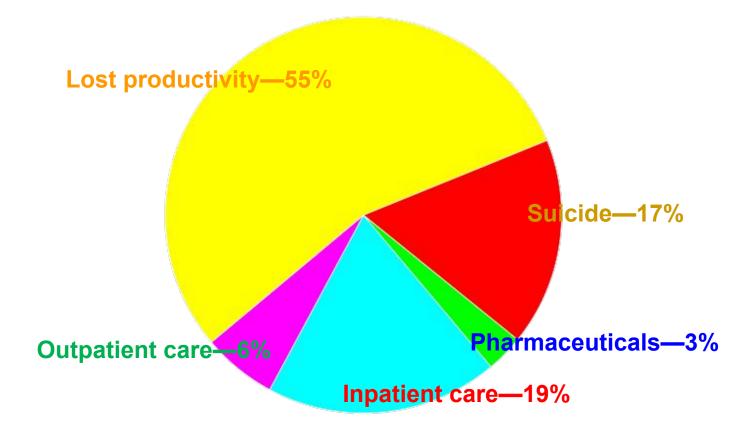
- the way a pt's emotional state is *conveyed*
- relates more to *others'* perception of the pt's emotional state, responsiveness

### Mood disorders

 $\Psi$  conditions where mood is primary, the predominant problem.

# **Major Depressive Disorder**





### **Major Depressive D/O (MDD)**

**Epidemiology** (Kendler et al, 1993; Schlesser & Altshuler, 1983)

- · leading cause of disability among adults under 45y of age
- lifetime prevalence of 12% in 3, 20% in 9
- relative risk (RR) of 2-3 in 1° relatives of probands; 41%:13% (monozygotic: dizygotic) concordance
- incidence peaks in 20s (but onset in late life not uncommon)

| Sleep<br>Interest<br>Guilt                         |  |
|--|--|
| Energy   |  |
| Concentration<br>Appetite<br>Psychomoto<br>Suicide |  |

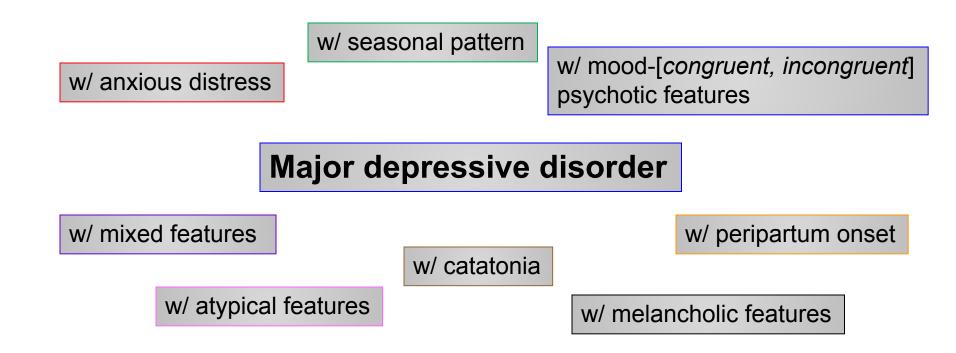
### **Question:**

When does a major depressive episode (MDE) ≠ Major Depressive Disorder?

### **Major Depressive D/O (MDD)**

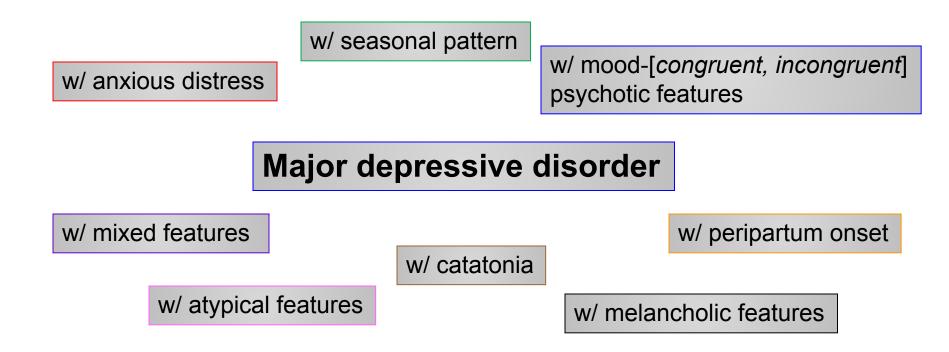
EXCLUSIONS:

- not attributable to a substance/medication or another medical condition
- no prior [endogenous] episodes of mania or hypomania



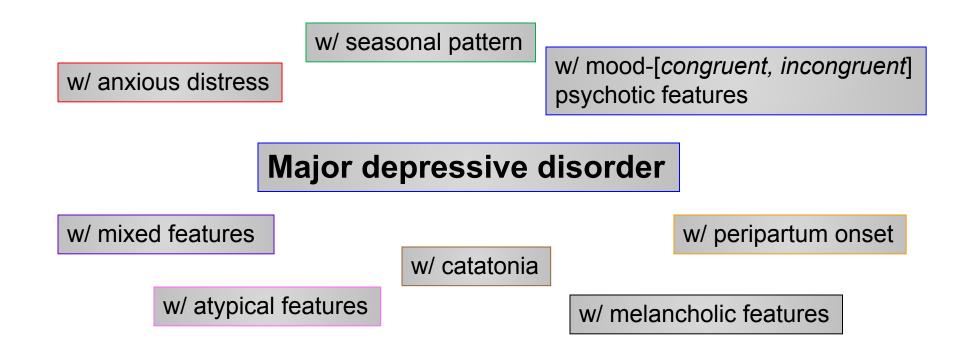
### $\geq$ 2 of the following:

- keyed-up/tense
- unusually restless
- can't concentrate b/c of worry
- fear something awful may happen
- might lose control



#### $\geq$ 3 of the following nearly everyday during an MDE:

[drawn from list of sxs for a manic/hypomanic episode, minus distractibility; this list includes elevated/expansive mood, insomnia, grandiose, flight of Ideas, activity (goal-directed), sexual, talkative (i.e., pressured speech)]

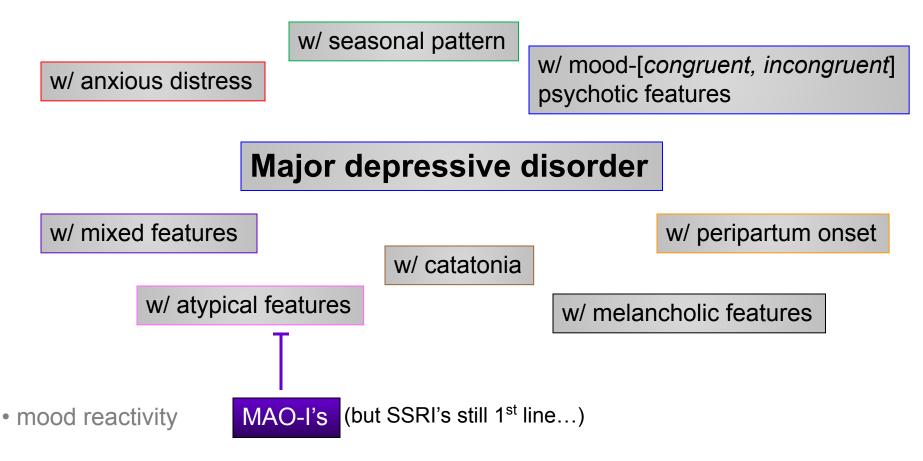


 $\geq$ 1 of the following during the most severe portion of the current episode:

absolute anhedonia or absolute mood non-reactivity

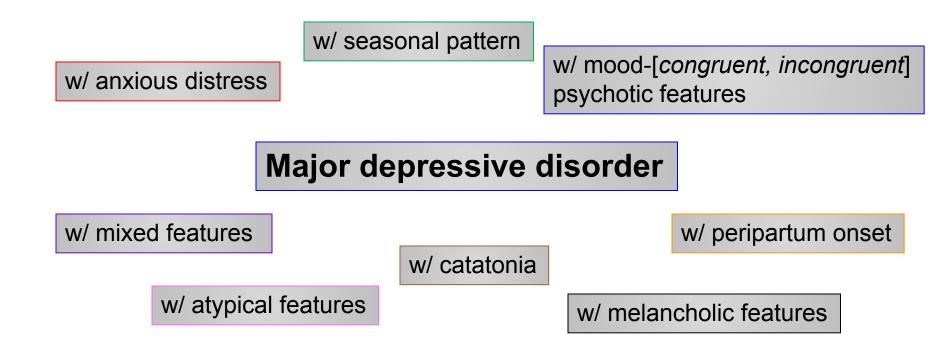
### plus $\geq$ 3 of the following:

- a distinct quality of depressed mood (e.g., worse than prior MDEs)
- worse in the AM
- early AM awakening (by at least 2h)
- marked PMA or PMR
- significant appetite or wt loss
- excessive guilt

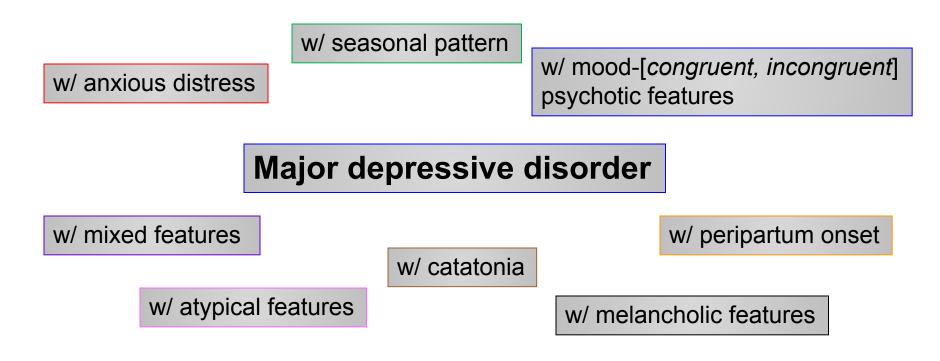


### plus $\geq$ 2 of the following:

- significant appetite or wt increase
- hypersomnia
- long-standing interpersonal rejection sensitivity leading to social/work problems



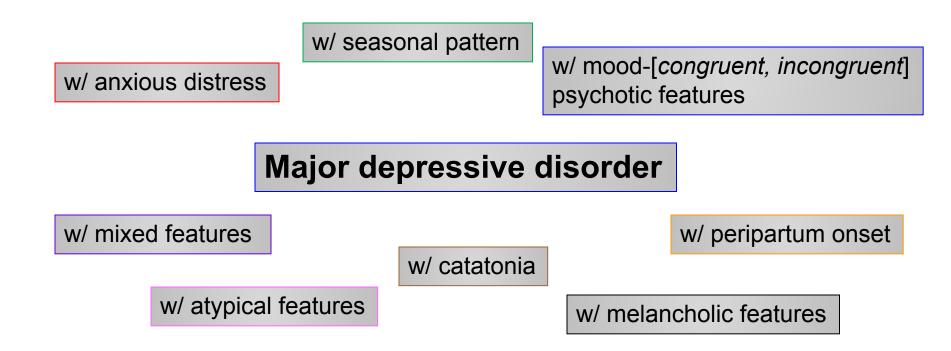
- delusions &/or hallucinations
- examples of congruent delusions: personal inadequacy, guilt, death, nihilism, deserved punishment



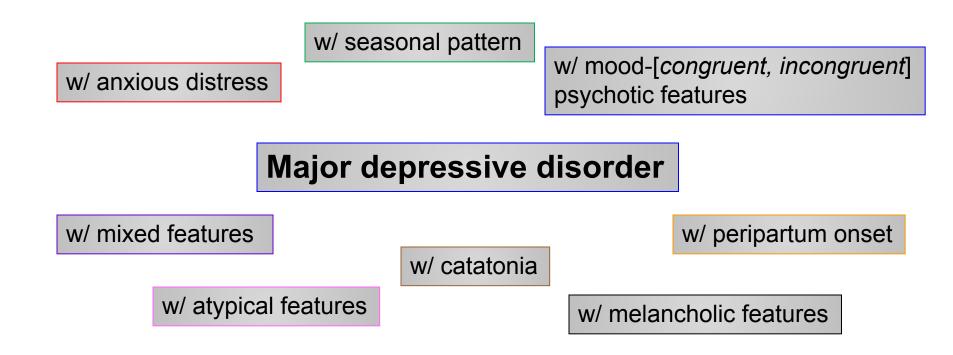
during  $\underline{\text{most}}$  of the episode,  $\geq 3$  of the following:

- stupor
- catalepsy (passive induction of a posture held against gravity)
- waxy flexibility
- mutism
- negativism
- posturing (spontaneous, maintenance against gravity)

- mannerism (odd cariacture of a normal action)
- stereotypy
- agitation (indep of external stimulus)
- grimacing
- echolalia or echopraxia



• <u>during</u> pregnancy or in the 4wks after delivery



- relapses and remissions occur at characteristic times of the year
- at least 2 seasonal MDE's in the last 2y (and no non-seasonal MDEs during this period)
- seasonal episodes outnumber non-seasonal episodes (lifetime)

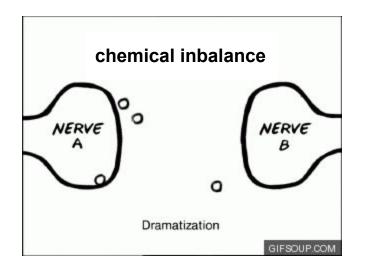
If a patient always gets depressed with season unemployment (or the beginning of the school year), would we call this '*w*/ seasonal pattern?' No.

### The monoamine hypothesis (1965)

iproniazid (1957) imipramine (1959)

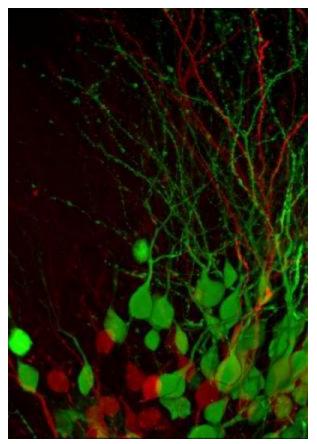


Joseph Schildkraut



### **Question:**

Do antidepressants have additional actions besides inhibition of reuptake transporters?



<u>Chronic antidepressant treatment increases neurogenesis in adult rat</u> hippocampus.

Malberg JE, Eisch AJ, Nestler EJ, Duman RS. *J Neurosci*. 2000 Dec 15;**20**(24):9104-10

Requirement of hippocampal neurogenesis for the behavioral effects of antidepressants.

Santarelli L, Saxe M, Gross C, Surget A, Battaglia F, Dulawa S, Weisstaub N, Lee J, Duman R, Arancio O, Belzung C, Hen R. *Science*. 2003 Aug 8;**301**(5634):805-9.

Depression and antidepressants: insights from knockout of dopamine, serotonin or noradrenaline re-uptake transporters.

Haenisch B, Bönisch H. *Pharmacol Ther*. 2011 Mar;**129**(3):352-68. Epub 2010 Dec 13. Review.

Nicotinic acetylcholine receptor antagonistic activity of monoamine uptake blockers in rat hippocampal slices. Hennings EC, Kiss JP, De Oliveira K, Toth PT, Vizi ES. *J Neurochem*. 1999 Sep;**73**(3):1043-50.

<u>Block of an ether-a-go-go-like K(+) channel by imipramine rescues</u> egl-2 excitation defects in Caenorhabditis elegans. Weinshenker D, Wei A, Salkoff L, Thomas JH. *J Neurosci*. 1999 Nov 15;**19**(22):9831-40.

### Subsequent hypotheses about MDD

altered glutamatergic transmission ↓'d GABAergic transmission monoamine-Ach imbalance

disruption of endogenous opioid signalling neurosteroid deficiencies thyroxine abnormalities

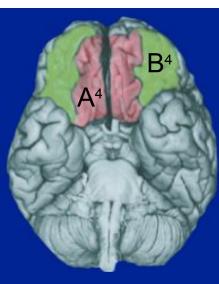
cytokine-mediated x-talk betw immune system & CNS circadian abnormalities

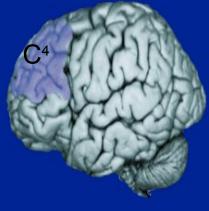
(specific brain structure/circuit dysfxns...)

as summarized in Belmaker RH and Agam G, NEJM 2008, 358:55-68

### Key brain areas involved in regulation of mood

- (A) Ventromedial prefrontal cortex (VMPFC)<sup>1</sup>
  - Modulates pain and aggression, and sexual and eating behaviors
  - Regulates autonomic and neuroendocrine response
- (B) Lateral orbital prefrontal cortex (LOPFC)<sup>2</sup>
  - Activity is increased in depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD), posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and panic disorder
  - Corrects and inhibits maladaptive, perseverative, and emotional responses
- (C) Dorsolateral prefrontal cortex (DLPFC)<sup>3</sup>
  - Cognitive control, solving complex tasks, and manipulation of information in working memory
  - Hypoactivity of DLPFC in depression has been associated with neuropsychological manifestation

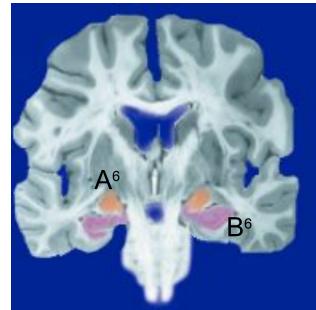




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  - 2000;288(5472):1835-1838.
  - 4. Davidson RJ, et al. Annu Rev Psychol. 2002;53:545-574

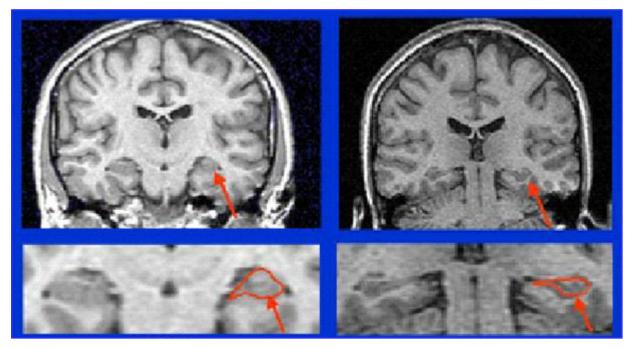
### Key brain areas involved in regulation of mood (cont.)

- (A) Amygdala: regulates cortical arousal neuroendocrine response to surprising and ambiguous stimuli<sup>1</sup>
  - Role in emotional learning and memory
  - Activation of amygdala correlates with degree of depression<sup>2</sup>
  - Implicated in tendency to ruminate on negative memories<sup>2</sup>
- (B) Hippocampus: has a role in episodic, contextual learning and memory<sup>3,4</sup>
  - Rich in corticosteroid receptors<sup>5</sup>
  - Regulatory feedback to hypothalamic-pituitaryadrenal axis
  - Hippocampal dysfunction may be responsible for inappropriate emotional responses



### Brain atrophy in depression?

Atrophy of the Hippocampus in Depression<sup>1</sup>



Normal<sup>2</sup>

Depressio

Bremner JD, et al. *Am J Psychiatry*. 2000;157(1):115-118.
 Images courtesy of J Douglas Bremner, MD, Yale University.

# Major Depression: Cognition

### Learned helplessness (Seligman) (Seligman & Maier, 1967)

- Attribution of lack of control over stress leads to anxiety and depression
- Depressive attributional style is *internal, stable*, and *global*

### **Negative cognitive styles (Beck)**

Depression is the result of negative interpretations (wearing gray instead of rose colored glasses, e.g. Eeyore in Winnie the Pooh)

### **Key Components of Negative Interpretations**

- •Maladaptive attitudes (negative schema) 'I'm no good' (self), 'Others can't be trusted (others) and effort does not pay off (world)
- •Automatic thoughts
- Cognitive triad
- •Errors



# Seligman & Beck



Seligman Attributions are: •Internal •Stable •Global

Beck (NegativeTriad) Negative interpretations about: •Themselves •Immediate world •Future

I am inadequate internal everything (global) and I always will be (stable).

"Dark glasses about why things are bad"

I am not good at school (self). I hate this campus (world). Things are not going to go well in college (future).

"Dark glasses about what is going

# Cognitive theories

• Beck's theory:

Character of pessimism (NegativeTriad) Habits of negativity (Negative schemas) Erroneous thinking (Characteristic biases)

# Characteristic biases

- Arbitrary inference
- Selective abstraction
- Overgeneralization
- Magnification and minimization

## **Behavioral theories**

- Learned helplessness/hopelessness is a behavioral theory with a cognitive twist.
- Reduction in reinforcement leads to a reduction in activity.
- Depressive behaviors *are* reinforced.
- Depressed

# Availability of reinforcers

- The amount of reinforcement available is a function of
  - Personal characteristics
  - Environment or milieu
  - Repertoire

## Interpersonal theory

- Reduced interpersonal support
- Experiences of rejection
  - Due to social structure
    - Inadequate social networks
    - Others may dislike them
  - Elicited by patient
    - Consequences of behavioral choices
    - Critical comments by spouse
  - Poor social skills and seeking reassurance

### **MDD tx options**

- selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs)
  - fluoxetine (PROZAC), 20-80 mg/d
  - citalopram (CELEXA), 20-40 mg/d
  - escitalopram (LEXAPRO), 10-20 mg/d
  - sertraline (ZOLOFT), 50-200 mg/d
  - paroxetine (PAXIL), 20-50 mg/d
- serotonin-norepinephrine reuptake inhibitors (SNRIs)
  - venlafaxine XR (EFFEXOR XR),

37.5-225 mg/d

- desvenlafaxine (PRISTIQ)
- duloxetine (CYMBALTA), 30-120 mg/d

### others

- bupropion SR, XL (WELLBUTRIN) 100-200 mg BID (SR) 150-450 mg/d (XL)
- mirtazapine (REMERON), 15-45 mg/d
- trazodone, 50-200mg/noc (for sleep)
- nefazodone

- tricyclic antidepressants (TCADs) amitriptyline 

   nortriptyline
   imipramine
   desipramine
- monoamine oxidase inhibitors (MAO-Is)
  - typically, non-selective & irreversible
  - MAO-A (NE, EPI, 5HT, DA)
  - MAO-B (trace amines, DA)
  - why we "wash-out"
    - 5HT syndrome
    - HTNsive crisis
  - selegiline (EMSAM)

### • [additional] augmenting agents

- Li<sup>+</sup>
- T3, 25 mcg/d
- buspirone (BuSPAR), 5-30 mg BID
- atypical antipsychotics

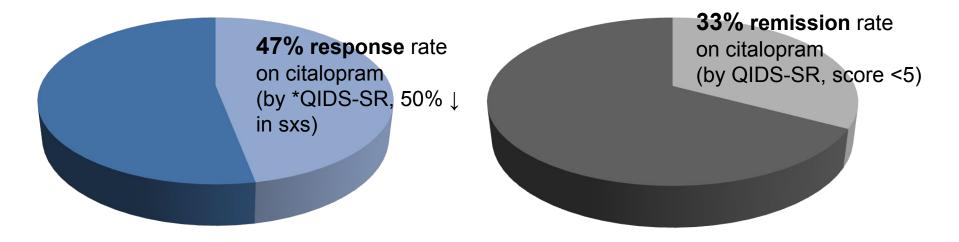
# Sequenced Treatment Alternatives for the Relief of Depression (STAR\*D)

- major NIMH-funded study (PI: A. John Rush) w/ 14 regional centers & 41 clinical sites
- initial enrollment of 4,041 patients
- aim: which tx algorithms work best after an initial failure to remit non-psychotic depression w/ an antidepressant?



http://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct/show/NCT00021528?order=1

# Sequenced Treatment Alternatives for the Relief of Depression (STAR\*D), n = 2,876 (qualifying pts)



Rx choice:

- according to side effects (SE's), comorbid condn's / risks (GMC &  $\Psi$ ), ?FmRxHx
- 6-8wk trials each (preferable)
- augmentation v. switch?

\*QIDS-SR = Quick Inventory of Depressive Symptomatology, Self-Report (range 0-27) <a href="http://www.ids-qids.org/">http://www.ids-qids.org/</a>

Trivedi MH et al, Am J Psychiatry. 2006 Jan;163(1):28-40

### **MDD tx options**

- Ψtherapy
  - cognitive bx therapy (CBT)
  - interpersonal therapy (IPT)
  - psychodynamic therapy

<u>A comparison of nefazodone, the cognitive behavioral-analysis system of psychotherapy, and their combination for the treatment of chronic depression.</u> Keller MB, McCullough JP, Klein DN, Arnow B, Dunner DL, Gelenberg AJ, Markowitz JC, Nemeroff CB, Russell JM, Thase ME, Trivedi MH, Zajecka J.

N Engl J Med. 2000 May 18;342(20):1462-70.

- interventional  $\Psi$ 
  - electroconvulsive therapy (ECT)
  - transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS)
  - vagal nerve stimulation (VNS)
  - deep brain stimulation (DBS)

- 80-90% remission rate
- 50-80% relapse rate (6mos out)
- SEs: musculoskeletal, headache, cognitive
- mania, catatonia, NMS (other indixn's)

Devanand DP et al, 1991

other

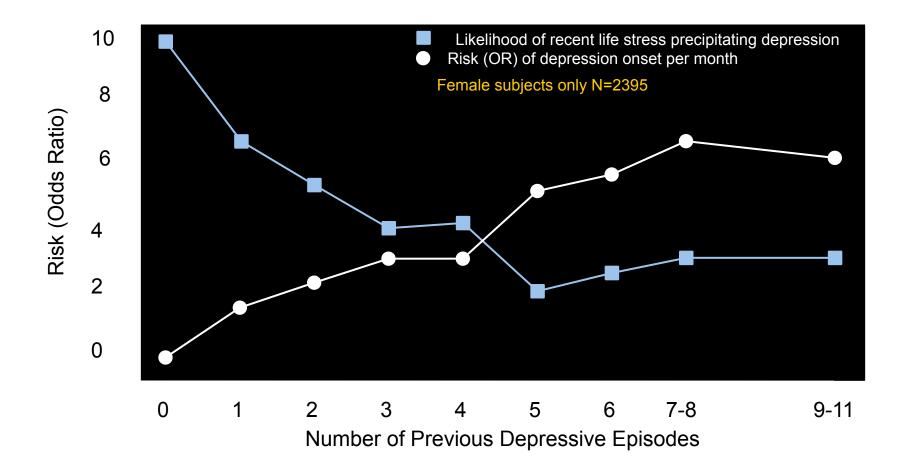
lightbox therapy (mostly for MDD w/ seasonal features)

#### **Major Depressive D/O (MDD)**

NATURAL HISTORY (Frank E and Thase ME, 1999 & DSM-5)

- recovery usually begins:
  - w/in 3mos for two in five indivs
  - w/in 1y for four in five indivs

# Progression of depression — "kindling" phenomenon: Adverse effects of each successive episode



#### Persistent depressive disorder (dysthymia)

- 2y of depressed mood (1y in children/adolescents) most of the day, more days than *not,* plus <u>2</u> of the following:
  - appetite disturbance  $(\downarrow \text{ or } \uparrow)$ veg
  - sleep disturbance (↓ or ↑) veg
  - ↓energy Ε
  - ↓esteem Ε
  - poor [] С Н
  - hopeless
- never sx-free for more than 2mos at a time
- overlapping dx of MDD is now <u>allowed</u>
- there has never been mania, hypomania, or cyclothymia

sistent MDE

rmittent MDE's, w/ current episode rmittent MDE's, w/o current episode

#### Persistent depressive disorder (dysthymia)

• may be more treatment-resistant  $(Tx^R)$  than straightforward MDD

EPIDEMIOLOGY

- <u>lifetime</u> prevalence = 6%
- <u>12-mo</u> prevalence = 0.5%, compared w/ 1.5% for MDD
- high comorbidity w/ personality d/o's (particularly clusters B, C)

#### Case 1.

36yo F presenting w/ 3mos of ↓mood. She reports getting only ~4h of sleep/noc b/c of regular early AM awakenings. She feels drained everyday, all day long. She's gained about 4.5 kg in the last 2mos.

- What else would you like to ask?
- How would you work-up this patient?
- In the meantime, what would you dx and what would be your tentative tx plan?

She returns 1mo later and reports that her mood continues to spiral downward. Now, she adds that she's starting to think more morbid thoughts and that maybe it wouldn't be such a bad thing if she weren't around anymore.

What would you ask now?How would you revise your tx plan?

The pt's sxs are finally stabilized and she returns at a later date w/ her sxs in remission x 1mo. "Doctor, I'm feeling so much better now. Do you think I can stop my psych Rxs?"

How would you answer?

#### Premenstrual dysphoric d/o

Criterion A. In most menstrual cycles, <u>≥5 sxs in the final week before onset</u> of menses, w/ <u>improvement w/in a few days after onset</u> of menses, and <u>near-absent in the week</u> <u>post-menses</u>

#### Premenstrual dysphoric d/o

(M)ood (labile <u>&/or</u> irritable <u>&/or</u> anxious) Sleep Interest Body Energy Concentration Appetite Out of control

#### **Disruptive mood dysregulation disorder**

- \*severe recurrent temper <u>outbursts</u> (verbal or behavior) grossly disproportionate to the situation
- the outbursts are <u>not</u> developmentally appropriate
- on average, outbursts are ≥ 3x/wk
- \*inter-episode mood is typically irritable, corroborated by others

### **Bipolar disorder**

#### **Bipolar D/O (BD)**

#### Epidemiology

|                 | gender                    | prevalence | onset                         |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------------------|
| BD I            | <b>2 =</b> 3 <sup>°</sup> | 0.4 – 1.6% | 18уо                          |
| BD II           | ♀ > ♂?                    | 0.5%       | mid-20s                       |
| cyclothymic d/o | ♀ <b>=</b> ♂              | 0.4 - 1.0% | adolescence / early adulthood |

#### **Bipolar D/O (BD)**

#### Manic episode:

• elevated mood &  $\geq 1 \text{ wk}$  of at least 3 of the following sxs (<u>4</u> if mood irritable)

| Distractible                            | Flight Of Ideas   |
|---|---|
| Insomnia (actually, ↓'d need for sleep) | Activity (goal-directed)  |
| Grandiose                               | Sexual (or spending or other activities w/                                  |
|   | ↑↑potential for painful consequences)<br>Talkative (i.e., pressured speech) |

#### **Bipolar Disorder (BD)**

EXCLUSIONS:

- another medical cause
- substance/medication causes

#### **Bipolar Disorder (BD)**

MORE on 'w/ mixed features'...

| Manic/hypomanic, w/ mixed features                     | Depressed, w/ mixed features  |
|--|---|
| Full criteria met for manic or hypomanic.              | Full criteria met for depressive.   |
| ≥3 from SIG E CAPS ( <u>minus appetite, sleep</u> sxs) | ≥3 from DIG FAST ( <u>minus distractibility</u> , which is replaced by elevated mood) |

|  |   | Sleep<br>Interest<br>Guilt         |
|--|---|------------------------------------|
|  |   | Energy                             |
|  | Flight Of Ideas<br>Activity (goal-directed)   | Concentration                      |
| Distractible<br>Insomnia (actually, ↓'d need for sleep)<br>Grandiose | Sexual (or spending or other activities w/<br>↑↑potential for painful consequences)<br>Talkative (i.e., pressured speech) | Appetite<br>Psychomotor<br>Suicide |

#### Case 1 - continued

Prior hx to date:

- 36yo F w/ 3mos of depressed mood
- tx'd w/ an SSRI
- sxs improved, asked if she could DC her SSRI, and advised against doing so

After your intervention, the pt agrees to remain on her Rxs and continues to do well for the next wk. Sometime later, you receive a call from her husband who reports that the pt has been up all night every night for about 3 or 4 nights in-a-row, making consecutive (and very uncharacteristic) \$500-1,000 purchases on eBay--and has drilled two large holes in the ceiling of their home (without checking with anyone else first) to create some new "skylights."

- How would you revise your dx?
- What changes would you make to your tx plan?

Per DSM-5:

"A full manic/hypomanic episode that emerges during antidepressant tx but persists at a fully syndromal level beyond the physiological effect of that tx is sufficient evidence for a manic/hypomanic episode dx. However, caution is indicated so that one or two symptoms are <u>not</u> taken as sufficient...nor necessarily indicative of a bipolar diathesis."

#### **Biology of Bipolar D/O (BD)**

• failure of linkage studies



 Janice Egeland – 2 decades of work w/ Old Order Amish, BAD []'d in particular Fm's



David Housman – restriction fragment length polymorphism (RFLP) approach; started w/ chr11 (b/c of concurrent work w/ anemias, thalassemias)



Pedigree 110: 19 of 81 members w/ mood d/o; 14 w/ mania + depression; 5 w/ only depression

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#### **Bipolar affective disorders linked to DNA markers on chromosome 11**

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An analysis of the segregation of restriction fragment length polymorphisms in an Old Order Amish pedigree has made it possible to localize a dominant gene conferring a strong predisposition to manic depressive disease to the tip of the short arm of chromosome 11.



• 2 accompanying papers (same issue of *Nature*) unable to replicate chr11 assocn's in independent pedigrees

### • Re-evaluation of the linkage relationship between chromosome 11p loci and the gene for bipolar affective disorder in the Old Order Amish

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Reanalysis of an Old Order Amish pedigree, to include several new individuals and two changes in clinical status, markedly reduces the probability of linkage between bipolar affective disorder and the Harvey-*ras*-1 oncogene and insulin loci on chromosome 11. This linkage can be excluded using a large lateral extension of the original Amish pedigree.

#### **Biology of Bipolar D/O (BD)**

#### Linkage studies

• 6q (LOD 4.19 narrow), 8q (LOD 3.40 broad) (still hold-up in meta-analyses – e.g., McQueen et al, 2005)

#### Genome-wide association studies (GWAS)

- Wellcome Trust (2007) strongest signal at rs420259 (chr16p12)
  - intronic to PALB2 (partner & localizer of BRCA2), assoc'd w/ medulloblastoma
  - same signal might be more relevant to DCTN5 (dynactin 5)



#### More on select GWA-identified candidates

#### • CACNA1C

- $\alpha_1$  subunit of a voltage-dependent Ca<sup>2+</sup> channel
- per citations in PGC paper, separate literature has associated mutations w/ brain imaging changes (both strux and fxnl)
- also an assoc'n finding in schizophrenia, MDD (not genomewide-significant)

#### • ANK3

- ankyrin G
- isoforms specific to nervous system
- · localization in axonal initial segments, nodes of Ranvier
- fxn in ion channel maintenance? cell adhesion?

#### • SYNE1

- synaptic nuclear envelope protein 1
- not emphasized in PGC paper, but has prior literature in syndromes r/t ataxia, muscular dystrophy, mental retardation

#### • ODZ4

#### odd oz / ten-m homolog 4

- pair-rule gene
- cell-surface signalling, neuronal pathfinding

#### **Bipolar Disorder (BD) – treatment**

The old standard:



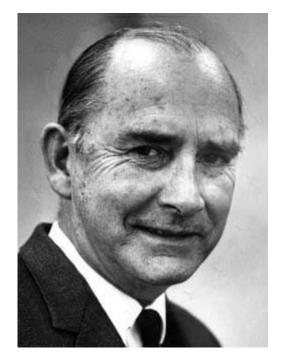
#### FDA-approved Rxs for BD

| Generic Name                      | Trade Name | Manic      | Mixed | Maintenance | Depression |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------------|------------|
| Valproate                         | Depakote   | Х          |       |             | $\bigcirc$ |
| Carbamazepine extended release    | Equetro    | Х          | Х     |             |            |
| Lamotrigine                       | Lamictal   | $\bigcirc$ |       | X           |            |
| Lithium                           |            | Х          |       | Х           |            |
| Aripiprazole                      | Abilify    | Х          | Х     | Х           |            |
| Ziprasidone                       | Geodon     | Х          | Х     |             |            |
| Risperidone                       | Risperdal  | Х          | Х     |             |            |
| Asenapine                         | Saphris    | Х          | Х     |             |            |
| Quetiapine                        | Seroquel   | Х          |       |             | X          |
| Chlorpromazine                    | Thorazine  | Х          |       |             |            |
| Olanzapine                        | Zyprexa    | х          | Х     | X           |            |
| Olanzapine/fluoxetine Combination | Symbyax    |            |       |             | Х          |

from http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/286342-treatment

#### Debunked:

- gabapentin (NEURONTIN)
- topirimate (TOPAMAX)



John Cade.

- Ψist at a provincial hospital in Australia
- figured mania was 2/2 an abnormally secreted hormone
- collected urine from human pts (manic) □ injected into guinea pigs □ seizures (SZ's)
- focused on **urate**, and began utilizing Li-urate (since Naurate was more insoluble)
- Li-urate 

  sedated guinea pigs
- Li-carbonate 

  sedated guinea pigs
- human trials...

#### **Bipolar Disorder (BD) – treatment (cont'd)**

Li<sup>+</sup> v. Depakote / valproate (VPA) (Bowden CL, 2001)

- Li<sup>+</sup> tends to have a more favorable response in tx-naïve cases than in BD indivs w/ longer tx hxs
- VPA may be >successful in tx'ing mixed episodes, BD indivs w/ comorbid substance issues

#### Bipolar Disorder (BD) – treatment (cont'd)

How many agents to use?

- combination tx often helpful in acute stabilization
- antipsychotics REQ'D when there are psychotic features to mood episode

Adjuncts

benzos

#### **Bipolar Disorder (BD) – natural history**

- 60% of manic episodes immediately precede an MDE
- MDE's usually significantly outnumber hypomanic and manic episodes
- ~10% of BD II's  $\Box$  BD I
- episodes tend to increase in frequency/duration w/ age

#### Cyclothymic D/O

- 2y of fluctuating mood (1y in children, adolescents)
  - hypomanic symptoms (but NOT episodes)
  - dysthymic symptoms (but no MDEs)
  - ≥ half the time & (no more than 2mos sx-free)
- EXCLUSIONS
  - no manic/hypomanic episodes
  - no depressive episodes

### **Differential diagnosis**

#### Phenocopies and gray areas...

- Anxiety D/O's (esp. GAD, PTSD)
- Schizoaffective D/O
- Delirium
- Dementia
- Personality D/O's

- Substance/Medication-induced Depressive D/O
- Depressive D/O d/t Another Medical Condition
- Other Specified Depressive D/O
- Unspecified Depressive D/O
- Substance/Medication-induced Bipolar and Related D/O
- Bipolar and Related D/O d/t Another Medical Condition
- Other Specified Bipolar and Related D/O
- Unspecified Bipolar and Related D/O

#### Depressive, Bipolar & Related D/O d/t a Another Medical Condition

- Endocrine (e.g., thyroid, hypothalamic-pituitary-adrenal/HPA)
- Neurologic (e.g., multiple sclerosis, CVA, brain tumor, Parkinson's, Alzheimer's/other dementia, Huntington's, seizure d/o)
- Neoplastic (e.g., pancreas)
- TBI
- Autoimmune (e.g., neuropsychiatric systemic lupus erythematosus / NPSLE)
- Hematologic (e.g., acute intermittent porphyria / AIP)
  - typically: anx/depr >> s/t Ψosis, mania (rare)
  - acute abdominal pain, muscle weakness
  - port wine-colored urine (porphobilinogen)
  - transient damage to nerve cells
- Nutritional (e.g., B12)
- Infectious (e.g., HIV, Syphilis)

#### Substance/Medication-induced Depressive, Bipolar & Related D/O

#### ILLICITS

- can be from intoxication <u>or</u> withdrawal phases
- EtOH typically depressive
- stimulants typically manic/hypomanic
- --good to ask about sxs during windows of sobriety (ideally, ≥6mos)
- high substance comorbidity rates w/ endogenous Axis I  $\Psi$  d/o's, though (esp. BD I)

#### **Prescription Rxs**

- steroids
- IFN-α2b, RBV (HCV tx)
- $\beta$ -blockers
- antidepressants
- $\alpha$ -TB drugs

#### Mood D/O's lab w/u

- CBC
- Chem panel
- TSH
- B12
- U-tox
- U-preg (dep on demographics)
- RPR (syphilis)
- HIV-1,2 ELISA (lower threshold for BD patients...)

#### **Diagnostic building blocks (**not counting *mixed* feature possibilities...)

|                              | depressive<br>episode | depressive<br>sxs | hypomanic<br>sxs | hypomanic<br>episode | manic<br>episode |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| MDD                          | ≥1                    | (possible)        |                  |                      |                  |
| Persistent<br>depressive D/O | (possible)            | ≥2 yrs            |                  |                      |                  |
| BD I                         | (possible)            | (possible)        | (possible)       | (possible)           | ≥1               |
| BD II                        | ≥1                    | (possible)        | (possible)       | ≥1                   |                  |
| Cyclothymic D/O              |                       | ≥2                | yrs              |                      |                  |

## Myth #1:

 People who talk about killing themselves rarely commit

## Fact:

 Most people who commit suicide have given some verbal clues or warnings of their intentions

### Myth #2:

 The suicidal person wants to die and feels there is no turning back Fact:

 Suicidal people are usually ambivalent about dying; they may desperately want to live but can not see alternatives to problems.

Myth # 3:

 If you ask someone about their suicidal intentions, you will only encourage them to kill themselves. Fact:

The opposite is true. Asking lowers their anxiety and helps deter suicidal behavior.
Discussion of suicidal feelings allow for accurate risk assessment.

Myth # 4:

 All suicidal people are deeply depressed Fact:

 Although suicide is usually associated with depression, not all suicidal people are obviously depressed.
 Once they make the decision, they may appear

Myths # 5:

 Suicidal people rarely seek medical attention Fact:

•75% of suicidal individuals will visit a physician within the month before they kill themselves.

## Socio-demographic Risk Factors

- Male
- > 60 years
- Widowed or Divorced
- White or Native American
- Living alone (social isolation)
- Unemployed (financial difficulties)
- Recent adverse life events
- Chronic Illness

## **Clinical Risk Factors**

- Previous Attempts
- Clinical depression or schizophrenia
- Substance Abuse
- Feelings of hopelessness
- Severe anxiety, particularly with depression
- Severe loss of interest in usual activities
- Impaired thought process
- Impulsivity

### Suicide:Treatment

- Problem-solving
- Cognitive behavioral therapy
- Coping skills
- Stress reduction

### **Additional case presentations**

#### Case 2.

18yo M high school student who was BIB his parents to the ER after ingesting a bottle of 50 Tylenol pills. Recently, he has been isolating himself to his room more, sittingout dinners with the family, and has been overheard at home talking about what a horrible "sinner" he is. He has shown increasing despondence and mood lability. He is well-connected with friends at school, outgoing—and the above changes have occurred more in a matter of weeks than they have months/years. On interview, the pt appears dysphoric, tearful, and internally preoccupied.

- What else would you like to know?
- How would you work-up this patient?
- In the meantime, what would you dx and what would be your tentative tx plan?

#### Case 3.

50yo F, under-employed and barely hanging-on with temp agency work, comes in for her first office visit to see you about "mood swings" that haven't responded well to venlafaxine XR. She is dysphoric on presentation—but also quite irritable with your Q's. This has been a lifelong issue for her, but she has managed to stay out of IP hospitalization through it all.

- What would you like to ask her?
- W/u and provisional dx & tx plan?

A U-tox comes back (+)for methamphetamine. A week later, you get an angry call from the pt's E. Coast-based sister—who complains that you have the pt on the 'wrong Rxs.' She shares additional hx (in her voicemail) that the pt has had past episodes of elevated mood, sexual and financial indiscretions, and demands to know how you are going to modify the tx plan.

- What would you tell the pt's sister?
- How does this change your working dx and tx plan?

# TAKE – HOME POINTS

Major depressive disorder (MDD) – Key Points

- MDD can be a chronic, recurrent, and progressive condition<sup>1,2</sup>
- MDD is associated with alterations in functional and structural changes in the brain<sup>2-4</sup>
- MDD, stress, and pain are all associated with similar suppression of neurotrophic factors and compromised neuroplasticity<sup>2-4</sup>
- Remission not response is the ultimate goal of treatment<sup>5,6</sup>

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#### Summary

• Mood D/O's are  $\Psi$  conditions where emotional dysregulation is the primary issue.

- Mood d/o's can be endogenous, due to substances/medication, or due to another medical condition. There are additional phenocopies which should always be in your Ddx, including Anxiety D/O's, Schizoaffective D/O, Personality D/O's, Delirium, and Mild/Major Neurocognitive D/O's.
- The monoamine hypothesis of depression is only a preliminary framework for conceptualizing Mood d/o's and their tx, and requires significant theoretical revision.
- Mood D/O's, like other  $\Psi$  conditions in the DSM, are best conceived as syndromes rather than as unitary or homogeneous medical conditions.
- A little less than ½ of tx-naïve pts will respond to their first antidepressant; only 1/3 will remit without further intervention.
- Non-pharmacologic approaches to treating Mood D/O's include psychotherapy and interventional procedures (e.g., ECT).

