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BEYOND TRADITIONAL TREATMENTS: NEW FRONTIERS IN ADOLESCENT AND CHILD MENTAL HEALTH

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• Integrate high-yield, evidence-informed no address child and adolescent mental health needs

 Identify potential candidates for ketamine-assisted therapy and practical considerations for primary care providers.

 Define psychedelics and explain their potential therapeutic benefits risks for children and adolescents. 6)

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Driftless Integrative Psychiatry

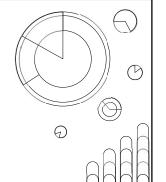
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ROAD MAP

Overview Sleep **ADHD**

Depression Psychedelics

Integrative psychiatry resources



The Landscape

- Increasing use 12% of children used complementary therapies in 2012, with dietary supplements, yoga, fish oil, and melatonin seeing significant increases
- Need for open dialogue families are often reluctant to discuss with physicians due to perceived disapproval or ignorance

Black LI, Clarke TC, Barnes PM, Stussman BJ, Nahin RL. Use of complementary health approaches among children aged 4-17 years in the United States: National Health Interview Survey, 2007-2012 Natl Health Stat Report. 2015

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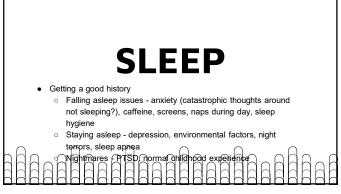
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Integrative Psychiatry

- More tools
- Comprehensive informed consent
- Finding out why
- Building trust with patients
- Outside the silo of psychiatry considering underlying causes of symptoms (think intersection between gut health, environmental health, infections/immune system function, and mental health)

SLEEP

- Insomnia is prevalent among school aged children and adolescents
- No FDA approved medication for insomnia in children



Assess for causes of sleep issues ADHD - Restless legs Obstructive sleep apnea Caffeine use Anxiety/Depression/Trauma Screen use/LED lights Environmental factors - too warm, noises



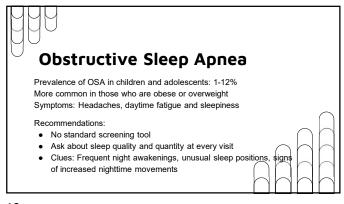
TAKEAWAY Behavioral interventions and lifestyle changes 9 over pills!

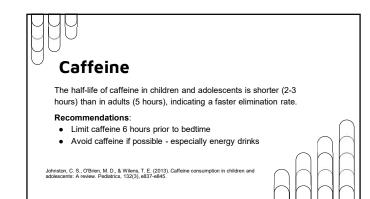
ADHD / Restless legs connection Restless legs (RLS) are more common in those with ADHD creepy-crawly feeling, "do your legs bother you?"
Up to 44% of children + adolescents with ADHD vs 2-15% of general population of children + adolescents Address by: Treating ADHD (later in presentation!) · And considering risk factors... https://www.ncbi.nlm.nlp.oy/pmc/articles/PMc/318205/; Cortese S, Konofal E, Lecendreux M, Arnulf J, Mouren MC, Darra F, Dalla Bemardina B. Restless legs syndrome and attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder: a review of the literature. Sieep. 2005 Aug 1;28(8):1007-13. doi: 10.1093/sieep228.5.1007. PMID: 1021806S, Dosman C, Wilmans M, Zwaigenbaum L, Iroris role in paediatir crestless legs syndrome: a review. Paediatr Child Health. 2012 Apr;17(4):193-7. doi: 10.1093/jpch/17.4.193. PMID: 23543250; PMCID: PMC3381661. 11

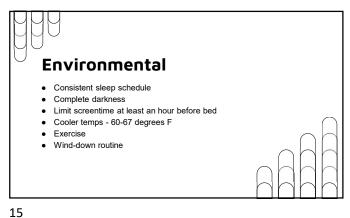
Risk factors for restless legs Iron deficiency Low levels of ferritin, a protein that stores iron in the body, are even more strongly associated with RLS Check ferritin in patients with ADHD, especially if patient has other symptoms of iron deficiency
■ increasing ferritin to >50µg/L Magnesium deficiency Mag levels are hard to accurately measure Normal serum mag lab does not rule out moderate to severe deficier RBC magnesium is more accurate Sierra Montoya AC, Mesa Restrepo SC, Cuartas Arias JM, Cornejo Ochoa W. Prevalence and Clinic Legs Syndrome (RLS) in Patients Diagnosed with Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) in (Medellin). 2018 Jan-Jun;11(1):56-89. doi: 10.1500/20112043.331.PMID: 32612771; PMIDI: PM

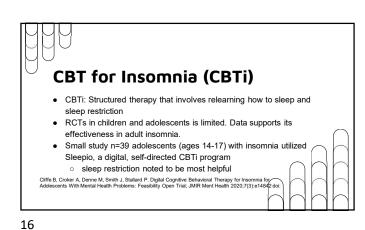
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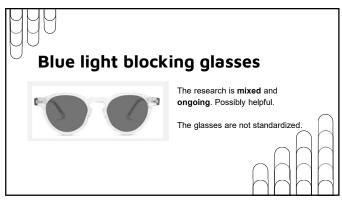
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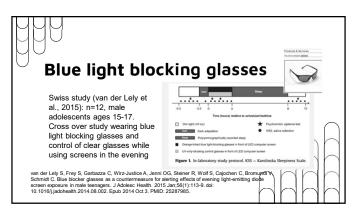


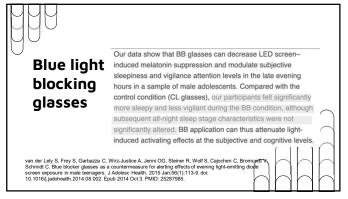












Blue light
blocking glasses

Decrease in melatonin
Increase in sleepiness at bedtime
No difference in sleepiness in morning
The study did not find significant differences in sleep quality or duration between the teenagers wearing blue blocker glasses and those wearing clear glasses.

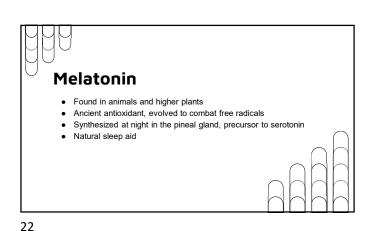
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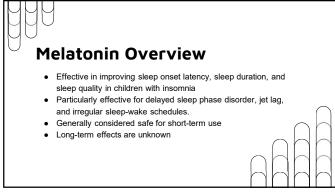
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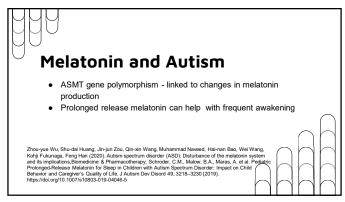
Other Options to Decrease Blue
Light Exposure

1. Limit exposure to screens after dusk but especially within 2-3
hours of bedtime
2. Screen filters: Night Shift (Apple devices) or f.lux (free download)
3. Use lower color temperature lights, 2000K to 3000K, ("warm
white") and ranges from orange to yellow-white in appearance
or candles (1000k)

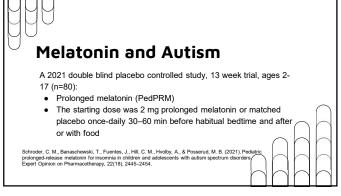


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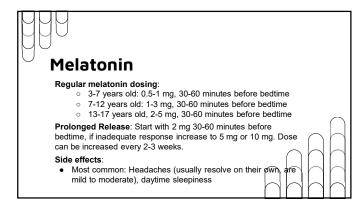


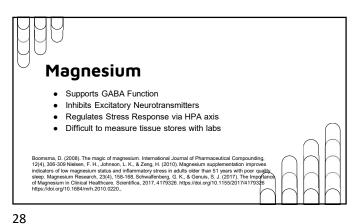
Melatonin and Autism

Also significant improvement in parent wellbeing compared to placebo that persisted throughout the 2 year follow up.

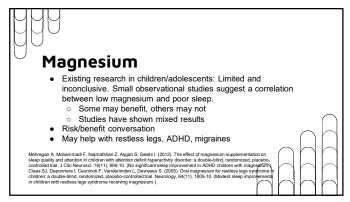
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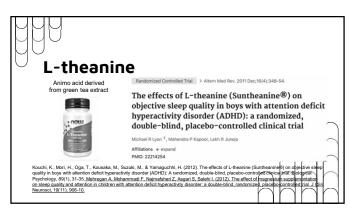
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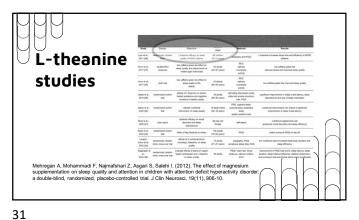


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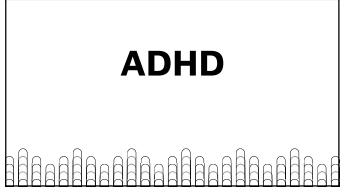




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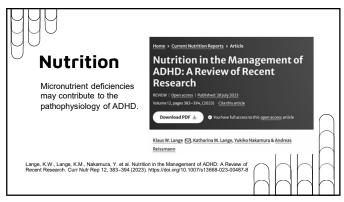




Why integrative approaches? In a large study (n=78,849), over half of subjects (children and adolescents) with ADHD switch or discontinue medication within a year, with higher discontinuation rates among adolescents. Little is known about the safety of extended administration of stimulants. Not effective 24 hours/day and can cause side effects Schein J, Childress A, Adams J, Gagnon-Sanschagrin P, Maltland J, Qu W, Cloutier M, Guérin A. Treatment patterns among children and adolescents with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder in the United States - a retrospective ciaims analysis. BMC Psychiatry. 2022 Aug 18;22(1):555. doi: 10.1186/s12888-022-04188-4. PMID: 35982469; PMCID: PMC9387015.

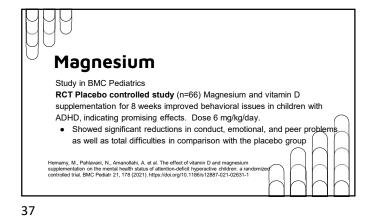
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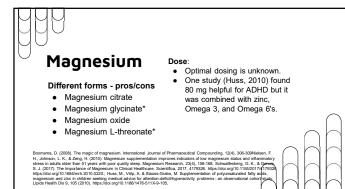
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Magnesium Deficiency and **ADHD** Preliminary evidence points to its potential for ADHD symptoms Deficiency and ADHD: "On the basis of seven studies, random effects meta-analysis showed that individuals with ADHD had lower serum magnesium concentrations than healthy controls. This finding supports the hypothesis of an association of ADHD with serum magnesium deficiency. However, the causal relationship between magnesium levels and ADHD remains to be established

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Magnesium

Other forms!

• Capsule

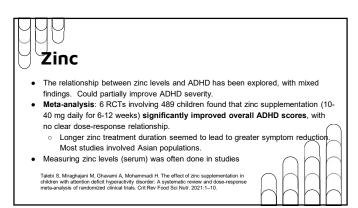
• Powder

• Gummies

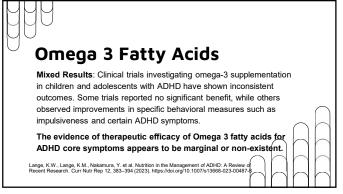
• Epsom salt baths

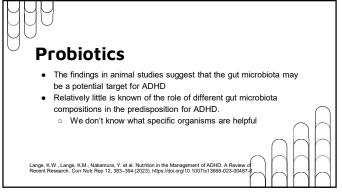
Tip: Gummies will be most expensive and may contain the least amount of magnesium.

Mehrepan A, Mohammad F, Najmafahari Z, Aspari S, Salehi I, (2012). The effect of magnesium supplementation on steep quality and attention is children with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder: a double-blind, randomized, placebo-controlled trial. J Clin Neurosci, 19(11), 906-10.

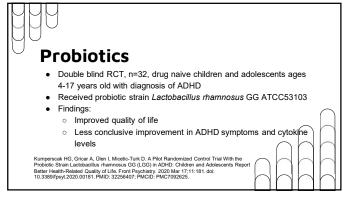


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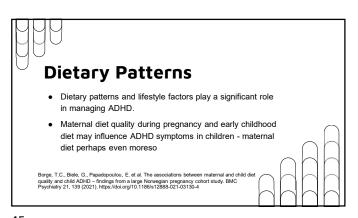


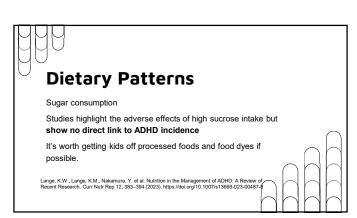
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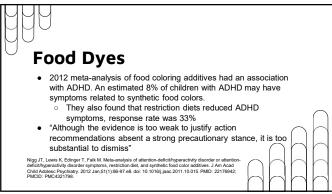
Herbal Options (Small Studies) Small, positive studies showing effectiveness and tolerability for ADHD symptoms in children Ginkgo biloba tablet 80-120 mg/day (placebo study, took with MPH, n=31. Another study found it less effective than MPH.
Bacopa monnieri (Ayurvedic medicine), 225 mg daily (no placebo, ages 6-12, n=27) Pycnogenol 1 mg/kg/day (n=44, ages 6-14, had control)
Passionflower (also helpful for anxiety, insomnia, n=34 children, dose of 0.04 mg/kg/day BID dosing with control of MPH. Both showed significant benefit Golsorkhi H, Qorbani M, Sabbaghzadegan S, Dadmehr M. Herbal medicines in the treatment of children and adolescents with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD): An updated systematic review of clinical trials. Avicenna J Phytomed. 2023 Jul-Aug;13(4):338-353. doi: 10.22038/AJP.2022.21115. PMID: 37663386; PMOID: PMC10474821.

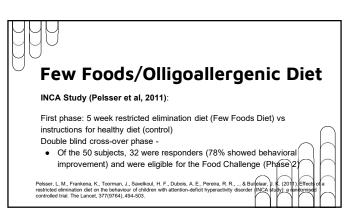
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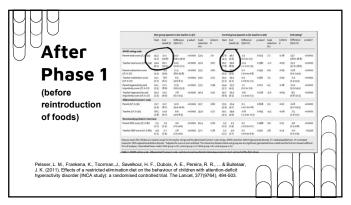


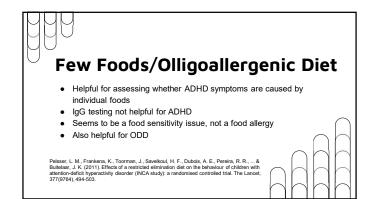
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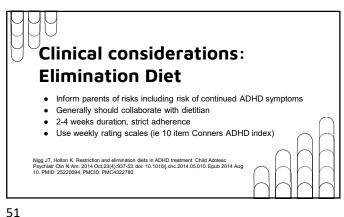


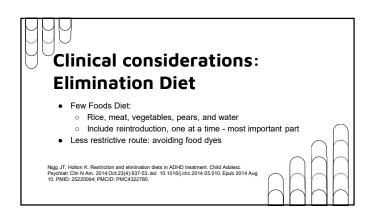


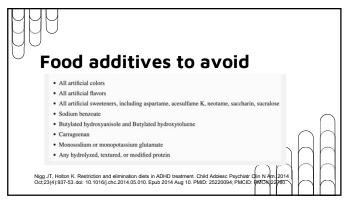
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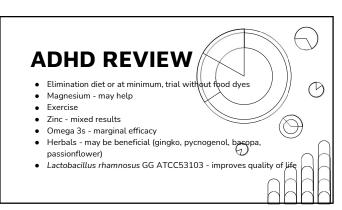


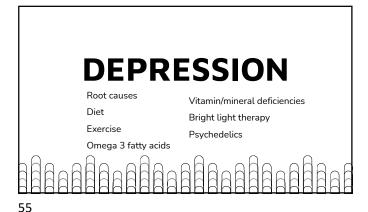












Considerations

Hormone fluctuations - luteal phase mood changes, bloating, cramping Thyroid dysfunction - fatigue, weight gain, mood swings, cold intolerance Iron deficiency - fatigue, difficulty concentrating, change in sleep patterns, anhedosia

Psychological trauma - nightmares, sympathetic overdrive Genetics

Celiac disease - chronic diarrhea, constipation, bloating, abdominal pain, fatigue, skin rashes, pale skin

Biochemistry - vitamin and mineral deficiencies, food sensitivities, gut microbiome imbalances, infections

Lifestyle - sleep, exercise, diet, connection

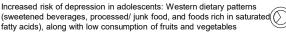
Role of environment - societal stressors, climate change, screens/social media

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Depression and Diet

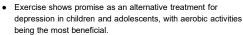


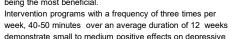
Evidence in adult studies is focused on:

- Mediterranean diet/ traditional dietary pattern
- Seafood/omega 3s
- More plants
- Microbiome/fermented foods
- Limit highly processed foods

Zielińska M, Łuszczki E, Michońska I, Dereń K. The Mediterranean Diet and the Western Diet in Adolescent Depression-Current Reports. Nutrients. 2022 Oct 19;14(20):4390. doi: 10.3390/nu14204390. PMID: 36297074; PMCID: PMC9610762.

Exercise





week, 40-50 minutes over an average duration of 12 weeks demonstrate small to medium positive effects on depressive

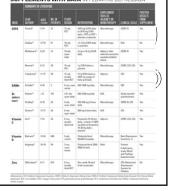
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Supplement Overview

Omega 3s. Vitamin D have the most robust evidence

St. John's Wort - no RCTs. Most commonly prescribed medication in Germany for child and adolescent depression. Studies have had high drop out rates. Not particularly effective for mod to severe depression. Can't be taken with SSRIs.



Omega 3 Fatty Acids

Anti-inflammatory, increase synaptic plasticity, neuroprotection, cortisol regulation, indirectly contribute to making neurotransmitters

Two RCTs done (2006, 2012). - improved severity of depression. Quality of evidence is low. Other studies have been mixed.

Risks: large capsules (liquid form available), side effects of GI upset, headaches, increased bleeding risk

Dose for children/adolescents: 1 to 2 g per day with a 2:1 ratio of EPA to DHA

Rosenberg, D., & Gershon, S. (2012). Pharmacotherapy of child and adolescent psychiatric disorders. John Wiley & S Nemets, H., Nemets, B., Apter, A., Bracha, Z., & Belmaker, R. H. (2009). Omega-3 retentment of childhood depression double-blind-pilot study. The American Journal of Psychiatry, 163(6), 1098–1100.

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Vitamin D and Mental Health

Vitamin D may improve mental health by crossing the blood-brain barrier, activating brain cell receptors, exhibiting anti-inflammatory properties, modulating neurotrophic signaling, and exerting neuroprotective effects.



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Vitamin D

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Small study (Esnafoglu, Ozturan, 2020): n=89, Children with DSM 5 MDD were found to have lower levels of Vitamin D and Vitamin B12 and had elevated levels of

Meta-analysis of RCTs (2021): Positive impact of vitamin D on children's mental health, enhancing behavior, mood, and well-being. Highlights the need for adequate vitamin D through diet, supplementation, or sun exposure. For the vast majority of included studies, both intervention and observational ones, the results supported beneficial association between Vitamin D and mental health.

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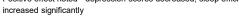
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Bright Light Therapy



2024 study (Ballard et al) - n=9 Positive effect noted - depression scores decreased, sleep efficiency



Poor adherence

Low risk/well-tolerated

Light box used: Carex DayLight Classic Model

Overall lack of well-powered studies in children/adolescents

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Bright Light Therapy

Who is most likely to respond?

Seasonal variations in mood Atypical depressive symptoms - increased appetite, weight gain, hypersomnia, reflection sensitivity, fatigue

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Bright Light Therapy

Tips:

- Brightness: 10,000 lux
- 12" away from face, full exposed to light
- · Ideally in the morning
- 30 minutes/day
- UV light filter

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Consider other contributing causes
Increase plant foods such as vegetables, fruits, whole grains, nuts,

seeds, and legumes, fish

Aerobic exercise three times a week, 40-50 min

Omega 3 FA - effective

Vitamin D - effective

Bright light therapy – am or afternoon okay, especially helpful for atypical depression

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Neuromodulation / Novel Treatments for Depression

Ketamine

- We have good evidence in the adult population that ketamine is very helpful for treatment resistant
 depression, suicidal ideation and also for anxiety, trauma, eating disorders, and chronic pain.
 Research in adolescents is in its early stages and non-existent in children.
- A recent large double-blind randomized controlled trial demonstrated that 63% of adults receiving ketamine achieved sustained remission of suicidality (n = 17) using a single dose of 0.5 mg/kg of IV ketamine and assessment over 2 weeks

Other psychedelics in the pipeline...psilocybin, MDMA - no studies in children or adoles

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Ketamine

- NMDA glutamate antagonist increases glutaminergic activity
- Considered a psychedelic medicine
- Increased glutamatergic activity impacts neural signaling, synaptic plasticity, and connectivity
- Routes of administration: IM, IV, intranasal (IN), sublingual
- Rapid antidepressant effect

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Ketamine confusion

- Esketamine vs racemic ketamine
- For mental health, it is utilized in various settings biomedical, therapy models, both at home and in person



from other Psychedelics

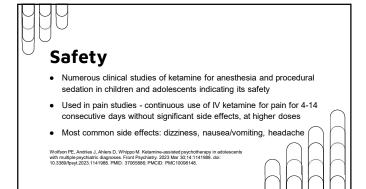
• Shorter duration of action: 30 min to 1 hour 15 min

How Ketamine Differs

- Plays well with other drugs
 - No life threatening drug-drug interactions (compared to Ayahuasca, for example)
 - Hold lamotrigine, naltrexone, benzodiazepines, stimulants (dampen effect)
- Legal for clinical use in the US

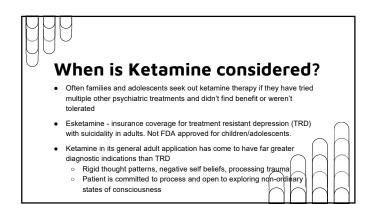


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Set/Setting

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In a DB RCT (Dwyer et al, 2021) 17 adolescents ages 13-17 with severe MDD and withouth suicidal ideation or substance use disorders received eithe a single IV infusion of ketamine (0.5 mg/kg over 40 min) or midazolam.

Single ketamine infusion reduced depression scores 24 hours after infusion (MADRS score decreased from mean of 33.1 to 15.4 compared to midazolam (24.1)

Cullen et al, 2018: n=13, ages 14-18 with TRD were administered six ketamine infusions over two weeks (0.5 mg/kg). Clinical response seen in 38%. Sustained benefits noted in 3 of the 5 responders after 6 weeks.

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) and ketamine are in early exploration with a report of safety and tolerability of intranasal ketamine in 14-29-year-olds and a single patient report of a dramatic brief remission of the core symptoms of autism

Dwyer JB, Landerov-Weisenberger A, Johnson JA, et al.: Efficacy of intravenous ketamine in adolescent treatment-repliation and provided in the core symptoms of autism.



Andy, a 14 year old boy with complex self-destructive behavior, active suicidal ideations, high reactivity to father's verbal abuse and rages, and mother's passivity

Two antidepressant failures - TRD

Low BMl/anorexia (120lbs, 5'9")

3 suicide attempts, frequent cutting

HAMI-A score of 35, BDI 47

Course:

Started with sublingual troches, 100 mg x 2. Increased by 50 mg in second dose. Third dose included IM.

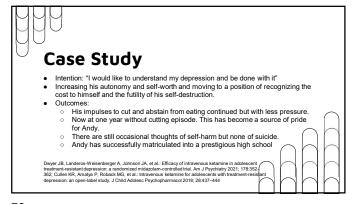
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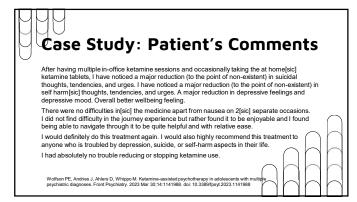
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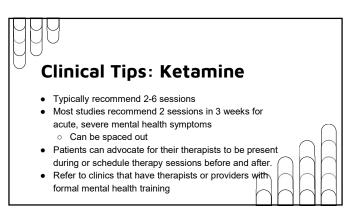
• The understanding and acceptance that facilitates self-regulation, and a deeper sense of trust in his own judgment and behavior.

• There were no significant adverse effects. Tapering of ketamine's use has been without withdrawal or cravings

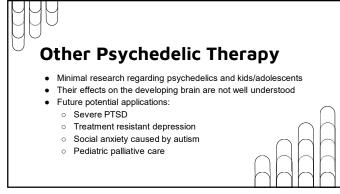
• Was an effective intervention for binging, cutting, suicidal ideation Daywr JB, Landron-Weiserberger A, Johnson JA, et al.: Efficacy of Intravenous ketamine in adolescents treatment-resistant depression: a naromical midazolam-concloted rule. Am J Psychaty 2021; 178: 3532-362. Cutlen RR, Amstyp P, Roback MG, et al.: Intravenous ketamine for adolescents with treatment-resistant depression: an open-facilated study. J Cliff Adolescer Psychopharmac 2016; 28:437-444

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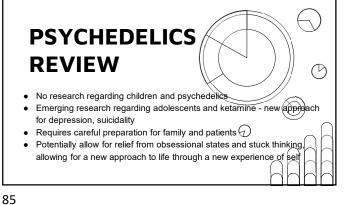




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