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ETHNOCULTURALLY ORIENTED PSYCHOTHERAPY OF ANXIETY AND PANIC DISORDERS IN KYRGYZSTAN

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The reason for development of psychotherapeutic technologies is a picture of the wold of patients which reflects ethnocultural particularities of population. Ethnocultural particularity of population of patients is its mosaic for which decreasing of possible, mythological and naturally- scientific assessments of symptoms' origin is sugnificant.

In the group of patients with generalized anxiety and panic disorders (36 women of 25-55 years old) the system of psychotherapeutic intervention which is oriented on the consideration of ethnocultural picture of the world and such psychological characteristics as external orientation on the authoritarian style of psychotherapy with the striving for neurotic capriciousness was developed and conducted.

Technologies consists of body-oriented behavioral methodic, cognitive-behavioral therapy and using of psychodynamic approaches for some patients.

Some patients (25 clients) refused from domination of psychotherapists, partnership, and constructive internal position and replace the accent form the symptoms to a problem.

Conclusions: Psychotherapy should be ethnoculturally oriented and have staged character.

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DEPENDENT BEHAVIORS AND PSYCHOTROPIC DRUG CONSUMPTION

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This study is inserted in the broader research of network Dependence INSERM 494013 (1995–2000) on dependent behaviors, included 707 patients (drug addicts, alcoholics, anorexic subjects, bulimic subjects) and 786 controls.

In prospect of prevention, it aims at assessing in control subjects, psychological dimensions wich determine psychotropic drug taking behaviors, and to compare them to those of addict patients.

Subjects took part in semi-structured interviews to assess psychotropic drug taking behaviors (regular, occasional, self medication), and to estimate possible psychiatric diagnosis (MINI DSM IV). Psychopathological dimensions were investigated by self-reports: alexithymia (TAS), interpersonal dependency (IDI Hirschfeld), sensation seeking (Zuckerman), depression (BDI).

Results showed that 3.7% of control subjects, and 54.6% of addict patients were regular consumers.

In control subjects, regular consumption was correlated to depressive or anxious comorbidity (72.4%).

Controls regular consumers were significantly more depressed, more dependent at IDI scale, less sensation seeker than controls no consumers (p < 0.05).

Moreover, controls regular consumers significantly differ from addict patients by the fact that they were less depressed, less alexithymic, less dependent at the IDI scale, and less sensation seeker.

So, it seems that if the medical prescription partly determine psychotropic drug consumption, psychological dimensions may determine the way to use it.

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OPEN TRIAL WITH MILNACIPRAN TO ASSESS EFFICACY, TOLERABILITY AND QUALITY OF LIFE

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Introduction: Depressive disorders constitute a social problem because of their frequency and their complications, especially forced absence from work and in extreme cases suicidal attempts. Milnacipran is an antidepressant which acts by inhibiting the reuptake of serotonin and noradrenaline without any substantial interactions with other receptors, thereby increasing its efficacy and tolerability. The present study is an open trial to test the efficacy and tolerability of milnacipran.

Material and Methods: Included in the trial were all male and female patients who presented at the Main Out-patients Ward of the Clinical Department for Social Psychiatry of the University of Vienna and who were diagnosed as suffering from a depressive disorder according to ICD-10. They were treated for three months with 50 mg milnacipran b.i.d. Efficacy was assessed by a self-rating scale (modified after Zerssen) and a questionnaire for quality of life. Body weight and side effects were recorded.

Results: 15 patients were included in the trial of which 9 were treated for the whole 3 months' period. 2 patients discontinued the treatment because of side effects (1 female patient with tachycardia, 1 male patient with dysuria), 1 patient was hospitalized in a different clinic on the second day of therapy because of deterioration of his condition. 3 patients did not show up for the follow-up visits, 1 patient continued treatment with milnacipran, prescribed by his general practitioner, but did not show up to the follow-up visits.

Efficacy: Already at the second visit a substantial improvement with improved quality of life could be registered for all patients. No serious side effects and no changes in body weight were recorded.

Conclusion: According to the results from this trial, milnacipran is an effective and safe drug which also improves quality of life.

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A MOVEMENT THERAPY GROUP FOR MILD DEMENTED AND DEPRESSIVE PATIENTS – DESCRIPTION OF AN INTERVENTION

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Psychogeriatric patients suffering from dementia and depression, living in the community with their families, run the risk of increasing isolation, deterioration in their self esteem and even the danger of possible advanced regression of their emotional and cognitive functions.

The following paper will report on a therapeutic intervention which combined a group work process consisted of eleven, one and a half hour movement therapy sessions with 12 mild demented depressed patients.

The therapeutic sessions were videotaped, professionals who participated as observers, reported their conclusions and family members of the patients reported their impressions regarding the effects of the intervention at home.

The presentation will include a short film which was abstracted from the 11 taped sessions.

Implications of this important intervention measure based on the demented patients' body relatively kept potential, will conclude the presentation.

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ATYPIC ANTYPSYCHOTICS IN THE TREATMENT OF BOTH COGNITIVE AND BEHAVIOURAL DEFICIENCY OF DEMENTIA

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It is thought that almost 6-8% of the over 65-year old population is suffering from dementia, and on the basis of reliable surveys they expect that in the next 30 years the world population of dements might reach the dramatic figure of 104 Milions. Therefore, dementia is a serious problem of public health. For patients, doctors and caregivers, an important clinical aspect is represented by the association cognitive symptoms -behavioural troubles that affect about 70% of patients suffering from dementia and often are cause of hospitalisation and/or institutionalization. The atypical antypshycotic SDA (Serotonin Dopamin Antagonist) and MARTA (Multiple Acting Targeted Antypshychotics) are largely used for both prevention and treatment of cognitive and behavioural troubles. Recent studies have pointed out the correlation among cerebral atrophy, dopaminergic transmission decrease, serotoninergic transmission increase, onset and seriousness of cognitive deficiency, and emotional and behavioural troubles.

The aim of the present work is considering the efficacy of SDA (Risperidone) and MARTA (Olanzapine and Quetiapine) for cognitive and emotional deficiency and behavioural troubles in patients suffering from dementia.

Twenty patients have been monitored over a period of 16/20 months (14 men and 6 women between 35 and 75 years of age) suffering from pre-senile dementia (6); senile dementia (9); correlated AIDS dementia (3); alcoholic dementia (2). Five patients were given Risperidone in mono-therapy measuring 0.5-2 mg was given and eight patients received Risperidone in association with benzodiazepine; Olanzapine 2.5-5 mg was given in mono-therapy to four patients and two patients were treated in association; Quetiapine 25 mg has been given to one patient for a month.

The results point out a significant improvement in affectivity and a reduction iin aggressiveness at productive symptomatology with a reasonable improvement of cognitive deficiencies. No relevant side effects. The efficacy of SDA and MARTA in the behavioural and cognitive treatment suggest a mutual target. The easiness of employment, the favourable profile of side effects, the good results are valid elements for a rational use in the dementia therapies.

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PHARMACOTHERAPY OF THE DOC RESISTANT

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Introduction: The DOC is included in the DSM IV among the troubles from anxiety despite the numerous epidemiological, immuno-biological, pharmacological and psycho-sociological studies tend to classify it as a separate entity. It is to be considered as a common trouble with an incidence of 2.5-3% in a life span. It comes out in youthful age with a negative impact on everyday functions and has a long and variable course. The prognosis for the patients suffering from this pathology has considerably improved with the clinical application of new therapeutic strategies; notwithstanding, 30-40% of them is resistant to SSRI treatment.

Aim: Considering alternative therapeutic strategies to DOC resistant

Method: 12 patients with DOC resistant have been monitored following a therapy with three-cyclical and SSRI. 4 were given a therapy of SSRI at 60 mg and risperidone 1 mg pro-die; 4 SSRI at 60 mg and lithium at 600 mg; 4 SSRI 60 mg and carbamazepine 400-600 mg. Control with clinical interviews and Y-BOCS.

Results: Out of the 12 patients, one treated with lithium interrupted the therapy due to side effects coming from a sudden rise in lithiemy. Those patients treated with SSRI and lithium have shown 40% improvement in symptoms and after one month's therapy the effects are stable. Overlapping of results with 20% improvement in patients with SSRI, risperidone, and carbamazepine. Two cases, considered interesting, of patients treated with SSRI and lithium will be reported.

Conclusions: The DOC is a disabling condition sensitive to specific medicines, like SSRI and also to the behavioural therapy. For those cases resistant to the conventional therapies, it is suggested to consider the association with anti-obsessional medicines (lithium seems to give the best results) and to pay special attention to situations of comorbidity.

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ASSOCIATION OF APOLIPOPROTEIN E AND ALPHA2MACROGLOBULIN WITH ALZHEIMER DISEASE IN CZECH POPULATION

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Purpose: Purpose of this study was to find an association between apolipoprotein E and alpha2 macroglobulin with late onset Alzheimer disease in Czech population.

Methods: We have examined group of 112 clinically well defined patients with late onset Alzheimer disease and 105 age and gender matched, non demented individuals. For genetic analysis of the apolipoprotein E and alpha2 macroglobulin polymorphisms we used simple and rapid method of detection by PCR restriction fragment length analysis.

Results: Distribution of apoE alleles was comparable to genetical studies from other central European countries. We found no association between alpha2 macroglobulin and late onset of Alzheimer disease. There was also no evidence of interaction between apolipoprotein E and alpha2 macroglobulin.

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DEVELOPMENT OF THE PTSD SYMPTOMS UNDER THE CONDITION OF THE SPECIFIC TRAUMATIC EVENT

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Posttraumatic Stress Disorder is defined as a mental disorder caused by the traumatic event.

Trauma concept is primarily for understanding the disorder, but it is not considered to be exclusive factor. Etiological theories specify the personal traits, which determine whether the symptoms will develop or not. On the other hand, DSM-IV delineates in definition that this is the disorder that can occur in any individual exposed to traumatic event. This attitude directs us to need to redefine the relationship between traumatic event and the personality of the individual in the course of the symptom development.

The investigation included 397 individuals who were treated during the 78 days of bombardment of the area of town Nis. The subjects investigated were exposed in the limited time period, at the