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Obsessive and compulsive symptoms in elderly: A literature review

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Introduction: Obsessive compulsive symptoms may occur at any age. It was studied extensively in the youth contrary to the elderly that usually suffer for other health issues leading to misdiagnosis.

Objectives: We aim through this study to discover the particularities of OCD in elderly.

Methods: Our literature review was based on the PubMed interface and adapted for 2 databases: Science Direct and Google Scholar using the following combination (obsessive compulsive disorder [MeSH terms]) OR (OCD [MeSH terms]) AND (elderly [MeSH terms]) OR (dementia [MeSH terms]).

Results: Our review revealed 39 articles from which we selected 4 articles.

We found that in aged adults over than 50 years experience mostly somatic symptoms, religiosity, and moral scrupulosity as obsessive thoughts.

We also found that OCD can occur as a primary disorder in older women, whereas in men it either persists from, younger years or arises in the context of another psychiatric or medical disorder. The relationship between Obsessional illness, brain mechanisms and Cognitive disorders are not fully understood.

Indeed, we noted a relative Impairment in executive function in older adults with OCD stressing the link with cognitive impairment. Moreover, Obsessive compulsive symptoms may worsen cognitive functioning.

Conclusions: Obsessive compulsive disorder presence in the elderly may be described as a primary health condition or be related to organic mental health issues in particular dementia. The pathophysiology remains unclear therefore further studies are needed for better understanding and management.

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Obsessive-compulsive disorder after traumatic brain injury: case report.

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Introduction: Although not the most prevalent clinical presentation, obsessive compulsive (OC) symptoms have been reported

after TBI. Post-TBI OC disorder (OCD) cases are rare, so that OC symptoms in this setting are frequently described as OC personality disorders (OCPD).

Generally, the clinical features of post-TBI OCD are thought to be similar to those observed in idiopathic OCD, assuming the probable involvement of structures such as the orbitofrontal cortex, basal ganglia, limbic and thalamic systems in its pathophysiology, although no anatomical location clearly associated with post-TBI OCD being recognized.

Objectives: Brief systematic review of OCD post-TBI and case report.

Methods: Bibliographic research using Pubmed. Clinical interviews and file consultation, with patient informed consent.

Results: We present a case of a 63-year-old patient referred to the Psychiatry Consultation due to obsessive thoughts of dirt and contamination, accompanied by compulsive cleaning and sanitizing behaviors with at least 3 years of evolution with a history of TBI and right frontopolar hemorrhage 5 years ago. These behaviors significantly impaired his functionality (cleaning objects on average 300 to 700 times a day, spending hours in the shower). The patient had insight for the excessive behaviors and its daily impairment.

Conclusions: Psychopathology in the post-TBI context is not infrequent, however reported cases of post-TBI OCD are described as rare in the current literature. The short description of this phenomenon implies the need for more studies focused on the study of the phenomenology of post-TBI OCD. For example, while OCD and obsessive-compulsive symptoms tend to be recognizable psychiatric phenomena, neurobehavioral sequelae in a post-TBI context can present multiple manifestations and resemble OC phenomena, without actually constituting OCD.

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Memantine augmentation of sertraline in the treatment of symptoms and executive function among patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder: A double-blind placebo-controlled, randomized clinical trial

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Introduction: Medications currently recommended for the treatment of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD) usually decrease the severity of the symptoms by 20–30%; however, 40–60% of OCD patients do not achieve a satisfactory response. Our main objective was to investigate the effectiveness of memantine, a non-competitive N-Methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonist, as an adjunct therapy to sertraline, a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI), to improve severity of symptoms and executive function among patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder.

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