



Is Psychiatry at a Crossroads?

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Psychiatric disorders are very common all over the world



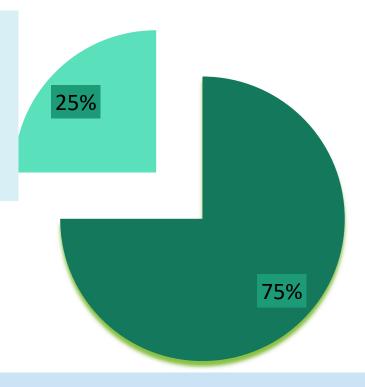
Lifetime Prevalence (%) by Gender NIMH Collaborative Psychiatric Epidemiology Surveys

Schizophrenia 0.5 – 1.5%		
	Males	Females
Any Mood Disorder	14.4	22.31
Any Anxiety Disorder	17.1	25.46
Any Substance Disorder	17.6	7.86
Any Mood, Anxiety Substance Disorder	33.9	38.25



Mental Health Statistics in US

1 in 4 adults, 25% of peoples, have a mental disorders



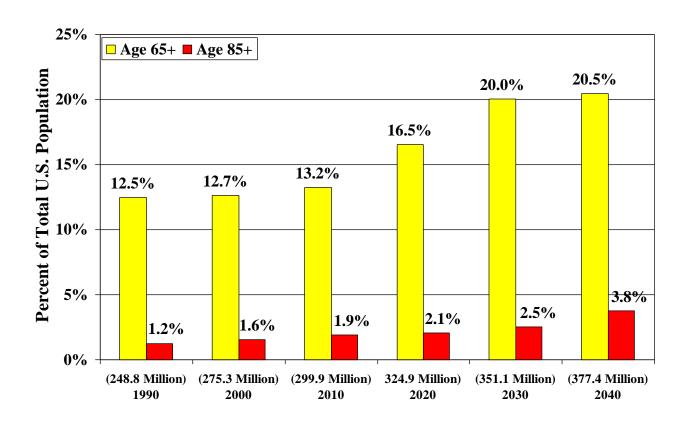
Depression: 6.7%

-1 in 10 peoples take antidepressants

Anxiety: 18.1%



Aging in Population

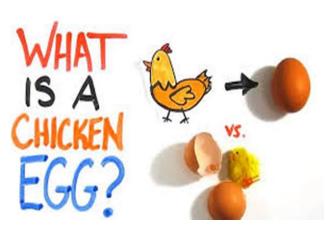




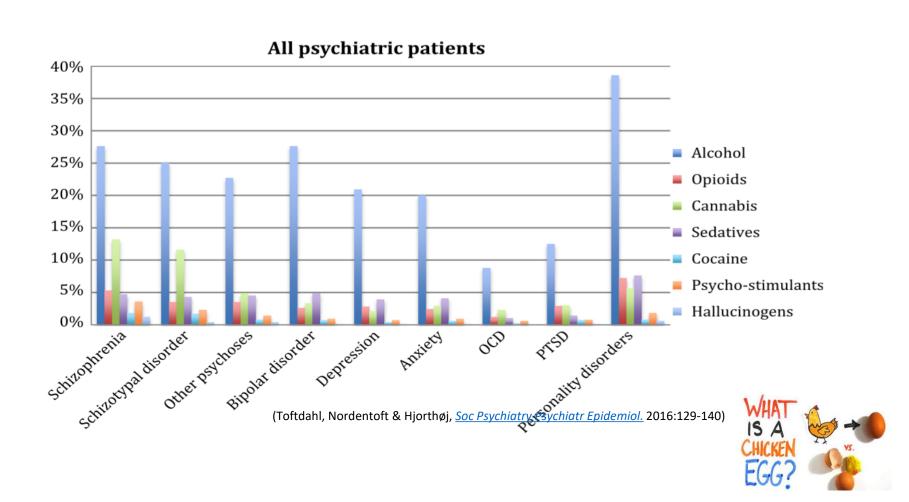
Substance Related Disorders Epidemiology: Prevalence

• NIDA:

- 22.5M substance-related d/o
- 15M Alcohol Dependence or Abuse
- 40% of hospital admission have alcohol or drugs associated
- 25% of all hospital deaths
- 100,000 deaths/year
- ETOH \$300 billion/year!!!



Epidemiology of Comorbide Disorder

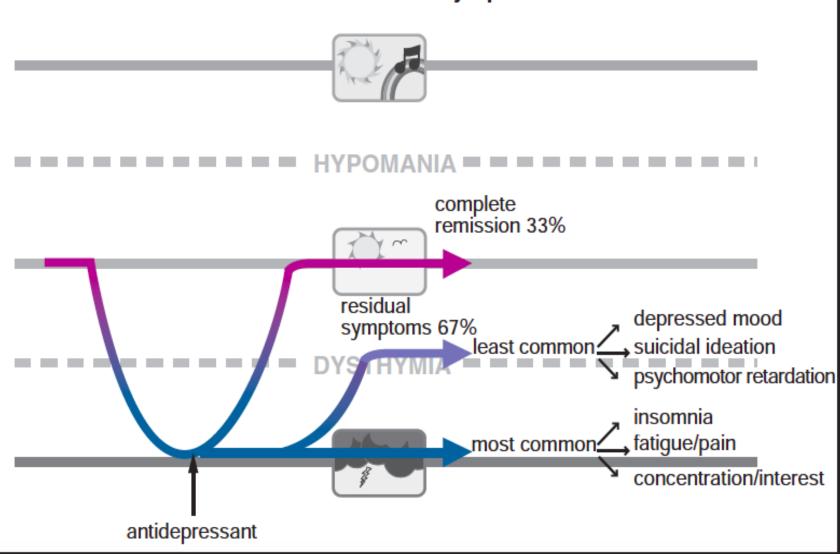




Treatment & Remission Rates



What Are the Most Common Residual Symptoms in Nonremitters?

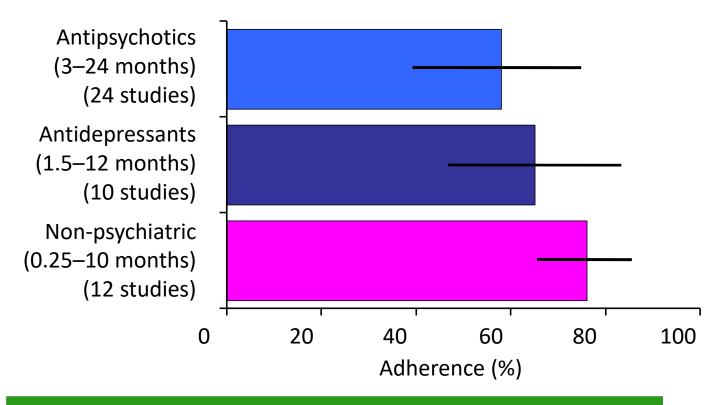




Treatment & Adherence



Adherence in general clinical practice is poor



Wide range of estimates across studies may reflect difficulty of assessing covert non-adherence

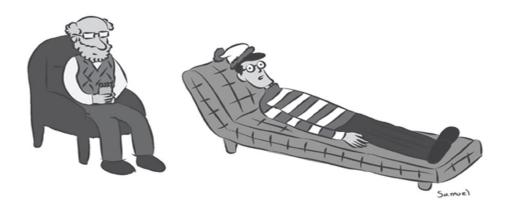
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Cramer & Rosenheck. Psychiatr Serv 1998;49 (2):196–201



Do Psychotherapies Really Work?

thedailysnooze.com

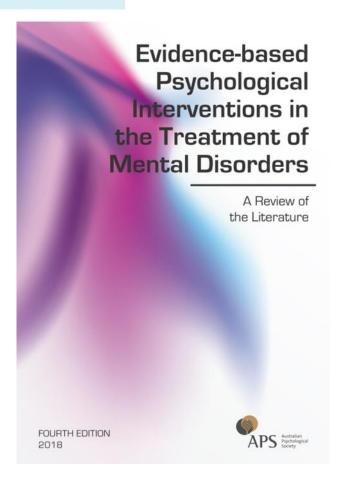


"And then it dawned on me-I've never truly found myself."



Psychotherapy Outcomes

- 1.The discussion about whether therapies work through common or specific mechanisms has been going on for several decades, but it has not been resolved because it is not known how therapies work.
- 2.Although hundreds of correlational studies have been conducted during the past decades, little progress has been made in understanding the mechanisms of change of therapies: It is as if we have been in a pilot phase of research for five decades.



Cuijpers P, et al. The Role of Common Factors in Psychotherapy Outcomes. Annu Rev Clin Psychol. **2018 Dec** 14. doi: 10.1146/annurev-clinpsy-050718-095424.



Treatment: Statistics & Cost



COSTS

Major Depressive Disorder \$83.1 billion

- \$26.1 billion dollars direct medical costs
- 5.4 billion dollars suicide-related mortality costs,
 - \$51.5 billion dollars were workplace costs.

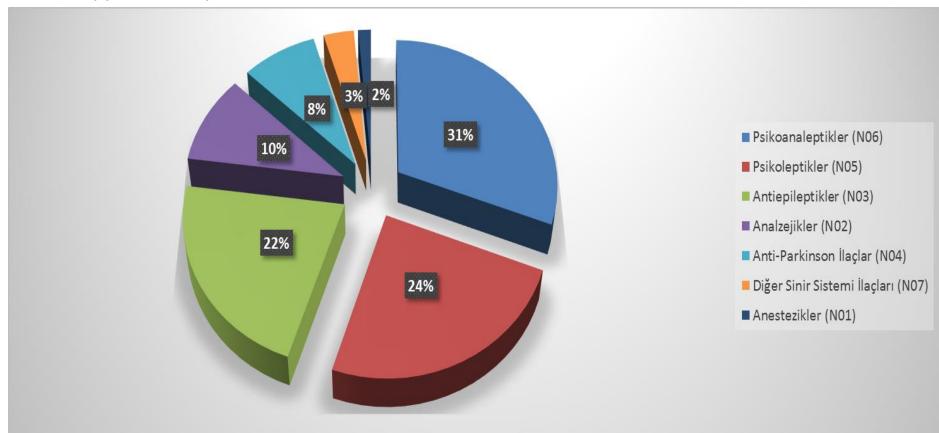
Schizophrenia 2006 \$62.7 billion

Treatment (22.7 billion) plus indirect costs like lost productivity

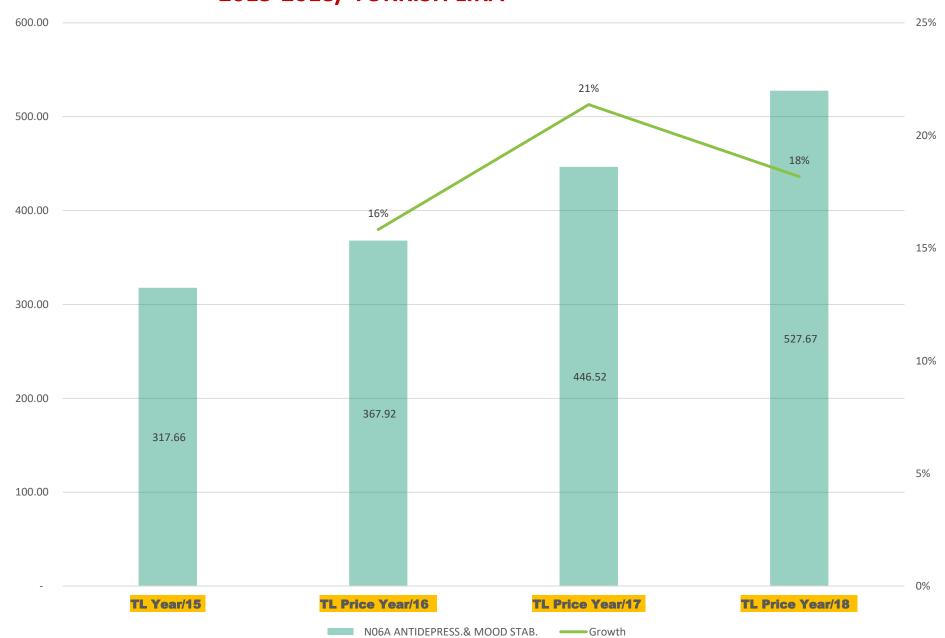


PHARMACEUTICAL STATISTICS DISTRIBUTION OF N-GROUP ATC-2 LEVEL in Turkey (2016)

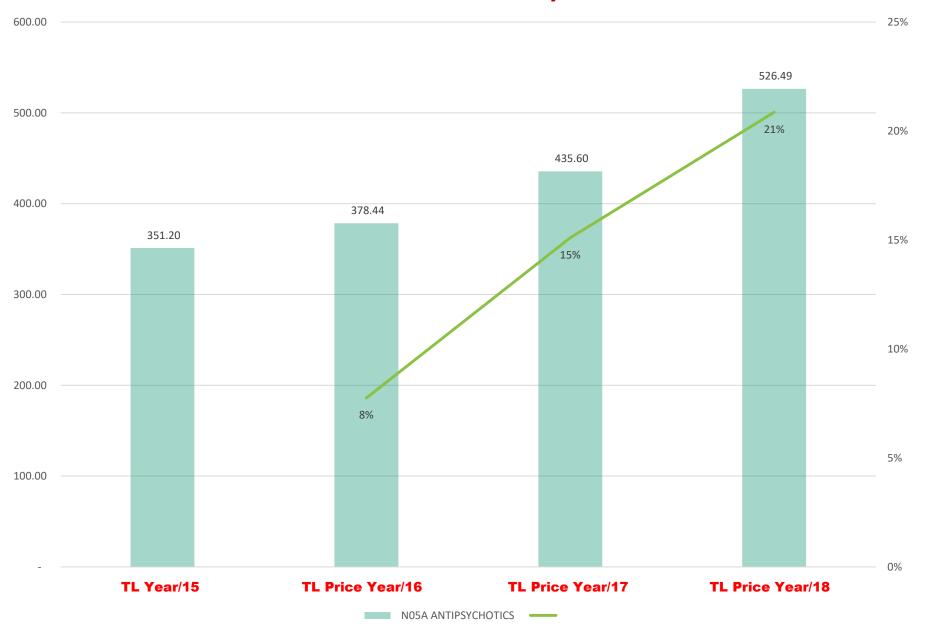
 ✓ Nervous System Drugs (N Group) in 2016 Total Amount of 9% (approximately 2 Billion TL)



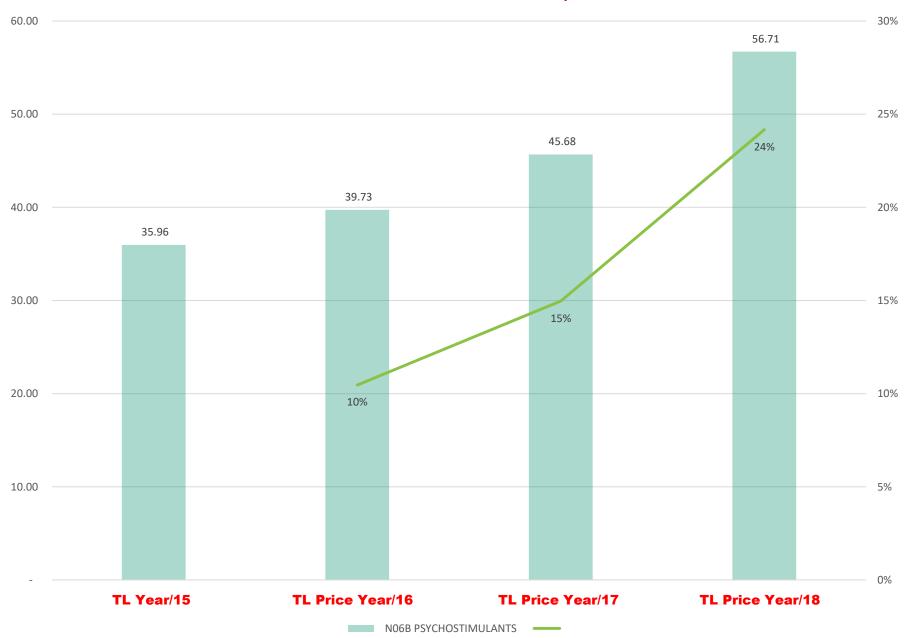
ANTIDEPRESSANTS & MOOD STABILZERS 2015-2018/ TURKISH LIRA



ANTIPSYCHOTICS 2015-2018 / TURKISH LIRA



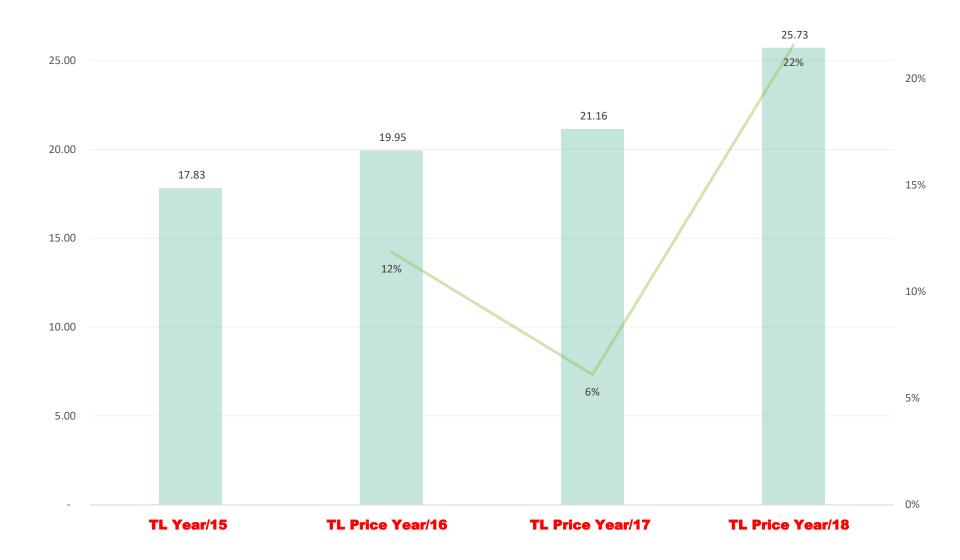
PSYCHOSTIMULANTS 2015-2018 / Turkish Lira





TRANQUILLIZERS 2015-2018 / Turkish Lira







Great Risk: Suicide



Data and General Figures published by WHO

- More than 800,000 people around the world die from suicide every year.
- 75% of suicides occur in low-income and medium countries.
- Suicide is the second-leading cause of death in 15-29-year-olds globally.
- The suicidal behaviors represent 15% of the 15,000 fatal accidents that daily occur around the world.

IN THE LAST DECADE, THE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY DOES NOT HAVE A NEW MEDICINE ABOUT PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS!! There's nothing in the pipeline.

THE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY OF THE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY IN THE LAST DECADE:

- 1. Making new drugs that the active metabolites of the old molecules,
- 2.The same molecule parenteral (long acting intramuscular forms, transdermal patches, oral dissolving tablets or oral XR forms)
- 3. THERE IS ALL THAT!!

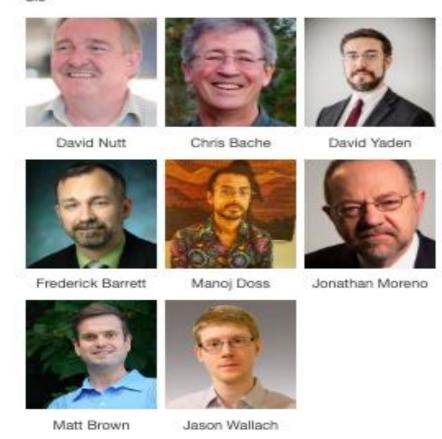


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HEALTH

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DIE? SCIENTISTS HAVE RE-CREATED A NEAR-DEATH EXPERIENCE TO FIND OUT WHAT IT FEELS LIKE

BY KASHMIRA GANDER ON 9/4/18 AT 10:23 AM EDT



Anna said she felt as if she was in a tunnel when she first felt the effects of DMT.

GETTY IMAGES



What happens when you die? As she lay blindfolded in a seat in a dimly lit room, Anna* came close to finding out.

But Anna wasn't dying, or even close to death, when she entered what she described as an alternate realm. Instead, she was among 13 volunteers who had agreed to take the powerful hallucinogenic **dimethyltryptamine (DMT)** for a study conducted by the psychedelic research group at Imperial College London, U.K.

The researchers, who watched Anna surf her consciousness in the low light of the research room at one of the world's most prestigious research institutions, pumped the volunteers with the psychedelic to learn how close DMT could bring a person to the sensation of skirting death.

DMT's trip is said to mimic the feeling of almost dying so accurately that those who take it describe hallucinations that mirror near-death experiences—psychological events reported by people who have come close to or believe they have come close to dying.

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FDA APPROVES PSYCHEDELIC MAGIC MUSHROOMS INGREDIENT PSILOCYBIN FOR DEPRESSION TRIAL

BY KASHMIRA GANDER ON 8/23/18 AT 9:02 AM EDT



Magic mushrooms grow on a tree in this stock image. Psilocybin is the psychedelic ingredient in magic mushrooms,

The <u>Food and Drug Administration</u> has approved the use of the psychedelic ingredient in magic mushrooms for a drug trial for treatment-resistant <u>depression</u>. The agency gave the green light to

The agency gave the green light to Compass Pathways, a life sciences firm, to perform clinical trials using psilocybin.

Occurring naturally in magic mushrooms, psilocybin is a hallucinogenic which can cause feelings of euphoria.

According to a <u>statement</u> by Compass Pathways, 216 patients with treatment-resistant depression will take part in the phase two trial across 12 to 15 research sites in North America and Europe, which will start in the U.K. later this month.

Medical Marijuana



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has not recognized or approved the marijuana plant as medicine.

However, scientific study of the chemicals in marijuana, called cannabinoids, has led to two FDA-approved medications that contain cannabinoid chemicals in pill form. Continued research may lead to more medications.



Etiologies of Psychiatric Disorders: Modern Life Style:

- 1. Stress
- 2. Refined and Processed Foods
- 3. Sugar Consumption
- 4. Sedentary Life Style
- 5. Excess Screen Time



Modern Life Style= Stress

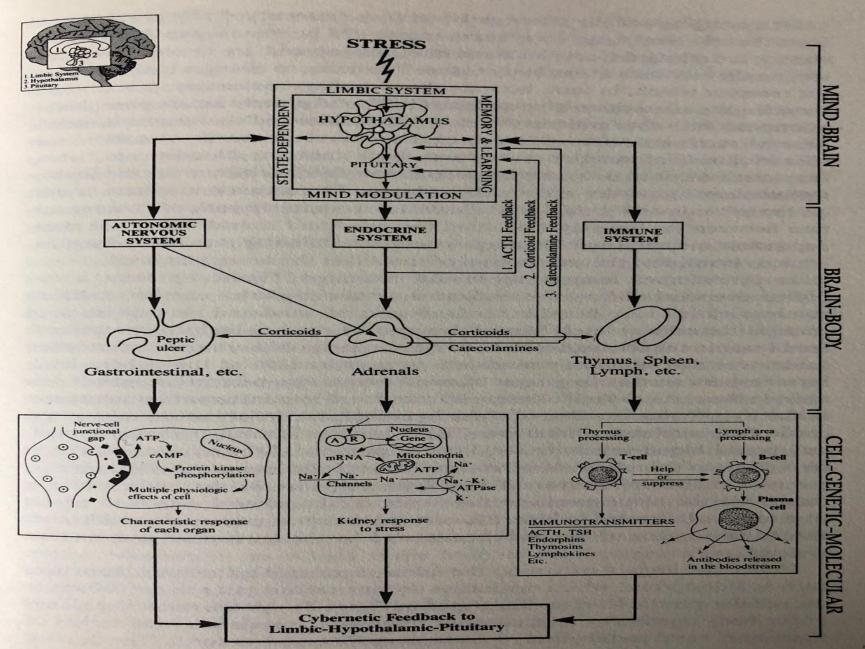
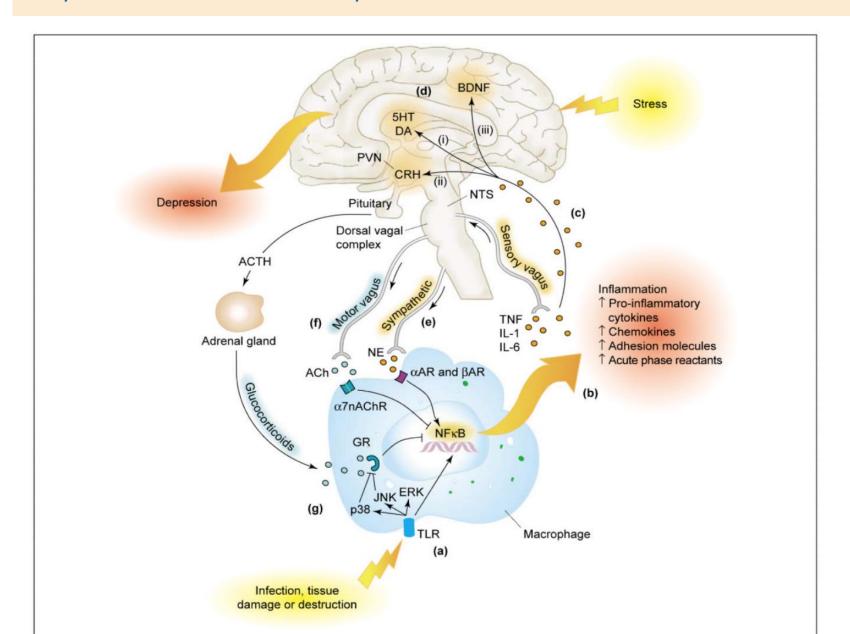


Figure 8: Three levels of mind-body cybernetic communication during stress. (Adapted from Rossi, 1986d)

Stress=Inflammation

Physical Diseases & Psychiatric Disorders





Mental Disorders & Physical Health

Mental Symptoms:

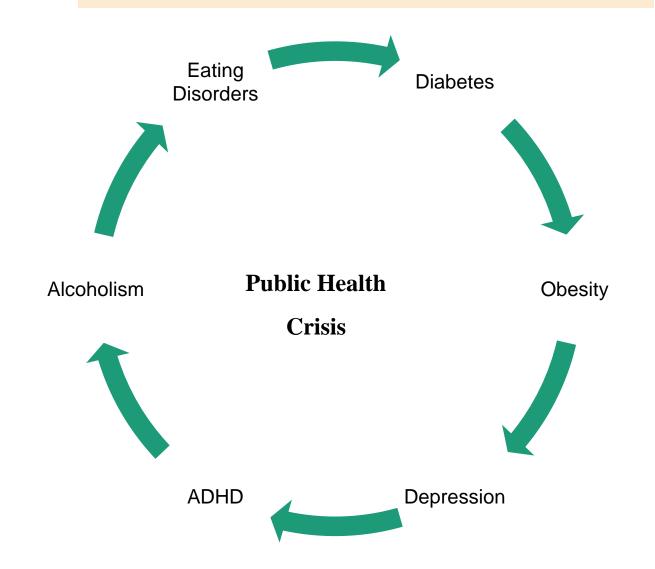
- ☑ Fatigue
- ☑ Anxiety
- ☑ Depression
- ✓ Irritability
- ☑ Poor mood
- ☑ Stress Intolerance
- ☑ Overeating, cravings
- ☑ Inability to sleep

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How do these public health issues relate to diet?





Modern Life Style= Refined and Processed Foods & Sedentary Life Style



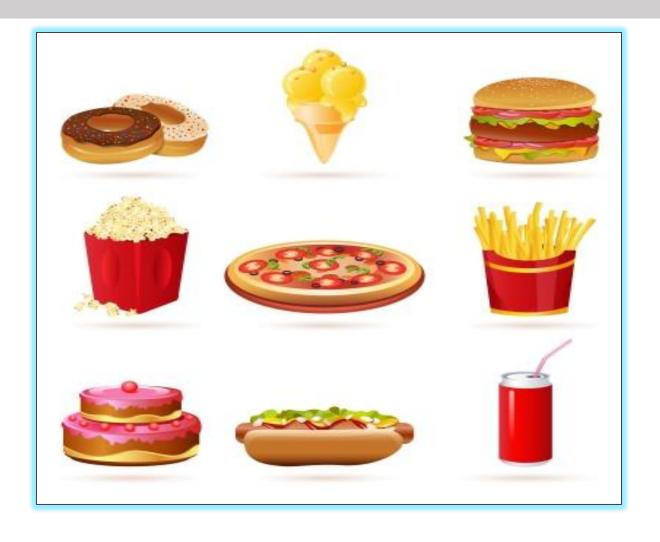
The Problems with Processed

- Unhealthy high sugar, salt, fat
- Addictive ingredients to sell
- Less educated, poorer more susceptible





Standard American Diet (=SAD)





Obesity

• 64% of U.S. adults are estimated obese or overweight (NHANES 1999-2000)

•5 – 7% increase in obesity each year (CDC)





Nutrition, Inflammation, & Depression

Processed foods are linked to higher rates of depression

Diets with foods that trigger inflammation (refined, processed foods) result in 29-41% greater risk for depression

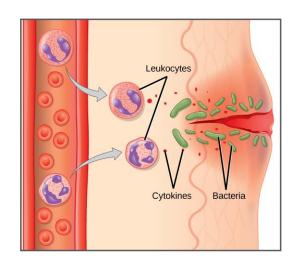
Inflammation itself may mediate depressive symptoms



Inflammation and Mood

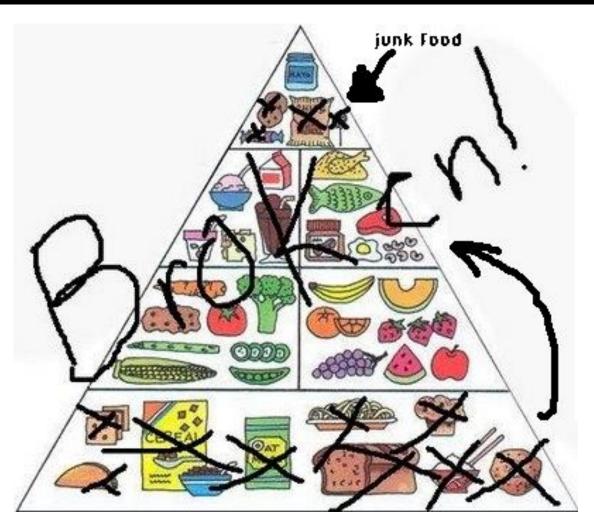
- Causes of Inflammation
 - Stress
 - Poor quality foods
 - Physical inactivity
 - Obesity
 - Smoking
 - Lack of sleep
 - Toxic exposures
 - Vitamin D deficiency

- Inflammatory Contributors
 - Refined sugars
 - Vegetable oil
 - Refined flour
 - Full-fat dairy
 - Artificial additives
 - Saturated fats
 - Processed meats





Food Advice via Big Business



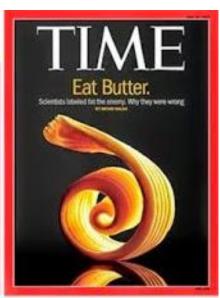


Ignore mainstream nutritional advice. Many big nutritional bodies are funded by Big Sugar http://iquitsugar.com/funded-by-big-sugar/



Nutritional Confusion





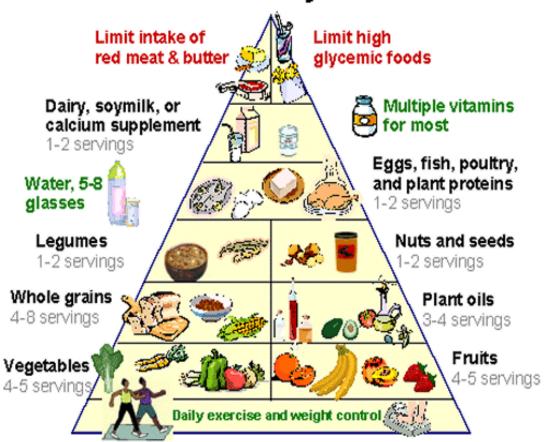
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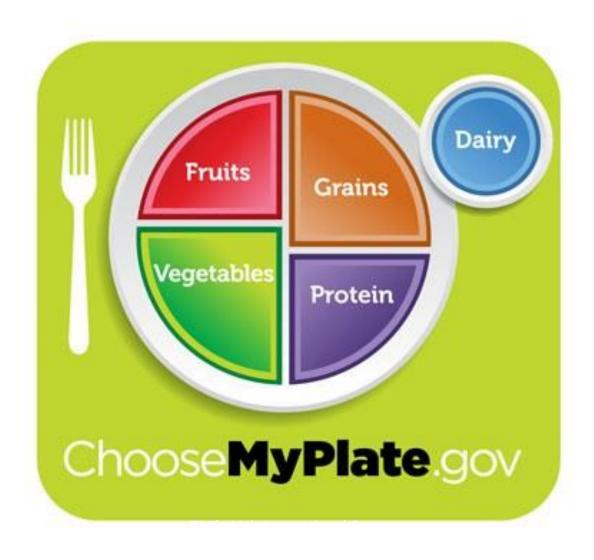




New Food Pyramid



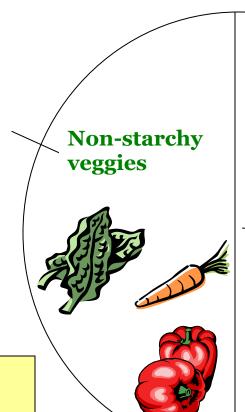
New US Food Advice





Healthy Plate

- •Broccoli
- Cabbage
- Carrots
- •Cauliflower
- •Dark green leafy veggies (e.g. Spinach, kale, chard, Brussels sprouts etc.)
- •Green beans
- Peppers
- Tomatoes





Starch



- Corn
- Peas
- Potatoes
- Pumpkin
- Squash
- •Sweet potatoes
- Yams
- •(Brown/wild rice, oats, Quinoa)

- + healthy fats, including:
- Avocado
- Nuts and seeds
- •Olive & Canola oil

- •Beans & lentils
- •Beef (grass fed)
- Poultry (w/o skin)
- •Dairy (Yogurt)
- •Eggs
- •Fish
- •Nuts & nut butters



MOOD FOOD





Modern Life Style= Sugar Consumption



Sugar Isn't Just Empty Calories...

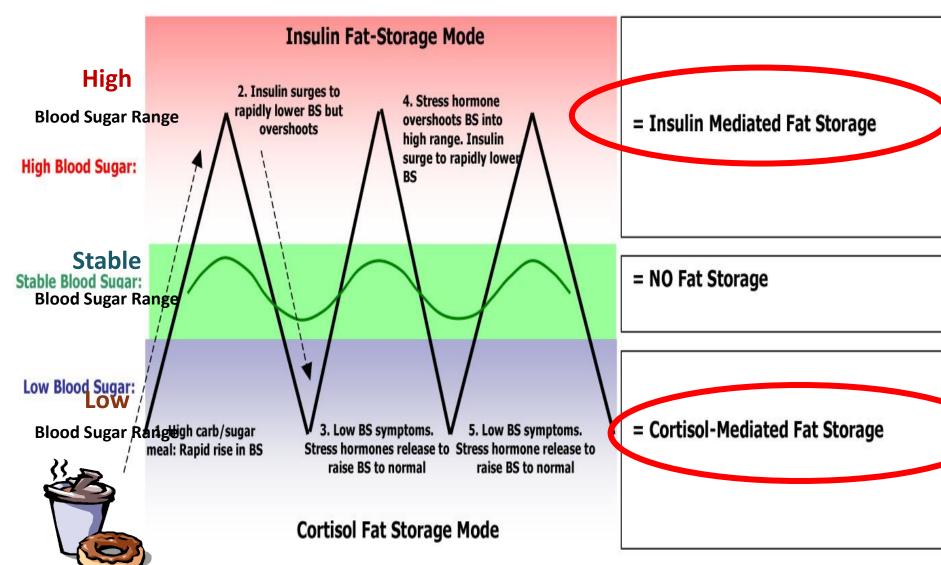
- Increased depression and anxiety
- Memory/hippocampal structure
- Reduced learning ability
- Metabolic syndrome in the brain
- Increased inflammation

Increased

- Blood Pressure
- Obesity
- Cholesterol
- Triglycerides
- Cardiovascular Disease
- Insulin resistance
- Cancer tumor growth
- Dental disease
- Liver disease



Eat to Stabilize the Blood Sugar-Adrenal Axis





Blood Sugar

- Fluctuations in Blood Sugar can lead to fluctuations in mood.
- Regulates blood sugar no dips and spikes
 - No 'sleepiness;' less irritability; not moody

A sign that you consume too much sugar...





Sugar Consumption: Health Consequences

Cardiovascular system-increase in heart disease

- O Increase in blood pressure
- O Increase risk for heart attacks, strokes, 5 or fewer hours have 45% greater risk

Endocrine

- O Affects appetite regulating hormone
- O Diabetes and impaired glucose tolerance
 - 2.5 times more with 5 or less hours of sleep
 - 1.7 times more with 6 or fewer hours of sleep
- O Obesity and weight management
- O Increase in stress hormones
- O Thyroid and growth hormones affected
- Immune system-more susceptible to illness
- Early death
 - Less than 6 hours of sleep or less per night-
 - O 15%-30% greater risk of dying, regardless of cause
 - O Protective factors of avoiding tobacco, alcohol, and unhealthy foods lost with sleep deprivation

Nervous system-memory and learning affected

- Balance is affected, more falls, 2 to 4.5 greater chance of falling
- · Increased risk of tremors, seizures
- Increase in pain, frequent headaches



Sugar Consumption: Mental Health Consequences



- Mental Health
 - Decreased neurotransmitters affecting mood
 - Distress,
 - Irritability,
 - Depression,
 - Alcohol Use,
 - Suicide
 - Decreased quality of life



Global / Globalisation Trends

- Urbanisation & Westernisation
- Climate change
- Soil, air, water pollution
- Hunger
- Obesity & disease of affluence





Sugar By Other Names

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maltose raw sugar sucrose glucose corn sweetener high-fructose corn syrup
     fruit juice concentrates uctose brown sugar
           molasses
                                                   http://dchealthybites.com
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1. Artificial Sweeteners - Aspartame (E951)

Neurotoxin and carcinogen

Adverse effects:

- Brain Tumor,
- Diseases Like Lymphoma,
- Diabetes,
- Multiple Sclerosis,
- Parkinson's,
- Alzheimer's,
- Fibromyalgia,
- Depression
- Anxiety Attacks,
- Dizziness, Nausea,
- Mental Confusion,
- Headaches, Migraines
- Seizures





2. Artificial Sweetener - Acesulfame-K

A relatively new artificial sweetener found in baking goods, gum and gelatin, has not been thoroughly tested and has been linked to kidney tumors?





3. Monosodium Glutamate (MSG / E621)

Flavour enhancer. Regular consumption may result in depression, disorientation, eye damage, fatigue, headaches, and obesity.

Found in: Chinese food (Chinese Restaurant Syndrome) many snacks, chips, cookies, seasonings, most Campbell Soup products, frozen dinners, lunch meats





4. Trans/Hydrogenated Fat

- 2009-WHO declared that trans fats (from hydrogenated vegetable oils) really are toxic.
- These "fake fats" raise the risk for-Type II diabetes, Cardiovascular disease, Obesity and Inflammation.
- Trans Fats are associated with-Depression, anxiety, memory problems and irritability and aggression.
- Found in: margarine, chips and crackers, baked goods, fast foods.





5. High Fructose Corn Syrup

- A source of sugar used in processed food especially drinks
- Contributes to heart disease, obesity, cancer, dementia, liver failure, tooth decay.





6-Food Dyes



Watch out for these ones:

- Blue #1 and Blue #2 (E133), Banned in Norway, Finland and France.
 May cause chromosomal damage
- Red dye # 3 (also Red #40 a more current dye) (E124) Banned in 1990 after 8 years of debate from use in many foods and cosmetics. This dye continues to be on the market until supplies run out! Has been proven to cause thyroid cancer and chromosomal damage in laboratory animals, may also interfere with brain-nerve transmission.
- Yellow #6 (E110) and Yellow Tartrazine (E102). Banned in Norway and Sweden. Increases the number of kidney and adrenal gland tumours in laboratory animals, may cause chromosomal damage. Found in: American cheese, sweets and carbonated beverages, lemonade and more.



7-GLuten



- ❖Gluten is the diet that humans have consumed for more than 99.9% of our existence on this planet.
- ❖ Recent review in New England Journal of Medicine listed 55 diseases that are related to consuming gluten including disease such as anxiety, depression, schizophrenia, dementia and migraines.
- Gluten contains significant amounts of glutamate-an excitotoxin

Non-celiac gluten sensitivity (NCGS)?

Bloating

Diarrhea

Fatigue

Migraines

Mood swings

Depression

Joint inflammation



8-Beverages

- Water is the best choice for thirsty children. Model good habits for the children by choosing water first.
- Soda and fruit drinks are full of sugar and "empty calories" (few nutrients, many calories).
- Serving low fat milk with meals and snacks provides calcium but doesn't add many calories.

























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Modern Life Style=Excess Screen Time



What is screen time?

Amount of time spent using digital screen technology

- Daily number of hours viewing:
 - Videos on YouTube, Netflix, Vimeo, others
 - Texting or chatting on sites like **Instant Messenger, Finsta**, others
 - SM sites like Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook and the rest
 - Smartphone, pad, computer or console based video games
 - Shopping, dating, gambling, surfing randomly
 - Email, school assignments, researching on Wikipedia
- More than 50% of teen screen time is with smartphone



Side effects of excess screen time

- Increased sedentary behavior
 - Less physical activity
 - Poor nutrition
 - Poor hygiene
 - Obesity
 - DVT
- Disrupted sleep and circadian rhythms
 - Elevated cortisol levels
 - Lower melatonin levels

Physical injury

- Repetitive motion tendinitis- carpal tunnel
- 'Text neck'
- Eye strain and headaches
- Motor vehicle accidents



Modern Life = Social Media



Social Media Effects

 Once connected people can directly share texts, ideas, pictures, gifs, videos, blogs, etc

- Likes
- Views
- Shares
- Follows
- Retweets
- Streaks
- Gifs
- Upvotes
- Memes
- Stars
- Gifts



Social media bullying

- Cyberbullying affects 15.5% of high school students
 - 20% of high schoolers experience inperson bullying at school.
 - Girls, kids who are disabled, LGBTQ, obese or history of victimization are more likely to be cyberbullied than other kids





Social media and suicide

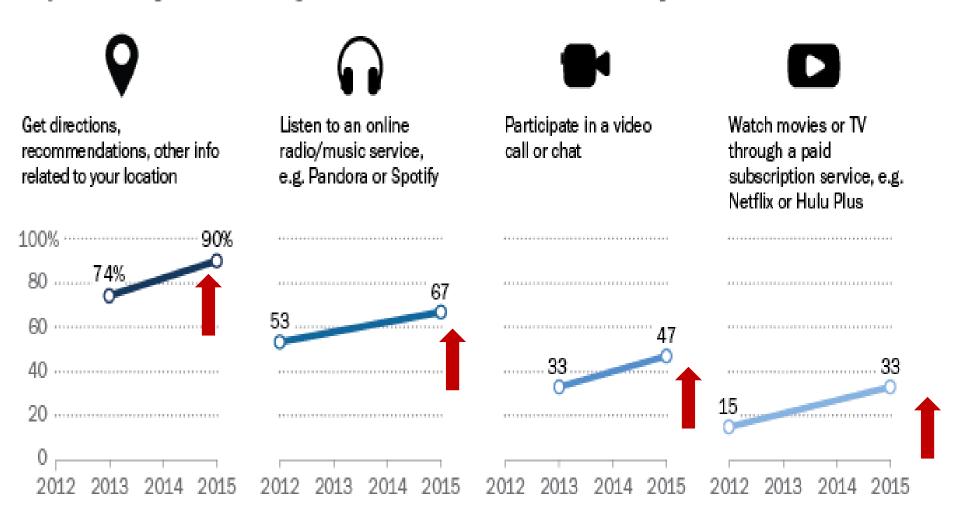
- Social media may be a place where kids and teens are exposed to suicidal imagery
 - Facebook live suicide
 - YouTuber Jake Paul showed suicided Japanese person in 2018
- Social media may be a place where kids and teens communicate suicidal thoughts
 - More teens are communicating suicidal ideation over social media than before
 - Suicidal teens prefer to keep thoughts to self or small group of peers, only 25% tell and adults



For the Love of Smartphones

Americans increasingly use smartphones for more than voice calls, texting

% of U.S. smartphone owners ages 18 and over who have ever used their phone to ...





Modern Life Style=Sleepless nights



Sleep Problems are Common

- An estimated 50% of peoples are sleep deprived
 - 30% average less than 6 hours per night
- 7 out of 10 have trouble sleeping
- 15% suffer from some long term disorder
- %7 experience occasional problems
- 1/3 of peoples have symptoms of insomnia





Technology & Physical Health: A Sleep Deprived Nation

- Sleeping less than 7 hours is linked to an increased risk of:
 - Diabetes
 - Stroke
 - High Blood Pressure
 - Heart Disease
 - Obesity
 - Poor Mental Health
 - Early Death



Source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention (2016)



Technology Affects Melatonin & Sleep

According to a National Sleep Foundation Study...



95% of individuals surveyed reported using electronics in the hour before they went to sleep

Source: Stampler (2014)



What Can be Done?

Preventive Psychiatry



Prevention Phases of the Psychiatric Disorders

Primary prevention tries **to improve the environment** in order to prevent new cases of a mental disorder from developing.

Government: Laws and Regulations

 Secondary prevention focuses on the early detection of emotional problems in the hope of preventing them from becoming more serious and difficult to treat.

Government and Health Professionals

 Tertiary prevention may involve any of the treatments discussed in this chapter, because the intervention occurs after the illness has been identified.

Health Professionals and Individual



Preventive Psychiatry Approaches

Primary & Secondary Prevention

Social and Political



Policy Attention

- Advertisements of all soda and boxed juices, energy drinks, fast foods, candies and snacks should be prohibited!
- Soda machines and fast food removed by schools
- High taxes on unhealthy foods and beverages such as alcoholic beverages, tobacco and tobacco products should be taken.
- Food additives should be strictly inspected
- VAT rate of organic products should be reduced to 1%
- Government funding for fresh fruits and vegetables in school lunches
- Support for physical and nutrition education in school and community contexts
- Construction of public gyms and swimming pools by the Government and municipalities





Some useful foods and beverages can be promoted by placing bonuses on their packages





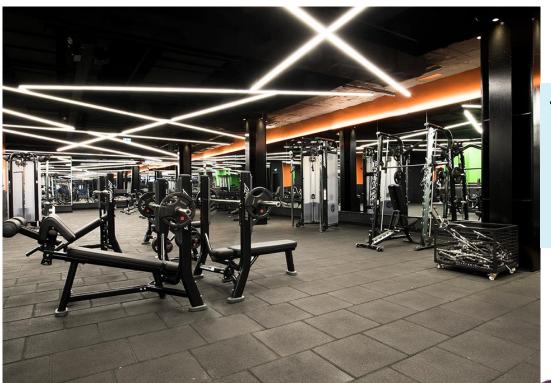
Tax rates for some foods should be reduced from 8% to 1%





Tax rates for Gyms should be reduced





Tax rates for sport products should be reduced



Integration of health insurances with exercise recorder devices to ensure that less insurance costs are applied to people who exercise more





Preventive Psychiatry Approaches



Preventive Psychiatry Approaches

- Nutrition
- Exercise Routines
- Sleep Hygiene
- Medication Routines
- Stress Management
- Psychological/Mental Health

- Healthful Living Space
- Social Relationships
- Recreational Activities
- Personal Health Choices
- Spirituality



Exercise

Aerobic exercise most studied

Randomized controlled trials

- ◆ Antidepressant effects comparable to CBT
- ◆ Feasible in older subjects
- ◆ Total caloric expenditure/wk more critical than frequency/wk





Complementary & Alternative Treatments for Depressive Disorders

- Most robust evidence Light therapy in seasonal depression.
- Evidence and clinical support in mild-moderate MDD
 - Light therapy augmentation
 - Exercise/yoga augmentation
 - Omega-3 fatty acids monotherapy or augmentation
 - SAM-e monotherapy
 - St. John's Wort monotherapy
- Bipolar disorder
 - Omega-3 fatty acids augmentation
- Inconclusive evidence at present for other physical, herbal or nutraceutical therapies



Some University-based Integrative Medicine Centers

Columbia

Cornell

Duke

George Washington

Harvard

Stanford

Thomas Jefferson

Tufts

University of Arizona

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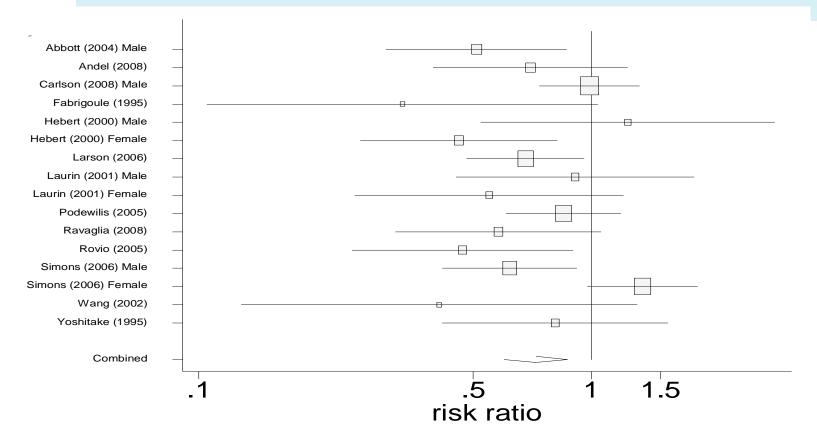
Benefits of Physical Activity



- Helps prevent CVD, type 2 diabetes, obesity and some types of cancer
- Benefits bone, joint and digestive health
- Improves mental wellbeing and can help prevent depression.
- Also associated with reduced risk of cognitive decline
- Physical activity influences cognitive health in later life
- 38% lower risk of dementia
- increases size of hippocampus and improves memory



Physical Activity and Risk of Dementia



Zucchella C, et al. The Multidisciplinary Approach to Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia. A Narrative Review of Non-Pharmacological Treatment. Front Neurol. 2018; 9: 1058.doi: 10.3389/fneur.2018.01058



Sleep Hygiene

- Getting the right amount of sleep for your body
- Maintaining a functional sleep schedule
 - Setting and sticking to a bedtime
 - Getting up around the same time every day
 - Managing time well to avoid all-nighters
 - Knowing when to prioritize sleep over socializing
- Dealing with sleep disruptions effectively



Stress Management

- Finding and implementing effective, positive strategies to deal with everyday concerns
 - "Stress Busters"
 - Deep breathing exercises

Avoiding negative or destructive behaviors



Personal Health Choices

- Becoming educated about personal health issues such as tobacco, alcohol, drugs, sexual activity, etc.
- Making positive and healthful decisions about personal health issues
 - Practicing safe sex or abstaining
 - Abstaining from illegal drugs
 - Using prescribed drugs responsibly
 - Drinking responsibly and/or abstaining from alcohol
 - Abstaining from or quitting tobacco products
- Resisting peer pressure and making decisions based on your own convictions





Spirituality

- Fulfilling spiritual/religious needs if applicable
- Seeking out spiritual guidance as needed
- Connecting with others of similar faith
- Exploring your current faith or a different one







Preventive Psychiatry Approaches

Healthy Nutrition & Nutraceuticals



Nutrition

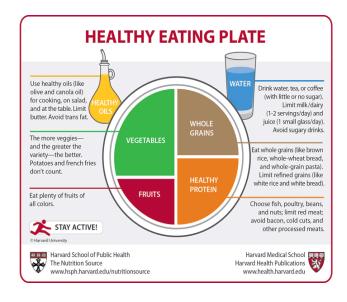


- Identifying healthful foods
 - Whole grains
 - Lean protein
 - Fruits & vegetables
 - Dairy products
 - Healthy fats
- Finding, preparing, and eating nutritious foods
- Making healthy choices about what to eat from the options available on campus



Macronutrient Mood Therapy

- Removal of dietary factors associated with mental health symptoms
 - Sugar and simple carbohydrates
 - Processed foods
 - Trans fats
 - Caffeine
- Replace with increased intake of:
 - Protein
 - Healthy fat
 - Vegetables
 - Complex/high nutrient carbs





Feed Your 38 Trillion* Friends Probiotics (Psychobiotics)

- ❖ Your body is colonized by a multitude of organisms that outnumber your cells on a 10-1 ratio.
- No other system in the body is more sensitive to changes in gut bacteria than the central nervous system, especially the brain.
- Limit inflammation
- Improve nutrient absorption from food
- Activate neural pathways between the brain and the gut.

*We estimate the total number of bacteria in the 70 kg "reference man" to be 3.8X 10¹³.





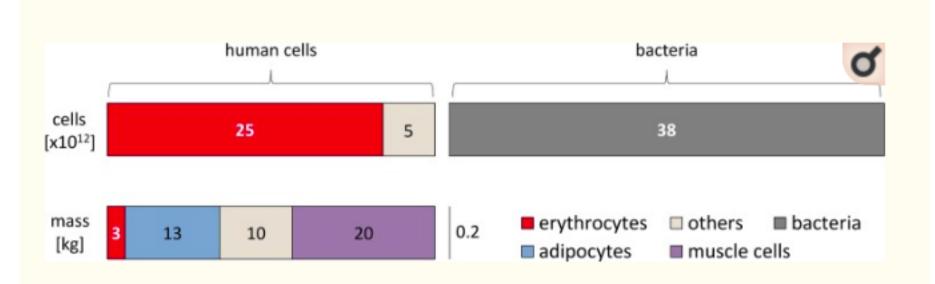
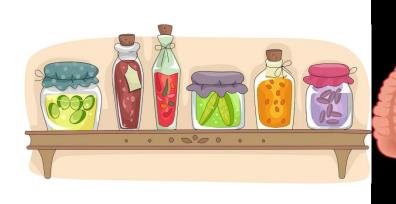


Fig 3

Distribution of cell number and mass for different cell types in the human body (for a 70 kg adult man).

The upper bar displays the number of cells, while the lower bar displays the contribution from each of the main cell types comprising the overall cellular body mass (not including extracellular mass that adds another \approx 24 kg). For comparison, the contribution of bacteria is shown on the right, amounting to only 0.2 kg, which is about 0.3% of the body weight.





- **Probiotics:**Yogurt, Kefir, Kombucha, Kimchi, Sauerkraut,
- **Prebiotics:** Vegetables, low-sugar fruits, healthy fats-extra virgin olive oil, coconut oil, pasture fed butter, nut butters, protein-pasture raised eggs, wild fish, grass fed meat.



Preventive Psychiatry Approaches

Nutraceuticals



What are Nutraceuticals?

- Non-prescription natural health products, usually concentrated forms of natural substances
- They are often used to support general physical and mental well-being
 - Omega-3 fatty acids,
 - Tryptophan,
 - Folic acid,
 - Vitamin B12
 - Vitamin D3
 - Zinc
 - Magnesium,
 - Selenium



Amino Acids -> Neurotransmitters

Tyrosine



Catecholamine Dopamine, Norepinephrine, Epinephrine

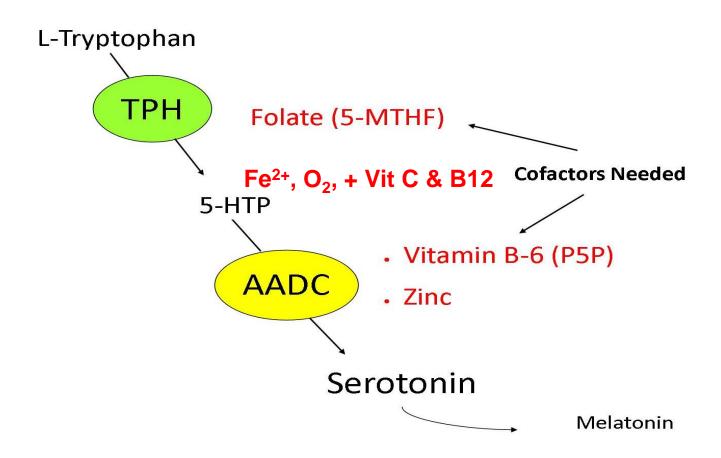
Tryptophan



Serotonin



Serotonin Synthesis





Serotonin & Vitamin D₃

- Seasonal Affective Disorder (S.A.D.)
- Sunlight helps body synthesize Vitamin D.
- Part of reason may be that Vitamin D increases
 Serotonin levels
- Serotonin is often lower in winter months



Omega-3 Fatty Acids

- Essential polyunsaturated fatty acids integrated in multiple biological systems
 - Focus on eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) and docosahexaenoic acid (DHA)
- Found in oily fish, nut oils, avocados, flax seeds, walnuts
- Mechanism of action still unknown
 - ? Improving integrity of neural cell membranes and myelin
 - Variable dosing of EPA (at least 1000 mg /day)





EPA for Bipolar Depression

Two parallel studies of efficacy and biology

Efficacy †

12 week double-blind RCT (n=51)
Augmentation with EPA (1-2 gms) or Placebo

**EPA superior to Placebo on HAM-D and CGI (p=0.04)

Biology ‡

MRS before and after 12 weeks of EPA or Placebo augmentation (n=18 females)

**Higher levels of N-acetyl aspartate (NAA) with EPA vs. Placebo (p=0.02)

[†] Frangou et al., Brit J Psychiatry, 2006

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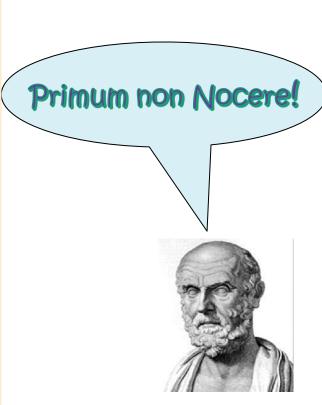


Conclusions:

1-Mental and physical health should be considered as holistic

2-Priority should be given to preventive health approaches

3-It is necessary to protect from the processed foods, social media, immobility, etc., which negatively affect the mental health of young people 4-People's preventive health approach styles should be educated on issues



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Turkish Association for Psychopharmacology (TAP) Upcoming Scientific Activity

12th International Congress on Psychopharmacology

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8th International Symposium on Child and Adolescent Psychopharmacology

15-18 April, 2020 Antalya, TURKEY







Thank you