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PERSONALITY DISORDER TREATMENT

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A RAPID OPIATE DETOXIFICATION PROTOCOL IN D.H. REGIMEN: PRELIMINARY RESULTS

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Heroin dependence is an important medical problem and the detoxification is a technical-administrative question.

The aim of our study is to introduce a protocol of a rapid detoxification from opiates with early Naltrexone induction and to give preliminary results of its application.

This treatment is directed towards heroin and methadone abusers admitted to the Psychiatryc Day Hospital of the Catholic University of Rome. It allows a reduction of hospedalization-time and costs.

Patients are admitted to D.H. for 5 days after a previous complete psychiatryc evaluation.

In this preliminary phase we can value the patient's motivation and treat the possible psychiatryc comorbidity.

The data we present underline the economical advantages of this method and the importance of a careful screening of patients.

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DAY HOSPITAL TREATMENT OF MOOD DISORDERS

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There are studies which predicted that patients treated in partial, day hospital settings improve more in intellectual efficiency and social interaction than patients treated in full-time, inpatient settings.

The objective of this study was to determine the treatment effectiveness of Day Hospital care on a sample of patients with mood disorders. Study participants comprise 50 patients with Major Depression, Bipolar Disorder and Dysthymia according to DSM-IV criteria. All the patients have been followed by a specifically trained equipe of health care professionals, made of psychiatrists, professional nurses and social assistants. Utilized assessment instruments and a specific day care treatment protocol for mood disorders including an integrated approach of pharmacological treatment and psychological support to patients and families will be discussed in detail. Advantages of treatment in a Day Hospital unit compared to out and in-patient clinics for selected groups of patients will be described.

S10. Dimensional assessment of personality disorders

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THE USE OF BEHAVIORAL GENETIC METHODOLOGY TO DEVELOP A DIMENSIONAL MEASURE OF PERSONALITY DISORDER

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The phenotypic structure of personality continues to be a source of controversy with investigators differing on the number of higherorder dimensions required to represent individual differences in normal and disordered personality. A limitation of analyses of phenotypic structure is that even small differences in methods, measures, and samples give rise to different results. Behavior genetic analyses of the genetic structure of personality are proposed as a possible solution to this problem. A measure of personality disorder traits was administered to a sample of about 800 twin pairs. Multivariate genetic analyses were used to identify genetic dimensions underlying the scales assessing 18 scales.

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THE DIMENSIONAL STRUCTURE OF PERSONALITY DISORDER

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This paper will describe a series of investigations designed to explicate the dimensional structure of personality disorder. Traits describing personality disorder were identified from the clinical literature. Self report scales were developed to assess these scales. Factor analytic procedures were used to reduce these traits to a smaller number of dimensions. A similar structure was identified in clinical and general population samples. On the basis of these results 18 basic dimensions were identified and assessed using a self report measure. The higher order structure underlying these dimensions was evaluated in additional clinical and general population samples. Four higher-order factors were identified. This structure will be compared with models of normal personality traits and the results of these studies will be used as the basis for proposing a dimensional classification of personality disorder.

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PERSONALITY DISORDERS AND THE FIVE-FACTOR MODEL OF PERSONALITY – A META-ANALYSIS

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The classification of personality disorders (PDs) proposed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM) or the International Classification of Mental Disorders (ICD) continues to be a subject of discussion and debate. At issue are a large number of conceptual and empirical problems (e.g., the high degree of comorbidity or overlap among the categories causing frequent multiple diagnoses), and there have been frequent suggestions that the DSM or ICD personality disorder categories are more appropriately represented by a dimensional model. Such dimensional approaches conceptualize PDs as extreme variants or exaggerations of normal personality traits. Because the science of Personality