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MANIC EPISODE INDUCED BY CONSUMPTION OF KOREAN GINSENG (PANAX SCHINSEN)

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Background: It is well known the relationship of manic episode with the consumption of different drugs organic diseases, and psychiatric drugs, such as mood stabilizers and antidepressants. There are several commonly used substances, mainly psychostimulant, potentially inducing psychiatric pathology.

Objective: To study other possible causes of substance-induced manic episode.

Method: We report a case of manic episode with psychotic symptoms without previous psychiatric background, after consumption of Korean Ginseng.

Results and conclusions: It is necessary to scrutinize other possible substances, not usually described in the literature related to the onset of psychiatric illness, being necessary to ask about this use during the clinical interview.