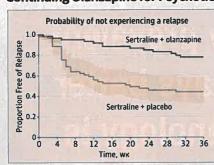
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Continuing Olanzapine for Psychotic Depression in Remission



Combined pharmacotherapy for major depressive disorder with psychotic features includes antidepressant and antipsychotic medications, but it is unclear whether patients in remission should discontinue antipsychotic treatment to avoid serious adverse drug-related events. Flint and colleagues for the STOP-PD II Study Group randomized 126 patients in remission for an episode of psychotic depres-

sion treated with sertraline plus olanzapine and found that continuing combined therapy vs treatment with sertraline alone reduced the risk of relapse over 36 weeks. In an Editorial, Coryell discusses the long-term clinical management of patients with psychotic depression.

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Thyroid Function Test Abnormalities and Preterm Birth

Overt hypothyroidism and Graves hyperthyroidism during pregnancy are established risk factors for preterm birth, but it is uncertain whether thyroid function test abnormalities in the absence of overt disease are also associated with an increased risk of prematurity. The Consortium on Thyroid and Pregnancy—Study Group on Preterm Birth analyzed data for 47 O45 pregnant women and found that subclinical hypothyroidism, isolated hypothyroxinemia, and detection of thyroid peroxidase antibodies were associated with a higher risk of preterm birth. In an Editorial, Cappola and Casey discuss the lack of evidence to support screening or treatment for subclinical hypothyroidism.

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Smoking Cessation and Cardiovascular Disease

Estimates vary for the length of time after smoking cessation that the risk of cardiovascular disease diminishes to the level of a never smoker. Duncan and colleagues conducted a retrospective study of 8770 individuals and found that smoking cessation was associated with a lower risk of cardiovascular disease within 5 years but remained elevated for 10 to 15 years.

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RECOMMENDATION STATEMENT

Risk Assessment for BRCA-Related Cancer in Women

Pathogenic mutations in breast cancer susceptibility genes 1 and 2 (*BRCA1/2*) are associated with increased risks for breast, ovarian, fallopian tube, and peritoneal cancer in women. The US Preventive Services Task Force recommends that primary care clinicians assess women with a personal or family history of breast, ovarian, tubal, or peritoneal cancer or who have an ancestry associated with *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* gene mutations using a valid risk assessment tool. In an Editorial, Domchek and Robson recommend targeted screening of high-risk groups.

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EVIDENCE REPORT

Outcomes of BRCA Testing and Counseling

Recommendations for risk assessment, genetic counseling, and genetic testing of women with unknown *BRCA1/2* mutation status should be based on scientific evidence. Nelson and colleagues reviewed 103 studies with 92712 participants and found that the benefits and harms of risk assessment, genetic counseling, and genetic testing to reduce cancer incidence and mortality associated with *BRCA1* and *BRCA2* have not been directly evaluated by current research.

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