

Disturbo da Gioco d'azzardo patologico:
dalla Neurobiologia sperimentale alla Clinica e Riabilitazione
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Precursori psicopatologici del Disturbo da Gioco d'azzardo patologico in età evolutiva



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Age at onset of DSM-IV pathological gambling in a non-treatment sample: Early- versus later-onset

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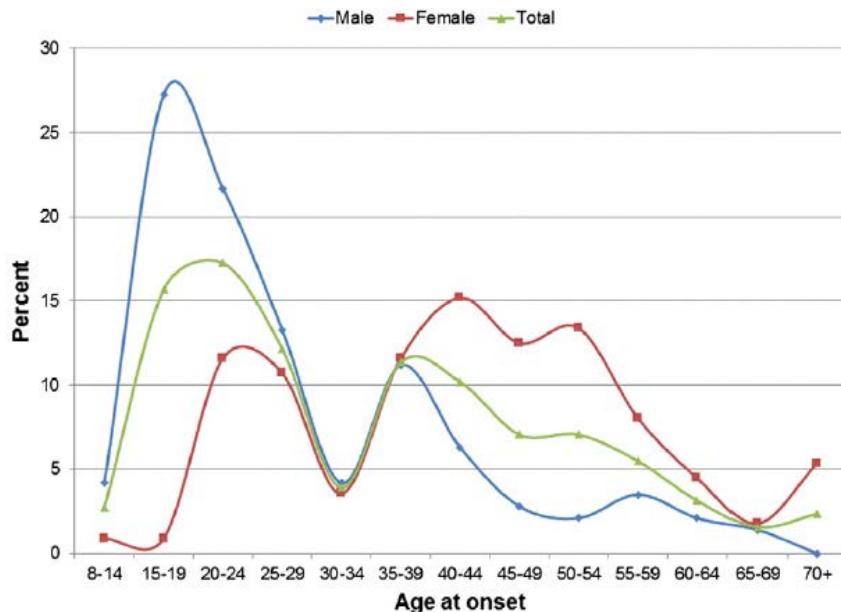


Fig. 1. Age at onset in male and female subjects with PG.

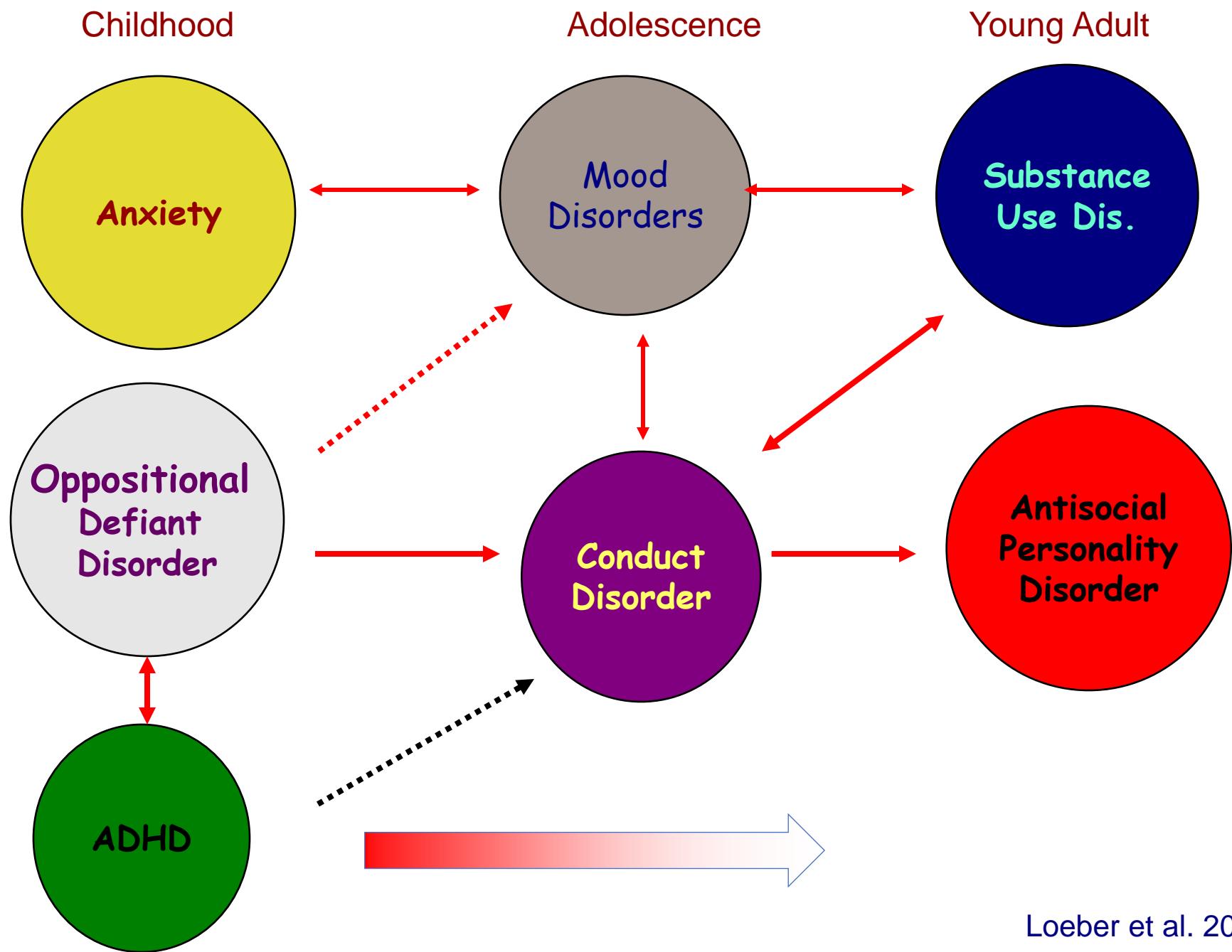
Predictors of early-onset PG.

Variables	Est.	SE	P-value	Odds Ratio (95% C.I.)
Age	-0.103	0.015	<0.001	0.90 (0.88, 0.93)
Male gender	1.496	0.420	<0.001	4.46 (1.96, 10.16)
Any substance use disorder	0.946	0.458	0.039	2.58 (1.05, 6.32)
ADHD	1.636	0.596	0.006	5.13 (1.60, 16.52)
Study group ^a				
Family study probands	-1.100	0.468	0.019	0.33 (0.13, 0.83)
Family study relatives	-0.465	0.628	0.458	0.63 (0.18, 2.15)

Results based on multiple logistic regression analyses with stepwise variable selection.

ADHD = attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder.

^a Subjects from the longitudinal study used as reference group.

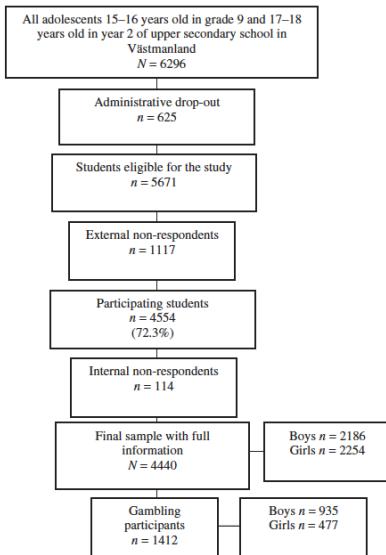


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Gambling frequency and symptoms of attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder in relation to problem gambling among Swedish adolescents: a population-based study

UJMS 2017

Charlotta Hellström^{a,b}, Philippe Wagner^a, Kent W. Nilsson^a, Jerzy Leppert^a and Cecilia Åslund^a



Model I. Analysis of the chance of not becoming susceptible to developing gambling problems.^a

	OR	p	95% CI	
Age	0.48	0.001	0.30	0.75
ADHD symptoms index	0.95	0.041	0.90	1.00
Gambling frequency index	0.46	0.009	0.26	0.82
ADHD symptoms × Gambling frequency index	0.92	0.023	0.85	0.99

Model II. Analysis of adolescents already susceptible to problem gambling.^b

	IRR	p	95% CI	
ADHD symptoms index	1.03	0.031	1.003	1.07
Gambling frequency index	1.34	<0.001	1.20	1.51
Sex (ref boys)	0.25	<0.001	0.16	0.38
Sex × Gambling frequency index	1.67	<0.001	1.34	2.13

^aModel I: adjusted for covariates sex and parents' country of birth.

^bModel II: adjusted for covariate aae.

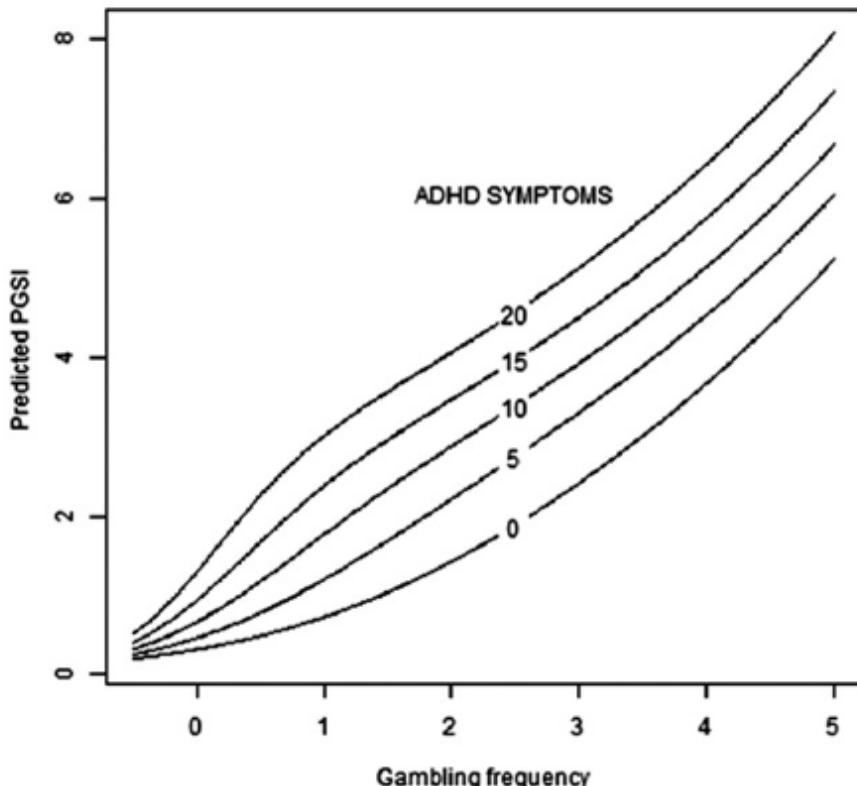


Figure 2. Illustration of the association between gambling frequency and the Problem Gambling Severity Index (PGSI). The expected degree of gambling problems in the study sample, irrespective of susceptibility to gambling problems, plotted against gambling frequency for different degrees of ADHD symptom index.

Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder and addictions (substance and behavioral): Prevalence and characteristics in a multicenter study in France

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1517 students (85 ADHD): 20.6 Y

Table 3. Addictive behaviors associated with ADHD (N=1,517)

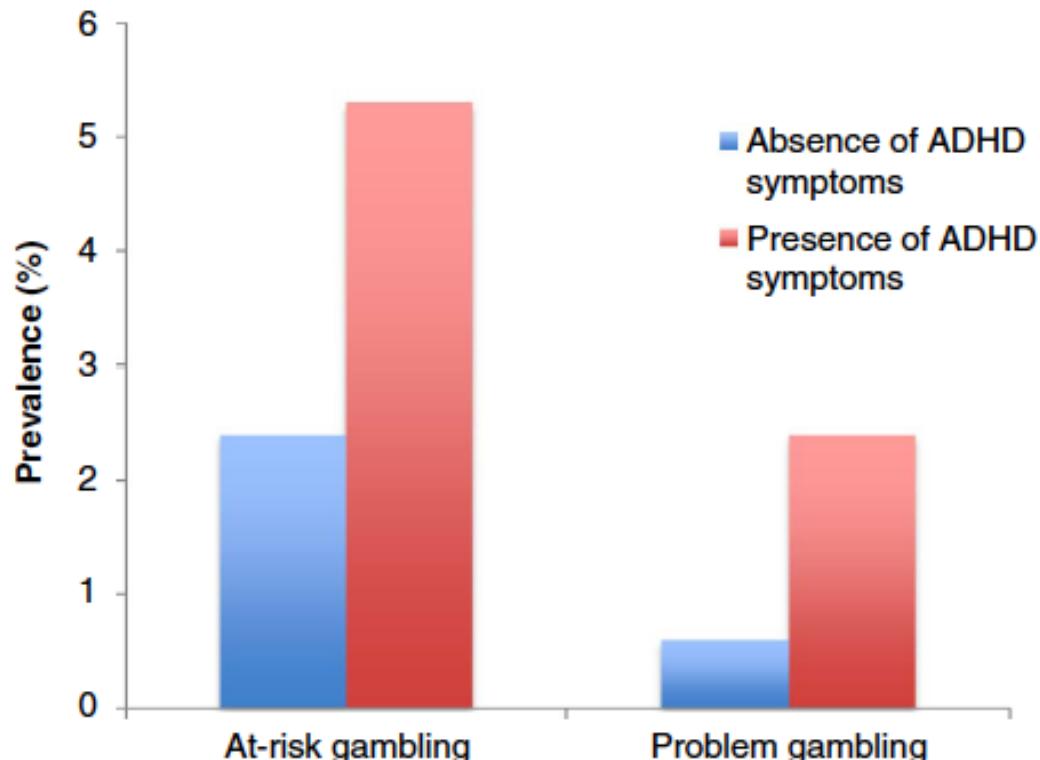
	ADHD- (N = 1,432)	ADHD+ (N = 85)	Total (N = 1,517)	p	AOR (95% CI)	p
Physical activity (GLTEQ)				.30		
Insufficient	24.0	28.4	24.2			
Moderate	14.1	8.1	13.8			
Active	61.9	63.5	62.0			
Eating disorders (SCOFF)	17.4	32.9	18.3	<10 ⁻³	1.33 (0.76–2.33)	.31
Internet Addiction Test (IAT)	8.4	34.5	9.9	<10 ⁻³	3.87 (2.14–7.01)	<10 ⁻⁴
Online compulsive buying (Echeburua's test)	11.8	40.0	13.4	<10 ⁻³	3.38 (2.02–5.65)	<10 ⁻⁴
Problem gambling (ICJE)	9.3	20.0	9.9	.001	1.76 (0.94–3.31)	.08
Food addiction (YFAS)	4.0	14.1	4.5	<10 ⁻³	2.27 (1.05–4.88)	.04

Note. Adjusted on universities, gender, cursus, and financial difficulties. GLTEQ: Godin's Leisure Time Questionnaire; ADHD: attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder; AOR: adjusted odds ratio; CI: confidence interval; ICJE: Indice Canadian du Jeu excessif (Canadian Index of Excessive Gambling); YFAS: Yale Food Addiction Scale.

Relationship between attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder symptoms and problem gambling: A mediation analysis of influential factors among 7,403 individuals from the UK

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Adult ADHD Is Associated With Gambling Severity and Psychiatric Comorbidity Among Treatment-Seeking Problem Gamblers

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	Total N = 80	Male n = 64	Female n = 16	p _{gender}	No history of ADHD ^a n = 46	Childhood ADHD ^b n = 25	Adult ADHD ^c n = 9	p _{ADHDgroup}
Age, M (SD)	43.1 (12.4)	42.2 (12.4)	46.8 (12.1)	.193	44.0 (12.9)	43.0 (10.9)	38.7 (14.2)	.503
Marital status, n (%)				.772				.031*
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Highest educational attainment, n (%)				.372				.866
Compulsory education	15 (18.8)	12 (18.8)	3 (18.8)		7 (15.2)	5 (20.0)	3 (33.3)	
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Vocational training	46 (57.5)	39 (60.9)	7 (43.8)		27 (58.7)	14 (56.0)	5 (55.6)	
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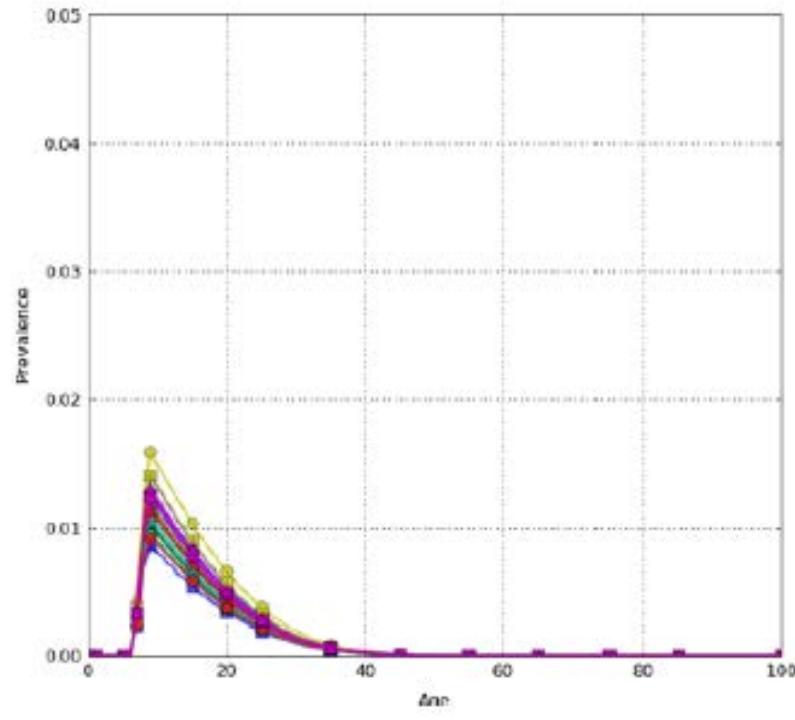
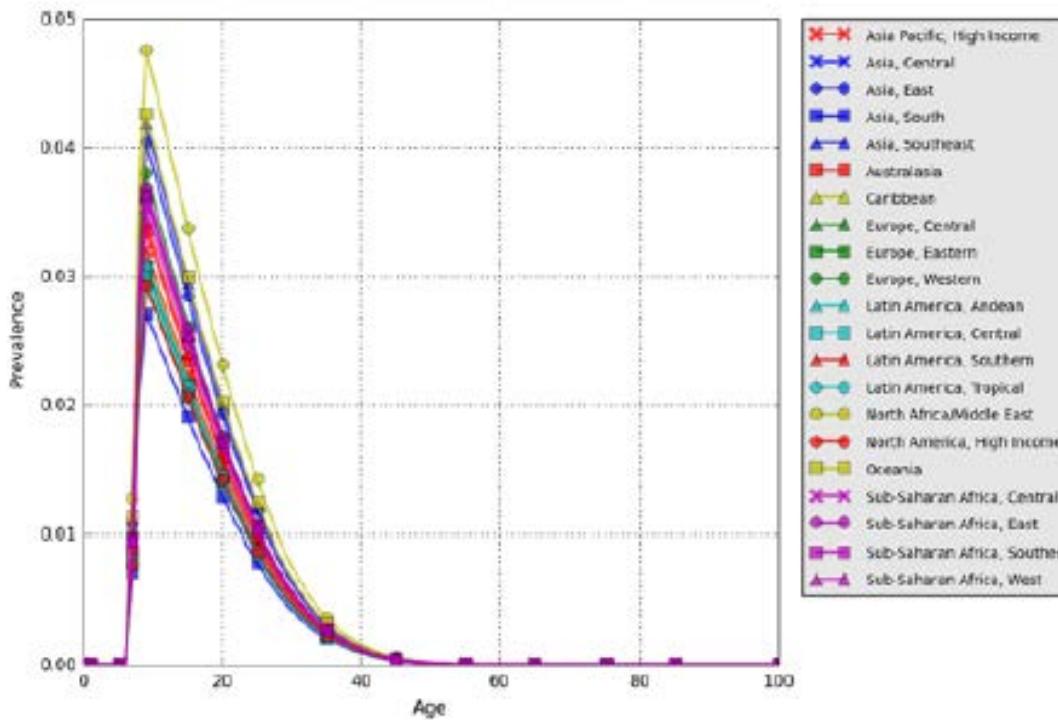
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Research Review: Epidemiological modelling of attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder and conduct disorder for the Global Burden of Disease Study 2010

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Association of attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder with gambling disorder

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Table 1 Psychiatric co-morbidity according to ICD-10 in 163 patients with GD

Diagnoses	No ADHD (N = 116)	Lifetime ADHD (N = 47)	Current ADHD (N = 41)	Entire GD group (N = 163)
Substance use disorders ^a	29 (25 %)	21 (44.7 %)*	19 (46.3 %)*	50 (30.7 %)
Alcohol	27 (23.3 %)	20 (42.6 %)*	18 (43.9 %)*	47 (28.8 %)
Drugs	6 (5.2 %)	5 (10.6 %)	4 (9.8 %)	11 (6.7 %)
Nicotine	95 (81.9 %)	41 (87.2 %)	36 (87.8 %)	136 (83.4 %)
Mood disorders	38 (32.8 %)	15 (31.9 %)	12 (29.3 %)	53 (32.5 %)
One suicide attempt	11 (9.5 %)	9 (19.1 %)*	8 (19.5 %)*	20 (12.3 %)
Two or more suicide attempts	14 (12.1 %)	10 (21.3 %)*	10 (24.4 %)*	24 (14.7 %)
Neurotic, stress-related and somatoform disorders	17 (15.7 %)	13 (27.7 %)****	13 (31.7 %)*	30 (18.4 %)
Anxiety disorders	10 (8.8 %)	3 (7.5 %)	3 (8.8 %)	13 (8.5 %)
Reaction to severe stress, and adjustment disorders	7 (6.0 %)	7 (14.9 %)****	7 (17.1 %)*	14 (8.6 %)
Personality disorders	25 (21.6 %)	31 (66.0 %)***	27 (65.9 %)***	56 (34.4 %)
Cluster A	0 (0.0 %)	1 (2.1 %)	1 (2.4 %)	1 (0.6 %)
Cluster B	3 (2.6 %)	8 (17.0 %)**	7 (17.1 %)**	11 (6.7 %)
Cluster C	9 (7.8 %)	8 (17.0 %)	7 (17.1 %)	17 (10.4 %)
Combined/other	13 (11.2 %)	14 (29.8 %)*	12 (29.3 %)*	27 (16.6 %)

* p < 0.05, ** p < 0.005, *** p < 0.0001, **** p = 0.05–0.1 (compared to subjects without ADHD)

^a Without nicotine

The Relationship Between Problem Gambling and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

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Gambling and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorders (ADHD) in a Population of French Students

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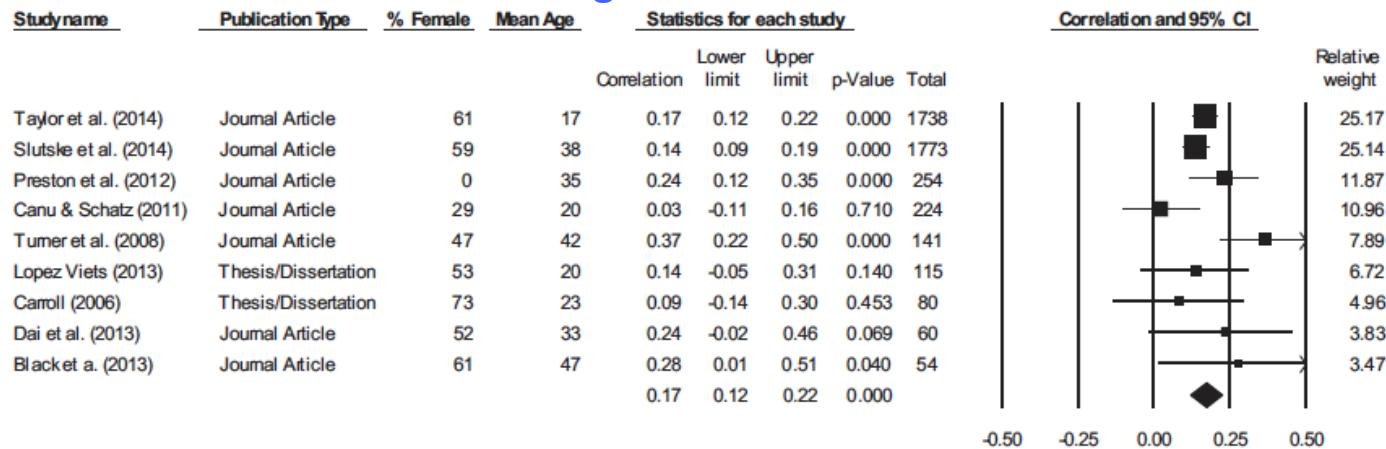
The role of affect-driven impulsivity in gambling cognitions: A convenience-sample study with a Spanish version of the Gambling-Related Cognitions Scale

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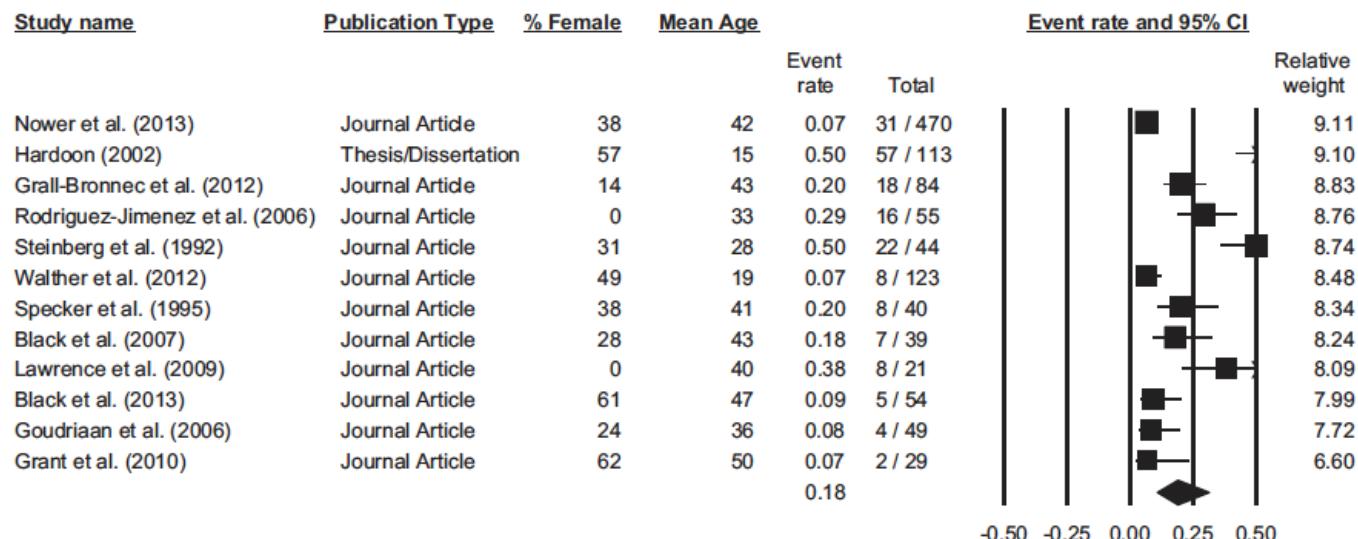
Exploring the Relationships Between Problem Gambling and ADHD: A Meta-Analysis

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Correlation ADHD & Gambling Problems



ADHD Prevalence in individual with Gambling Problems



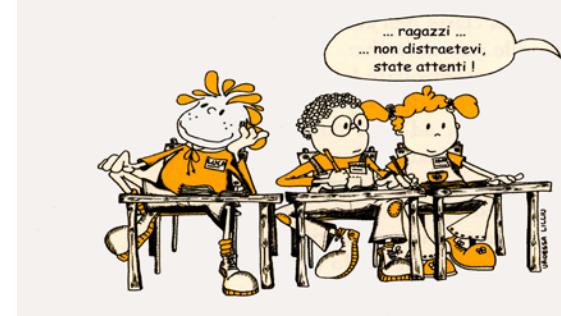
ADHD: DSM 5



Sintomi di iperattività e impulsività:

1. Spesso è **irrequieto** (non riesce a star fermo su una sedia)
2. Si alza in situazioni non opportune (lascia la postazione al lavoro)
3. Corre e salta eccessivamente (senso di irrequietezza interna)
4. Non riesce a svolgere le **attività ricreative** in modo tranquillo
5. È spesso “**Sotto pressione**” o sembra azionato da un motorino (**a disagio nel rimanere fermo**, per esempio nei ristoranti, durante le riunioni)
6. Spesso **parla troppo**
7. “**Spara**” la risposta prima che la domanda sia completata
8. Mostra **difficoltà nell’aspettare il suo turno** (mentre aspetta in fila)
9. Spesso **interrompe** o è **invadente** con gli altri (**si inseriscono o subentrano in ciò che fanno gli altri**)

ADHD: DSM 5



Sintomi di disattenzione:

1. Scarsa attenzione per i dettagli/errori di distrazione (*lavoro non accurato*)
2. Mostra difficoltà nel mantenere l'attenzione (es *conversazione o lunga lettura*)
3. Sembra non ascoltare quando gli si parla
4. Spesso non segue le istruzioni e non porta a termine le attività
5. Mostra difficoltà di organizzazione (es. *non rispetta scadenza*)
6. Evita le attività che richiedono attenzione sostenuta
7. Perde gli oggetti (es. *portafogli, chiavi, documenti, telefono*)
8. Facilmente distraibile (in adolescenti e adulti anche *pensieri non correlati tra loro*)
9. Spesso sbadato nelle attività quotidiane (*pagamento di bollette*)

Transizione dell'ADHD dall'infanzia all'età adulta

- L'iperattività motoria diminuisce: si può manifestare come **irrequietezza psichica** (impulsività).
- L'inattenzione spesso persiste: si può manifestare come **difficoltà nel portare a termine i compiti** (es.: *rispettare appuntamenti, scadenze o focalizzarsi su una singola attività*).
- Può interferire significativamente con vari aspetti della vita quotidiana.

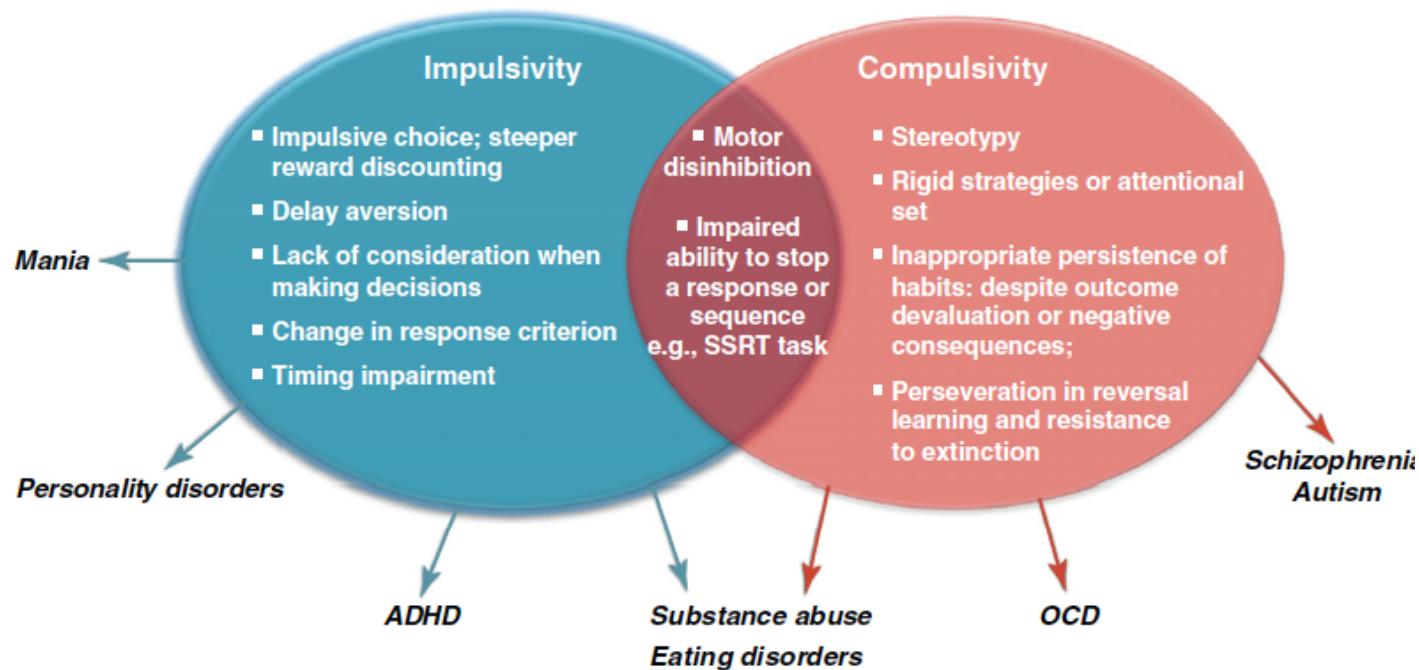
ADHD in età adulta:

- La definizione DSM 5 di ADHD si focalizza sul deficit di attenzione, ma le manifestazioni cliniche includono una minore percezione delle gratificazioni con conseguente **deficit di motivazione**.
- Adulti con ADHD mostrano una ridotta le risposta alle ricompense premi e appaiono **meno motivati a impegnarsi ed a portare a termine le attività**.

Neurocognitive endophenotypes of impulsivity and compulsivity: towards dimensional psychiatry

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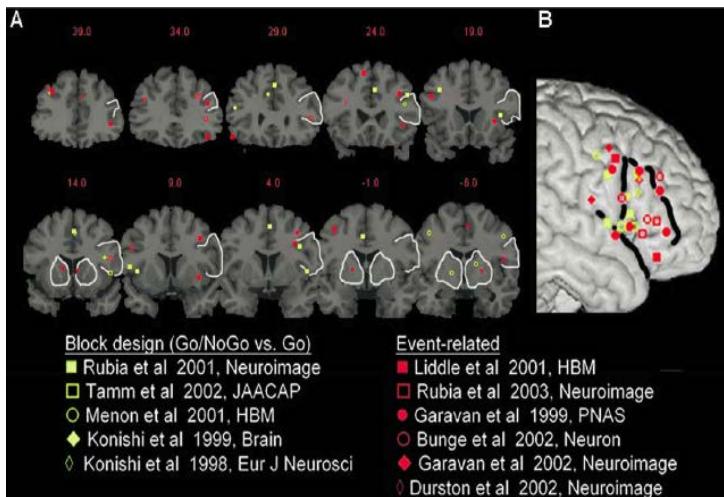
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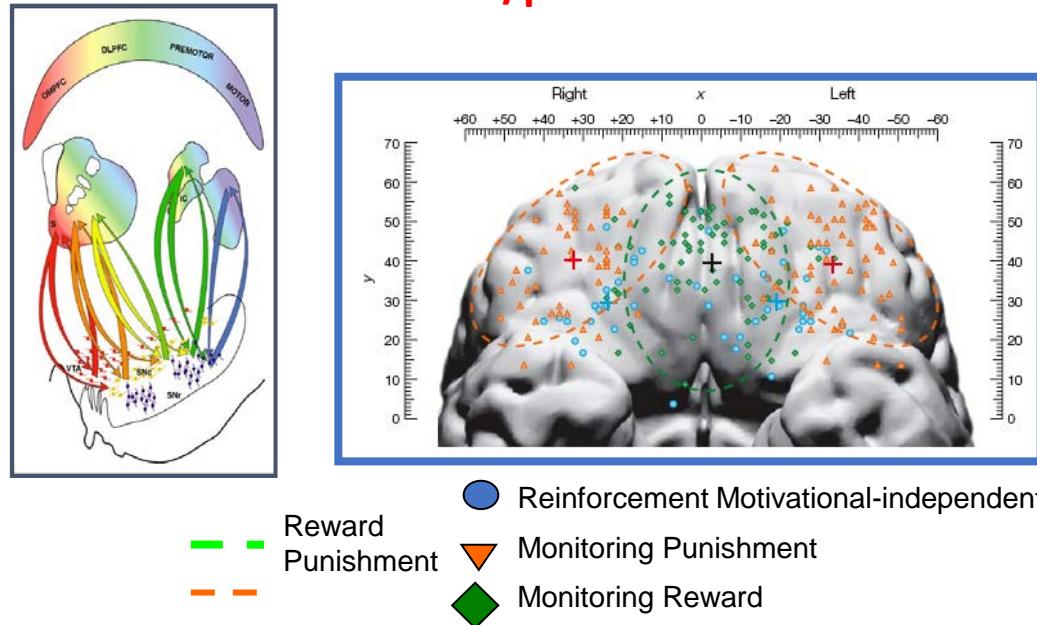
"Actions which are poorly conceived, prematurely expressed, unduly risky or inappropriate to the situation and that often result in undesirable consequences" [8]

"Actions which persist inappropriate to the situation, have no obvious relationship to the overall goal and which often result in undesirable consequences" [10]

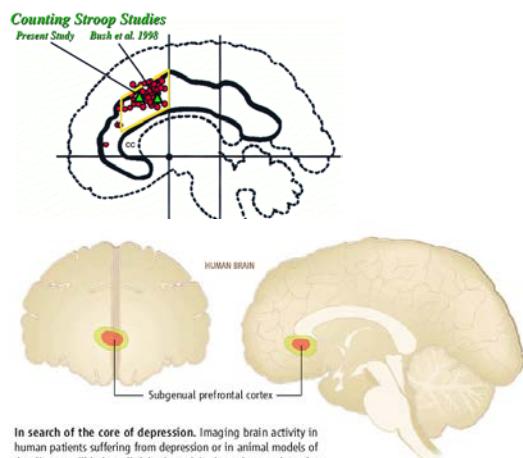
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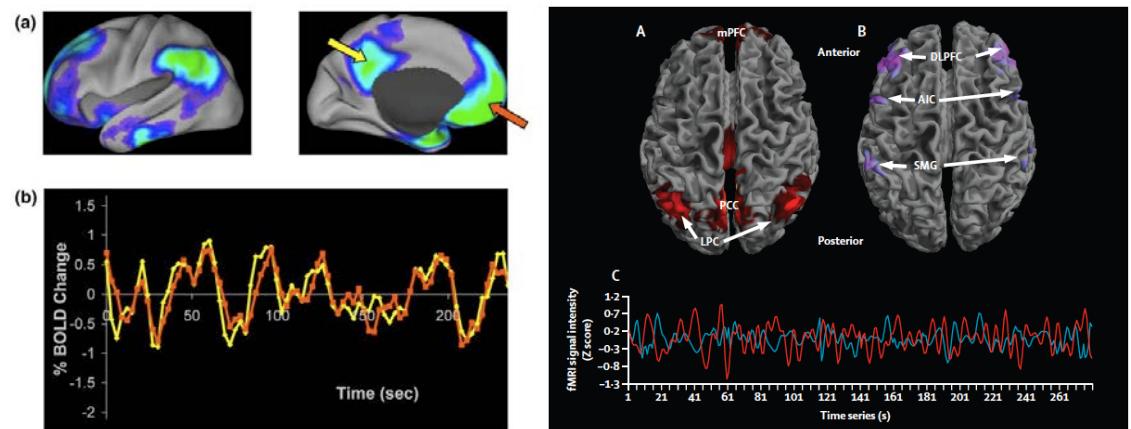
Orbito (Ventral) prefrontal Ctx Reward/punishment



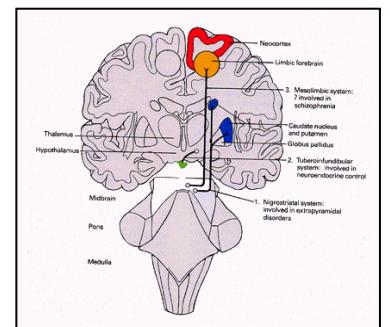
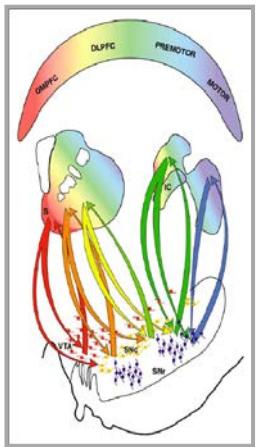
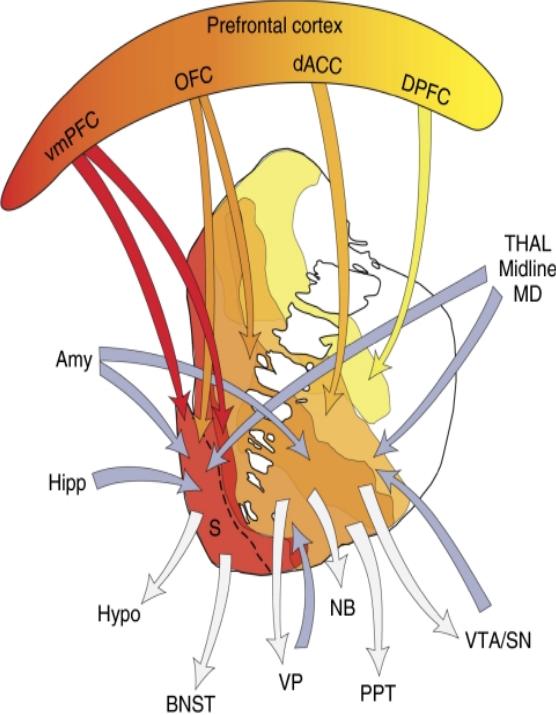
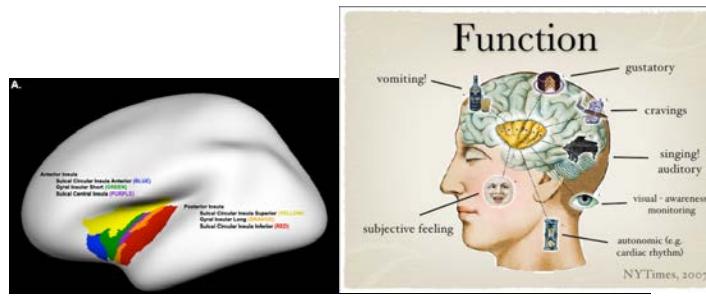
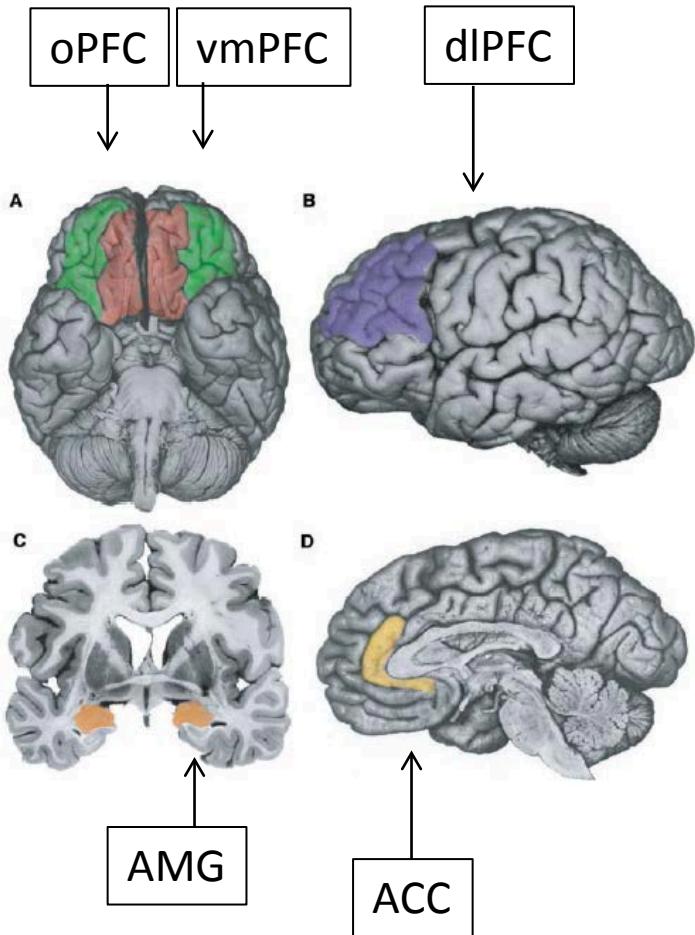
Anterior Cingulate Choice



Default Mode network



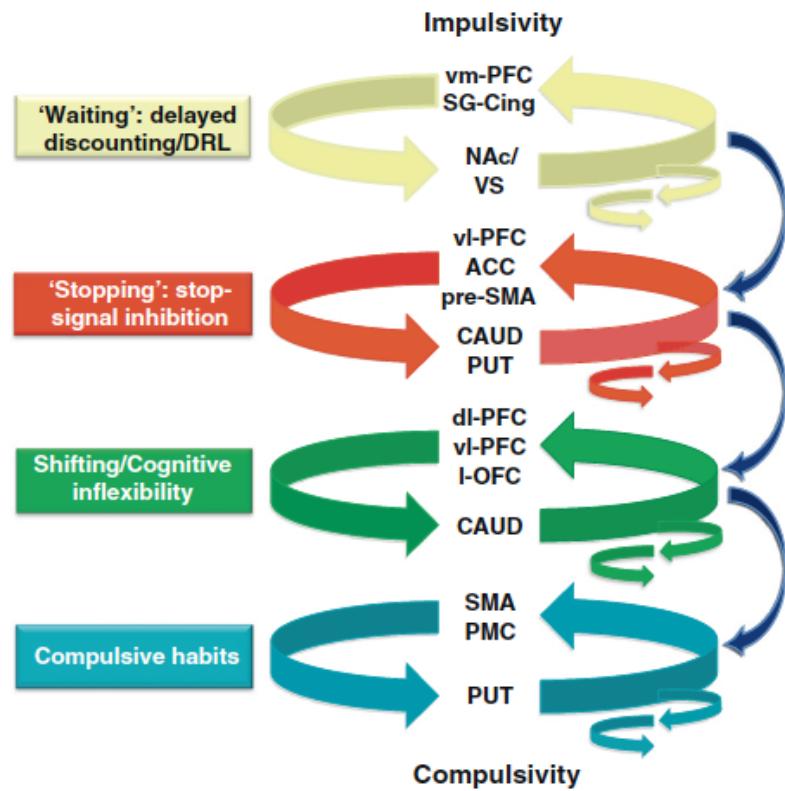
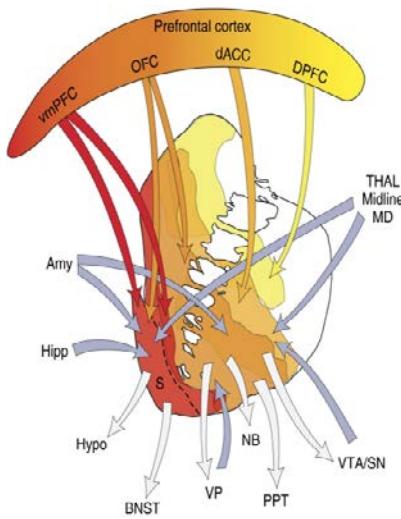
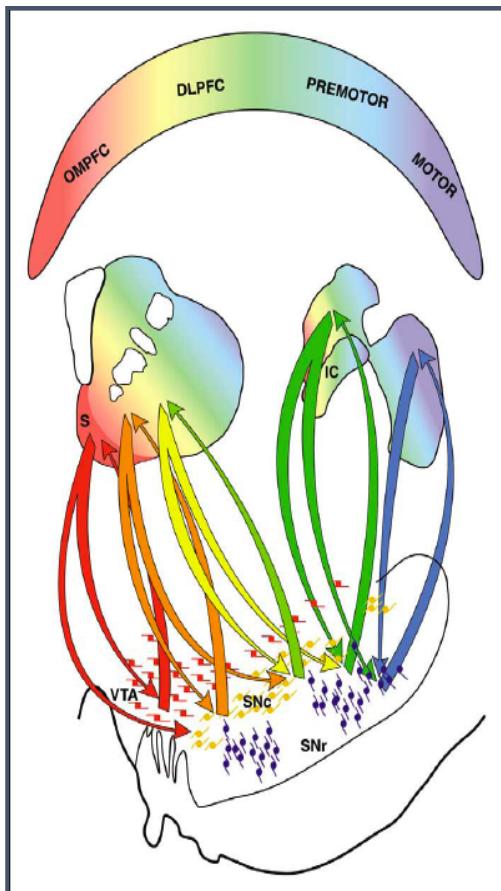
Emotion Processing Neural Circuits



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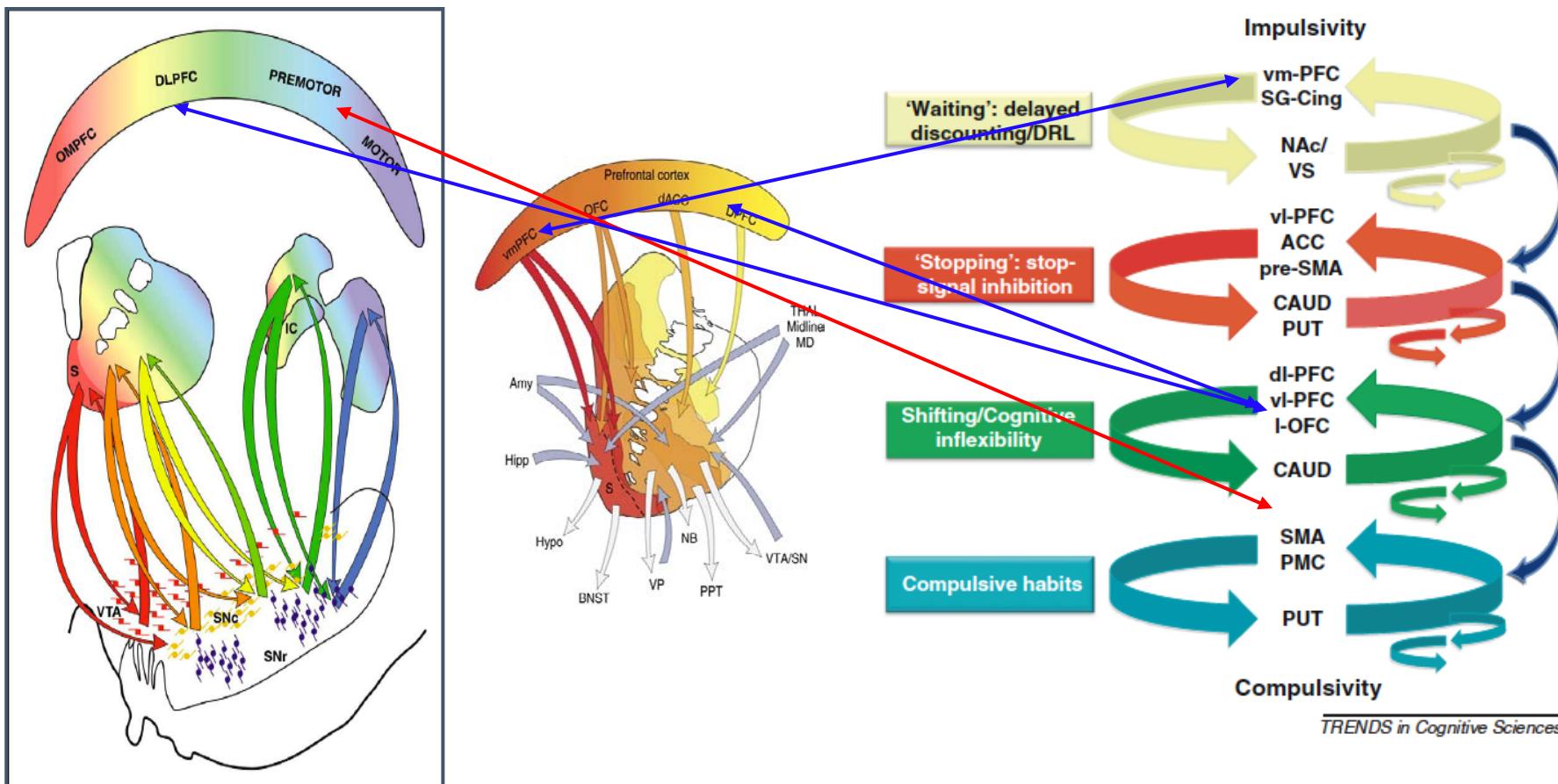
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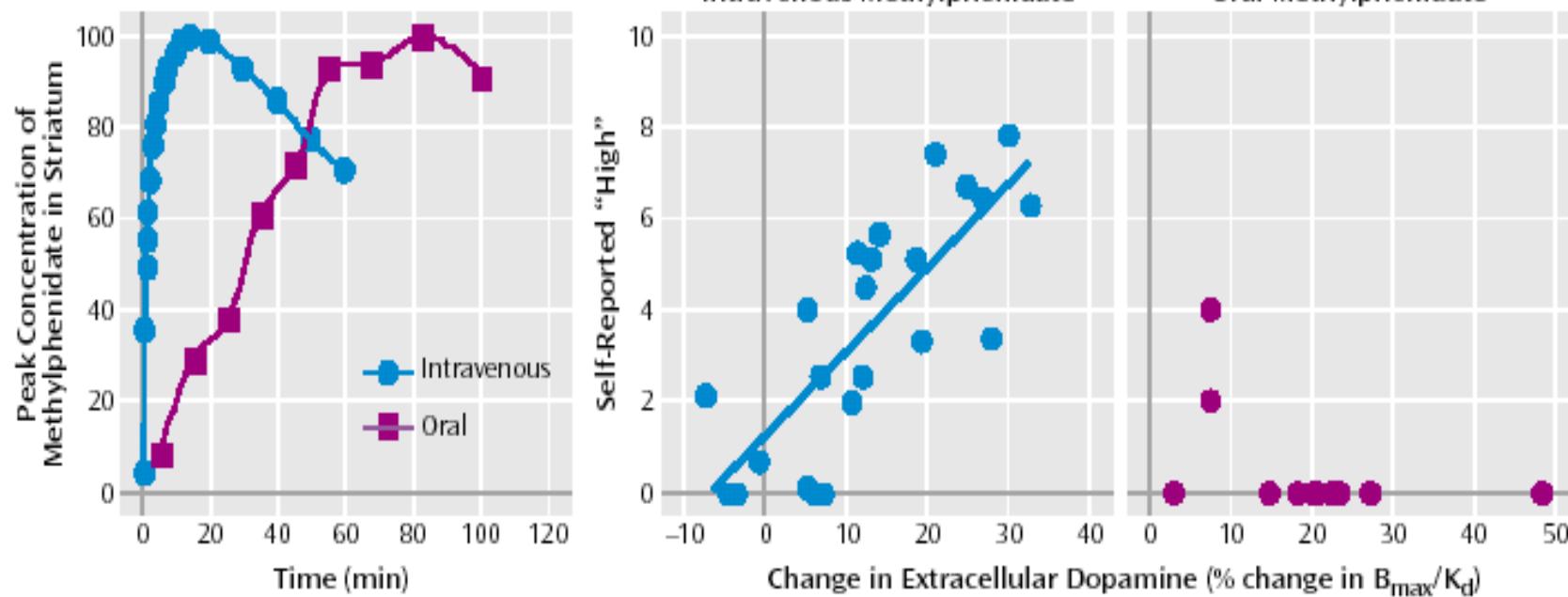
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Variables That Affect the Clinical Use and Abuse of Methylphenidate in the Treatment of ADHD

FIGURE 4. Striatal Uptake and the Relationship Between Changes in Extracellular Dopamine and Self-Reports of Being "High" After Intravenous or Oral Administration of Methylphenidate^a



Cognitive distortion in Pathological Gambling

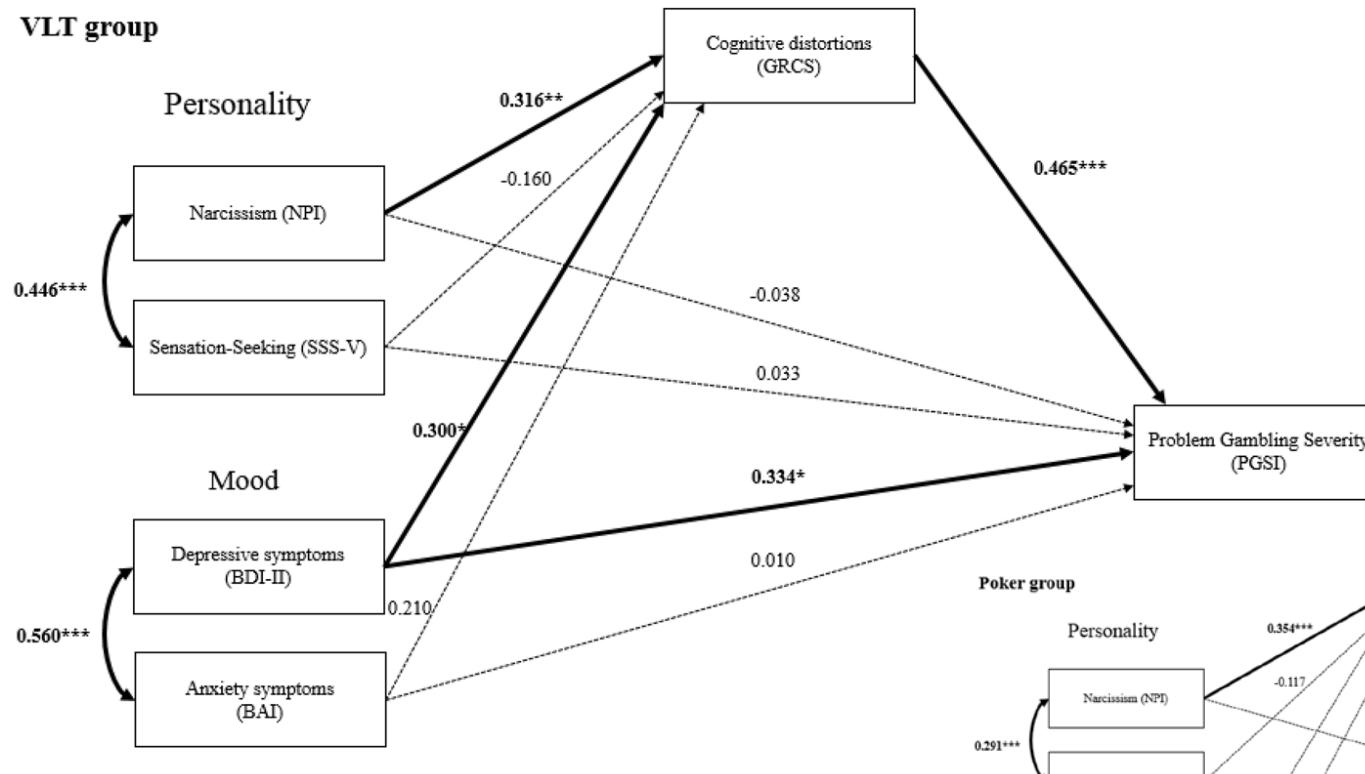
- **«A win will follow a sequence of losses»**
even though outcomes occur independently of each other and are therefore unpredictable
- **Themselves are able to influence gambling outcomes** (Illusion of control-IC)
They can control the game and its outcome because of their experience, skills or knowledge, strategies, rituals, or lucky charms
- **Over-interpretation of signals of gambling skills,**
- **Attributional errors,**
- **Misunderstanding of probability**
- **Selective memory,**
- **Probabilistic bias**
- **Superstitious thinking**
- **Sensation Seeking**

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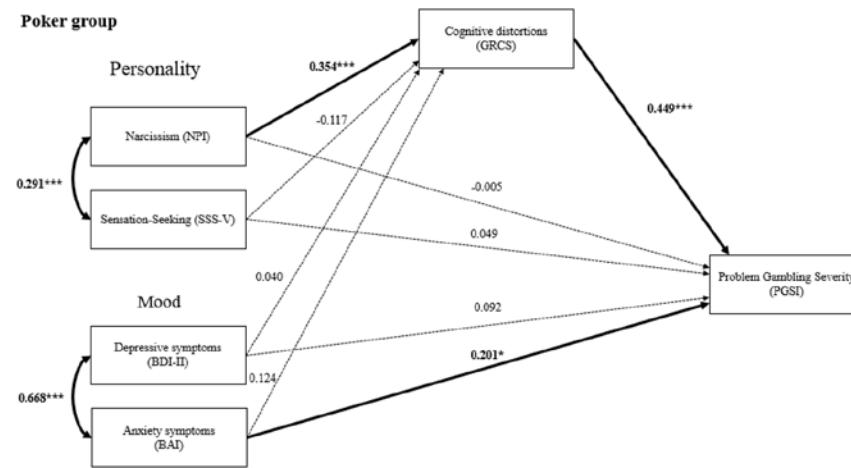
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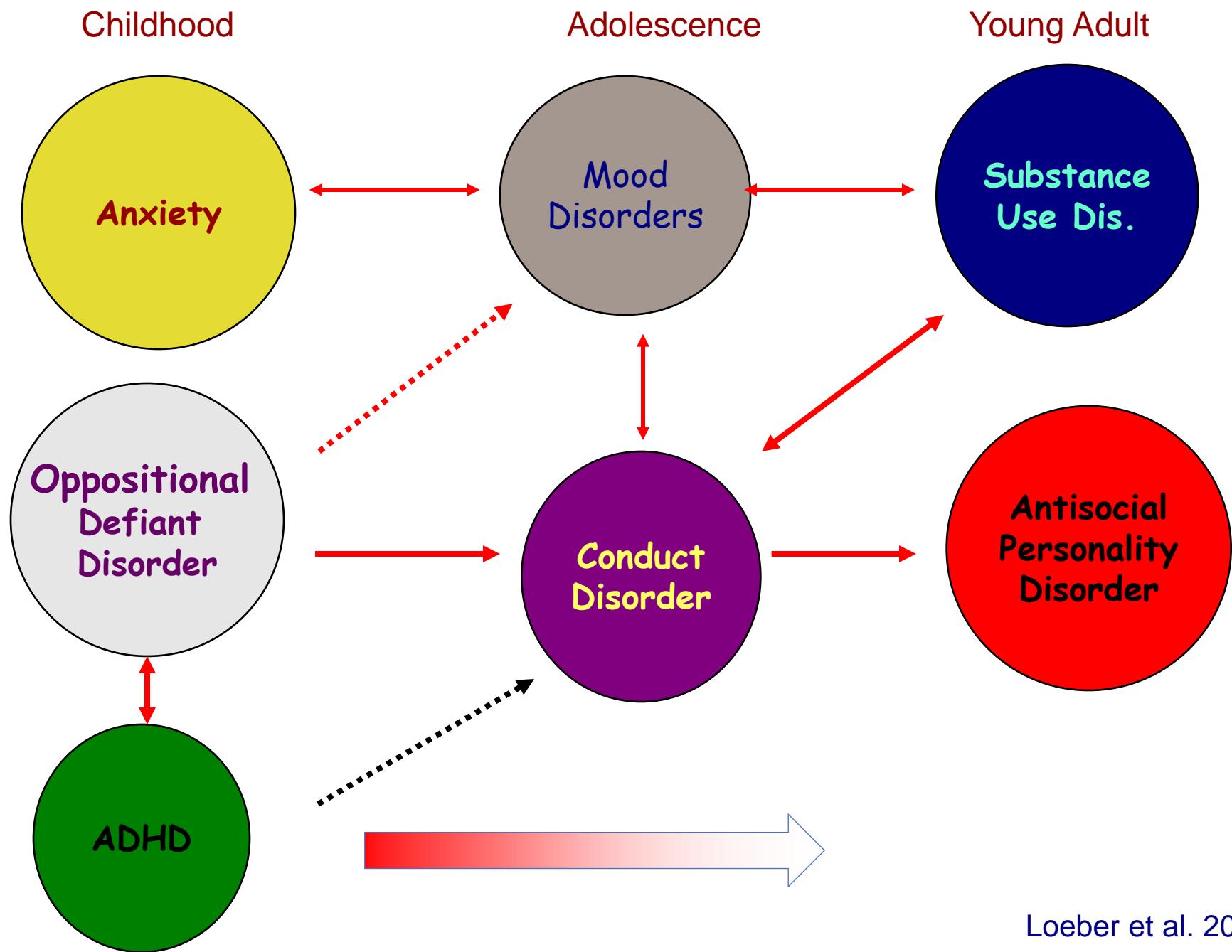
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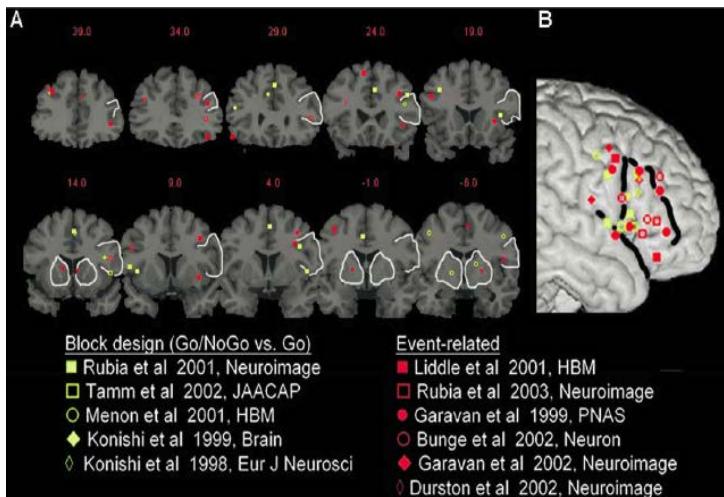
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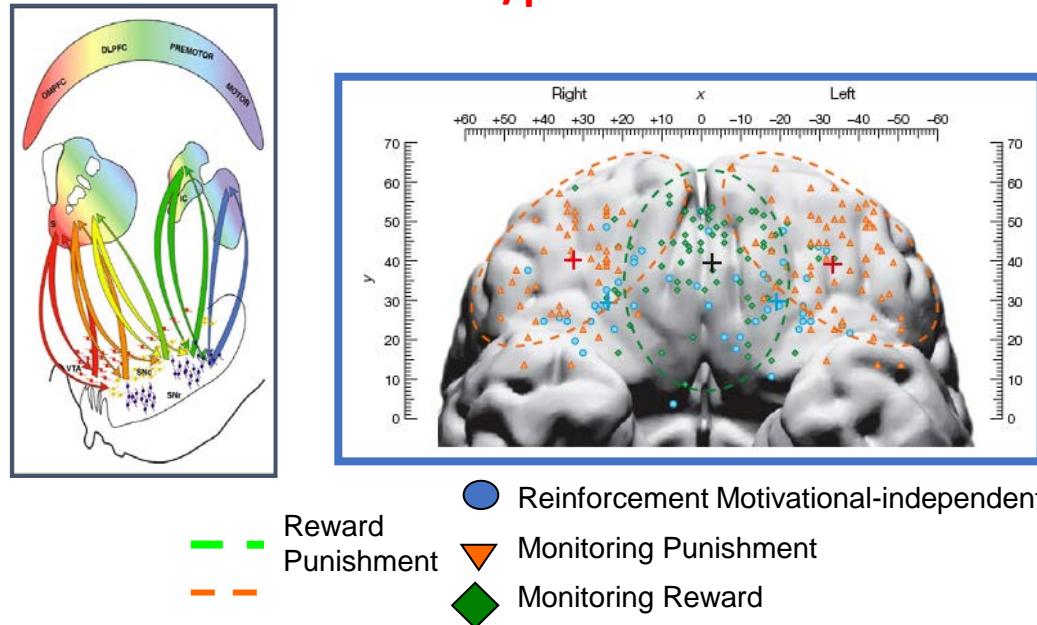


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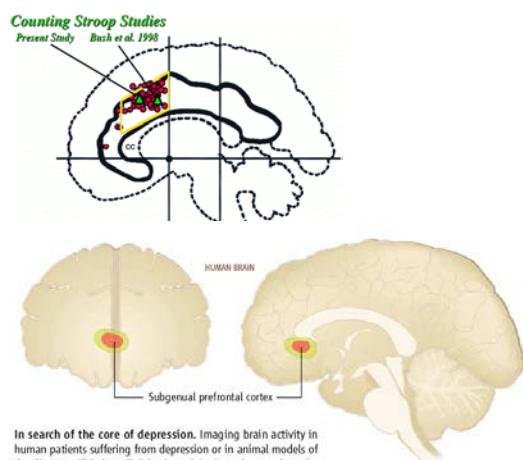
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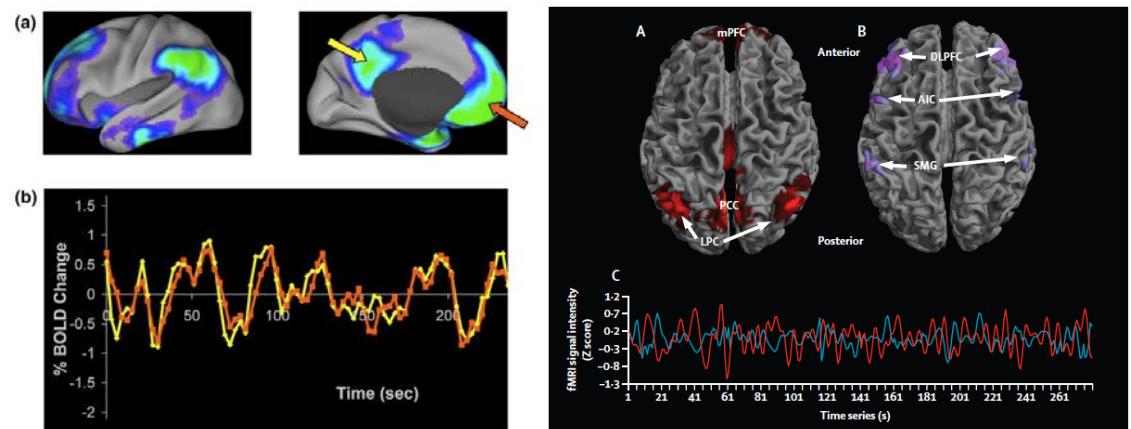
Orbito (Ventral) prefrontal Ctx Reward/punishment



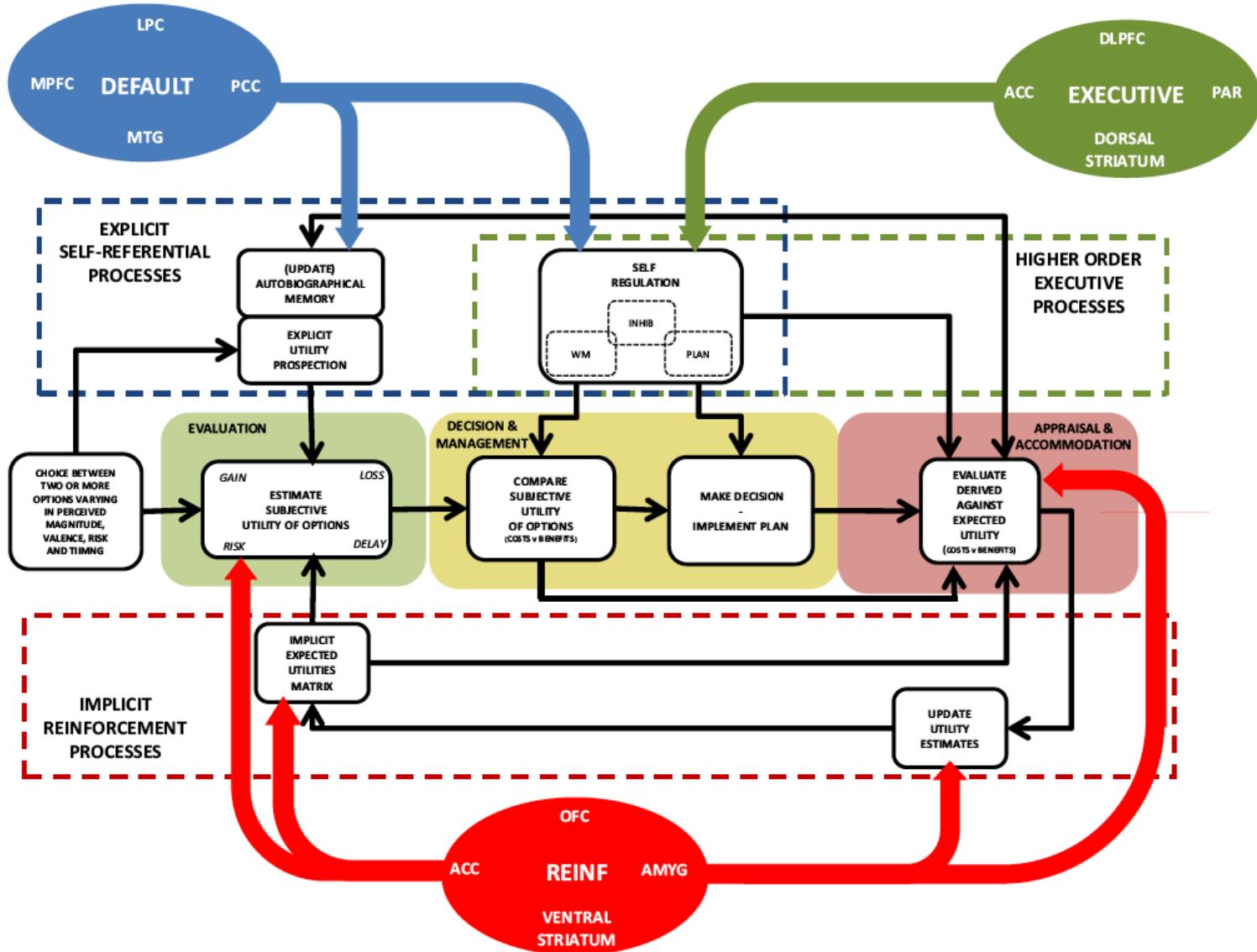
Anterior Cingulate Choice



Default Mode network



Decision Making: a neuro-economic model



ADHD Neuroeconomic Model:

Inefficiency, inconsistency, impulsiveness

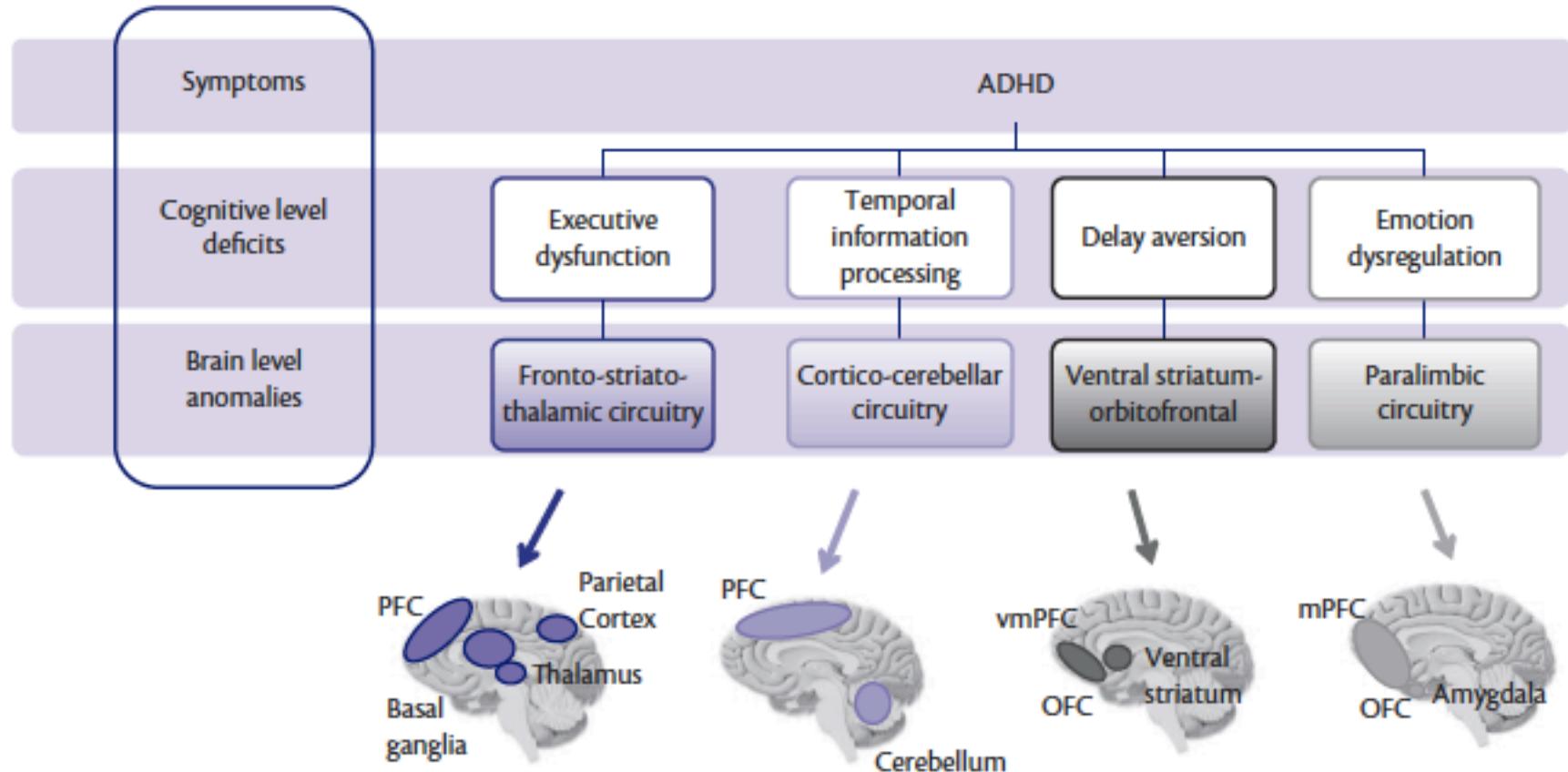
	Evaluation	Decision & Management	Appraisal & Accommodation
<i>Self referential (Default Mode Network-DMN)</i>	Reducte integrity of DMN: <i>impaired prospection</i>	DMN interference linked to <i>attentional lapses</i>	
<i>Executive</i>		Dorsal fronto-striatal / fronto-parietal deficits reduce <i>decision speed & efficiency</i>	
<i>Reinforcement</i>	Ventral fronto-striatal deficits impair utility estimate and with <i>Delay aversion</i> produce <i>preference for immediacy</i>		Disconnectivity in Orbito-frontal Ctx affects <i>computation in predicting errors , impairing learning</i>

Depression Neuroeconomic Model:

Disengaged, perseverative, pessimistic

	Evaluation	Decision & Management	Appraisal & Accommodation
<i>Self referential (Default Mode Network-DMN)</i>	DM-related excessive self-focus and negative bias leads to reluctance to engage in choice.	DMDM-related negative rumination reduces willingness to initiate/execute decisions.	Excessive rumination & DM hyper-activity leads to negative appraisal of outcomes.
<i>Executive</i>		Excessive rumination & DM hyper-activity leads to negative appraisal of outcomes.	
<i>Reinforcement</i>	Depreciation of prior outcomes/diminished reward anticipation, expressed as reduced VS activity to reward-predicting cues, creates a negative evaluation bias.		Excess VS activity creates hypersensitivity to negative outcomes

Neuropsychological models of ADHD





Distinct neural signatures detected for ADHD subtypes after controlling for micro-movements in resting state functional connectivity MRI data

Fair et al. 2013

Default network associato con:

- ricordare il passato,
- pianificare
- anticipare futuri eventi

“A set of processes by which mental simulation is used adaptively to imagine events beyond those that emerge from the immediate environment”.

“Ricordare il passato, pianificare e anticipare futuri eventi” Buckner et al. 2008

Incapacità ad “esplorare” correttamente, anticipare e valutare correttamente le relazioni tra un’azione presente *ed una ricompensa futura*.

Compromissione dei processi di salienza, motivazione e percezione della ricompensa (affettività)

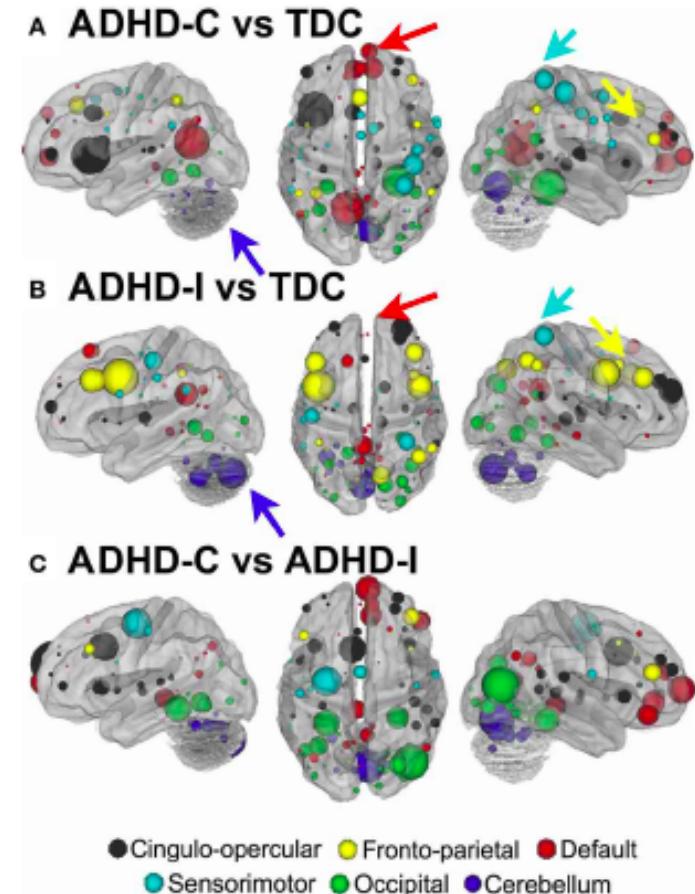


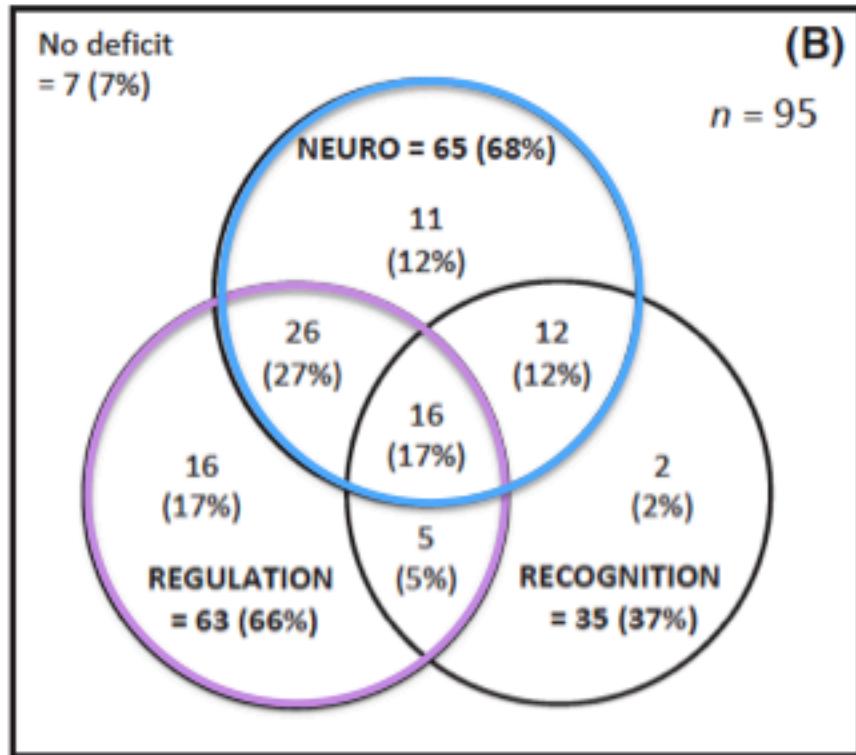
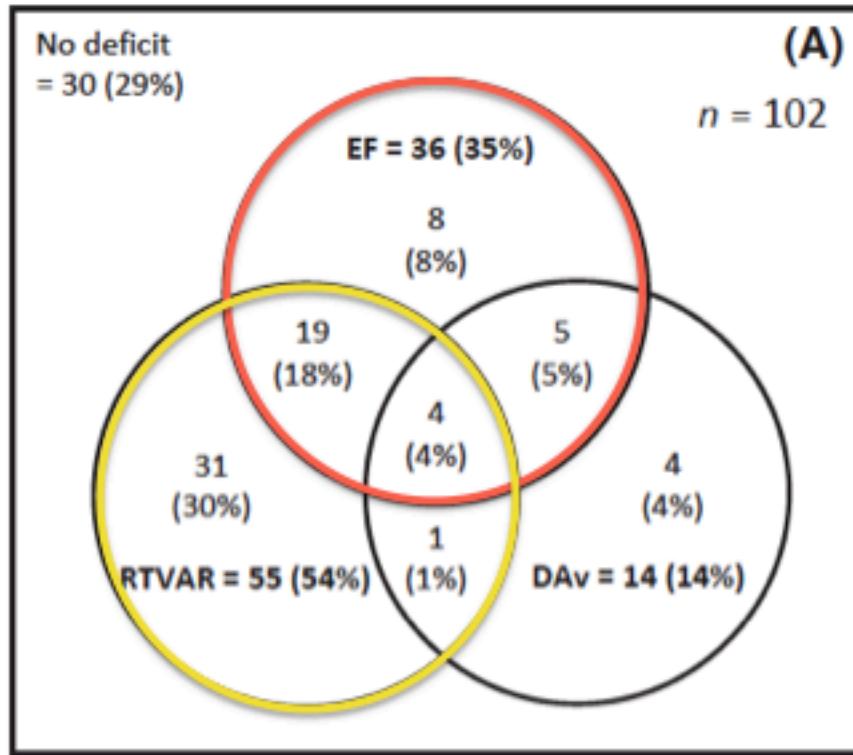
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Multiple deficits in ADHD: executive dysfunction, delay aversion, reaction time variability, and emotional deficits

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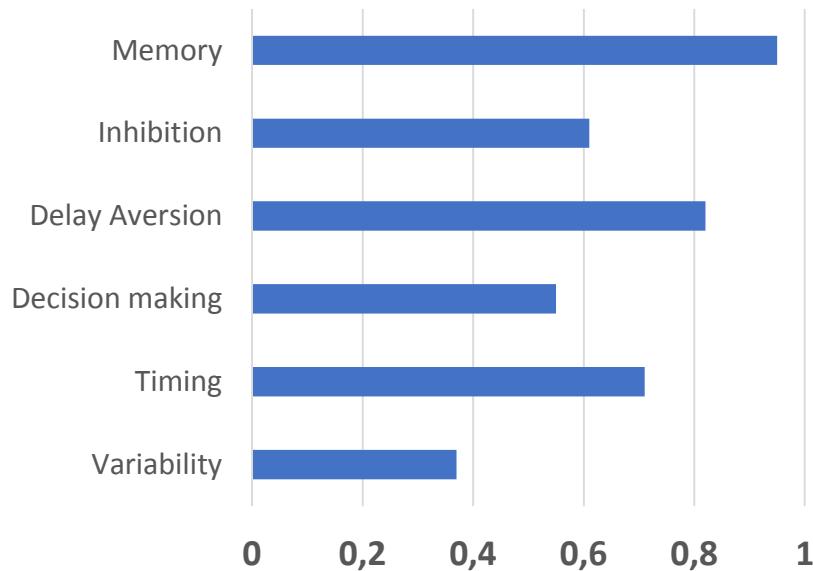
EF = Executive functioning (i.e., working memory, inhibition, shifting), RTVAR = Reaction time variability, DAv = Delay aversion, NEURO = Neuropsychological functioning, REGULATION = Emotion regulation, RECOGNITION = Emotion recognition

Proportion of ADHD cases with neuropsychological impairments (A) or impairments in neuropsychological and emotional functioning (B)

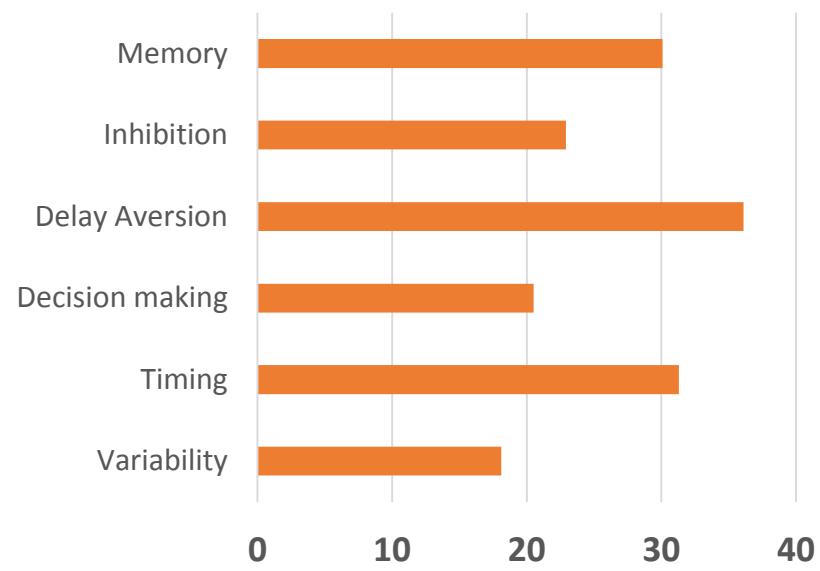
Neuropsychological Deficits in Treatment-Naïve Boys with ADHD

- 83 Drug naïve boys (6 – 12 years) with DSM IV ADHD
- 66 Healthy control boys matched for age
- All completed all tasks in one session with breaks
- Tasks were counterbalanced across two orders

Effect Size

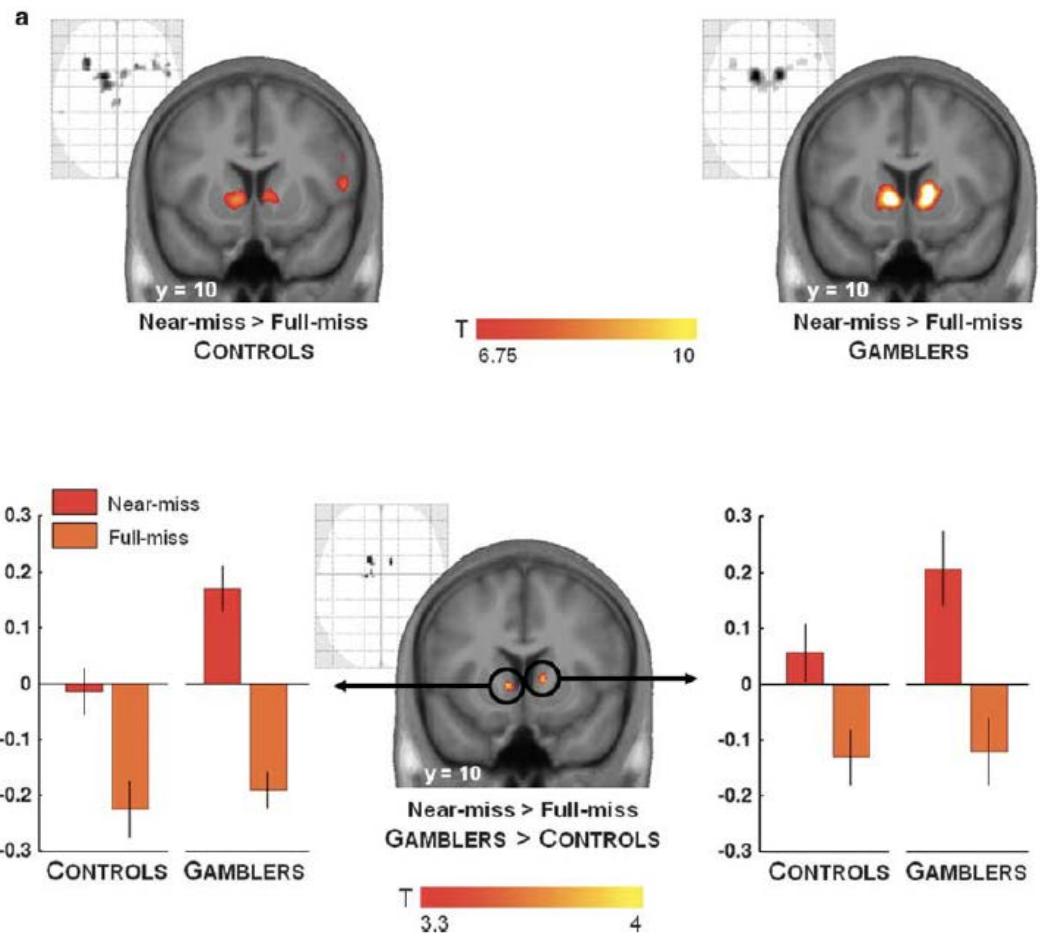
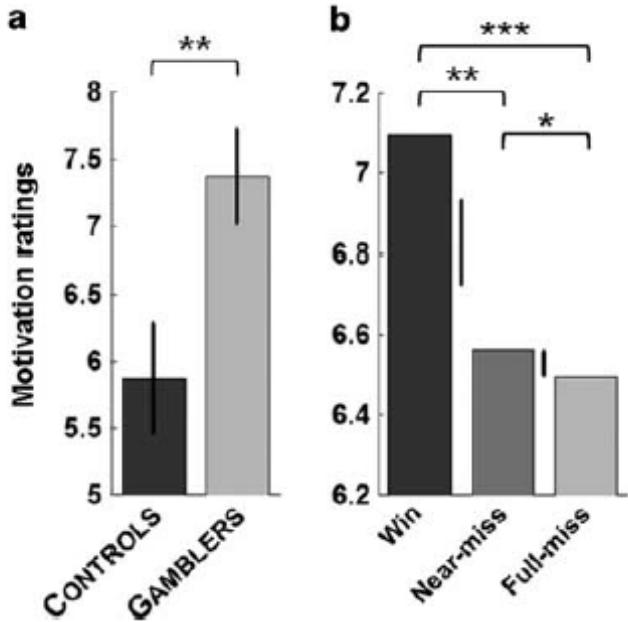
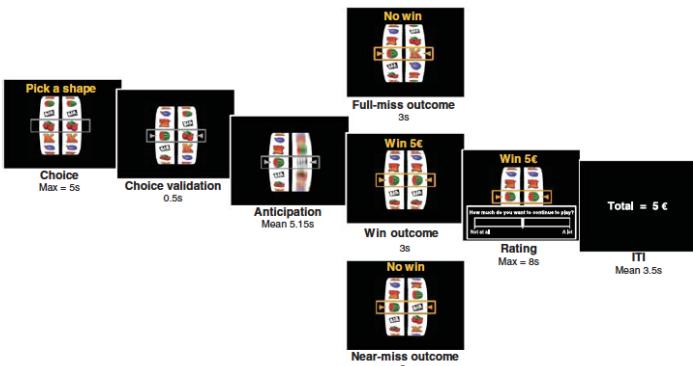


% with deficit



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Sescousse et al. Neuropsychopharmacology 2016



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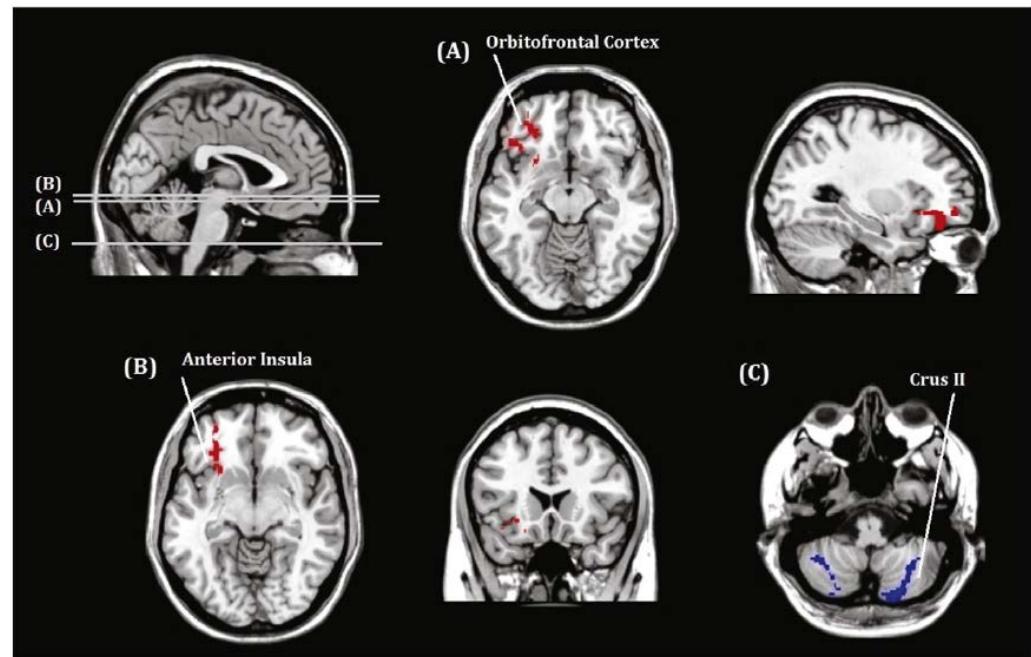
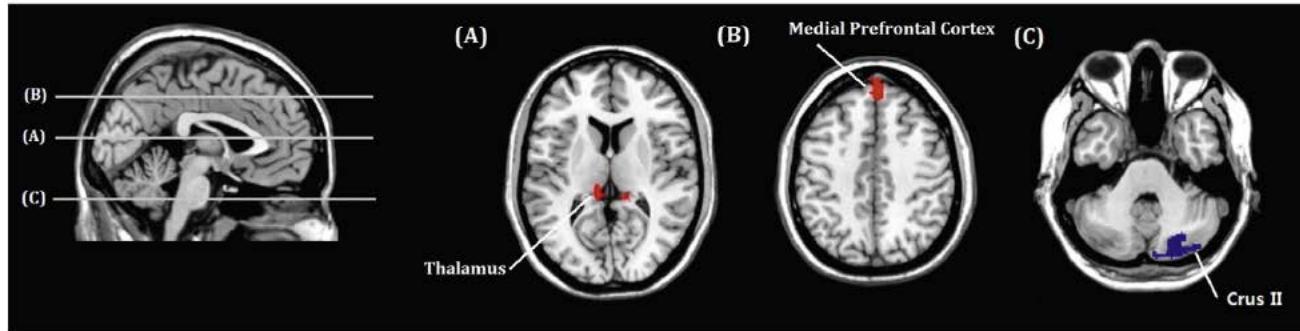
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PCC seed

Red: NoADHD > ADHD+

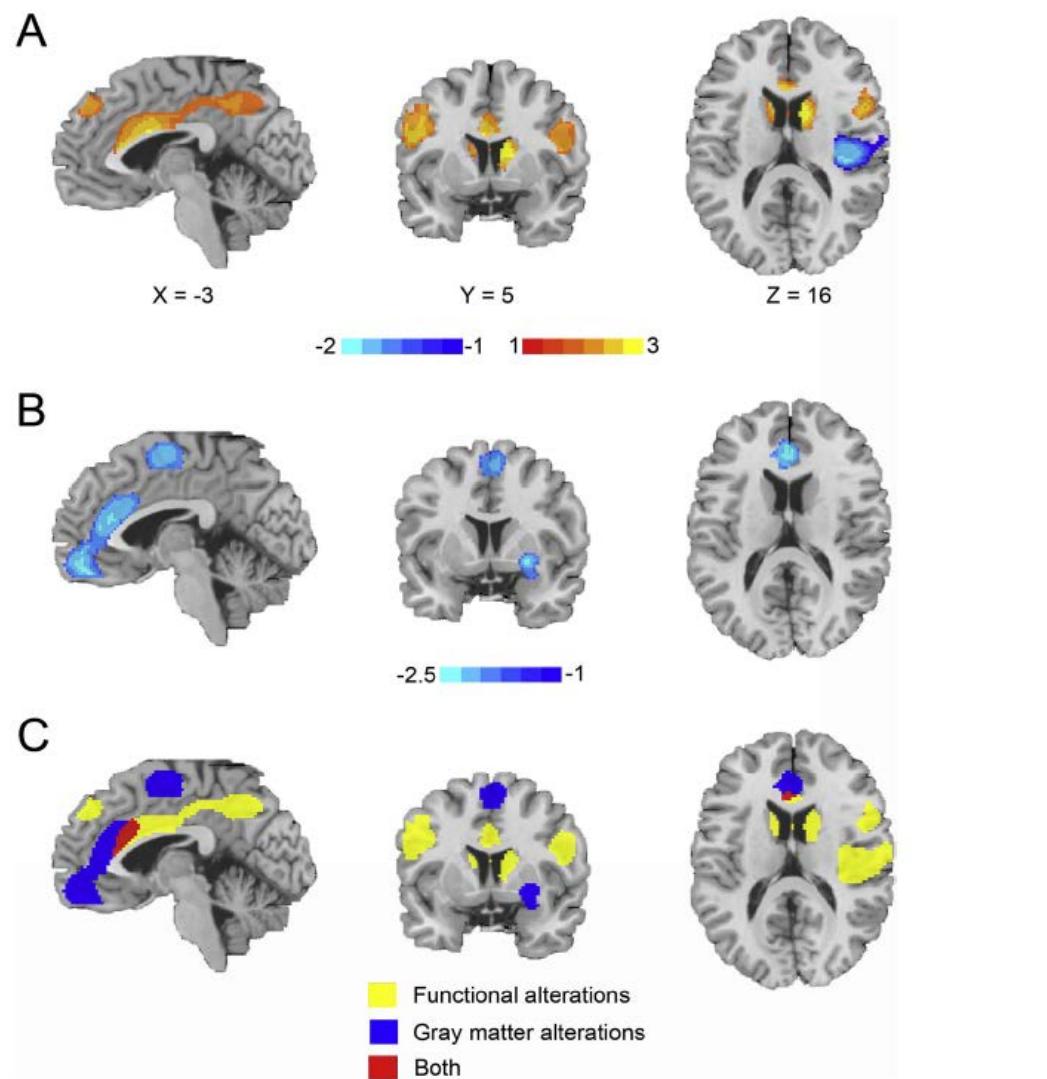
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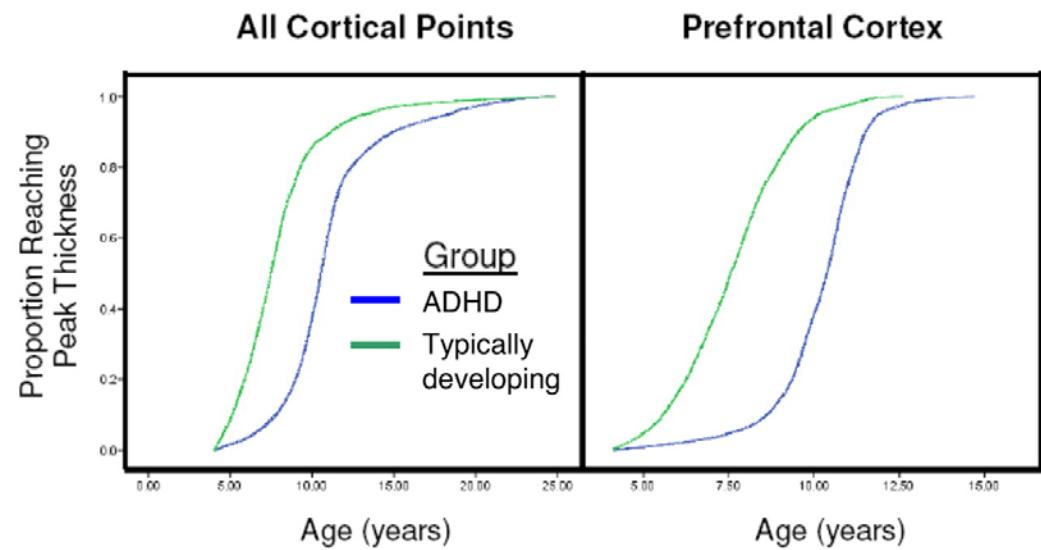
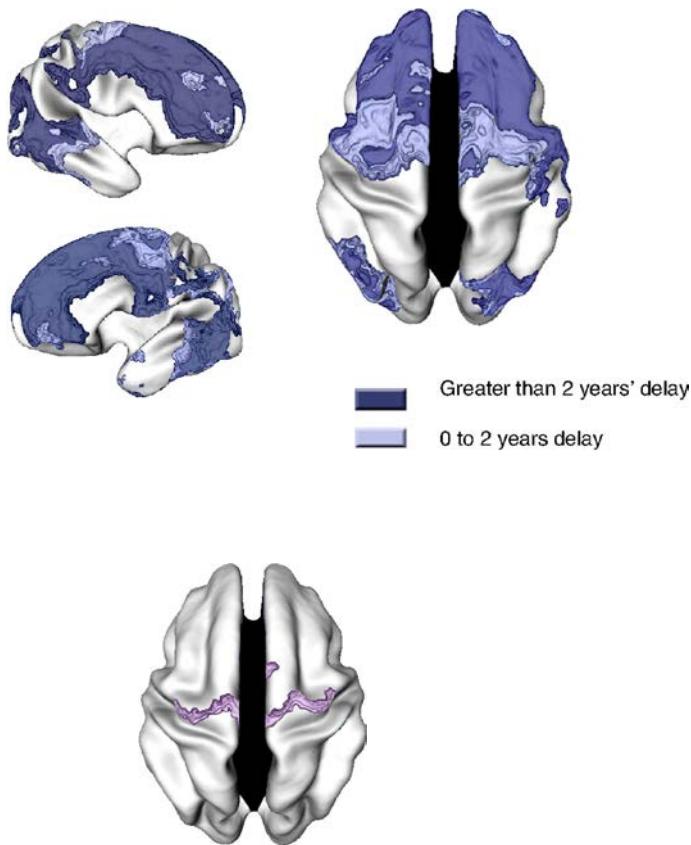
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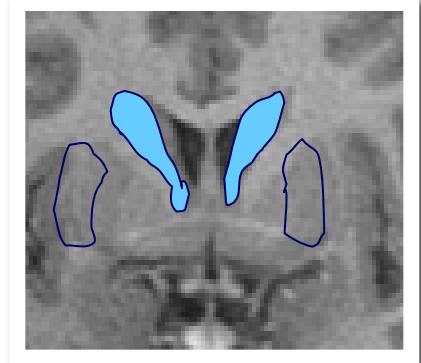
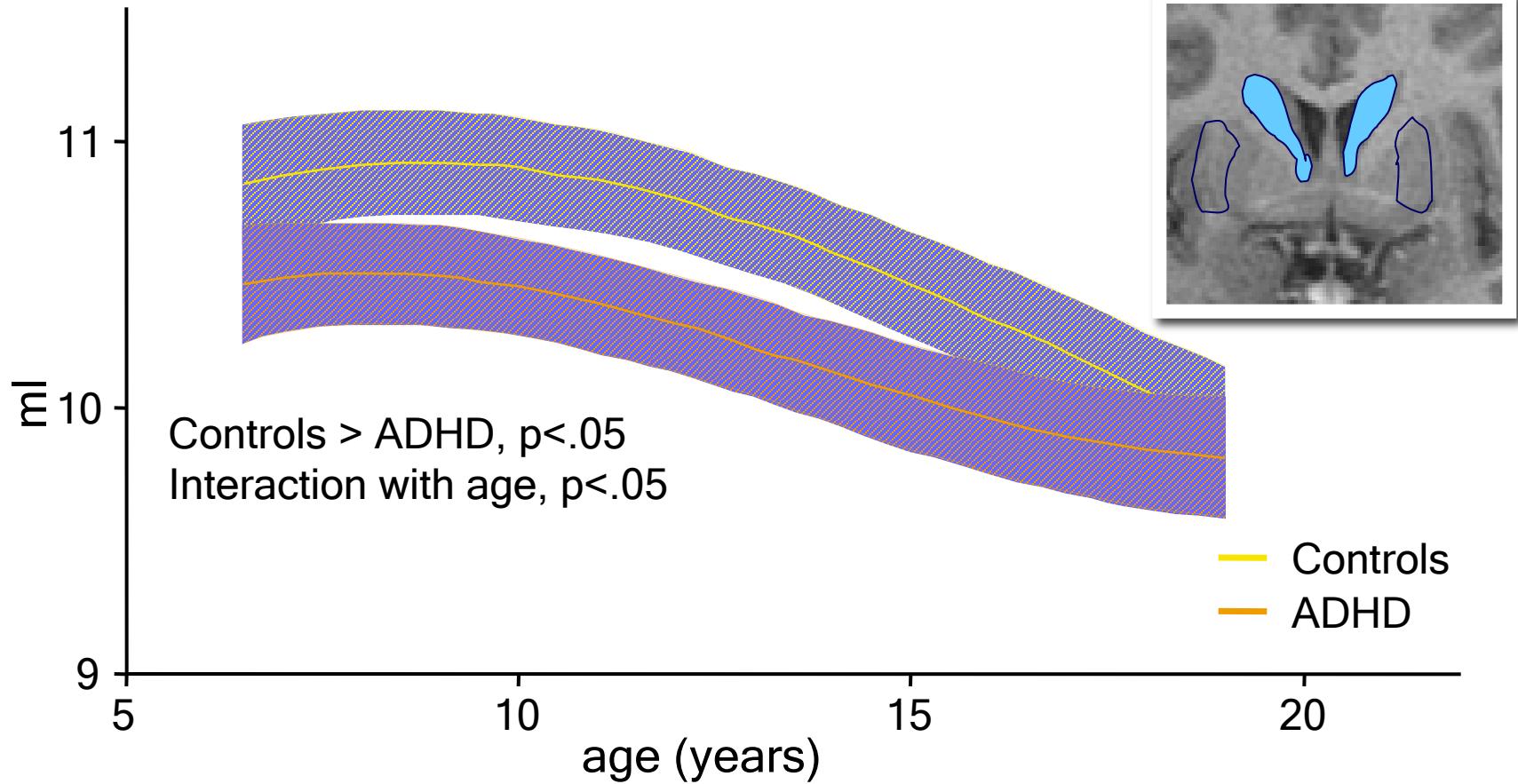


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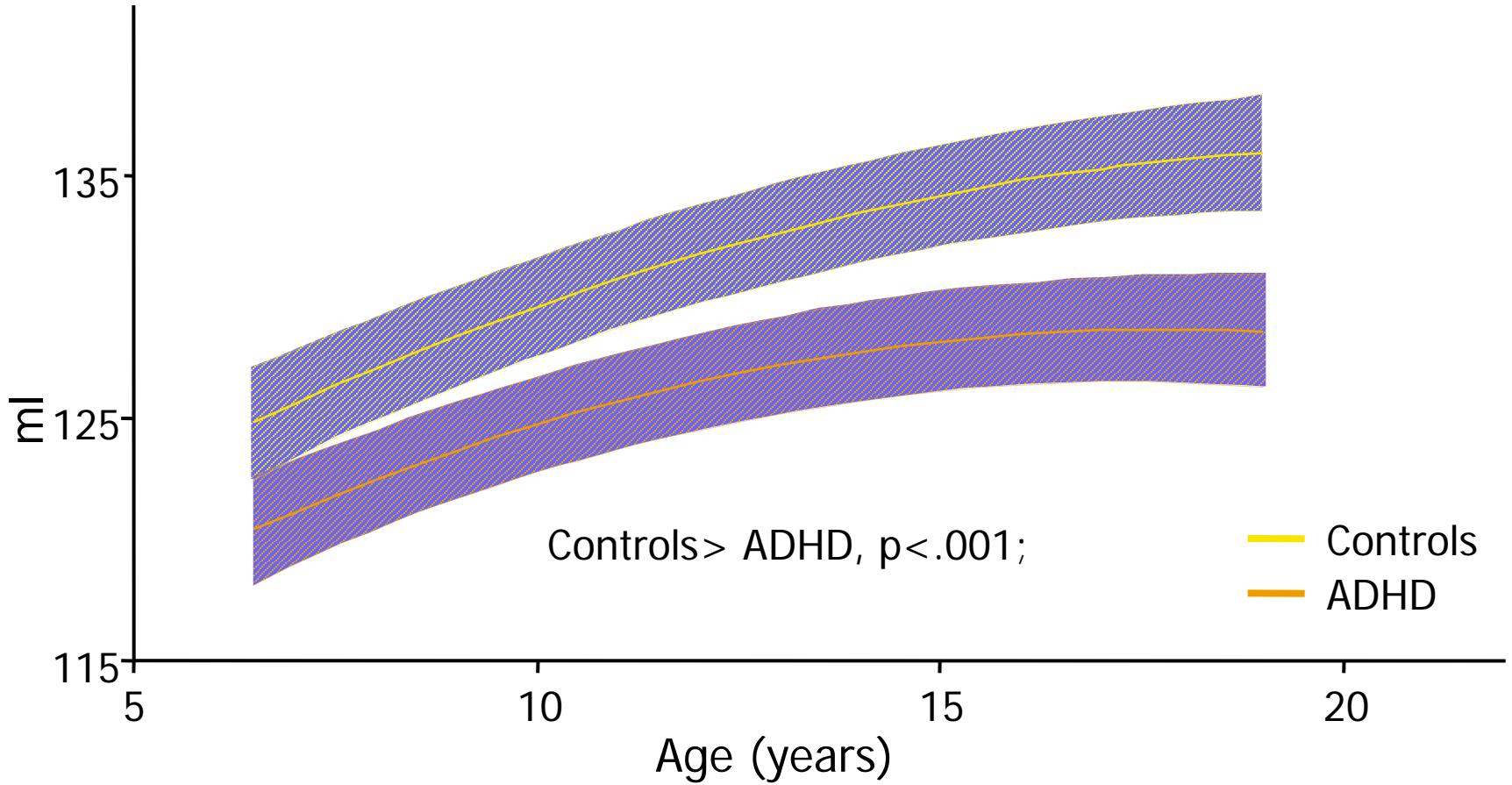


Shaw P et al. PNAS 2007;104:19649-19654

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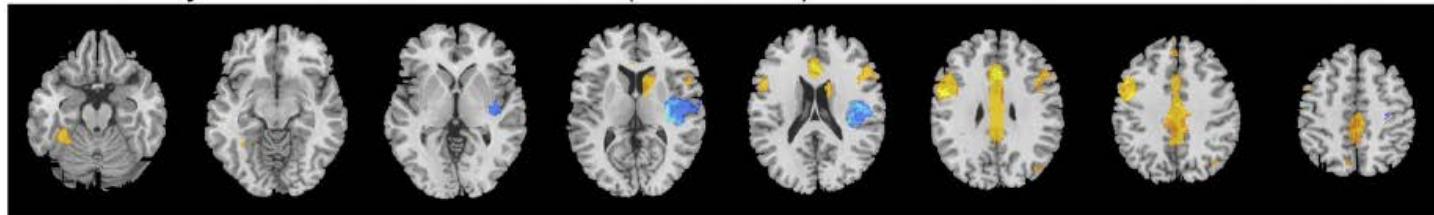


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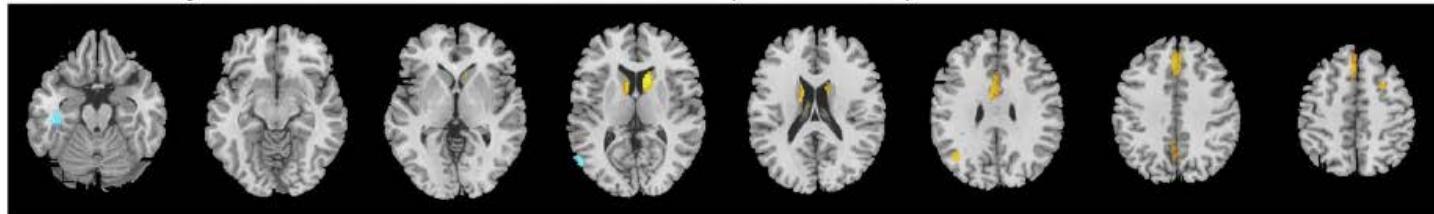
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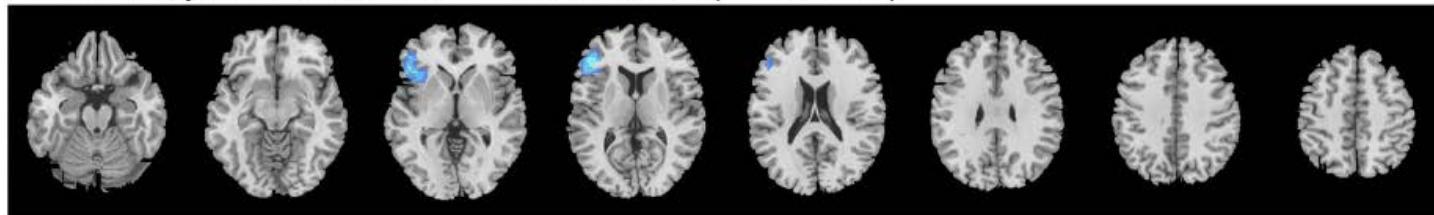
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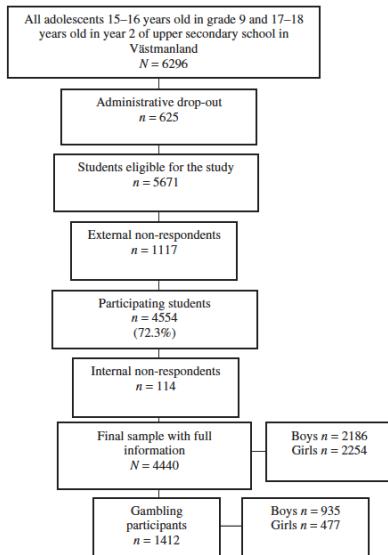
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Gambling frequency and symptoms of attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder in relation to problem gambling among Swedish adolescents: a population-based study

UJMS 2017

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Model I. Analysis of the chance of not becoming susceptible to developing gambling problems.^a

	OR	p	95% CI	
Age	0.48	0.001	0.30	0.75
ADHD symptoms index	0.95	0.041	0.90	1.00
Gambling frequency index	0.46	0.009	0.26	0.82
ADHD symptoms × Gambling frequency index	0.92	0.023	0.85	0.99

Model II. Analysis of adolescents already susceptible to problem gambling.^b

	IRR	p	95% CI	
ADHD symptoms index	1.03	0.031	1.003	1.07
Gambling frequency index	1.34	<0.001	1.20	1.51
Sex (ref boys)	0.25	<0.001	0.16	0.38
Sex × Gambling frequency index	1.67	<0.001	1.34	2.13

^aModel I: adjusted for covariates sex and parents' country of birth.

^bModel II: adjusted for covariate aae.

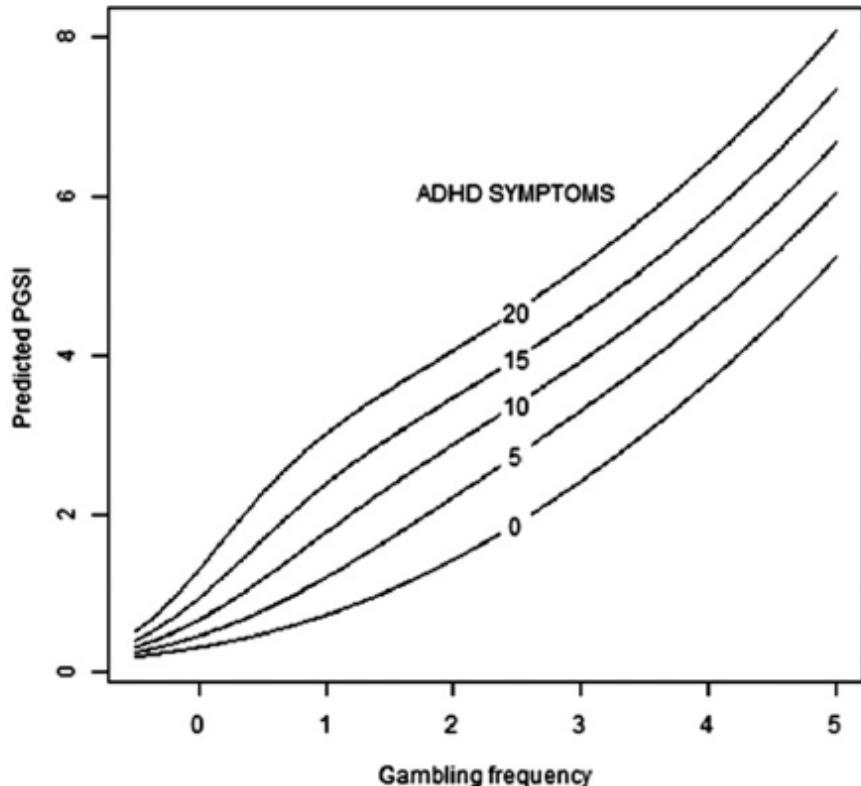
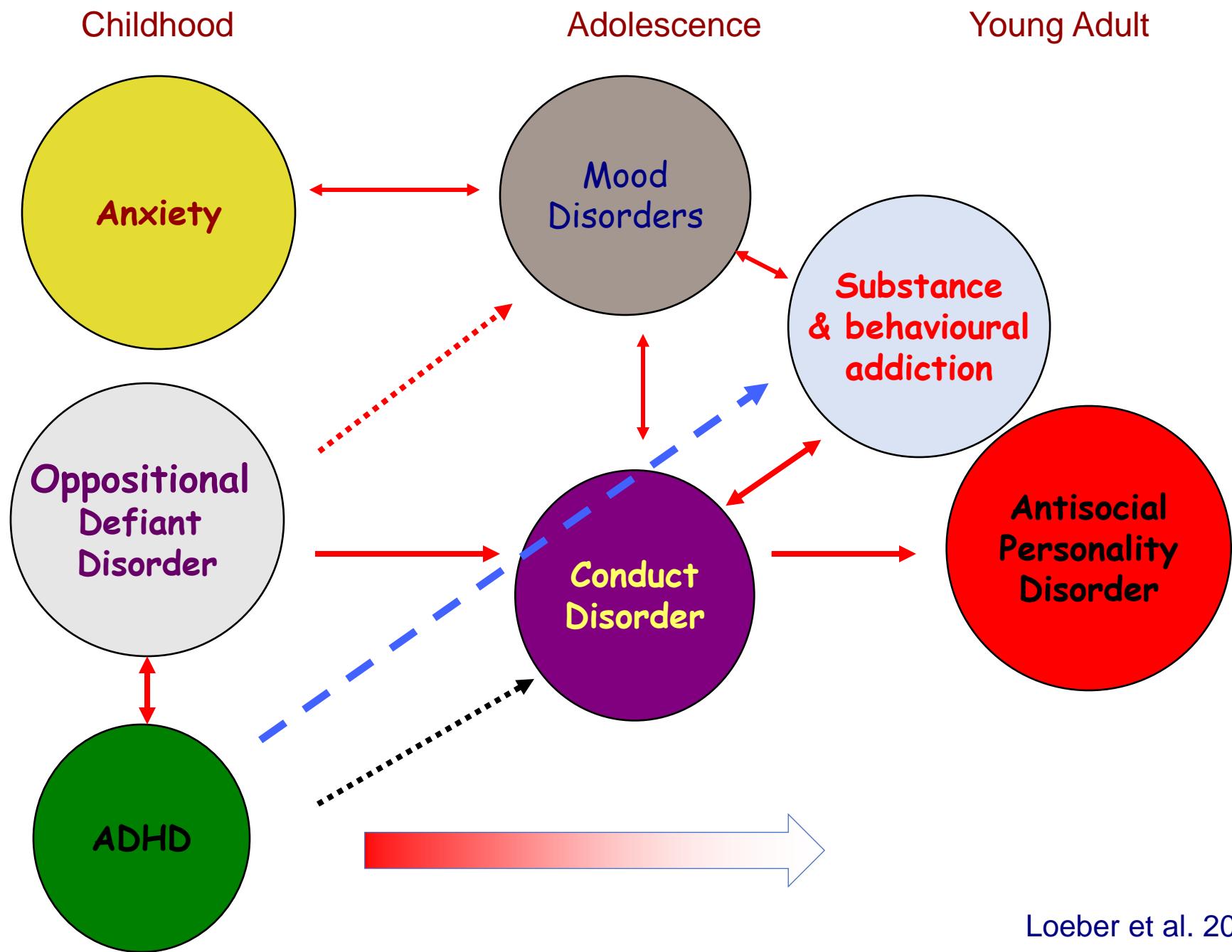


Figure 2. Illustration of the association between gambling frequency and the Problem Gambling Severity Index (PGSI). The expected degree of gambling problems in the study sample, irrespective of susceptibility to gambling problems, plotted against gambling frequency for different degrees of ADHD symptoms according to the ADHD symptom index.



Loeber et al. 2000

Misure di efficacia delle terapie

Effect Size

Differenza nei cambiamenti dal *baseline* tra **due trattamenti** (es. farmaco e placebo), diviso la media delle dev. standard (es. placebo e farmaco ad *end point*).

L'*effect size* standardizza le unità di misura nei diversi studi.

	Basaline	EndPoint
Farmaco	38.5 ± 5.8	25.5 ± 4.2
Placebo	40.4 ± 6.1	32.7 ± 5.0

$$d = \frac{(38.5 - 25.5) - (40.4 - 32.7)}{(4.2 + 5.0)/2} = \frac{13.0 - 7.7}{4.6} = \text{ES } 1.1$$

Secondo la definizione di Cohen, ES > 0.2 è considerato basso, ES > di 0.5 è considerato medio; oltre 0.8 è considerato alto

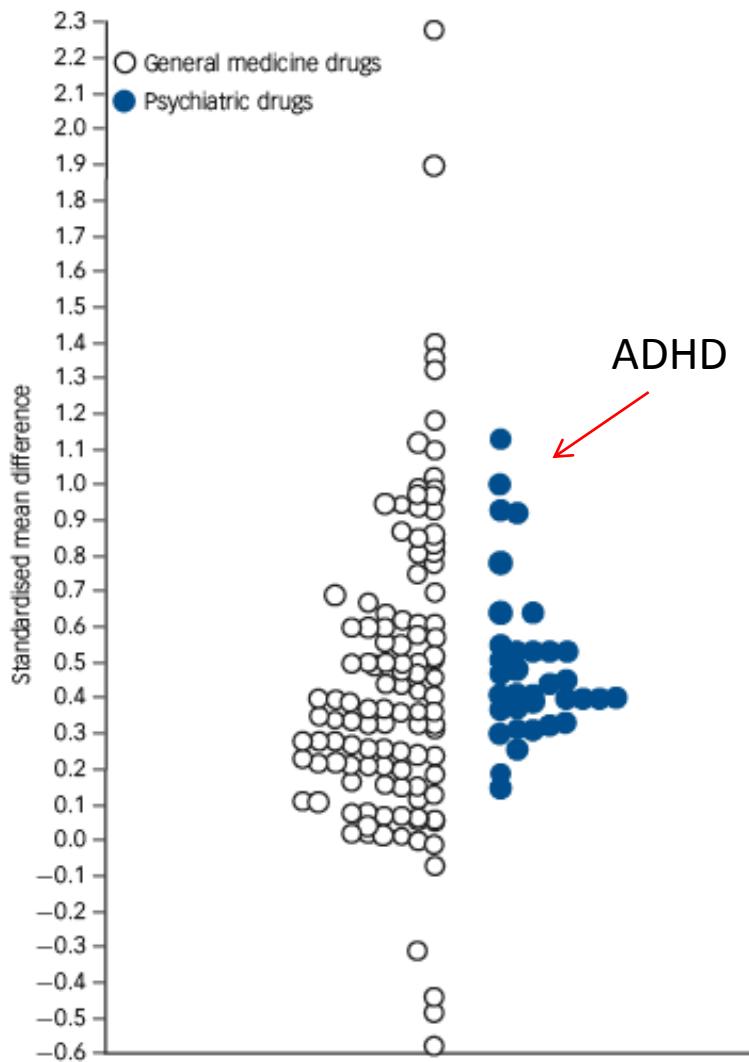


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ES in General Medicine

Aspirine for prevention cardiovascular disease	0.06
Antypertensive on long term mortality	0.11
Corticosteroids for asthma	0.54
Antypertensive for high blood pressure	0.55
Interferone for Chronic Hepatitis C	2.27

ES in General (Adult) Psychiatry

SGA for schizophrenia (PANS)	0.51
SSRI for depression (HAMD)	0.32
SSRI/ Bdz for Panic	0.41
SSRI for OCD	0.44

Leucht et al. 2012

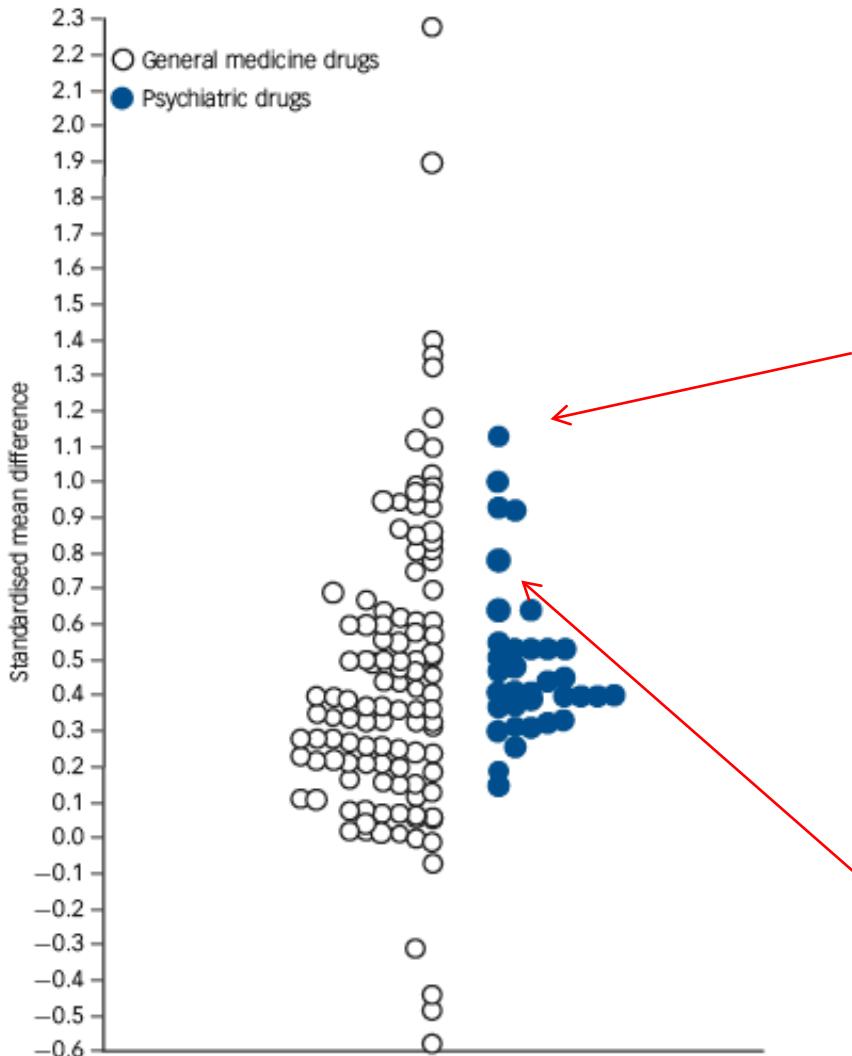
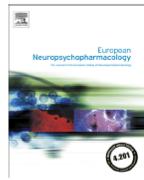


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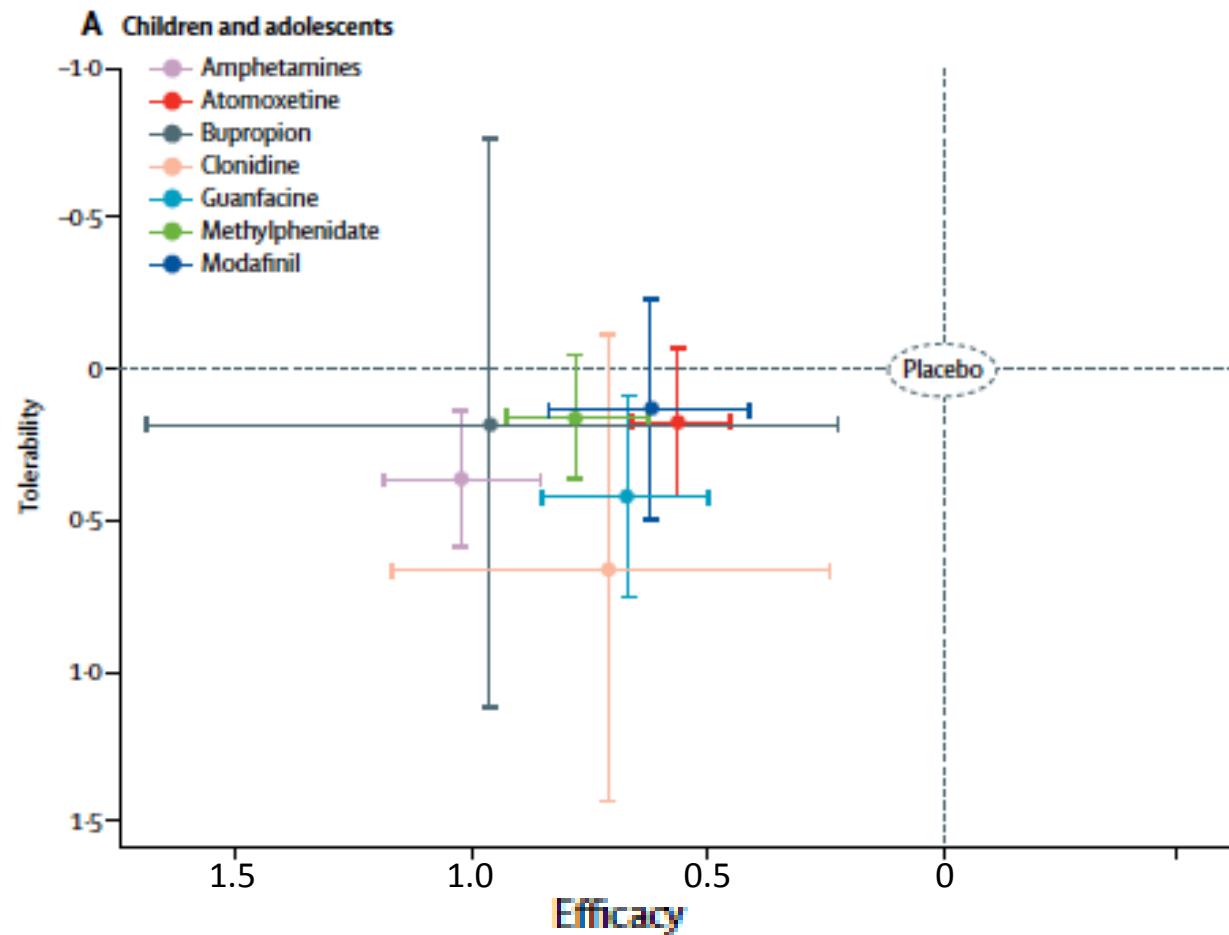
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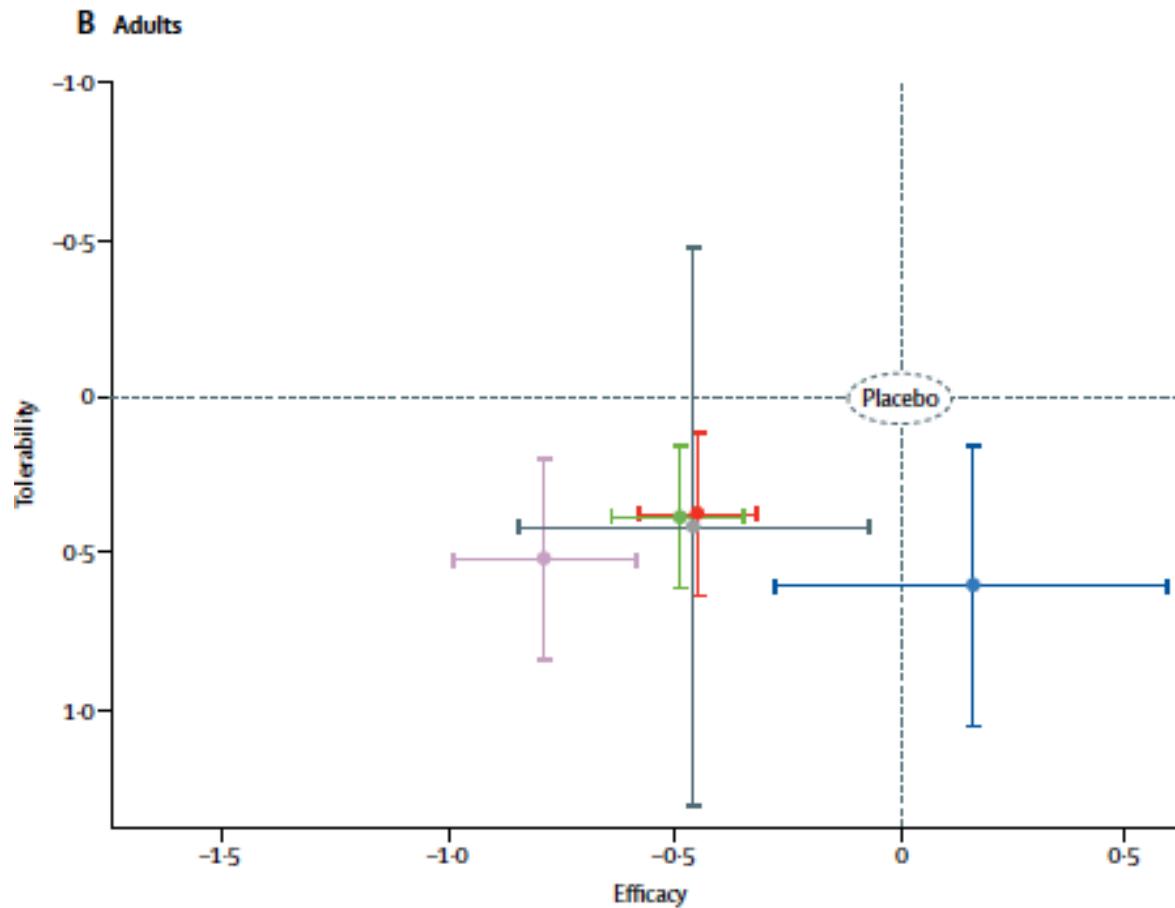


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Age of Methylphenidate Treatment Initiation in Children With ADHD and Later Substance Abuse: Prospective Follow-Up Into Adulthood

Mannuzza et al. AJP 2008

207 ADHD, caucasian boys (age 6-12)

DSM-II criteria but reviewed for DSM-IV combined subtype)

ADHD but not Conduct disorder

182 treated with methylphenidate b.i.d

25 no stimulants history. **6** refused---> **total 178 proband**

178 non ADHD caucasian boys (matched for age, social class, geogr.residence)

Follow up (age 18.4)

Assessment

Teenagers and Young Adult Schedule form DISC

Schedule for Assessment of Conduct, Hyperactivity, Anxiety, Mood and
Psychoactive substances

Parent or Spouse Informant Schedule

Factors:

Characteristic of MPH treatment (**dose, duration**)

Characteristic of the participants (**IQ, ADHD severity by Conners teacher**)

Other variable (**SES, parent psychopathology**)

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Effect of Age

subst. use disorder (No-alcohol) (n=65)

t=2.31; df=174,

Absence of subst. use disorder (n=111)

Age of medication onset

9.10+1.74

p=0.02

8.52+1.55

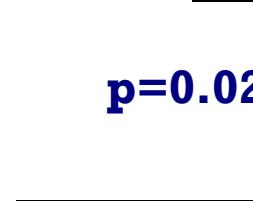
Rate of subst. use disorder (No-alcohol):

Starting before age 8 **27%**



p=0.02

Starting after age 8 **47%**



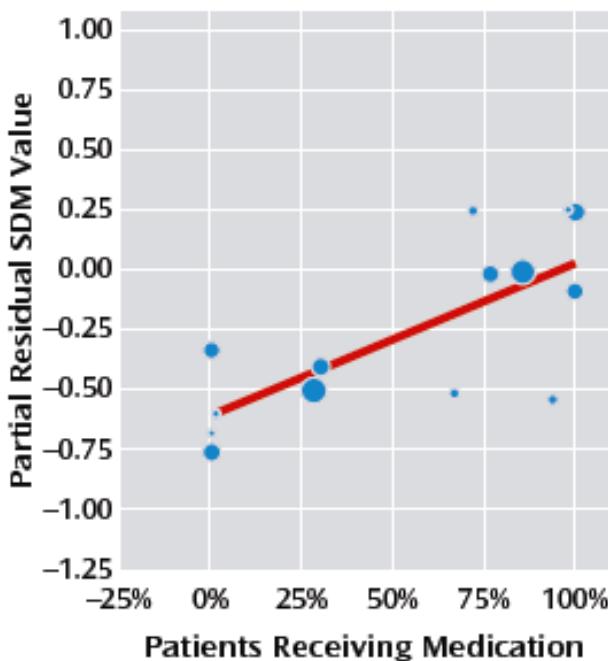
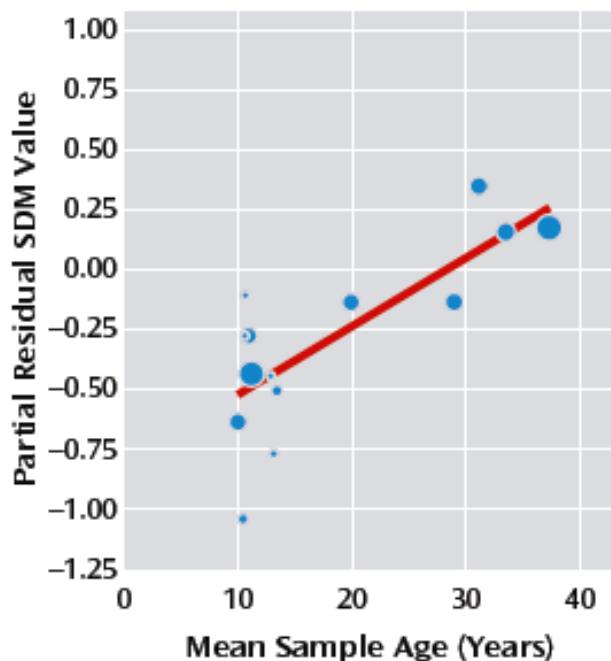
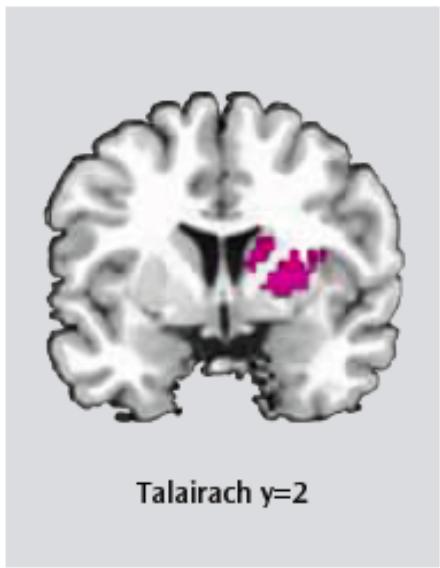
Control non ADHD group **29%**

p=0.10

No effect of ADHD duration per se

Gray Matter Volume Abnormalities in ADHD: Voxel-Based Meta-Analysis Exploring the Effects of Age and Stimulant Medication

FIGURE 2. Results of the Metaregression Analysis Showing Independent Associations of Mean Age and Percentage of Patients Receiving Stimulant Medication With More Normal Gray Matter Volumes in the Right Basal Ganglia^a

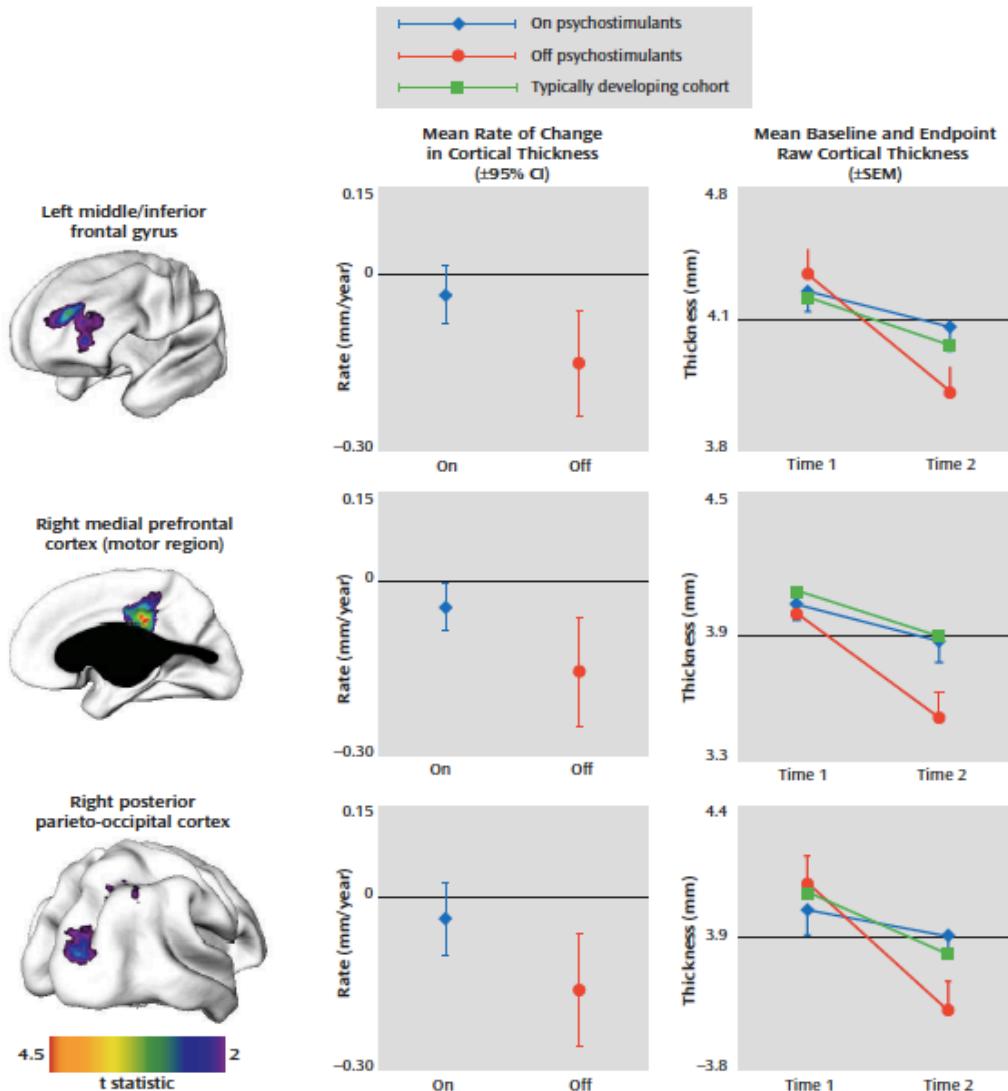


^a In the graphs, each study is represented as a dot, with dot size reflecting sample size: large dots indicate samples with over 40 patients; medium dots, samples with 20–40 patients; and small dots, samples with under 20 patients. The regression line (metaregression signed differential mapping slope) is presented as a straight line. SDM refers to the signed differential mapping meta-analytic method (www.sdmproject.com).

Psychostimulant Treatment and the Developing Cortex in Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

FIGURE 1. Differences in Rate of Cortical Growth in Adolescents With ADHD Taking or Not Taking Psychostimulant Medication^a

Shaw et al AJP 2009



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Characteristic	Men (N=16,087)	Women (N=9569)
Person-years at risk	62,637	37,963
Age group (%)		
15–24 yr	54.3	46.3
25–39 yr	30.0	35.4
≥40 yr	15.7	18.3

Table 2. Hazard Ratio for Conviction for Any Crime during a Period of Treatment with an ADHD Medication, as Compared with a Nontreatment Period (2006–2009).*

Sex	No. of Patients	No. of Crimes	Hazard Ratio (95% CI)	
			Cox Regression	Stratified Cox Regression
Men	16,087	23,693	0.70 (0.66–0.75)	0.68 (0.63–0.73)
Women	9,569	4,112	0.78 (0.68–0.90)	0.59 (0.50–0.70)

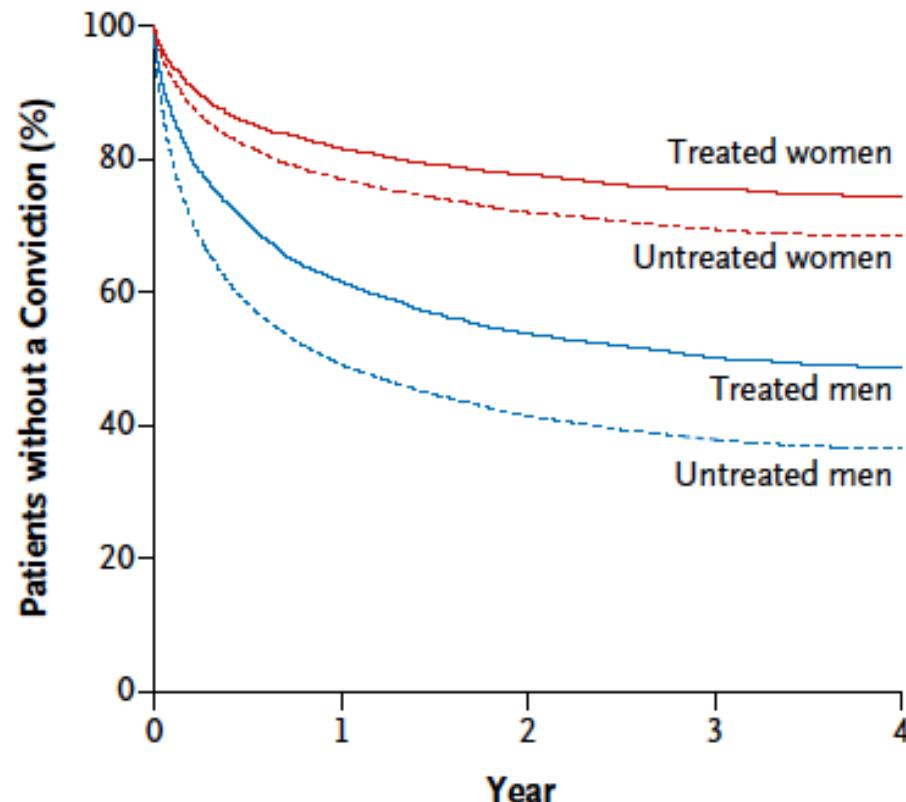
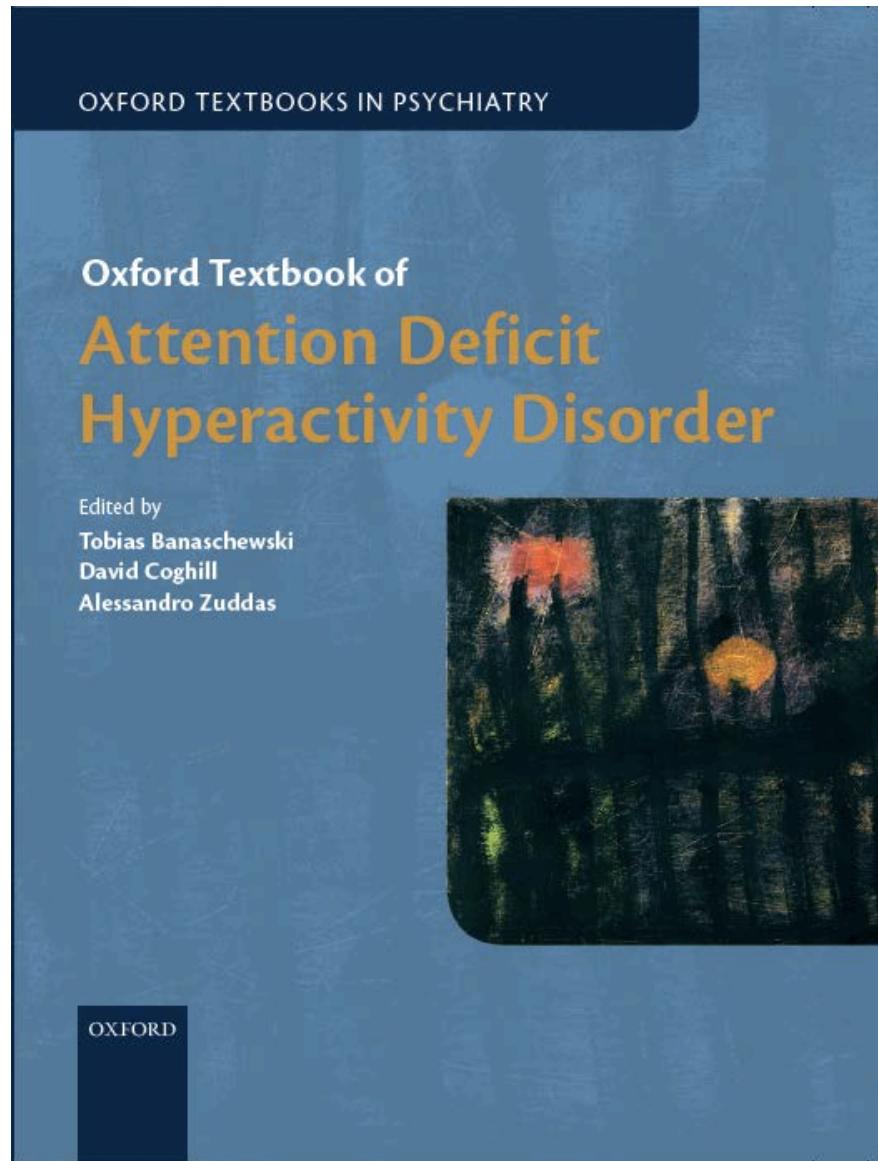
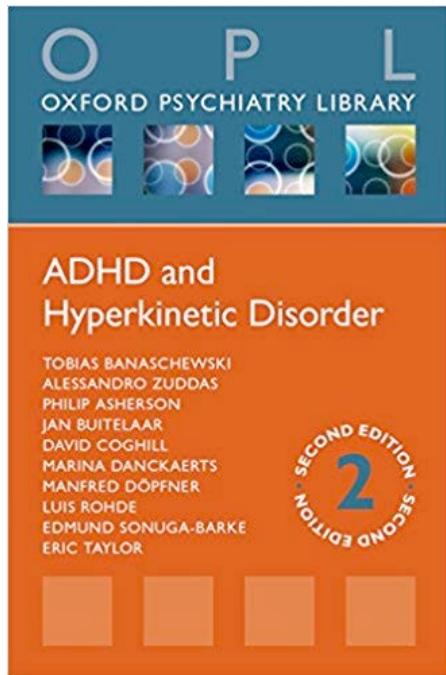


Figure 1. Extended Kaplan–Meier Curves for Patients in the Swedish Patient Register with a Diagnosis of ADHD Who Were Born No Later Than 1990, According to Sex and Medication Status.



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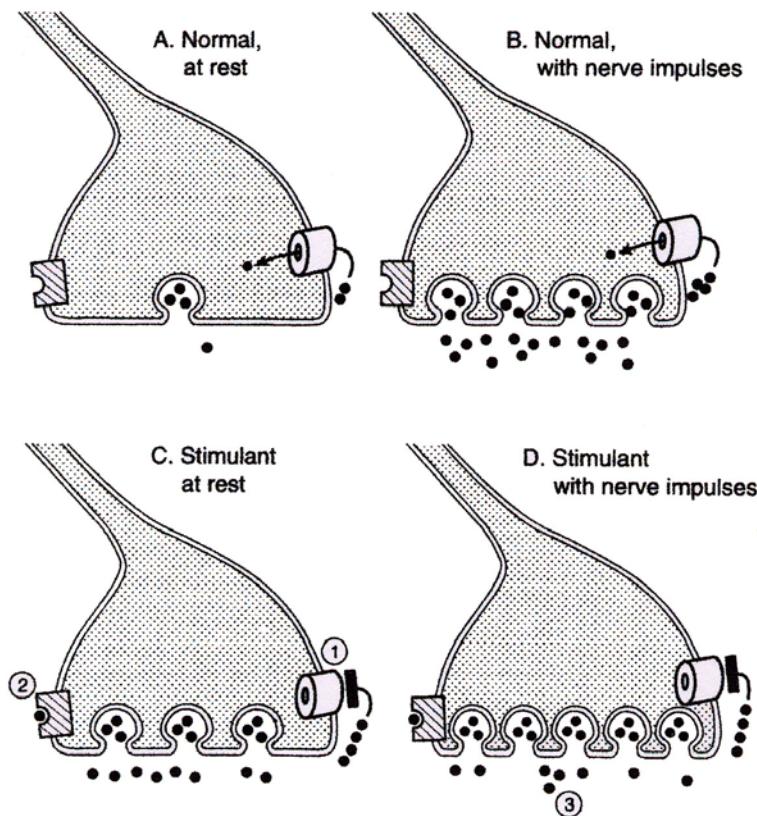
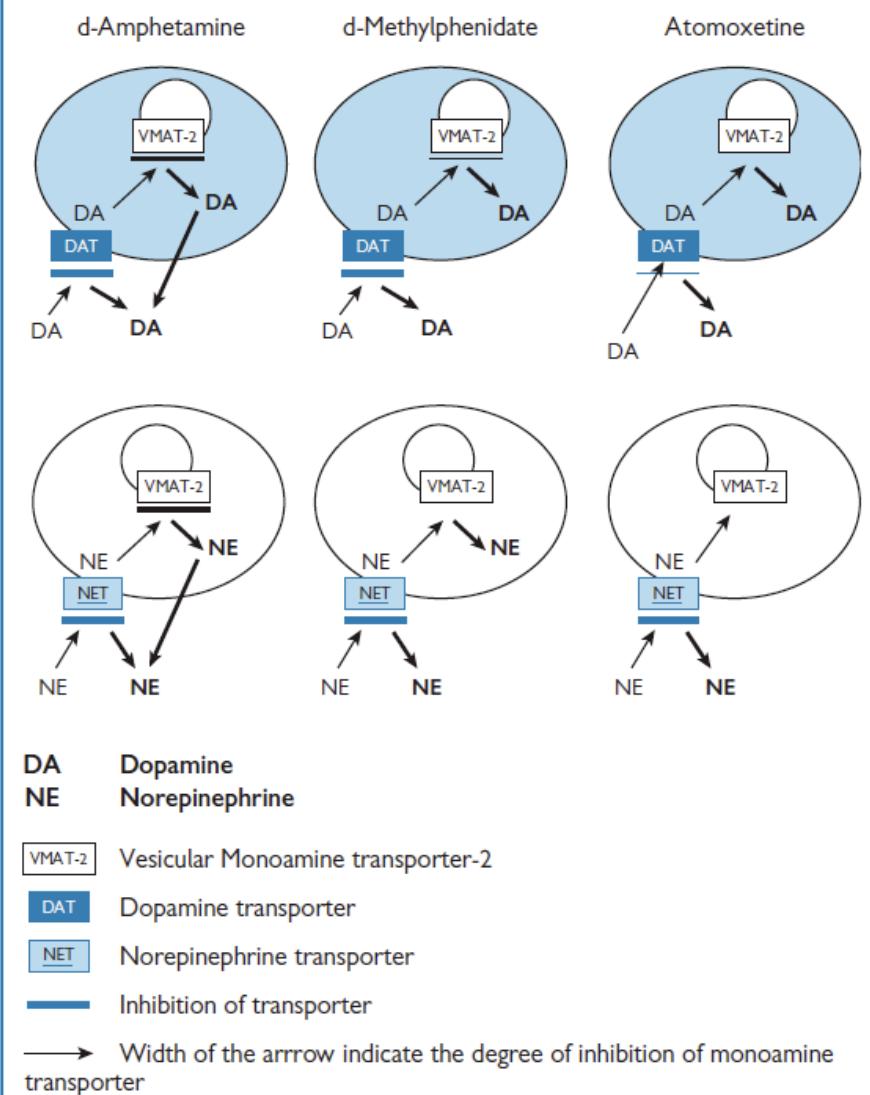
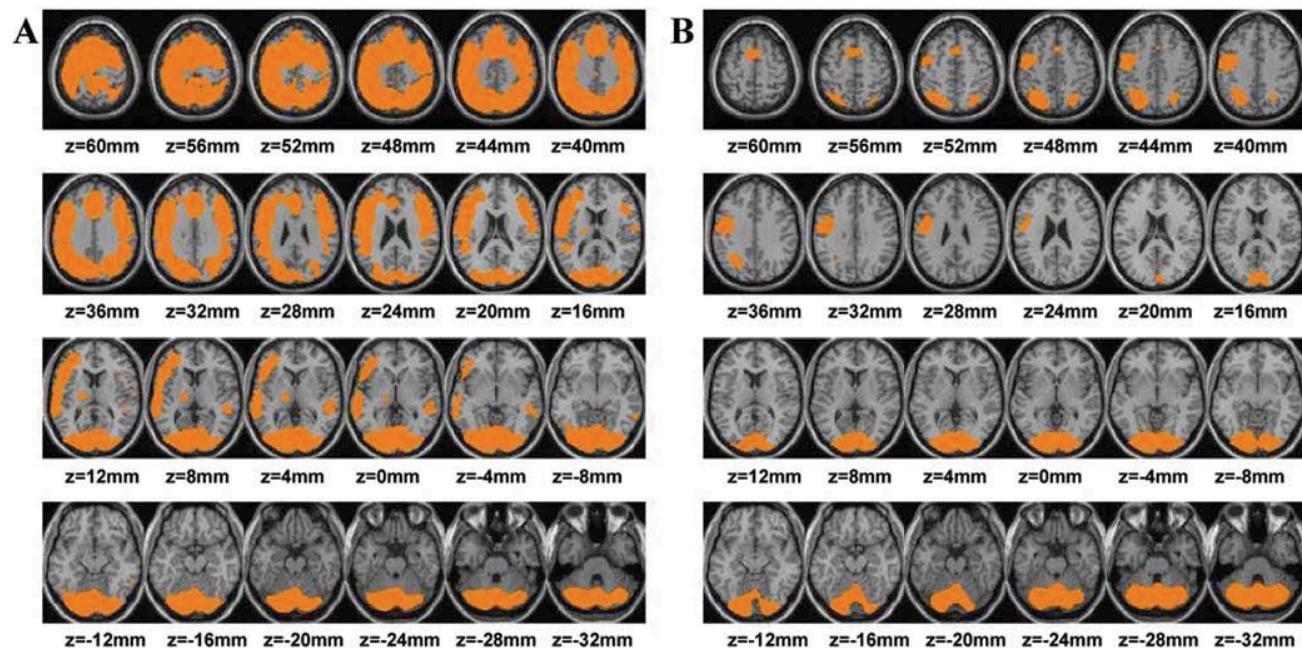
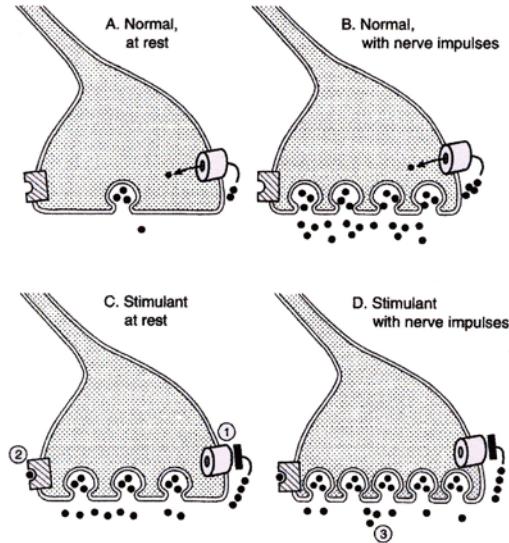


Figure 5.1 Molecular mechanisms of ADHD medication
(from Easton et al., 2006, modified)



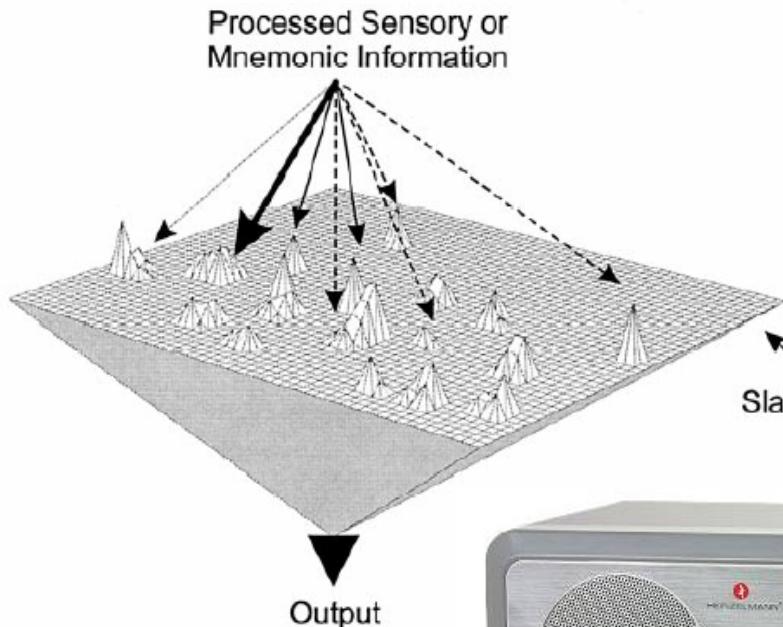
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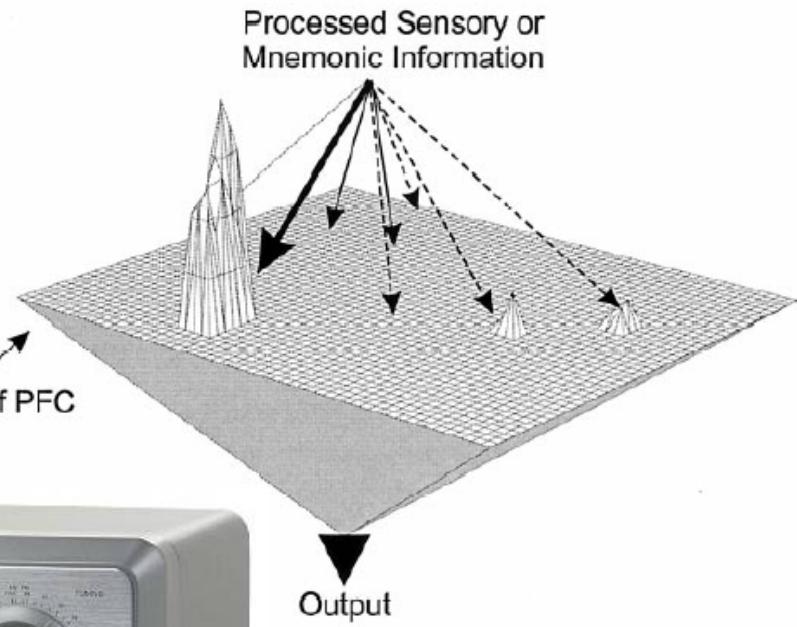


What is the action of dopamine on prefrontal cortex ?

Suboptimal D1-receptor activity state



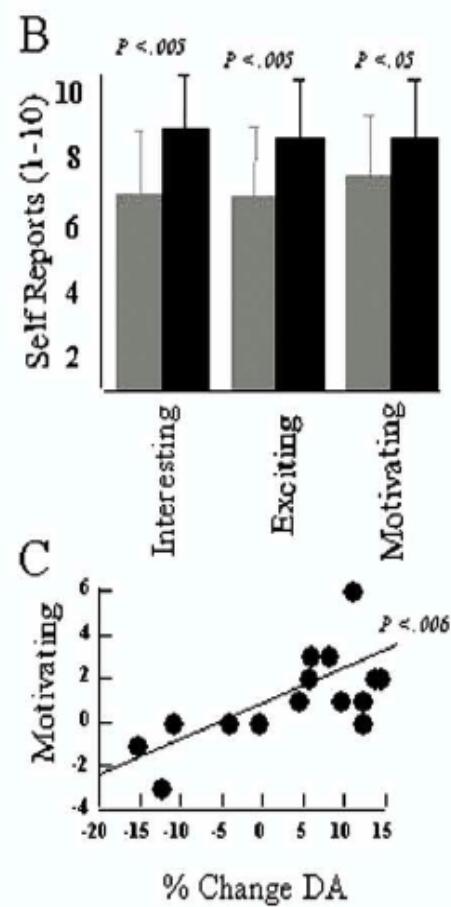
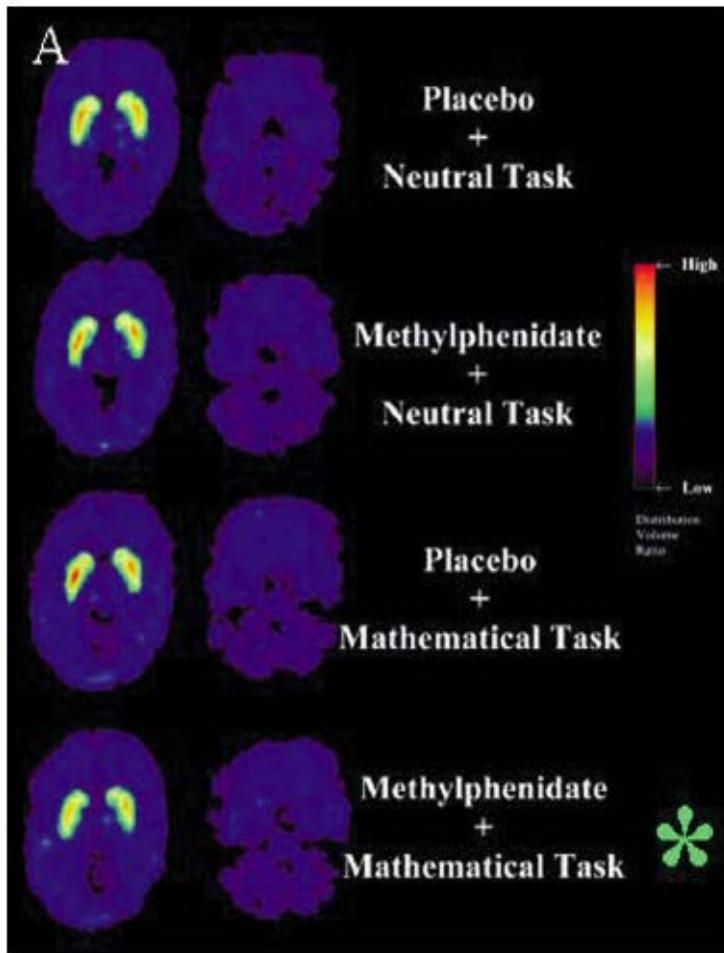
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