PSYCHOPATHOLOGY II

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PSYCHOPATHOLOGY

- TREATMENT
- **DEPRESSION** (film)
- ATTENTION DEFICIT HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER (ADHD) (film)

TREATMENT

 Behavioral Therapy (Psychotherapy) Psychoanalysis Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)
Psychopharmacology

Psychological Therapy

Psychotherapy is a social interaction in which a trained professional tries to help another person behave and feel differently.

Who Provides Psychotherapy?

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Includes listing headings for Psychics, Psychoanalysts, Psychologists, and Psychotherapists.

Psychiatrist



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Psychoanalyst



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Freud & his couch, 1932

Other sources of psychotherapy

- Clinical Psychologist
- Counseling Psychologist
- Clinical Social Worker
- Clergy
- Peer Groups (e.g. AA)
- Self-help





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Types of Psychotherapy

- Psychodynamic
 - Free association
 - Resistance
 - Transference
 - Interpretation
 - Corrective emotional experience

Aaron Beck Born 1921 COGNITIVE **BEHAVIORAL THERAPY** - CBT -Dysfunctional beliefs -Logical errors in thinking maintain beliefs -Focus on current problems; strategies to help -Time-limited



Does Psychotherapy Work?

- Initial pessimism (Eysenck 1952)
- Cautious optimism (Smith, Glass, & Miller, 1980)

Meta-Analysis

- Quantitative method for averaging results of a large number of different studies.
- Unit of analysis is the effect size, arrived at by subtracting the mean of the control group from the mean of the treatment group and dividing that different by the standard deviation of the control group.
- The larger the effect size, the greater the effect of therapy.



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Meta-Analysis of Psychotherapy Effectiveness (Smith, Glass, & Miller, 1980)

- The average person (50th %ile) receiving psychotherapy was better off than 80% of the persons who did not receive therapy.
- Only about 10% of effect sizes were negative → deterioration due to psychotherapy was infrequent.
- Different types of therapy were equally effective, but some advantage to cognitive and behavioral therapies.

WHEN DOES PSYCHTHERAPY WORK?

Random assignment

Psychotherapy Wait-list Blind and double-blind

Meta-analysis of good efficacy of psychotherapy studies

- 2:1 chance of improvement vs. control
- Credentials (Ph.D., M.D., no degree) did not matter
- Experience of therapist did not matter
- Type of therapy did not matter
- Length of therapy did not matter

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Twelve current psychiatric medications (e.g. Zoloft, Paxil, Depakote): photo of pill, how it works, side effects, and testing/approval status.

See *Time* Magazine, Dec. 8, 2003. Cover: "Are We Giving Kids Too Many Drugs?" Story: "Medicating Young Minds"

Obsessive Compulsive Disorder (OCD)

- anxiety disorder
- obsessions recurrent, unwanted thoughts
- compulsions repetitive behaviors handwashing, counting, checking, cleaning

http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=Rn1OYIYzgm8

OCD Treatment Study Results

Data from Foa, E. B. et al. Am J Psychiatry 162, no. 1 (2005): 151-161. 30 25 20 Symptom 15 10 5 6 12 0 4 Assessment point (weeks) Placebo Clomipramine -0-Exposure and ritual prevention -0-Exposure and ritual prevention with clomipramine



Percent relapse in the first year after treatment

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PET Scans of OCD Patients



Basal ganglia shows similar changes with psychotherapy and drug therapy.

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Depression: Brain Activity after CBT and Medication Treatments



Different therapies produce different brain activity results. (Orange = increased activity; blue = decreased activity)

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DEPRESSION

- fearful, gloomy, helpless, hopeless
- Hamlet "How weary, stale, flat, and unprofitable seem to me all the uses of this world"
- Typical episode is 4-12 months (if untreated) pervasive dysphoria - intense mental pain, anhedonia (inability to feel pleasure), generalized loss of interest
- 5% of world's population 8 million in U.S.
- average age of onset is 30, but wide spread often unnoticed in young - rare to have first episode after 60
- women 2 or 3 times the rate of men
- about 70% who have an episode will have another

DEPRESSION

- diagnosis requires also at least 3 of the following for a period
 - disturbed sleep
 - diminished appetite
 - loss of energy
 - decreased sex drive, restlessness
 - slow thoughts/actions
 - poor concentration, indecisiveness
 - feelings of worthlessness
 - guilt
 - pessimism
 - fixation on death or suicide
- Genetic predisposition: Monozygotic twin concordance = 50%; dizygotic = 10% (same as siblings); Environmental - since 1940, a nearly 10-24 year drop in average age of first incidence

Video clips played in class from *Depression: Beyond the Darkness*. Narrated by Hugh Downs. ABC-TV, episode of *20/20*, airdate August 31, 1990. VHS. MPI Home Video, 1990.

DEPRESSION

- dot probe task of attentional allocation
 - biased attention to sadness in depression

 risk for depression or consequence of depression?



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Attentional Biases for Sad, Angry, and Happy Faces



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Attentional Biases for Sad and Happy Faces in High-Risk and Low-Risk Girls



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DEPRESSION & SUBGENUAL ANTERIOR CINGULATE



This PET scan was also produced by subtracting scans of normal subjects from scans of depression patients. It reveals a tiny area buried deep along the midline in the frontal lobe (also known as the orbitofrontal cortex because of its position just above and behind the eyes) which may play a key role in the symptoms of depression. Here it exhibits reduced metabolism in patients with depression.

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REDUCED BRAIN VOLUME IN DEPRESSION IN SUBGENUAL ANTERIOR CINGULATE



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REDUCED **NUMBER OF GLIAL CELLS** IN **SUBGENUAL ANTERIOR CINGULATE CORTEX** IN **DEPRESSION** (no change in neurons)



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RELATION OF ACTIVATION IN SUBGENUAL ANTERIOR CINGULATE CORTEX TO DRUG TREATMENT OUTCOME



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37 Tamminga et al., Am J Psychiatry, 2002

A. Region Examined



Subgenual Cingulate Cortex

B. Relationship Between Regional Reactivity to Negative Words and Residual Depressive Severity Following Treatment With Cognitive Behavior Therapy

Residual Severity



C. Regional Reactivity to Negative Words in Patients With Unipolar Depressression, by CBT Response Status, Relative to Healthy Comparion Subjects



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Treatment for Depression

medications (27 million people in US 2005, \$9.6 billion in 2008 sales)

• CBT

Current Treatment for Depression is Suboptimal

Only partially effective

As many as 1/2 of patients do not achieve remission (Petersen et al., 2005)

Residual symptoms are common among patients achieving remission (Nierenberg, 1999)

Trial and Error

Selecting correct treatment takes months, causing attrition



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Treatment for Depression

- clinical trials
 - drug random assignment, doubleblind with placebo
 - outcome response vs. remission
 - interviews physician Hamilton Depression Rating Scale
 - strong placebo response
 - regression to the mean from study entry?
 - real response to placebo?



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Treatment for Depression

recent meta-analyses

- Kirsch no effect of drug (above placebo, about 75% of effect) apparent difference is due to patients realizing they are on active drug from side effects greater side effects associated with better drug response (80% of patients guess correctly they are on drug) no drug/placebo difference if placebo causes side effects
- Fournier little or no drug benefit above placebo for mild-to-moderate or severe depression; benefit for patients with very severe depression

ATTENTION DEFICIT DISORDER (ADHD/ADD)

- INATTENTION
- HYPERACTIVITY (80%)
- IMPULSIVITY
- **DIAGNOSIS** by exclusion
- PREVALENCE 2 million in US tripled since 1981 increased 2.5 times since 1990

How Do <u>Clinicians</u> Make The Diagnosis?

 History from parents and physical exam
 Collection of data from school and parents using questionnaires

Prevalence of ADHD

- Ranges from 1.7 to 16.1% in various studies
- Different diagnostic methods have been used to establish the prevalence
- Different DSM manuals DSM III, DSM IIIR, and now DSM IV
- Different settings by country, by profession
- Wolraich same German population, incidence changed from 6 to 12% DSM 3R to DSM 4

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)

• PREVALENCE: 3 - 5% of school-age children

Impairs social and academic adjustment in childhood

 predicts antisocial behavior, substance abuse
 and adverse occupational and social adjustment in adulthood

- TREATMENT: Stimulants, e.g. methylphenidate (Ritalin)
- ETIOLOGY: genetic
 - rates among relatives of probands 7 times
 - twin studies .76 heritability
 - candidate genes dopaminergic

DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA

- **INATTENTION** (> 6 for at least 6 months to a degree that is maladaptive and age-inappropriate)
 - careless mistakes in schoolwork or other activities
 - difficulty sustaining attention in tasks or play
 - does not seem to listen when spoken to directly
 - does not follow instructions or finish tasks
 - difficulty organizing tasks and activities
 - avoids tasks engaging sustained mental effort
 - loses things
 - easily distracted by extraneous stimuli
 - forgetful in daily activities

• HYPERACTIVITY-IMPULSIVITY (> 6 for at least 6 months to a degree that is maladaptive and age-inappropriate)

Hyperactivity

- fidgets or squirms in seat
- leaves seat in classroom
- runs about or climbs excessively
- difficulty playing quietly
- is "on the go" or acts as if "driven by a motor"
- talks excessively

Impulsivity

- blurts out answers before questions are completed
- difficulty awaiting turn
- interrupts or intrudes on others' conversations or games

- Symptoms present before age 7 years
- Symptoms present in 2 or more settings (home/school)
- Diagnosis by exclusion of following:
 - pervasive developmental disorder
 - sensory deficits
 - allergies
 - psychiatric conditions that "mimic" ADHD e.g., depression
- Subtypes -
 - Combined-type both inattention and hyperactivity-impulsivity
 - Inattention-type inattention only
 - Hyperactive-impulsive hyperactivity-impulsivity only

Long-term consequences

If untreated -> secondary problems:

- depression
- anxiety
- substance abuse
- academic failure
- work problems
- family problems
- emotional distress

Multimodal Treatment Study of Children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (MTA)

579 children – 14 month study
(1) medication management alone;
(2) behavioral treatment alone;
(3) a combination of both; or
(4) routine community care

MTA Study

(1) medication management alone; monthly 30 min physician - titration child/parent (2) behavioral treatment alone; 35 visits; 8-week summer camp (3) a combination of both; or (4) routine community care 1-2 times/year

MTA Study

Best Outcomes

medication management alone or a combination of both

some gains for combined on anxiety, academic performance, oppositionality, parent-child relations, and social skills; lower doses of medications

MTA Study

- 8 years later no difference
- 61.5% stopped taking medication
- no difference between those who did or did not stop taking medications

BEST DOSE?



Sprague and Sleator, Science, 1977

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Regions where the ADHD group had delayed cortical maturation, as indicated by an older age of attaining peak



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Nucleus Accumbens recruited by anticipation of responding for a reward versus nonreward



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Gain anticipation activates Nucleus Accumbens



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Mesolimbic Dopamine Projections



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Gain outcomes activate MPFC



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LESS RESPONSE TO REWARD ANTICIPATION IN ADHD



GREATER RESPONSE TO REWARD OUTCOME IN ADHD



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Treatment With **Psychostimulants** Does Not Slow **Development** Of **Cerebral** Cortex

Shaw, et.al, Am J Psychiatry, 2009 4.5



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Questions

Does brain function differ in ADHD and control children?

Do brain regions involved in inhibitory control function differently in children with ADHD?

Does Ritalin have different effects on brain function in ADHD and control children?

- Treatment by stimulants (e.g. Ritalin)
- Brain changes that mediate effectiveness are unknown
- Effects in control children are unknown

Participants WISC IQ Age (yrs) Verb Full Perf 121 117 120 ADHD Mean 10.5 n = 10Control Mean 118 124 9.3 128 n = 6

See Vaidya, C. J., J. D. E. Gabrieli, et al. "Selective Effects of Methylphenidate in Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder: A Functional Magnetic Resonance Study" *PNAS* 95 (1998): 14494-9.

Go-No-Go Task



Functional Scanning Parameters

- 1.5 T GE
- Gradient Echo Spiral
 Pulse Sequence
- TR/slice = 90 ms, TE = 40 ms
- Flip angle = 65
- 4 interleaves
- FOV = 36 cm
- 8 coronal slices: 6 mm thick
 1 mm inter-slice space
- Continuous acquisition for 300 s
- In-plane resolution: 2.35 mm
- Image acquisition = 2.88 sec
- Bite-bar to minimize motion
- Time-series data analysis: Friston et al., 1994



Effect of Ritalin on Performance



Ritalin improved performance in both groups

Activation during No-Go blocks in controls off-Ritalin



+5



+12



+19



+26



z = 1.96 max

Activation during No-Go blocks in controls on-Ritalin


Activation during No-Go blocks in ADHD off-Ritalin



+5



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Activation during No-Go blocks in ADHD on-Ritalin



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Regions of Interest



slice +12

Frontal Lobe Regions



Brain structures implicated in ADHD



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Dopaminergic pathways





FROM VARIATION TO DISEASE

to what extent is variation "pathologized"? how should people pursue happiness?

- height and human growth hormone? (men, 5'9"; women 5'4")
- sadness to depression?
- shyness to social anxiety disorder?
- failure to follow directions to ADHD?

• use of stimulants to enhance performance – 7% of university students? 20% of scientists in on-line poll

• ethics – what is the right thing? also fairness, freedom, long-term risks?

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