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**Conclusions:** It has been determined that those who are surrounded by people who have received treatment for alcohol use disorder have higher levels of treatment confidence and compliance. The assistance of these people to those around them can play an important role in increasing the success of addiction treatment.

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## **Bipolar Disorders**

## **EPP084**

Impact of Concurrent Anticonvulsant Use on Seizure Parameters and Clinical Outcomes of Electroconvulsive Therapy in Bipolar Disorder: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis

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**Introduction:** Treatment for bipolar disorder (BD) predominantly focuses on psychopharmacology, including lithium, antipsychotics, and anticonvulsants. Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) is highly effective for managing manic or depressive episodes, yet studies on the effects of anticonvulsant therapy as a modifying factor of clinical outcome during ECT are scarce.

**Objectives:** To evaluate how concurrent anticonvulsant use affects seizure parameters and clinical outcomes of ECT in BD patients. **Methods:** A comprehensive search of multiple databases (MEDLINE, Embase, Web of Science, PsycINFO, Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, World Health Organization International Clinical Trials Registry Platform, ClinicalTrials.gov) was conducted on October 2, 2024, without language or publication date restrictions. Eligible studies included clinical trials and retrospective analyses comparing BD patients undergoing ECT with and without anticonvulsant use. Random-effects models were applied for a sufficient number of studies, while fixed-effects models were used for fewer studies. Subgroup and sensitivity analyses were conducted.

**Results:** Six studies met the criteria, involving 359 participants (mean age: 29.7 years; 31.2% female). Five studies focused on the effect of concomitant treatment with valproate during a manic episode, and only one study included subjects in treatment with other anticonvulsants during different mood episodes of BD. Anticonvulsant users required significantly higher minimal electrical dosages to achieve adequate seizures (SMD = 0.71, 95% CI [0.46 to 0.95], p < 0.0001), as indicated by higher seizure thresholds and stimulus doses. Additionally, anticonvulsant use was associated with a significantly shorter seizure duration (SMD = -0.75, 95% CI [-1.10 to -0.41], p < 0.0001). However, no significant differences in symptomatic improvement were found between those using and not using anticonvulsants (SMD = 0.03, 95% CI [-0.19 to 0.25], p = 0.78).

Conclusions: Concurrent anticonvulsant use in BD patients undergoing ECT is associated with higher seizure thresholds and shorter seizure durations, but this does not affect clinical outcomes regarding disease severity. Based on these findings, discontinuation of anticonvulsants during ECT may not be necessary. This review was limited by the small number of studies, small sample sizes, and considerable heterogeneity. Additionally, the majority of the studies analyzed only included patients in the manic state of the illness. Further research is needed to explore whether variations in seizure parameters are linked to individual clinical outcomes in BD patients, the impact of different anticonvulsants on these parameters and the outcome for depressive and mixed episodes of bipolar disorder.

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## **EPP085**

Neurocognitive Profiles of Mood Phases in Bipolar Disorder: Is Agitated Depression Related to Mania or Depression?

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**Introduction:** Agitated Depression (AgD) is a unique subtype of depression marked by impulsivity, higher suicide risk, treatment resistance, and worse clinical outcomes compared to Non-Agitated Depression (Non-AgD). Despite these clinical distinctions, the underlying neuropsychological mechanisms that differentiate AgD from Non-AgD remain poorly defined.

**Objectives:** This study aims to explore the neurocognitive correlates that differentiate AgD from Non-AgD.