Editorial

Advances in Psychopharmacological Treatment

The holistic perspective of bio-psychosocial dimension of intervention is important to understand how the psychopharmacological agent works. In this thematic issue, we highlight the role of psychological and behavioural intervention to augment the effects of current drug targets. The articles highlight the role of psychological perspective in understanding emotional responses, cognitive-memory and vitality of the biological therapy.

The role of psychological input, i.e. psychosexual and intimacy is vital to help the patient regain full recovery with the PDE-5 inhibitors treatment. Cognitive and counselling will enhance the treatment for women with vaginismus. Vitamin D and hormonal preparation improves the individual's vitality. Regarding cancer patients, methylphenidate have a role for better recovery in the treatment outcome. In addiction and Alzheimer disease, the common pathway for the human memory is better understood. Knowledge of the pharmacokinetic of drug will surely improve the treatment strategy for psychotropic agents in psychosis.

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