# **Best Evidence Summaries of Topics in Mental Healthcare**

# **BEST** in MH clinical question-answering service

## Question

In adults, what is the most effective treatment in the management of, non-neuroleptic induced, akathesia?

### **Clarification of question using PICO structure**

Patients: Adults with non-neuroleptic induced akathesia Intervention: Any Comparator: Any comparison Outcome: reducing symptoms of akathesia

### **Clinical and research implications**

No directly relevant studies were found to answer this question.

### What does the evidence say?

*Number of included studies/reviews (number of participants)* No directly relevant studies were identified.

*Main Findings* n/a

Authors Conclusions n/a Reliability of conclusions/Strength of evidence n/a

#### What do guidelines say?

No UK guidelines were found that are relevant to this question. A number of guidelines exist that discuss akathisia as a side effect to psychiatric medication.

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### Search Details

Source	Search Strategy	Number of hits	Relevant evidence identified
SRs and	Guidelines	<b>I</b>	
NICE	Akathisia	16	0
DARE	(akath*) IN DARE	67	0
	2 (restless ADJ2 leg*) IN DARE		
	3 (RLS) IN DARE		
	4 (periodic ADJ2 (limb OR leg) ADJ2 movement) IN		
	DARE		
	5 (Ekbomb*) IN DARE		
	6 (Ekbom*) IN DARE		
	7 #1 OR #2 OR #3 OR #4 OR #5 OR #6		
Primary st	ıdies		
CENTRAL	#1 akathesia 19	509	0
	#2 akathesia:ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been		
	searched) 7		
	#3 Enter terms for search		
	akathisiaakathisia 711		
	#4 akathisia:ti,ab,kw (Word variations have been searched) 580		
	#5Enter terms for searc#1 or #2 or #3 or #4718		
	#6Enter terms for searc"neuroleptic induced"160		
	#7Enter terms for searc#5 not #6 640		
PsycINFO	1. PsycINFO; AKATHISIA/; 350 results.	98	
	2. PsycINFO; akathisia.ti; 328 results.		
	3. PsycINFO; akathesia.ti; 2 results.		
	4. PsycINFO; 1 OR 2 OR 3; 436 results.		
EMBASE	1. EMBASE; *AKATHISIA/; 1030 results.		

		407	
	2. EMBASE; akathisia.ti; 634 results.	137	
	3. EMBASE; akathesia.ti; 5 results.		
	4. EMBASE; 1 OR 2 OR 3; 1090 results.		
	5. EMBASE; random*.ti,ab; 766269 results.		
	<ol><li>EMBASE; assign*.ti,ab; 212320 results.</li></ol>		
	7. EMBASE; allocat*.ti,ab; 71702 results.		
	8. EMBASE; (crossover* OR cross-over*).ti,ab; 63445		
	results.		
	9. EMBASE; CROSSOVER PROCEDURE/; 35530 results.		
	10. EMBASE; RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIAL/;		
	332615 results.		
	11. EMBASE; placebo*.ti,ab; 181674 results.		
	12. EMBASE; (doubl* ADJ blind*).ti,ab; 132180 results.		
	13. EMBASE; (singl* ADJ blind*).ti,ab; 12780 results.		
	14. EMBASE; DOUBLE BLIND PROCEDURE/; 111855		
	results.		
	15. EMBASE; SINGLE BLIND PROCEDURE/; 16651		
	results.		
	16. EMBASE; 5 OR 6 OR 7 OR 8 OR 9 OR 10 OR 11 OR 12		
	OR 13 OR 14 OR 15; 1113726 results.		
	17. EMBASE; 4 AND 16; 137 results.		
MEDLINE	18. MEDLINE; *AKATHISIA/; 1810 results.	67	
	19. MEDLINE; akathisia.ti; 546 results.		
	20. MEDLINE; akathesia.ti; 7 results.		
	21. MEDLINE; 18 OR 19 OR 20; 2266 results.		
	22. MEDLINE; random*.ti,ab; 629922 results.		
	23. MEDLINE; assign*.ti,ab; 185677 results.		
	24. MEDLINE; allocat*.ti,ab; 60787 results.		
	25. MEDLINE; (crossover* OR cross-over*).ti,ab; 56642		
	results.		
	26. MEDLINE; CROSSOVER PROCEDURE/; 0 results.		
	27. MEDLINE; RANDOMIZED CONTROLLED TRIAL/;		

Summary	NA	NA	
	38. MEDLINE; 35 AND 37; 67 results.		
	37. MEDLINE; 19 OR 20; 553 results.		
	36. MEDLINE; 21 AND 35; 418 results.		
	OR 29 OR 30 OR 34; 987189 results.		
	35. MEDLINE; 22 OR 23 OR 24 OR 25 OR 26 OR 27 OR 28		
	results.		
	34. MEDLINE; "controlled clinical trial".pt; 85697		
	results.		
	33. MEDLINE; "randomized controlled trial".pt; 342518		
	30. MEDLINE; (singl* ADJ blind*).ti,ab; 10309 results.		
	29. MEDLINE; (doubl* ADJ blind*).ti,ab; 108011 results.		
	28. MEDLINE; placebo*.ti,ab; 146627 results.		
	342518 results.		

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