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Question

In adults with a diagnosis of episodic dyscontrol syndrome, how effective is carbamazepine, compared to any other pharmacological intervention, in reducing symptoms of episodic dyscontrol syndrome?

Clarification of question using PICO structure

Patients: Adults with a diagnosis of episodic dyscontrol syndrome

Intervention: Carbamazepine

Comparator: Any other pharmacological intervention

Outcome: Reduction of symptoms of episodic dyscontrol syndrome

Clinical and research implications

No relevant, high quality evidence was identified.

What does the evidence say?

Number of included studies/reviews (number of participants)

N/A

Main Findings

N/A

Authors Conclusions

N/A

Reliability of conclusions/Strength of evidence

N/A

What do guidelines say?

No guidelines were identified relating to episodic dyscontrol syndrome.

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Search Details

Source	Search Strategy	Number of hits	Relevant evidence identified
<i>SRs and Guidelines</i>			
NICE	Episodic dyscontrol	1	0
DARE	Episodic* adj2 dyscontrol*	0	
<i>Primary studies</i>			
CENTRAL	#1 "episodic dyscontrol":ti,ab,kw 3 #2 "intermittent explosive""intermittent explosive" 14 #3 #1 or #2#1 or #2 17 #4 carbamazepine 1621 #5 MeSH descriptor: [Carbamazepine] 698 #6Enter terms for search#4 or #5 1621 #7Enter terms for search#3 and #6 4		
PsycINFO	1. PsycINFO; "Episodic dyscontrol".ti,ab; 60 results. 2. PsycINFO; "intermittent explosive".ti,ab; 261 results. 3. PsycINFO; 1 OR 2; 318 results. 4. PsycINFO; CARBAMAZEPINE/; 1283 results. 5. PsycINFO; carbamazepine.ti,ab; 2848 results. 6. PsycINFO; 4 OR 5; 2894 results. 7. PsycINFO; 3 AND 6; 12 results.	12	
Embase	8. EMBASE; "Episodic dyscontrol".ti,ab; 45 results. 9. EMBASE; "intermittent explosive".ti,ab; 221 results. 10. EMBASE; 8 OR 9; 258 results. 11. EMBASE; CARBAMAZEPINE/; 48907 results. 12. EMBASE; carbamazepine.ti,ab; 14839 results. 13. EMBASE; 11 OR 12; 50270 results. 14. EMBASE; 10 AND 13; 32 results.		
Medline	15. MEDLINE; "Episodic dyscontrol".ti,ab; 42 results. 16. MEDLINE; "intermittent explosive".ti,ab; 189 results.		

	17. MEDLINE; 15 OR 16; 226 results. 18. MEDLINE; CARBAMAZEPINE/; 9633 results. 19. MEDLINE; carbamazepine.ti,ab; 11498 results. 20. MEDLINE; 18 OR 19; 14223 results. 21. MEDLINE; 17 AND 20; 15 results.		
Summary	NA	NA	

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