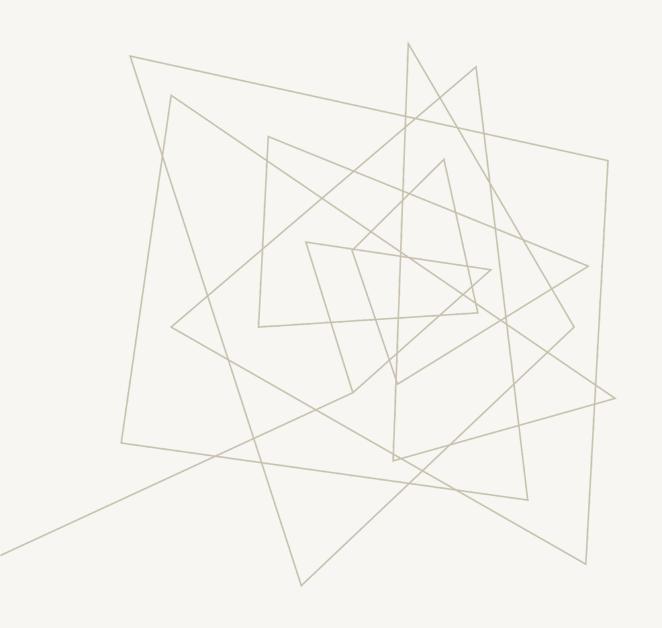
# DEPRESSION & EATING DISORDERS

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### **OBJECTIVES**

Determine the impacts of depression on eating disorders.

Determine whether depression treatments has any impact on the eating disorders.

### INTRODUCTION

**DEPRESSION** 

Definition, causes, symptoms, treatments

EATING DISORDERS

Definition (anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge-eating), causes, symptoms, treatments

**IMPACTS** 

Similarities, impacts on one another, augmented risks

TREATMENTS -

Antidepressants and eating disorders

### **DEPRESSION**



- Major depressive disorder (MDD): common but serious medical illness that negatively affects the way one feels, thinks and acts.
- Risk factors
- Symptoms
- Treatments







- Eating disorders (EDs): serious, often fatal, illnesses associated with severe disturbances in one's eating behaviours.
- Risk factors
- > Treatments





# COMMON EATING DISORDERS (SYMPTOMS)

### ANOREXIA NERVOSA

Extremely restricted eating, intense fear of weight gain, distorted body image.

### BULIMIA NERVOSA

Binge-eating followed by purging, excessive use of laxatives, excessive exercise.

### BINGE-EATING

Eating large amounts of food when full, feeling guilty, frequent dieting no weight loss





### LINK/IMPACTS

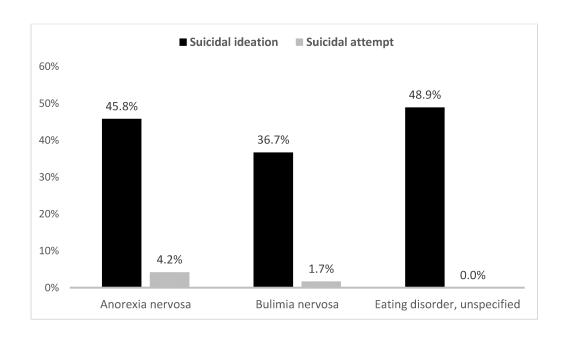
- Link between depression and eating disorders
- MDD & ED reciprocally increase the risk of each other
- Shared risk factors, intense & frequent negative emotions



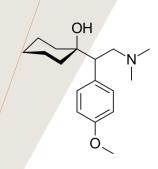
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### LINK/IMPACTS

- Escape theory
- Depression and bulimia nervosa contribute reciprocally to each other
- Depressive symptoms predict increases in bulimic symptoms and vice-versa



### TREATMENT EFFECTS



### **ANTIDEPRESSANTS**

Relieve symptoms depression. Prevent suicidal thoughts, prevent symptoms from returning. Emotional stability.

### ANOREXIA NERVOSA

No significant effect on weight gain.



### **BULIMIA NERVOSA**

Good response to all classes of antidepressant drugs.

Drugs rarely lead to remission and effects not sustainable.

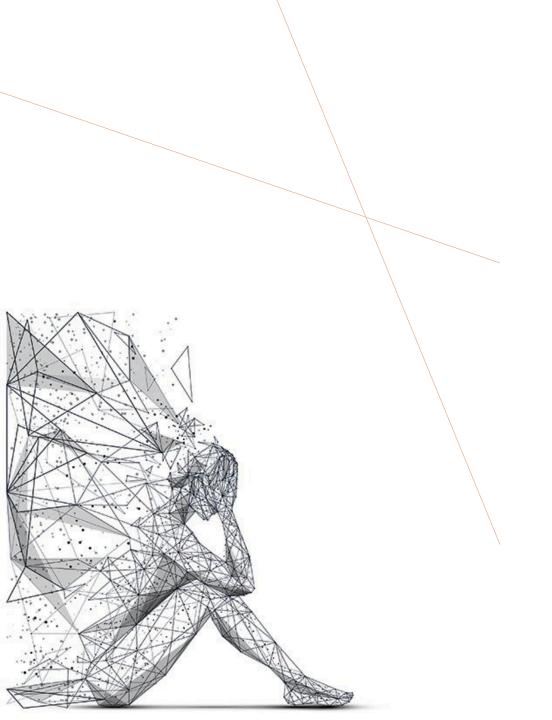
### **CONCLUSION**

### **IMPACTS**

- Depression impacts/elevates risk of having EDs and vice-versa
- Important to screen for ED in patients with MDD

### **TREATMENTS**

- Treatment impacts depend on type of ED
- Further research needed



## FUTURE DIRECTIONS

- Other MDD treatments (ETC...)
- ED treatments on MDD
- Neurological impacts



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