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# Schizophrenia synaptic pathology and antipsychotic treatment in the framework of oxidative and mitochondrial dysfunction: translational highlights for the clinics and treatment

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## **INTRODUCTION**

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Condition being studied: We dwelled on oxidant/antioxidant and mitochondrial

pathway in psychotic dsorders, especially schizophrenia and treatment-resistant schizophrenia.

### **METHODS**

Participant or population: We included studies conducted on patients affected by psychotic disorders as well as animal and in vitro models evaluating antipsychotic effects on mitochondria and antioxidant pathway.

Intervention: We analyzed the impact of antipsychotics on antioxidant/oxidant pathway and mitochondria function.

Comparator: Healthy control population or individuals administered with placebo and animal or cell models treated with vehicle.

Study designs to be included: Randomized clinical trials, preclinical studies as well as in vitro and ex vivo models.

Eligibility criteria: No time constraints were applied, and original clinical, and preclinical research studies and reviews were included. Conference abstracts, and commentaries were excluded. We deemed eligible English-written articles, published in peer-reviewed journals, related to the topic.

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Main outcome(s): We included all the information on mitochondria function,

including protein levels, gene expression, or enzymatic activity and oxidant/antioxidant pathways.

Quality assessment / Risk of bias analysis: Not applicable.

Strategy of data synthesis: Not applicable.

Subgroup analysis: Not applicable.

Sensitivity analysis: Not applicable.

Country(ies) involved: Italy.

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