INFLAMMATION AND THE METABOLIC SYNDROME IN PSYCHOSIS

Objective: To perform meta-analyses of the relationship between inflammation and the metabolic syndrome in patients with psychosis, including data from the OPTICS Project.

Methods: From the OPTICS Project, we identified over 50 trials for potential inclusion in the meta-analysis. Although we gained access to these trials from the YODA Project, we were unable to perform the proposed analyses because the trial data were only available in “R”. I found this to be extremely user unfriendly, especially as a clinician-investigator. I was unable to identify a biostatistical collaborator with both the programming knowledge in “R” and, most importantly, the time to perform these analyses. If trial data had been available in Microsoft Excel, I anticipate that I would have been able to perform the proposed analyses. I reached out to the YODA Project soon after access was granted, and was told that this was not an option.

Results: None, due to analyses not completed.

Conclusions: N/A, due to analyses not completed.