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cognitive abnormalities associated with risk for schizophrenia are present shortly after birth; future studies may be able to identify very early biomarkers of risk that will not only improve our understanding of how brain abnormalities associated with schizophrenia develop, but also define periods of childhood development that can be targeted with early intervention.

O10.4. INCREASED RISKS FOR NON-AFFECTIVE PSYCHOTIC DISORDER AND BIPOLAR DISORDER IN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER

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Background: Young adults with autism spectrum disorder (ASD) appear to be at increased risk for non-affective psychotic disorder (NAPD) and bipolar disorder (BD). However, previous studies have mostly examined the co-occurrence of ASD with NAPD and BD, which is problematic given substantial overlap in symptoms between these disorders. As such, previous risk estimates may have been influenced by diagnostic bias (i.e. NAPD/BD symptoms being mistakenly diagnosed as ASD) or selection bias (i.e. individuals being recognized and/or registered with ASD due to the development of NAPD/BD). In the present study, we used longitudinal data from two Dutch psychiatric case registers to obtain more reliable risk estimates for NAPD and BD among young adults with ASD.

Methods: ASD cases were followed between ages 16 and 35 (n = 17,234). Kaplan-Meier estimates were used to calculate risks for NAPD and BD. We conducted separate analyses to reduce possible bias, taking into account the age of ASD diagnosis (ASD diagnosed before or after age 16) and sequence of diagnoses (ASD before or after NAPD/BD). We conducted prognostic analyses using Cox regression to examine possible risk factors for NAPD and BD in ASD.

Results: ASD cases were at an increased risk for NAPD and BD compared to previously-reported risks in the general population, even when ASD had already been diagnosed at an early age, before a diagnosis of NAPD or BD. Among cases who were diagnosed with ASD at least one year before a diagnosis of NAPD or BD, an estimated 7.90% (95% CI, 6.70–9.31) developed NAPD, whereas 1.35% (95% CI, 0.89–2.04) developed BD, prior to age 36. Prognostic analyses showed that men with ASD were at a relatively greater risk for NAPD, whereas women with ASD were at a greater risk for BD.

Discussion: Young adults with ASD are at an increased risk to develop NAPD and BD, which is not only the result of diagnostic or selection bias. More research is necessary to examine possible mechanisms underlying these risks.

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Background: The first episode of schizophrenia is typically preceded by a prodromal phase characterized by sub-threshold symptoms and declining functioning. Elucidating the neurobiological substrate of prodromal symptoms that progress into overt psychotic illness is crucial to the development of early detection and intervention strategies for schizophrenia. In this study, we performed a functional connectome analysis in a large group of adolescents and young adults at Clinical High Risk (CHR) for schizophrenia. We aim to assess whether, and if so how, baseline connectome organization distinguishes CHR youth that go on to develop psychosis.

Methods: This study comprises a total of 251 subjects, including 158 psychotically-naïve CHR subjects (CHRs) and 93 healthy controls (HCs), who were matched to CHRs on age, gender, and level of education. Prodromal symptoms and cognition were assessed using the SIPS structured interview and MATRICS cognitive battery. Anatomical T1 MRI and resting-state fMRI scans were collected at baseline and processed using Freesurfer v6.0 and CONN v17.d software. For each subject, a functional connectome map was reconstructed consisting of 162 nodes representing 148 cortical regions from the Destrieux atlas and 14 subcortical structures. Functional connectomes were analyzed in terms of modular topology using the Louvain community detection method. Modular network partitions of individual CHRs were compared to a group-averaged HC network using the rand similarity coefficient (SR), providing a measure of the level of (ab)normality of the CHRs' modular partitions. Analysis of covariance (correcting for age- and gender) was used to compare SR levels between CHRs who developed psychosis during follow-up (CHR+; N = 23) as compared to CHRs who did not develop psychosis (CHR-; N = 135). Kaplan-Meier analysis was used to estimate psychosis-free survival functions for CHRs with below- versus above-average SR, which were compared using log-rank tests. Cox regression analysis was used to assess how baseline connectome organization and clinical measures (i.e., demographics, symptoms, IQ) predicted time to conversion.

Results: Modular community detection in HCs yielded five major modules including a posterior 'visual', central 'sensorimotor', medial frontoparietal 'default-mode', lateral frontoparietal 'central-executive', and inferior 'limbic' module. Modular connectome organization of CHR+ was significantly less similar to HCs than CHR- (F(1,154) = 7.14, p = 0.008). A region-specific analysis to identify which regions contributed most to aberrant modular connectome organization in CHR+ showed that superior temporal (including STG), medial temporal (including amygdala), and ventromedial prefrontal regions were most abnormal in terms of their modular assignment. Psychosis-free survival functions of CHRs with low versus high SR were significantly different (z = 2.5, p = 0.013), with a Hazard ratio of 3.3 indicating an over 3-fold relative event rate (i.e., conversion to psychosis) in CHRs with abnormal baseline connectome organization. Cox regression analysis indicated that baseline connectome organization (z = -2.3, p = 0.019), IQ (z = -2.7, p = 0.007), and gender (z = 2.0, p = 0.048) predicted time to conversion.

Discussion: This study indicates that abnormalities in functional connectome organization precede the first psychotic episode. Conversion to psychosis was found to be over three times more likely in CHRs with abnormal modular organization of the functional connectome at baseline. Our results suggest that functional connectome reorganization may underlie the gradual manifestation of prodromal symptoms. These findings may contribute to early diagnosis and intervention in schizophrenia.

O10.6. OLANZAPINE IMPAIRS CENTRAL INSULIN ACTION: EFFECTS ON BODY FUEL PREFERENCE IN RATS

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Background: Antipsychotics (APs) remain the cornerstone of treatment in schizophrenia, with increasing use on- and off- label. Olanzapine (OLZ)