Exploring the functional, social, professional, and psychological impact of tardive dyskinesia (TD) movements on patients' lives





TD is a historically underrecognized and mis-diagnosed movement disorder caused by long-term exposure to dopamine receptor-blocking agents (DRAs)1-3





The arrhythmic movements of TD can affect the entire body and remain indefinitely4-8

Orofacial dyskinesia: 60-80% of cases











chewing and swallowing







complications





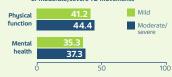
of falling



Symptoms range from mild impairment to disabling or even life-threatening4-6

- · Symptoms are chronic but may wax and wane over time
- · Severity does not necessarily correlate with functional and psychosocial impact8

Similar burden scores in patients with mild or moderate/severe TD movements^b





TD affects daily functioning and well-being10

Patients report 'a lot' or 'some' impact of TD on:10







People with schizophrenia and TD have lower productivity and fewer are in paid employment than those without TD: 10,1

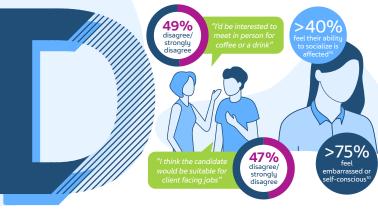


54%



Patients can feel uncomfortable in their own skin and unaccepted by society¹²

Patients face social stigma and discrimination^{d,12,13}





TD negatively impacts psychological well-being and underlying psychiatric conditionse,9,10,12,14



Reduced likelihood of symptom remission10

Higher incidence of EPS¹⁰

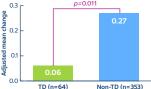
Drug or alcohol dependency¹⁴

More hospitalizations due to a psuchiatric condition

Without TD

TD is associated with reduced neurocognitive function^{15,16}

6-month change in cognitive composite Z-score^{9,16}



including worse performance in:15,16

- · Both simple and complex tasks
- · Attention/simple decisions
- Visuospatial skill (speed)
- · Grammatical reasoning (speed)
- · Selective attention (accuracy)

Early recognition is essential for the management of TD8

Sumptoms are easilu mistaken for other movement disorders^{4,5}

APA recommends all patients on APDs are regularly assessed with a structured instrument

E.g. AIMS to assess the severity of movements associated with TD

Dose reduction or discontinuation of DRA often does not resolve TD4.8



Can worsen underlying psychiatric condition



Can trigger withdrawal-emergent dyskinesia

The APA recommends VMAT2 inhibitors for the treatment of moderate to severe or disabling TD8,17,18

With no requirement for DRA withdrawal/dose modification^{17,18}

Two FDA-approved treatments:





oluntary Movement Scale; APA, American Psychiatric Association; APD, antipsychotic drug; DRA, dopamine receptor-blocking agent; EPS, extrapyramidal symptoms; FDA, Food and Drug

Administration; VMAT2, vesicular monoamine transporter 2

*In 2016 data; *Mental and physical health status evaluated using SF12v2 and SF-36v2 Health Survey scores. Scores range from 0-100, with higher scores indicating better health status; *Relative percentage change ir proportion of participants over 4 yearly assessments. Comparison between patients with schizophrenia with TD and without TD; *Survey responses after participants watched videos of actors simulating orofacial TD movements; 'Data from different studies; 'Compared with patients using antipsychotics without TD; 'A neurocognitive composite score was calculated by creating a 5-zoore of the average of 5 standardized neurocognitive composite score was calculated by creating a 5-zoore of the average of 5 standardized neurocognitive domain scores (verbal memory, working memory, processing speed, vigilance, and reasoning). Adjusted for baseline covariates; 'Deutetrabenazine is contraindicated in patients with hepatic impairment, and those taking reserpine, monoamine oxidase inhibitors, tetrabenazine or valbenazine. Use in pregnancy may cause fetal harm (based on animal data). Please consult full prescribing information before use.



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