

## **BIPOLAR DISORDERS Factsheet**

### How is traumatic brain injury related to bipolar disorder?

It is well established that traumatic brain injury increases the risk for a wide range of neuropsychiatric disturbances, however there is little consensus on whether it is a risk factor for bipolar disorder.

# What is the evidence for traumatic brain injury as a risk factor for bipolar disorder?

Moderate quality evidence suggests a small effect of increased risk of bipolar disorder in people with a prior traumatic brain injury.

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While we hope you find this information useful, it is always important to discuss any questions about bipolar disorder or its treatment with your doctor or other health care provider.

For more information see the technical table

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