

BIPOLAR DISORDERS Factsheet

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What is venlafaxine?

Venlafaxine is a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor that is widely prescribed for both depression and anxiety.

What is the evidence for venlafaxine as a treatment for bipolar disorder?

Moderate to low quality evidence suggests no differences in rates of switching to mania between sertraline and bupropion or venlafaxine.



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Diseases of the brain and nervous system pose the greatest health, economic and social burden of any disease group because they are chronic, debilitating and have no known cures.

Medical research is the cornerstone of efforts to advance the health and wellbeing of families and the community. Our dedicated scientists are focussed on transforming their research into significant and practical benefits for all patients.

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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