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BACKGROUND:
- Medical Doctor
- Psychiatrist
- Master of Health administration

RESEARCH INTERESTS
- Mental health systems management
- Psychiatric epidemiology
- Clinical trials

PUBLICATIONS
Kodesh A; Goldshtein I; Gelkopf M; Goren I; Chodick G; Shalev V (2012). Epidemiology and comorbidity of severe mental illness in the community: Findings from a computerized mental health registry in a large Israeli health organization. Social psychiatry and psychiatric epidemiology. 7 February:1-8.


SAMPLE STUDY

A mental health registry which integrates all relevant data (medical, demographic and social data) on SMI patients has recently constructed. In the present study we aimed to use this registry to investigate the epidemiology of schizophrenia and bipolar affective disorder among adults, and to assess their co-morbidity and mortality compared to the general population. The current study demonstrates the potential use of automated medical databases to characterize the epidemiology of SMI in the community. The increased co-morbidity and mortality among these patients has important implication for health authorities for prevention and delivery of healthcare services.

* See publication for details