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RESEARCH SPOTLIGHT – JOHN ROBINS

Despite associations between alcohol and suicidal acts, little research measures prognoses of alcohol-using patients treated by Crisis Resolution Teams (CRTs), an extensive community-based intervention. We estimated the association of alcohol use amongst patients accepted following suicidal acts or ideation in four London-based Crisis resolution Teams, with death-by-any-cause or recontact with crisis care.

We analysed the electronic health records of 1615 CRT patients accepted following suicidal acts or ideation over 38 months, following STROBE guidelines. Using logistic regression we estimated the association of alcohol use (indicated by risk-assessment,

To read the full research paper click here:

[Outcomes following suicidal crisis among hazardous and harmful alcohol users in the Crisis Resolution Team - Research Portal, King's](#)

AUDIT or ICD-10 diagnosis) with death-or-recontact at (i) 30-days and (ii) 1-year after treatment start, adjusted for age, sex, ethnicity, psychiatric diagnosis and severity of need.

Patients with hazardous, harmful and dependent alcohol use are a small proportion of CRT patients, despite being more commonly encountered in emergency settings from which patients may be referred to CRTs, indicating a potential gap in provision. Those who are included in CRT are not at increased risk of death or recontact within one year of treatment, suggesting that their inclusion can work, at least in a simple way with predominantly hazardous or harmful alcohol use.

GOING HYBRID

In 2023 we are reintroducing hybrid meetings! Feel free to join us in the office at the below address:

**Room M.317, 3rd floor, IoPPN
Main Building, 16 De Crespigny
Park, London, SE5 8AF**

Looking Ahead

At the BRC we continue to carry out translational research in mental health and neurology and in light of this, we have just published our research themes from 2022-2027. This is elaborated on our website and we hope to continue to deliver useful and effective research to drive change and solutions in our field.

For more information see the following link:

[Research \(nihr.ac.uk\)](https://www.nihr.ac.uk)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next meeting will be held on 13th April 2023. The agenda for this meeting will be sent closer to the date.

(If you wish to not be included in future meetings or to unsubscribe from this newsletter, please send an email to lara.brooks-simpson@slam.nhs.uk)