

# Supplementary Material

Article Title: Efficacy and Safety of Sulforaphane Added to Antipsychotics for the Treatment of Negative

Symptoms of Schizophrenia

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#### **Supplementary Material**

# 1. Antipsychotic Drug Treatment of Participants

Supplementary Table 1 - Drug Treatment of Participants in Study

Antipsychotic Drug	Sulforaphane	Placebo	
Risperidone	29	8	
Olanzapine	5	11	
Aripiprazole	3	5	
Amisulpride	17	1	
Clozapine	1	2	
Perphenazine	1	0	
Paliperidone	1	0	

Sulforaphane 53 participants. Placebo 24 participants. 13 participants were on 2 antipsychotic medications.

# 2. Quality Control Procedures for Avmacol Extra Strength Tablets by Nutramax.

At Nutramax Laboratories, Quality Control chemists qualify each lot of Avmacol Extra Strength by measuring the level of glucoraphanin and performing a conversion assay demonstrating presence of active myrosinase and promotion of production of sulforaphane that must meet our strict release criteria.

#### 3. Mediation Analysis

Mediation analysis general description of procedure

In this paper, we examine whether the reduction in depression symptoms or the reduction in cognitive symptoms mediates the effects between add-on sulforaphane to antipsychotic treatment and the reduction of negative symptoms, using causal mediation analysis with a model-based approach employing an R package called Mediation. For each analysis, we fit two ordinary least squares regression models: the mediator model and the outcome model. To examine the mediation effect of the reduction in depression symptoms of add-on sulforaphane on the reduction of negative symptoms, we fit the models with the potential mediator as the change in depression symptoms, the exposure as the treatment group (i.e., sulforaphane or placebo), and the outcome as the change in negative symptoms. Similarly, for the

mediation effect of add-on sulforaphane's reduction in cognitive symptoms on the reduction of negative symptoms, we utilize the change in cognitive symptoms as the potential mediator, along with the exposure treatment group and the change in negative symptoms as the outcome. All models control for covariates or factors such as age, sex, illness duration, baseline scores of depression symptoms or cognitive symptoms, and olanzapine equivalent dose. We use the "mediate" function in both analyses to estimate the average causal mediation effect (ACME) and the average direct effect (ADE) of the fitted models.

# 4. Additional Analysis of TESS Side-Effects Scale

Supplementary Table 2. TESS Side-Effect Scale -Statistical Analysis of Difference Between Sulforaphane and Placebo Treatment Groups

TESS Item	Treatment Week Score or Difference Score			
	Baseline (Week 0)	Week 12	Week 24	Difference Score
				Week 24 -Week 0
	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=.53	P=.56
Toxic Confusion				
Excitement or	P=.20	P=.80	P=.86	P=.56
Agitation				
Affective	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
depression				
Increased Activity	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
Decreased Activity	P=.96	P=.61	P=1.00	P=.92
Insomnia	P=.70	P=.47	P=.18	P=.25
Drowsiness	P=.015 P>S	P=.53	P=.052	P=.011 S>P

Abnormal blood	P=.14	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=.12
test				
Abnormal Liver	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
function test				
Abnormal urine test	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
Myotonia	P=.09	P=.13	P=.53	P=.34
Tremor	P=.31	P=.15	P=.91	P=.37
Torsional	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
movement				
Akathisia	P=.39	P=.48	P=.37	P=.21
Dryness in Mouth	P=.59	P=.77	P=.22	P=.86
Stuffiness	P=.017 P>S	P=.17	P=.003 P>S	P=.003 P>S
Blurred vision	P=.93	P=.36	P=.46	P=.96
Constipation	P=.52	P=.78	P=.25	P=.70
Hypersalivation	P=.66	P=.99	P=.37	P=.65
Sweating	P=.44	P=1.00	P=.25	P=.51
Nausea and	P=.49	P=.99	P=.53	P=.86
vomiting				
Diarrhea	P=.39	P=.97	P=1.00	P=.88
Decreased Blood	P=.11	P=.17	P=.53	P=.90
pressure				
Dizziness and	P=.27	P=.95	P=.83	P=.97
fainting				

Tachycardia	P=.72	P=.97	P=.029 P>S	P=.091
Hypertension	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
Abnormal EKG	P=.009 P>S	P=.044 P>S	P=1.00	P=.007 S>P*
Dermatological	P=.179	P=.48	P=.007 P>S	P=.28
signs				
Weight gain	P=.14	P=.38	P=.92	P=.17
Weight loss	P=.50	P=.21	P=.86	P=.64
Decreased appetite	P=.91	P=.75	P=.37	P=.46
or anorexia				
Headache	P=.59	P=.36	P=.46	P=.58
Tardive Dyskinesia	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
Obsessive Thinking	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
Compulsive	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00
Behavior				
Others	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00	P=1.00

Each P= is the probability of a difference between sulforaphane and placebo scores for the indicated item at the indicated time point analyzed by Mann-Whitney U test. The final column is the difference score from baseline at 24 weeks of treatment with significance of difference analyzed by Mann-Whitney U test. The tests analyzed all subjects who had values for the side effects item at the indicated time point(s). For the individual time points (week 0,12,24) if there was a significance difference (i.e. P≤.05), we examined the data distribution and ranks. P>S means Placebo had higher scores for the item than sulforaphane. There were no side-effect items at the individual time points where sulforaphane had higher side effect score than placebo. For the difference scores, P>S indicates that placebo had higher positive scores (less decrease from baseline) than sulforaphane. S>P indicates that sulforaphane had higher positive scores

(less decrease from baseline) than placebo. \* However, for the item abnormal EKG change all sulforaphane subjects showed no change in EKG (all their change scores were "0"), but placebo subjects showed decreased scores in EKG abnormality. Placebo subjects had shown higher scores (more abnormal EKG) for this item at baseline (Week 0) compared to sulforaphane subjects.

# 5. Changes in Routinely Assessed Metabolic Lab Values During Sulforaphane Trial

# Supplementary Table 3. Comparison of Routine Lab Metabolic Values in Patients Treated with Sulforaphane or Placebo at Three Time Points

Metabolic	Time Point	Sulforaphane	Placebo	T-Test
Measure				
Glucose	Baseline	5.04 ± 0.69	4.63 ± 0.73	T=2.337, df=69, P=.022
HDL	Baseline	1.22 ± 0.33	1.21 ± 0.32	T= .160, df=66, P=.87
LDL	Baseline	2.42 ± 0.62	2.23 ± 0.59	T= 1.180, df=66, P=. 24
Triglyceride	Baseline	1.33 ± 0.66	1.27 ± 0.76	T= .326, df=66, P= .75
Cholesterol	Baseline	4.20 ± 0.80	3.73 ± 0.68	T= 2.342, df=66, P= .022
Glucose	12 week	4.97 ± 0.78	4.74 ± 0.77	T= 1.122, df=62, P= .27
HDL	12 week	1.19 ± 0.28	1.34 ± 0.33	T= 1.847, df=63, P= .069
LDL	12 week	2.59 ± 0.62	2.49 ± 0.85	T= .467, df=63, P= .64
Triglyceride	12 week	1.34 ± 0.57	1.66 ± 1.20	T <sup>w</sup> = 1.234, df= 27.5, P= .29
Cholesterol	12 week	4.36 ± 0.89	4.23 ± 0.95	T= .567, df=63, P= .57

Glucose	24 week	4.86 ± 0.52	4.76 ± 0.63	T= .624, df=63, P= .54
HDL	24 week	1.18 ± 0.21	1.21 ± 0.27	T=361, df=63, P= .72
LDL	24 week	2.41 ± 0.60	2.52 ± 0.79	T=612, df=63, P= .54
Triglyceride	24 week	1.29 ± 0.66	1.71 ± 1.13	T <sup>w</sup> = -1.584, df=26.648, P=
				.13
Cholesterol	24 week	4.17 ± 0.86	4.19 ± 0.95	T= .080, df=63, P= .94

Each number is Mean ± S.D. expressed as mmol/L. T=T-test, Tw=welch t-test for unequal variances.

N's Sulforaphane - 42-47 at different time points Placebo = 21-24 at different time points.

# Supplementary Table 4. Change in Routine Metabolic Parameters After 24 Weeks of Treatment With Sulforaphane or Placebo

Metabolic	Sulforaphane	Placebo	T-Test
Measure	Difference	Difference	
	24 weeks -	24 weeks -	
	Baseline	Baseline	
Glucose	-0.17 ± 0.58	+0.16 ± 0.76	T= -1.855, df= 59, P= .07
HDL	-0.04 ± 0.28	+0.04 ± 0.23	T= 1.091, df=57, P= .28
LDL	0.05 ± 0.56	0.35 ± 0.57	T= 1.981, df=57, P= .05
Triglycerides	0.07 ± 0.71	0.38 ± 0.60	T= 1.687, df=57, P= .10
Cholesterol	0.05 ± 0.72	0.52 ± 0.85	T= 2.221, df=57, P= .03