

# Relapse rate of substance-induced psychosis and associated risk factors

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## **Background**

- Substance-induced psychosis has potential for relapse, i.e. recurrence of psychosis <sup>1,2</sup>
- Co-occurring drug use has been shown to associate with risk of relapse in other psychotic disorders<sup>3</sup>



## Background (2)

- Most previous studies have focused on conversion of substanceinduced psychosis to schizophrenia
- Previous studies have described a high rate of SIP recurrence in metamphemtamine users, and recurrent SIP episodes have been also associated with cannabis and alcohol,1-3
- Relapse rate in SIP is similar to other psychotic disorders <sup>4</sup>
- Lack of large scale studies



## **Aims**

- To investigate the risk of substance-induced psychosis (SIP) relapse rate, and
- To determine clinical and socioeconomic risk factors associated with the risk of relapse in SIP



## Study population and design

- N=7320 persons with first-time SIP during 2006-2016 identified from Swedish nationwide registers, categorized by type of substance used (as in ICD-10)
  - No previous non-affective psychosis, organic catatonic disorder, bipolar disorder or residual psychotic disorder after substance use
- Follow-up was 2 years from first-time SIP, censoring to death, emigration and diagnosis of non-affective psychosis/ bipolar disorder
- Outcome: hospitalization due to recurrent SIP (F1X.5) >30 days after first SIP
- Time to event analysis with Cox regression



#### Results –recurrence of SIP

- 20.0% (N=1463) had a recurrent SIP during two years of follow-up
- Median time to recurrence was 126 days, IQR 56-321
- 83.3% had the same type of SIP than their first SIP

## Results –distribution of baseline SIP types



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#### **Distribution of first SIPs**

Alcohol

Cannabis

Amphetamine

Multi-use

Other

25.3% 16.2% 17.7% 35.0%

 Multi-use /unspecified SIP was most common type at baseline

## Proportion of SIP recurrence by baseline SIP type



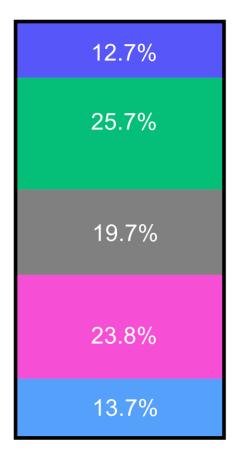
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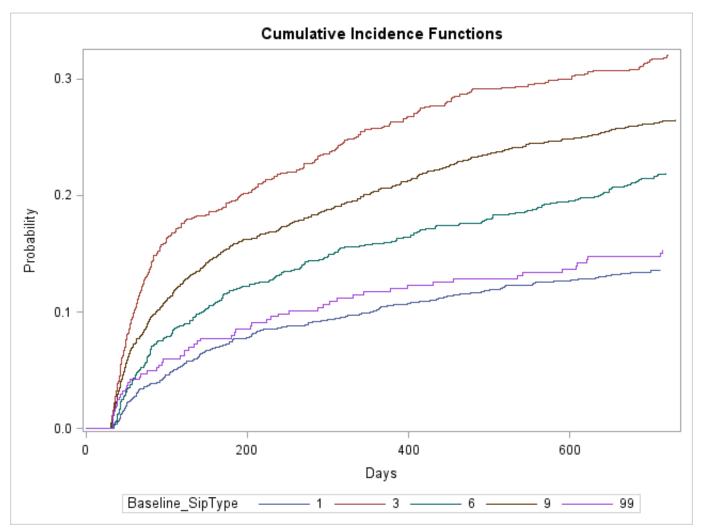
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- Cannabis-induced psychosis most likely to re-occur
- Followed by multi-use and amphetamine-induced psychosis

## Cumulative incidence of recurrent SIPs in time by baseline SIP type





Cannabis-induced psychosis

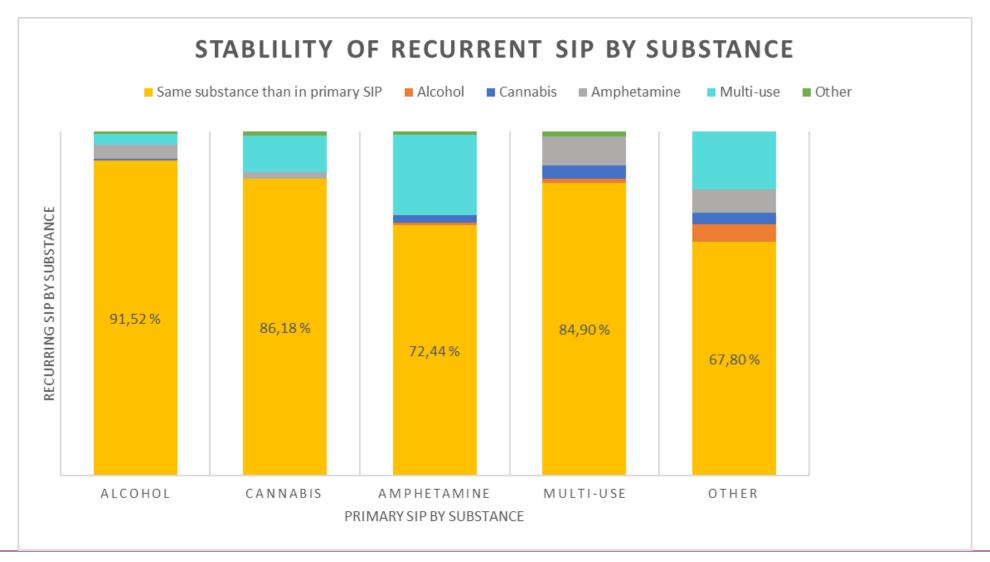
Multi-use induced psychosis

Amphetamine-induced psychosis

Other substance-induced psychosis Alcohol-induced psychosis

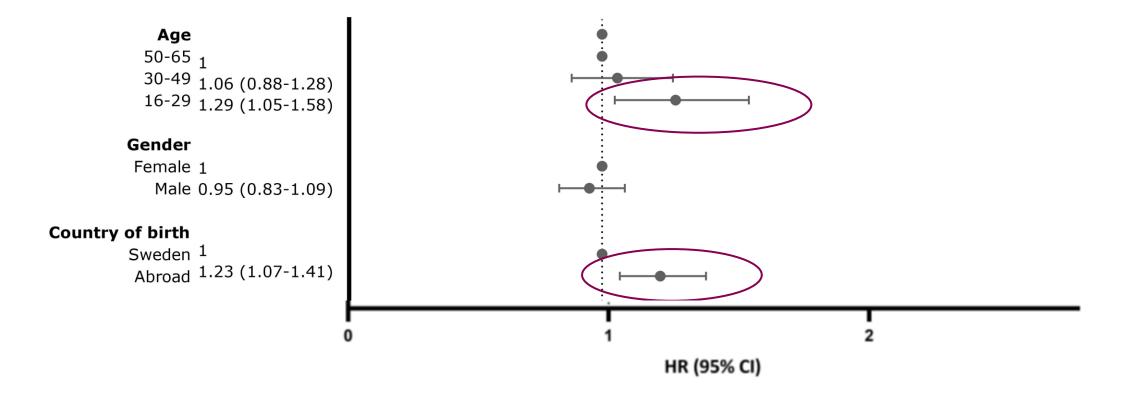
## The same vs. different substance in recurrent SIP





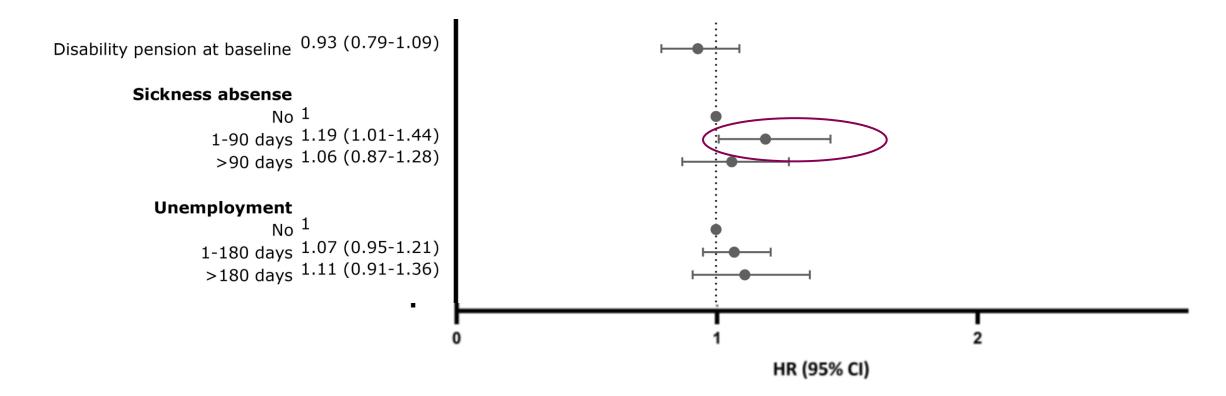












## Factors associated with SIP recurrence (adjusted Cox regression model)



#### **Psychiatric comorbidities**

Previous SUD 1.37 (1.20-1.56)

Mental retardation 1.35 (0.93-1.97)

ADHD 1.21 (1.05-1.39)

Personality disorder 1.17 (0.99-1.37)

Anxiety disorder 1.06 (0.94-1.19)

Depression 0.99 (0.87-1.13)

Suicide attempt or other self-harm 0.97 (0.86-1.11)

Eating disorder 0.84 (0.50-1.42)

Autism spectrum disorder 0.74 (0.52-1.05)

#### SIP type

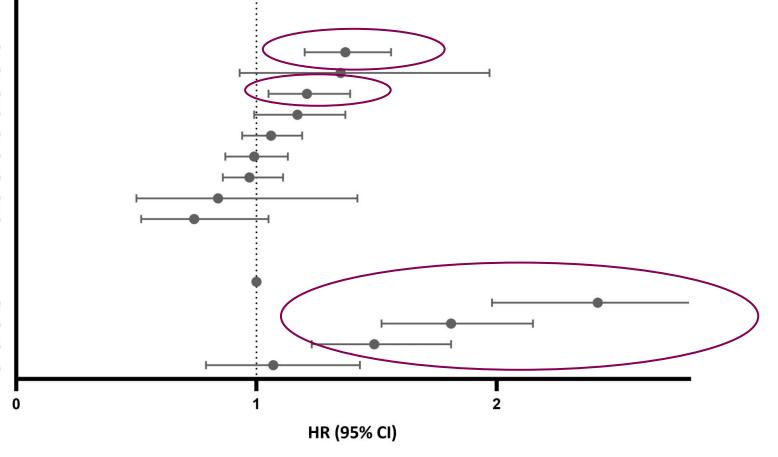
Alcohol 1

Cannabis 2.42 (1.98-2.96)

Multiple/unspecified 1.49 (1.23-1.81)

Amphetamine 1.81 (1.52-2.15)

Other 1.07 (0.79-1.43)







- Nationwide data on all SIPs treated in specialized health care
- Cover 11 years of SIP diagnoses
- Powered to differentiate between most common substances used/ inducing SIP

- Multi-use/ unspecified category was very large and we cannot differentiate between substances or their combinations within that
- Did not have information on used substances, frequency or intensity of use (or how many continued substance use after first SIP)

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### **Conclusions**

- Recurrence of SIP is very common as 20% have a second episode during first 2 years
- Most recurrent SIPs are presenting with the same substance as the initial SIP
- Cannabis-induced psychosis is most likely to re-occur
- Recurrent SIP is more common among those with previous SUD, ADHD, aged <29 years or having a previous short-term sick leave



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