



# Psychological Database For Brain Impairment Treatment Efficacy

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# Target Area: Behaviour Problems

Ouellet & Morin (2004). Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Insomnia Associated with Traumatic Brain Injury: A Single-Case Study. Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation 85(8): 1298-1302

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## Method/Results

# Design:

- Y Study type: SSD. ABA (A=baseline/withdrawal, B=intervention).
- Y Participant: Participant 1: male, age late 30's years, traumatic brain injury with 5–7 days post—traumatic amnesia. Significant neuropsychological impairments at 1 month post—trauma in nonverbal intelligence, processing speed, attention, visuo—spatial organization, immediate verbal memory. At time of therapy, still receiving outpatient rehabilitation. Met criteria for mixed insomnia.
- Y Setting: Family home.

## Target behaviour measure/s:

- Y Recorded in sleep diary:
  - 1. Sleep onset latency.
  - 2. Time awake after initially fell asleep.
  - 3. Total sleep time.
  - 4. Total wake time.
  - 5. Sleep efficiency.

### Primary outcome measure/s:

Y None.

Result: Graphed data presented; no statistical analyses conducted. Treatment appeared effective and maintained at 1 and 3 month follow-ups:

- 1. Sleep onset from 47 mins pretreatment to 18 mins post-treatment.
- 2. Time awake after initially fell sleep from 85 mins pretreatment to 28 mins post-treatment.

# Rehabilitation Program

Aim: To improve sleep in a patient with traumatic brain injury, using a cognitive-behavioural approach.

Materials: "A manualized multifactor intervention" (Morin, 1993; see content below).

#### Treatment plan:

- Y Duration: Length of therapy: 8 weeks (+5 weeks baseline, 2 week post-treatment monitoring, 1 and 3 month follow-ups); total contact time: not specified.
- Y Procedure: 8 weekly face-to-face therapy sessions. Length of sessions not specified.
- Y Content: The multifactor intervention included the following elements which were adapted for application to TBI (refer to paper for further details):
  - 1. Stimulus control.
  - 2. Sleep restrictions.
  - 3. Cognitive therapy.
  - 4. Sleep hygiene education.