Table 5. Study Descriptive Information - Bipolar Disorder Studies

Study, Year	Sample Characteristics	Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria	Treatment Groups	Intervention	Outcomes Assessed	Quality
Funding Source						
Clarkin, 1998 ⁹⁴ Government, Foundation	N = 46 randomized N = 33 analyzed Gender: 54% male Age: 47.7 years Race/ethnicity: NR Marital status: NR Education: NR Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: significant other of opposite sex Recruitment Method: patients consecutively admitted to inpatient and outpatient services were considered for inclusion	MH Condition: major affective disorder or bipolar disorder, manic, depressed, or mixed Assessed by: Interview using Schedule for Affective Disorders and Schizophrenia SO: spouse or partner of opposite sex, married or living together ≥ 6 months Inclusions: 21 to 65 years old; admission diagnosis of major affective disorder or bipolar disorder, manic, depressed, or mixed; married or living with significant other of opposite sex ≥6 months Exclusions: organic brain syndrome, current primary diagnosis of alcohol or drug abuse, pregnancy, contraindications to use of lithium or carbamazepine	1) Medical management + marital intervention (N=18) 2) Medical management only (N=15) Randomized: N=46 Analysis: Baseline: N = 33 Post-treatment (Final 11 months): N=33	Format: marital therapy Manualized: Yes Session: 25 (one weekly for first 10; then bimonthly) Txt Length: 11 months Approach: psychoeduca- tional NOTE: all patients received standardized medications in each of 3 classes: mood stabilizers, antidepressants, and antipsychotics	Patient Outcomes: Symptoms a. SADS-C Functioning a. Global Assessment Scale Intermediate Outcomes: a. Medication Adherence using study developed scale (1-6 rating, poor to excellent) Family Outcomes: None Outcome timeframe: Baseline Post-treatment (Final): 11months	Allocation concealment: Unclear Blinding: Unclear Intention to treat analysis: No Withdrawals adequately described: No Treatment Integrity: audio tapes of marital intervention sessions were sampled for adherence to procedures outlined in manual Study Quality: Poor

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Miklowitz, 2000 ⁹⁰ Government, Foundation	N = 101 randomized N = 79 analyzed Gender: 37% male Age: 35.6 yrs Race/ethnicity: White 84% Marital Status: 55% married or cohabiting Education: NR Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: 37% parents, 55% spouses, 7% siblings, 1% adult offspring Recruitment Method: Recruited from 4 psychiatric inpatient units or referred to study as outpatients.	MH Condition: Bipolar I disorder, manic, mixed, or depression Assessed by: Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-III-R SQ: "close relatives" including parents, spouses, siblings Inclusions: DSM-II-R diagnosis of bipolar I disorder, manic, mixed, or depressed episode in previous 3 months; age 18-60 yrs; no neurologic disorder or developmental disability; no DSM-III-R drug or alcohol disorders in previous 6 months; living with or in regular contact (4+ hrs/wk) with close relative; willing to commit to pharmacotherapy with mood stabilizers or antipsychotic medications; English speaking; patient and relative willing to consent Exclusions: no additional criteria reported	1) Family-focused treatment with pharmacotherapy (N=31) 2) Crisis management with pharmacotherapy (N=70) ("treatment as usual" condition with 2 home-based family education sessions, emergency counseling as needed, minimum of monthly telephone call to monitor status) Randomized: N=101 Analysis: Baseline: N=101 Long term (Final): 12 months: N=79	Format: Family-focused (family or marital) Manualized: Yes Session: up to 21 sessions, 1 hour, in the family's home Txt Length: 9 months Approach: psychoeducation, communication skills, problem definition and solution	Patient Outcomes: Symptoms a. SADS-C b. Relapse c. Survival Intermediate Outcomes: a. Medication Compliance Family Outcomes: None Outcome timeframe: Baseline Long Term (Final): 12 months	Allocation concealment: Unclear Blinding: Yes (medication intensity and compliance ratings) Intention to treat analysis: No Withdrawals adequately described: Yes Treatment Integrity: audio tapes reviewed for adherence Study quality: Good
Miklowitz, 2003 ⁵ Government, Foundation	Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰	Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰ MH Condition: Assessed by: SO: Inclusions: Exclusions: Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰	Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰ 1) Family-focused treatment with pharmacotherapy (N = 22 completed 2 years) 2) Crisis management with pharmacotherapy (N = 43 completed 2 years)	Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰	Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰ 2 year outcomes	Same as Miklowitz 2000 ⁹⁰

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Funding Source Miklowitz, 200792 Government All patients were enrolled in Systematic Treatment Enhancement Program for Bipolar Disorder (STEP-BD) study NOTE: included patients in 26-wk trial of mood stabilizer + placebo or mood stabilizer + antidepressant (RAD) and willing to be randomized to psychosocial treatment; initiated study (PAD) with patients ineligible for pharmacotherapy trial due to previous poor	N = 293 randomized N = 293 analyzed Gender: 41% male Age: 40.1 yrs Race/ethnicity: Caucasian 94% African American 4% Native American <1% Asian/Pacific Islander 1% Other 1% Marital Status: Married 33% Unmarried 37% Separated 31% Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: Not specified – "typically spouses, parents, or siblings" Recruitment Method:		1) Family-focused treatment (FFT)* (N=26) 2) Interpersonal and social rhythm therapy (IPSRT) (N=62) 3) Cognitive behavior therapy (CBT) (N=75) 4) Collaborative care (CC) – control group (N=130) NOTE: All patients received pharmacotherapy *Assignment to FFT possible only if willing family members Randomized: N=293 Analysis: Baseline: N=293 Long term (Final): 12 months:	1) Format: FFT Manualized: Yes Session: up to 30 50-min sessions Txt Length: 9 months Approach: psychoeducation, communication enhancement, problem solving 2) Format: IPSRT Manualized: Yes Session: up to 30 50-min sessions Txt Length: 9 months Approach: Social Rhythm Metric for stable social rhythms, problem resolution, rehearsed strategies 3) Format: CBT Manualized: Yes Session: up to 30 50-min individual sessions Txt Length: 9 months Approach: psychoeducation, life events scheduling, cognitive restructuring, problem-solving, detection and intervention for mood episodes, interventions for comorbidities		Allocation concealment: Unclear Blinding: unclear Intention to treat analysis: Yes Withdrawals adequately described: Yes Treatment Integrity: audio tapes rated for adherence to treatment Study quality: Good
pharmacotherapy trial due to			Long term (Final): 12	and intervention for mood episodes, interventions for		
				individual sessions Txt Length: 6 weeks Approach: psychoeducation		

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Miklowitz, 2007 ⁹⁵ NOTE: Data from subset of patients from Miklowitz 2007 with baseline assessment with LIFE-RIFT) tool	N = 152 Gender: 41 % male Age: 41.1 yrs Race/ethnicity: White 95% Marital Status: Married 31% Unmarried 37% Separated 32% Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: Husbands Children:	Same as Miklowitz 2007 ⁹² MH Condition: Assessed by: SO: Inclusions: Exclusions:	1) Psychosocial Treatment (combined FFT, IPSRT, and CBT groups) (N=84) 2) Collaborative Care (CC) (N=68)	Same as Miklowitz 2007 ⁹²	Patient Outcomes: a. Functioning (LIFE-RIFT total score) Intermediate Outcomes: None Family Outcomes: a. Relationship functioning & satisfaction domains (LIFE-RIFT) Outcome timeframe: Baseline Long term (Final): 9 months	Same as Miklowitz 2007 ⁹²
Miller, 2004 ⁸⁹ Government	N = 92 randomized N = 92 analyzed Gender: 43% male Age: 39 years Race/ethnicity: NR Marital Status: Married 67% Never married 15% Separated/divorced/ Widowed 18% Education (years): 13 Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: Spouses 62% Parents 17% Other adults 21% Recruitment Method: Inpatients, partial hospital patients, and outpatients from a university-affiliated psychiatry clinic	MH Condition: Bipolar I disorder mood episode (mania, major depression, or mixed) Assessed by: Structured Clinical Instrument for DSM-III-R-Patient Version SO: patient and family members Inclusions: current bipolar I disorder mood episode; no DSM-III-R alcohol or drug dependence within 12 months of enrollment; age 18-65 yrs; living with or in regular contact with relative or significant other; English speaking Exclusions: no additional criteria reported	1) Pharmacotherapy + family therapy (N=33) 2) Pharmacotherapy + multifamily psychoeducational group (MFG) therapy (N=30) 3) Pharmacotherapy alone (N=29) Randomized: N=92 Analysis: Baseline: N=92 Long term (Final): 28 months: N=92	1) Format: Family therapy Manualized: Yes Session: 6 to 10 50-min sessions Txt Length: NR* Approach: Problem Centered Systems Therapy of the Family 2) Format: MFG therapy (4-6 patients and family members > 12 yrs) Manualized: Yes Session: 6 90-min sessions Txt Length: 6 weeks* Approach: Psychoeducational 3) Format: Pharmacotherapy Manualized: Yes Session: weekly for 1 mothen every 3 months Txt Length: NR* Approach: medication adjustment, support, encouragement	Patient Outcomes: Symptoms a. Recovery (defined as 2 consecutive months scores of <7 on HAM-D and <6 on BRMS) Intermediate Outcomes: a. Pharmaco- therapy sessions attended Family Outcomes: None Outcome timeframe: Baseline Long Term (Final): 28 months	Allocation concealment: Unclear Blinding: Yes (rating of pharmacotherapy) Intention to treat analysis: Yes Withdrawals adequately described: No Treatment Integrity: Treatments monitored and evaluated at weekly meetings of study clinicians and investigators Study Quality: Fair

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Miller, 2008 ⁹⁸ Funding source not reported	N = 91* Gender: 57% male Age: 39.5 years Race/ethnicity: NR Marital Status: NR Education: NR Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: NR for this analysis *One family did not complete MCRS at baseline Recruitment Method: Inpatients, partial hospital patients, and outpatients from a university-affiliated psychiatry clinic (96% while hospitalized)	Same as Miller 2004 ⁸⁹ Analysis using proportional measures of long-term course of illness and based on level of family impairment according to McMaster Clinical Rating Scale (MCRS) Additional Exclusions reported: DSM-IIIR for alcohol/drug dependence in the last year; mood disorder secondary to a general medical condition; illness that contraindicates mood stabilizer use; pregnant, or not using contraception.	Same as Miller 200489 Baseline N = 91 High impairment: N = 60 (66%) Low impairment N = 31 (34%) Final (28 months) N= 82 High impairment: N = 55 (67%) Low impairment N = 27 (33%)	Same as Miller 200489 except indicates target was 10-15 family-therapy sessions (vs. 6-10)	Patient Outcomes: a. Recovery/ relapse (% who recovered and relapsed based on HAM-D and BRMS for high and low family impairment subgroups) Intermediate Outcomes: None Family Outcomes: None Outcome timeframe: Baseline Long Term (Final): 28 months	Same as Miller 2004 ⁸⁹

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Funding Source Perlick, 2010 ⁹³ Government	Patients: N = 46 Gender: 37% male Age: 34.7 Race/ethnicity: Caucasian 75% African American 7.5% Hispanic 17.5% Marital Status: Married/cohabiting 15% Widowed/divorced/ separated 30% Never married 55% Veterans: 2 caregivers from VA Medical Center Caregivers: N = 46 Gender: 16% male Age: 52.8 yrs Race/ethnicity: Caucasian 77% African American 5% Hispanic 16% Other 2% Marital Status: Married/cohabiting 44% Widowed/ divorced/ separated 33% Never married 23% Family Characteristics: Parents 70%; Spouse or SO 14%; Adult child 14%; Friend or neighbor 2% Recruitment Method: Referred by mental	MH Condition: Bipolar I or II disorder Assessed by: Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-IV Axis I Disorders SO: Caregiver Inclusions: age 18+; primary caregiver of relative with bipolar I or II; meet at least 3 (2 for non-relatives) criteria: a) spouse or parent, b) more frequent contact than any other caregiver, c) helps support patient financially, d) is contacted by treatment staff for emergencies, e) involved in patient's treatment; current physical and mental health problems Exclusions: no additional criteria reported	1) Family-Focused Treatment-Health Promoting Intervention (FFT-HPI) (N=25 caregivers) 2) Health education (HE) (N=21 caregivers) NOTE: recruited caregivers who were primary caregiver of relative with condition Randomized: N = 46 caregivers of 46 patients Analysis: Baseline: N=43 care- givers of 40 patients Post-treatment (Final): 5 months: N = 43 caregivers of 40 patients	1) Format: Family focused (but only the caregiver was involved) Manualized: Yes Session: 12-15 sessions Txt Length: approx 5 months Approach: Psychoeducation and goal setting, behavioral analysis of selfcare barriers 2) Format: Individual (via DVD) Manualized: Session: 8-12 sessions via DVD Txt Length: approx 5 months Approach: health education	Patient Outcomes: Symptom Improvement a. HAM-D b. YMRS Intermediate Outcomes: None Family Outcomes: None Outcome timeframe: Baseline Post-treatment (Final): 5 months	Allocation concealment: Yes Blinding: Yes (assessor and participants during administration of the initial assessment; post-test assessment) Intention to treat analysis: No Withdrawals adequately described: No Treatment Integrity: Randomly selected treatment tapes rated for competence and adherence Study quality: Fair

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Rea, 2003 ⁹¹	N = 53 randomized N = 53 analyzed	MH Condition: Bipolar disorder, manic type	1) Family-focused treatment with pharma-	1) Format: Family-focused or individual	Patient Outcomes: a. Relapse (based	Allocation concealment:
Government	Gender: 43% male Age: 25.6 yrs Race/ethnicity: Caucasian 60% African American 23% Asian American 9% Other 9% Marital Status: Single 76% Married 15% Divorced 9% Veterans: NR Family Characteristics: 74 family members (29 mothers, 22 fathers, 1 stepfather, 9 spouses, 7 siblings, 1 grandmother, 1 uncle, 4 aunts Recruitment Method: inpatients in 3 large hospitals	Assessed by: DSM-III-R with confirmation by Present State Examination (PSE) with supplementary mania items SO: "close family member";66% had one relative to participated, 34% had multiple relatives Inclusions: diagnosis of bipolar disorder, manic type; age 18-45, able to give consent, currently taking mood-regulating medications; at least one close family member available to participate Exclusions: evidence of organic central nervous system disorder or chronic alcohol or substance abuse/dependence	cotherapy (N=28) 2) Individually focused patient treatment with pharmacotherapy (N=25) Randomized: N=53 Analysis: Baseline: N=53 Post-treatment: N=53 Long term (Final): 24 months: N=29	Manualized: Yes Session: 21 one-hour sessions over 9 months (medication management continued to 12 months) Txt Length:12 monthsa Approach: psychoeducation, communication enhancement training, problem-solving training 2) Format: Individually focused patient treatment Manualized: Not stated Session: 21 30-min sessions over 9 months (medication management continued to 12 months) Txt Length:12 monthsa Approach: supportive, problem-focused, educational aAt 12 months, patients were referred to and assisted in transitioning to community providers	on BPRS and supplementary items from SADS-C) b. Rehospitalization (Patient and relative reports verified by inpatient records where possible) Intermediate Outcomes: a. Medication Compliance (Psychiatrist-completed form) Family Outcomes: None Outcome timeframe: Baseline Post-treatment Long term (Final): 24 months	Unclear

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Solomon, 2008 ⁹⁷	N = 53 <u>Gender</u> : 43% male	Same as Miller 200489	Same as Miller 200489	Same as Miller 200489	Patient Outcomes: Symptoms:	Same as Miller 200489
Government	Age: 41 yrs Race/ethnicity: NR Marital Status: 66% Married or living with partner 66% Never married 19%, Separated/divorced/ widowed 15%	Analysis of recurrence of mood episodes and hospitalizations for 53 subjects who recovered from intake mood episode			a. Frequency of mood episode recurrence (based on HAM-D>15 or BRMS>5) Utilization: a. Hospitalization	
	Education (years): 13 Veterans: NR				Intermediate Outcomes: None	
	Family Characteristics: NR for subgroup				Family Outcomes: None	
	Recruitment Method: Inpatients, partial hospital patients, and outpatients from a university-affiliated psychiatry clinic				Outcome timeframe: Baseline Long Term (Final): 28 months	

NR = not reported; SO = significant other or family member included; SADS-C = Schedule for Affective Disorders and Schizophrenia-Change Version; DSM = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders; tx = treatment; BRMS = Bech-Rafaelsen Mania Scale; HAM-D = Hamilton Depression Rating Scale; LIFE-RIFT = Longitudinal Interval Follow-Up Evaluation – Range of Impaired Functioning Tool; YMRS = Young Mania Rating Scale; DVD = digital video disk; BPRS = Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale *Study patients were treated on outpatient basis for up to 28 months