

Prediction of the outcome of substance dependence

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The aim of this study was to explore the prediction of the outcome of dependence according to personality disorders and suicidal risk. Fifty sedative hypnotic dependent individuals were subjected to complete psychiatric interview, long suicidal risk scale and a semi-structured interview to investigate the outcome of dependence. After 1.5 years, follow up was done in the form of semi-structured interview. The results showed that the outcome of the antisocial dependent individuals was worse than the other personalities ; they had more deterioration in the work, family relationships, legal problems and other substance use. Narcissistic-dependent individuals had more physical deterioration than the other personalities. No specific outcome among borderline dependent individuals. The dependent individuals with high suicidal risk had worse outcome than those with low suicidal risk.