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Early Exposure to Haloperidol or Olanzapine Induces Long-Term Alterations of Dendritic Form

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Abstract

Exposure of the developing brain to a wide variety of drugs of abuse (eg., stimulants, opioids, ethanol, etc.) can induce life-long changes in behavior and neural circuitry. However, the long-term effects of exposure to therapeutic, psychotropic drugs have only recently begun to be appreciated. Antipsychotic drugs are little studied in this regard. Here we quantitatively analyzed dendritic architecture in adult mice treated with paradigmatic typical- (haloperidol) or atypical (olanzapine) antipsychotic drugs at developmental stages corresponding to fetal or fetal plus early childhood stages in humans. In layer 3 pyramidal cells of the medial and orbital prefrontal cortices and the parietal cortex and in spiny neurons of the core of the nucleus accumbens, both drugs induced significant changes (predominantly reductions) in the amount and complexity of dendritic arbor and the density of dendritic spines. The drug-induced plasticity of dendritic architecture suggests changes in patterns of neuronal connectivity in multiple brain regions that are likely to be functionally significant.

Keywords

Antipsychotic; dendrite; development; cortex; nucleus accumbens; plasticity

INTRODUCTION

It has long been recognized that exposure of the developing brain to a wide variety of drugs of abuse (eg., stimulants, opioids, ethanol, etc.) can induce life-long changes in behavior and neural circuitry. The frank, teratogenic effects of early exposure to some therapeutic, psychotropic drugs (eg., some mood stabilizers and anticonvulsants) has long been recognized. However, the potential, more subtle, long-term functional and structural consequences of exposure of the developing brain to these and other therapeutic agents have come to be studied and recognized only relatively recently. Such effects should be expected: these therapeutic drugs, like drugs of abuse, modulate the functions of a broad spectrum of neurotransmitter systems and ion channels (Andersen and Navalta, 2004; Baldessarini, 2001a; Baldessarini, 2001b), which can alter the development of neural circuitry either directly (Frost and Cadet, 2000; Henschel et al., 2008), or by their impact on the level and pattern of neuroelectric activity, which modulates neuronal development by additional pathways (Cowan et al., 1984; Fink and Gothert, 2007; Hensch, 2005; Katz and Shatz, 1996).

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Schizophrenia and depression/bipolar disease have high incidences (1% and 15–20% respectively) and women are at an elevated risk of these diseases in their child bearing years (Kessler et al., 1993; Weissman, 1987). Many patients need to remain on their medications during pregnancy in order for them to manage their lives successfully. However, numerous drugs, haloperidol and olanzapine for example, pass efficiently from the maternal to the placental circulation (Newport et al., 2007). Furthermore, prescription of antidepressants to children and adolescents has exploded see ((Andersen and Navalta, 2004) for a review) and antipsychotics are becoming increasingly used for the treatment of pediatric and adolescent bipolar disease (Chang, 2008), autism (McDougle et al., 2008) and other developmental diseases. Thus, a better understanding of the risks and benefits of the drugs used to treat these diseases is of the utmost importance.

Multiple technical, logistical and ethical obstacles hinder the study of the long-term effects of maternal psychotropic drug therapy in humans. Many of these difficulties can be mitigated in controlled studies using animals. In the cerebral cortex, the schedule of neuronal proliferation, migration and formation of connections suggests that neurodevelopmental events that take place in humans in the second and third trimesters occur, respectively, during the third week of gestation and the first 10–14 days of life in rodents (Bayer et al., 1993; Rakic, 1975; Sidman and Rakic, 1973). Thus, treatment of pregnant or neonatal rodents with psychotropic drugs has been used as a model to study the long-term effects of human fetal exposure to these agents.

Data on the consequences of early exposure to antipsychotic drugs (APDs) are scanty: Several of the most commonly used antipsychotics, including olanzapine, haloperidol and risperidone, efficiently cross the placental barrier, resulting in placental plasma concentrations 49-72% of those in the maternal circulation (Newport et al., 2007). Administration of haloperidol to pregnant rat dams induces in their offspring increased open field activity, symptoms of anxiety and stereotypic rearing, and reduced scratching and licking/washing. (Singh and Singh, 2002; Singh et al., 1997) Haloperidol treatment of pregnant dams reduces dopamine D₂ receptor binding in progeny, whereas haloperidol treatment of dams during nursing causes an increase. These changes persist weeks (and maybe more) following the termination of drug administration and are paralleled, respectively, by decreases and increases in apomorphine-induced stereotopy when the progeny are 5 weeks old (Rosengarten and Friedhoff, 1979). Haloperidol exposure during the first two postnatal weeks reduces the number of spontaneously active midbrain dopaminergic neurons (Zhang et al., 1996). There are also age-dependent effects of haloperidol on dopamine metabolism in the prefrontal cortex of postnatal rats (Teicher et al., 1993). Treatment of pregnant dams with haloperidol, risperidone or quetiapine also causes deficits in spatial task learning in progeny; haloperidol and risperidone also interfere with task retention (Rosengarten and Quartermain, 2002). Fetal risperidone exposure also increases open field activity, whereas fetal sulpiride exposure induces defects in Morris water maze performance (Zuo et al., 2008).

Dendritic branching patterns and spine density determine which populations of afferent axons terminate upon a population of neurons and the relative weighting of each type of input. The vast majority of synaptic inputs onto neurons are on dendrites or dendritic spines, and the amount of synaptic input cells receive varies with the amount of dendritic surface available (Harris and Kater, 1994). Over 90% of excitatory synapses are on dendritic spines, and synaptogenesis, associated with experiences like learning or environmental complexity, is reflected by changes in the number of dendritic spines (Greenough et al., 1990; Kolb et al., 1998; Rampon et al., 2000; Woolley, 1999). Thus, changes in dendritic architecture are reliably associated with functional alterations induced by neuroendocrine changes (Li et al., 2004; Rudick and Woolley, 2001; Woolley, 2000; Yankova et al., 2001), drugs of abuse

(Kolb et al., 2004; Robinson and Kolb, 2004; Williams et al., 2004), pharmacotherapy (Diaz Heijtz et al., 2003), learning (Chang and Greenough, 1982; Leuner et al., 2003; Moser et al., 1994; Stewart and Rusakov, 1995), living in isolated versus complex environments (Greenough et al., 1990; Kolb et al., 2003; van Praag et al., 2000) and recovery of function after brain damage (Biernaskie and Corbett, 2001; Jones et al., 1996; Kolb and Gibb, 1991; Kolb et al., 2004) (see also (Kolb and Whishaw, 1998) for a review). Throughout the life span, the external environment and internal body conditions can modify dendritic form and other aspects of neural circuitry (Kolb et al., 1998).

In the present study, we investigated the long-term effects of early exposure to haloperidol and olanzapine, prototypic "typical" and "atypical" APDs, respectively, on layer 3 pyramidal neurons in the medial prefrontal cortex, orbital prefrontal cortex, parietal cortex and core of the nucleus accumbens. We chose these regions for study because they express dopaminergic and/or serotonergic receptors on which the drugs might be expected to act, because they have been extensively studied with respect to the actions of other drugs and because (except in the parietal cortex), these structures are affected by diseases for which APDs are administered. We found that chronic drug administration to neonatal female mice induced, in all 4 brain regions, numerous, long lasting changes - generally reductions - in the amount and complexity of dendritic arbor and in dendritic spine density. These data suggest additional changes in the function of these brain regions and the behaviors to which they contribute.

METHODS

Subjects

All subjects were C57BI/6 female mice bred, born and raised in our colony in an AALACaccredited animal care facility at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Founder mice were obtained from Jackson Laboratories. The diurnal light cycle was 14h light, 10h dark. All litters were culled to 8 pups on the day of birth to avoid effects due to differences in litter size and consequent potential variation in maternal care.

Experimental treatments

All our experimental procedures were reviewed and approved by the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees of the University of Maryland, Baltimore and the University of Lethbridge.

In preliminary studies, we examined the plasma concentration of haloperidol and olanzapine as a function of drug dose. We treated mice with haloperidol at 6- or 12 mg/kg, IP, 2/d, or olanzapine at 1 mg/kg, IP, 2/d, (5ml/kg body weight for both drugs) from postnatal day 3 (P3; first 24h of life = P0) until euthanasia on P21. The two daily injections were spaced 6-12h apart. 6- or 2 hours after the morning injection on P21, the mice were decapitated and trunk blood was obtained for measurement of plasma concentrations of haloperidol or olanzapine, respectively. A minimum of 6 independent samples (each prepared from blood pooled from multiple, similarly treated mouse pups) was used to measure the plasma drug concentration at each dose. The resultant plasma concentrations of haloperidol were: 14.9 +/ -3.1 ng/ml (mean +/- standard error; n=12) and 21.2 +/-4.0 ng/ml (n=6) at the 6- and 12 mg/kg doses respectively. For olanzapine the plasma concentration was 7.22 ± 1.15 ng/ml (n=6; dose = 1 mg/kg). The half life of these drugs in rodents is on the order of about 2–4h (Kapur et al., 2003); thus the mice were never actually in steady state and the average drug concentrations over a whole day were lower than the values we measured. Although we did not conduct formal tests, activity levels of the mice were normal. In addition, APD-treated mice gained weight over the course of drug treatment at the same rate as vehicle injected

(0.9% saline, 5ml/kg), littermate controls and at the age of euthanasia, the weights of APD-treated and saline treated mice did not differ significantly (data not shown).

For our experimental treatments we used 12 mg/kg for the haloperidol injections and 1 mg/ kg for olanzapine. Control animals were littermates injected with vehicle. For each of the 3 treatments, mice were treated either on P3-10 or P3-20. Within each litter, at least 2 mice were injected, respectively, with 0.9% NaCl, haloperidol or olanzapine. Mice for each of the 6 treatment-duration groups were obtained from at least 3 litters to avoid effects due to differences in maternal care.

Histological processing

When the mice were adults (6 months of age), they were administered an overdose of sodium pentobarbital and perfused with 0.9% saline. The brains were removed, processed with the Golgi-Cox technique, sectioned on a vibratome at 200 µm and mounted onto slides, as previously described (Gibb and Kolb, 1998)

Quantitative Golgi analysis

We analyzed the dendritic architecture of layer 3 pyramidal cells of the orbital prefrontal cortex (OPC; area AID of (Zilles, 1985), medial prefrontal cortex (MPC; area Cg3 (Zilles, 1985) and parietal cortex (area Par of (Zilles, 1985), and spiny neurons in the core of the nucleus accumbens (NAc). In each region of interest, neurons were traced using a 100X oil immersion objective and a camera lucida. In order to be included in the data analysis, neuronal dendritic trees (a) had to be well impregnated and not obscured by blood vessels, astrocytes, or heavy clusters of dendrites from other neurons and (b) the apical and basal arborizations had to be largely intact. For each cortical neuron, separate measures were made on apical and basal dendrites; neurons in the NAc were considered to have only basal dendrites because their dendritic fields are approximately radially symmetric.

We measured total dendritic length by counting the number of intersections of dendrites with a series of concentric spheres at 25 μ m intervals from the center of the soma and multiplying by 25 μ m (Sholl, 1965). To measure the complexity of the dendritic arbor we counted the total number of dendritic segments. The majority of excitatory inputs to the neurons we studied are on dendritic spines. Thus, we measured the spine density on a minimum length of 50 μ m of one distal, terminal branch of the apical dendrite and on one third-order basilar dendritic branch for each neuron studied. All measurements were made by an investigator who was blind to treatment group.

For each hemisphere, measures were obtained for 5 neurons in each region of interest. Within each region, the value of each measure was taken to be the average of the values obtained from the 5 neurons studied. In our statistical analyses, n = 6 hemispheres/treatment group-duration. We made separate statistical analyses of each measure of dendritic form within each of the 4 regions of interest. In each analysis, we first determined the statistical significance of the effects of treatment, treatment duration and their interaction were analyzed using 2-way ANOVA. At each treatment duration, we then compared the effects of treatment by 1-way ANOVA followed by Fisher's PLSD test.

RESULTS

Qualitative inspection of layer 3 pyramidal cells in OPC, MPC and Par, and spiny stellate cells in the NAc, reveals that neonatal exposure to haloperidol or olanzapine, for both treatment durations, generally appears to reduce the total amount of dendritic arbor, dendritic branching complexity and dendritic spine density (Fig. 1). Apical and basal dendrites both appear to be affected.

Our quantitative analysis confirms these impressions. Fig. 2 shows the means and standard deviations for the 3 measures of dendritic form, for each combination of treatment and treatment duration within the 4 regions of interest. The results of the 2-way ANOVA are summarized in Table I. Treatment had a significant effect on 21/21 (=100%) of the measures of dendritic form in all 4 regions of interest (Table II). The duration of treatment had a significant effect in 16/21 (=76%) of the measures of dendritic form and there was a significant interaction of treatment and duration for 12/21 (=57%) of the measures.

Table. 2 shows the mean value of each measure obtained in haloperidol- or olanzapine treated mice as a fraction of the mean value obtained in control, saline treated mice (statistically significant [p<0.05], drug-induced changes are shown in bold type). Of the total of 84 measures obtained in APD-treated mice (Table I), 59/84 (=70%) differed significantly from control values. 56/59 (95%) of these changes were decreases. The magnitude of the decreases ranges from 6–34%, whereas the increases are 9–21%.

Fig. 2 and Table II also show that there are no clear trends for statistically significant, APD induced changes in any of the 3 measures to be more pronounced in a particular region of interest, for apical vs basal dendrites, for haloperidol vs olanzapine or for one or the other of the two treatment durations.

DISCUSSION

Our data show that exposure of the rodent brain to haloperidol or olanzapine during developmental stages corresponding approximately to the human third trimester (P3-10), or to the third trimester plus early childhood (P3-20), causes numerous, significant, long-term changes in the amount and complexity of dendritic arbor and in dendritic spine density in the OPC, MPC, Par and NAc. Dendritic architecture is a key determinant of the amount, spectrum and weighting of inputs to each neuronal population. Thus, the pervasive, APD-induced dendritic alterations are indicative of changes in neural circuits that are likely to alter the function of the regions in which they occur. We plan to test this hypothesis in behavioral studies of animals exposed to APDs early in life, guided by previous data from adult animals on the behavioral effects of brain lesions and changes in neuronal activity during the performance of various behavioral tasks.

Our data show that even low levels of APDs can cause significant, long lasting abnormalities of dendritic form. In this study, the mean plasma concentrations of haloperidol and olanzapine were 21- and 7 ng/ml, 6 and 2 hours, respectively, after the last of a series of twice daily injections from P3-21. Although the plasma half lives of these drugs in humans are 12-36h for haloperidol and 20-54h for olanzapine (Baldessarini, 2001b), they are in the 2-4h range in adult rats and mice (Kapur et al., 2003). Thus, twice daily injection of haloperidol or olanzapine at the doses used in this study are likely to produce brief spikes in tissue concentrations of the drugs and the mean plasma levels of these APDs would be comparable to or lower than those commonly used therapeutically in humans - 5-20 ng/ml (Baldessarini, 2001b) and 9–208 ng/ml (Bergemann et al., 2004; Gex-Fabry et al., 2003; Olesen and Linnet, 1999; Perry et al., 2001; Perry et al., 1997), respectively. To our knowledge, the rates of APD metabolism in immature rodents and human children have not been determined and compared to those for adults of the same species. However, for many other hepatically metabolized, drugs, the metabolic rates are significantly higher in immature rodents than in adults. Thus, the effective doses of APDs in the neonatal mice of this study are likely to be even lower than one might calculate based on drug half life in adults. If APD metabolic rate is similarly elevated in human fetuses, nursing infants or children, then similar oscillations of plasma APD concentration may also occur in immature humans.

Although the exact spectrum of dendritic measures altered by early APD treatment varied somewhat across treatment conditions, the effect of the drugs on all 4 neuronal populations studied was overwhelmingly a reduction in the total amount of dendritic arbor, the complexity of dendritic branching and dendritic spine density, for both apical and basal dendrites (Table II). Both drugs are potent D₂ receptor antagonists and olanzapine is also a potent serotonin type 2A (5HT_{2A}) receptor antagonist. Thus, differences in the spectrum of effects of the two drugs are likely to arise from differences in their effects on 5HT_{2A} receptor signaling or differences in their spectra of action on other receptors, eg., the 5HT_{1A}, nicotinic acetylcholine, α -adrenergic and histamine receptors. Similarly, differences in the spectrum of among those populations with respect to the intensity, localization or weighting of signaling by various receptor types in the ontogeny or maintenance of the dendritic parameters we studied.

There are no studies of the effects on entire dendritic arbors of APD administration to adult animals, with which our results on the effects of APD administration to neonates can be directly compared. Electron microscopic studies of neuropil demonstrate that in the corpus striatum of adult rats, 6 months of haloperidol treatment decreases the density of asymmetric synapses (Roberts et al., 1995) and dendritic spines (Kelley et al., 1997), whereas 6 mo of olanzapine treatment has no effect on dendritic spine density (Roberts, 2001). In layer VI of MPC, 4- and 12 months of haloperidol treatment reduce the density of dendritic spines and of asymmetric axon terminal synapses on dendritic spines (Benes et al., 1985; Vincent et al., 1991). Consistent with these changes, 12 months of haloperidol treatment decreases spinophilin levels in the orbital and dorsolateral prefrontal cortices of adult monkeys, homologues of OPC and MPC, respectively, in the rat (Lidow et al., 2001). Altered cortical spinophilin expression appears to be specific to regions that receive a heavy dopaminergic input. (Law et al., 2004; Lidow et al., 2001). The density of asymmetric synaptic contacts on dendritic spines in layer 6 of MPC is also reduced after 1 year of treatment with clozapine (Benes et al., 1985), that like olanzapine, is an atypical antipsychotic that antagonizes 5HT_{2A} receptors. Shorter (3–4 week) haloperidol treatments appear to have opposite effects: They increase dendritic spine density (Kerns et al., 1992) and the density of synapses on dendritic spines and dendritic shafts (Uranova et al., 1991) in the corpus striatum and increase the density of synapses on dendritic shafts in layer 6 of area MPC (Klinzova et al., 1990). In the rat prefrontal cortex, 26 days of systemic, low dose haloperidol or clozapine treatment increases the expression of genes coding glycolytic proteins, protein kinases and presynaptic proteins and decrease the expression of genes coding protein phosphatases (MacDonald et al., 2005). These changes are consistent with the synaptic plasticity induced in the adult prefrontal cortex by short-term treatment with haloperidol.

The reductions in dendritic spine density that we observe in mice neonatally treated for 8–18 days with haloperidol or olanzapine more nearly resemble the reduction in spine density induced by 4–12 months of haloperidol treatment in adult rodents than they do the increases induced by 3–4 weeks of treatment in adults. The reasons for this are unknown, but could reflect differences between the immature and mature brains with respect to their profiles of gene expression (Stead et al., 2006) and/or the functionality of diverse intracellular and intercellular signaling systems including the dopaminergic (Andersen and Navalta, 2004; Andersen et al., 2000; Foote and Morrison, 1987; Frost and Cadet, 2000; Teicher et al., 1995) (also Andersen, personal communication) and serotonergic (Basura and Walker, 2000; Foote and Morrison, 1987; Frost and Cadet, 2000; Lidov and Molliver, 1982) systems.

The changes in dendritic architecture induced by neonatal APD treatment are clearly long lasting, as we observed them in 6 month old animals. This contrasts with data on the duration of effects induced by APD treatment in adults, where the decrease in asymmetric

synaptic density in the corpus striatum induced by 6 months of haloperidol treatment is partly reversed 4 weeks after drug withdrawal (Roberts et al., 1995). Spine density also shows a trend toward recovery (Roberts et al., 1995) and both measures might come closer to control levels with increased time off drug. (Haloperidol treatment of adult rats also induces reversible changes in the number of tyrosine hydroxylase positive neurons in the substantia nigra (Levinson et al., 1998)). One reason for this crucial difference between the effects of APDs on the developing and mature brains may be that early perturbations of the brain can engender a cascade of subsequent alterations in the development of neural circuitry, a dimension of complexity that is relatively less important in the mature brain (Frost and Cadet, 2000). This may be why some effects of early exposure to antidepressants (Ansorge et al., 2008; Vogel et al., 1990) and anxiolytics (Depino et al., 2008) are delayed. Another important potential difference between immature and adult brains may be that that their functional responses to the drugs are opposite. This is the case for stimulants used to treat attention deficit hyperactivity disorder in children and adolescents (Andersen and Navalta, 2004), anxiolytic drugs (Depino et al., 2008; Henschel et al., 2008) and antidepressants (Ansorge et al., 2008; Vogel et al., 1990), inter alia. Whereas this issue remains to be investigated for APDs at both the structural and functional levels, the increase in dendritic spine density in the neuropil induced by 24 days of haloperidol treatment in adult rats (Kerns et al., 1992) supports this possibility.

Our data indicate no clear differences in the magnitude or spectrum of long-term effects on dendritic form between mice treated with APDs on P3-10 and those treated on P3-20. This suggests that drug treatment on P3-10 is responsible for most of the effects of early APD exposure and that continued treatment only marginally modifies those effects. The long-term consequences of early exposure to nicotine and tactile stimulation (B. Kolb and R. Gibb, unpublished observations) are similarly affected by treatment duration. Additional experiments would be required to determine if this is due to a rapid saturation of the effects of early APD exposure or to a "critical period" during which APD treatment can induce long-term changes in dendritic form.

It is well established that prenatal maternal stress and neonatal stress of progeny can induce long lasting functional and structural abnormalities: Dysfunction of the maternal HPA axis during pregnancy can induce long-term behavioral- (Rice et al., 2007; Weinstock, 2001) and HPA axis dysfunction (Weinstock, 2001; Welberg and Seckl, 2001) and neuroanatomical abnormalities (Alves et al., 1997; Weinstock, 2001) in offspring. These effects appear to be mediated by maternal adrenal hormone secretion (Zagron and Weinstock, 2006). However, the effects of early APD exposure reported here cannot be due solely to stress of dams or progeny by the twice daily drug injections: 1) The dendritic architecture of mature mice subjected to repeated APD treatment differed significantly from that of littermate control mice injected with drug-free vehicle, who were subjected to the same levels of stress and maternal care. 2) A recent study of the effects of daily injections of antidepressants during the first 3 postnatal weeks did not find significant behavioral differences between control mice subjected to daily vehicle injections and mice that were handled but not injected over the same interval (Ansorge et al., 2008). Although stress induced in dams or pups by the injection procedure may modulate the effects of early APD exposure on dendritic form, this may render the present experiments more naturalistic because maternal schizophrenia (Walker et al., 2008) and bipolar disease (Daban et al., 2005; McEwen, 2003) are accompanied by physiological stress that can interact with APDs in producing their effects on fetuses. Neonatal humans and rats may also be stressed postnatally by the impact of maternal disease or stress on mother-progeny interactions.

CONCLUSION

Exposure of the rodent brain to typical (haloperidol) and atypical (olanzapine) APDs at stages of development corresponding to fetal stages in humans induces abnormalities of dendritic form in multiple brain regions. The functional significance and mechanisms of these changes are important avenues of future study. In order to guide physicians and patients in the use of these drugs during pregnancy, it will also be necessary to determine how the presence of endophenotypes of human psychiatric disease (eg., maternal stress) and APD treatment interact in producing their long term effects on offspring.

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Fig. 1.

Camera lucida drawings of typical pyramidal cells in the parietal and medial prefrontal cortices of mice treated with saline or haloperidol on P3-10. The insets immediately adjacent to each cell are drawings of terminal apical (upper) or third order basal (lower) dendritic segments that were used to calculate spine densities. The cells shown were selected because they were close to the group averages for our 3 measures of dendritic form.



Fig. 2.

Total dendritic arbor, number of dendritic segments and dendritic spine density in adult, female mice treated from P3-10 or P3-20 with haloperidol, olanzapine or (as a control) saline. Data from apical and basal dendritic arbors are calculated separately for each cortical area. 5 neurons were measured in each region of interest in each hemisphere. n = 6 hemispheres/treatment group-duration. Asterisks indicate measures in APD treated mice that differ significantly (p<0.05) from those obtained in saline treated mice. OPC, MPC, Par and NAc indicate the orbital and medial prefrontal cortices, parietal cortex and nucleus accumbens core, respectively.

Table I

2-way Statistical Analysis

Summary of 2-way ANOVA evaluations of the significance of APD treatment, treatment duration and their interaction for the 21 independent parameters measured in this study. S=significant effects; N=non-significant effects.

PARAMETER	TREATMENT	DURATION	TREATMENT X DURATION
AID Apical Dendritic Segments	S	S	Ν
AID Apical Spines	S	N	S
AID Apical Total Dendritic Arbor	S	S	S
AID Basal Dendritic Segments	S	S	S
AID Basal Spines	S	S	Ν
AID Basal Total Dendritic Arbor	S	N	S
Cg3 Apical Dendritic Segments	S	S	S
Cg3 Apical Spines	S	N	Ν
Cg3 Apical Total Dendritic Arbor	S	S	S
Cg3 Basal Dendritic Segments	S	S	Ν
Cg3 Basal Spines	S	S	S
Cg3 Basal Total Dendritic Arbor	S	S	S
NAc Core Dendritic Segments	S	S	S
NAcCoreSpines	S	N	S
NAc Core Total Dendritic Arbor	S	S	N
Par Apical Dendritic Segments	S	S	N
Par Apical Spines	S	S	S
Par Apical Total Dendritic Arbor	S	S	N
Par Basal Dendritic Segments	S	S	Ν
Par Basal Spines	S	Ν	S
Par Basal Total Dendritic Arbor	S	S	Ν
% Significant	100	76	57

Table II

Summary of Results

ratio of the mean measures in haloperidol- and olanzapine treated mice to corresponding measures in control, saline treated mice. For measures that were control) saline. Measures from apical and basal dendritic arbors are calculated separately for each cortical area. H/S and O/S indicate, respectively, the Summary of APD-induced changes in dendritic architecture in adult, female mice treated from P3-10 or P3-20 with haloperidol, olanzapine or (as a significantly different from control values (p<0.05), the ratios are in bold type.

P3-10 Apical			P3-10 Basal				P3-20 Apical			P3-20 Basal		
Total Dendritic Segments	Spine Density	Total Dendritic Length	Total Dendritic Segments	Spine Density	Total Dendritic Length		Total Dendritic Segments	Spine Density	Total Dendritic Length	Total Dendritic Segments	Spine Density	Total Dendritic Length
						OPC						
0.80	1.09	0.97	0.93	1.01	66.0	H/S	0.72	1.00	0.71	0.77	0.97	0.77
0.79	1.03	0.91	0.96	0.97	1.01	0/S	0.85	0.98	0.89	0.92	0.94	1.01
						MPC						
0.82	0.85	0.86	0.89	0.92	0.88	S/H	0.83	0.82	0.91	0.92	0.83	0.95
0.85	0.83	0.91	0.89	0.89	06.0	S/0	0.99	0.84	1.15	0.98	0.85	1.21
						Par						
0.66	0.97	0.77	0.66	76.0	0.88	S/H	0.77	1.03	0.74	0.85	0.81	0.80
0.72	0.90	0.75	0.79	16.0	0.82	S/0	0.72	1.00	0.77	0.81	0.83	0.88
						NAc						
			0.85	06.0	0.95	S/H				0.87	0.94	0.92
			0.82	0.93	0.87	0/S				0.90	0.00	0.89