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1. eMethods

Supplementary text 1. Identification and selection of studies, Outcomes, Missing data, Statistical analysis

Identification and selection of studies

The search terms used were "akathisia" AND "antipsychotic" OR "neuroleptic" OR "schizophrenia" OR "schizoaffective disorder" combined with a list of the different adjunctive drugs. A second search was carried out for each drug identified in the first search: biperiden, clonazepam, cyproheptadine, diazepam, diphenhydramine, mianserin, mirtazapine, propranolol, trazodone, valproate, vitamin B6, zolmitriptan. Each drug term was combined with "akathisia".

Outcomes

Our primary outcome is the reduction of the mean akathisia score on the last timepoint with a scale assessing global, subjective and/or objective akathisia. One important clinical issue is the under recognition of the diagnosis of AIA, especially the milder forms (Weiden et al. 1987). Furthermore, akathisia can be difficult to distinguish from psychotic anxiety or agitation. A specific scale is therefore needed to assess akathisia severity. When the akathisia severity was reported with different scales, we chose to keep BARS score if available (the most frequently used scale). When studies reported the subscales of akathisia (objective, subjective and global score), we selected global scores in the first instance and if not available, the objective scale.

Data extraction

The 27 extracted baseline characteristics were:

- mean sample age (years), percentage of men, psychiatric diagnosis,
- psychiatric severity defined by the baseline Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) score. When only Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale (BPRS) was provided, a transformation to PANSS equivalent score was conducted, using validated conversion tables (Leucht et al. 2013).

- the baseline Simpson Angus Scale (SAS) score and depression severity defined by the baseline Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HAM-D).
- proportion of first-generation antipsychotic (defined by one of the following ATC codes: chlorpromazine N05AA01, levomepromazine N05AA02, cyamemazine N05AA06, fluphenazine N05AB02, perphenazine N05AB03, thioridazine N05AC02, pipotiazine N05AC04, haloperidol N05AD01, ziprasidone N05AE04, flupentixol, clopenthixol, chlorprothixene, thiothixene, zuclopenthixol N05AF01 – 05, pimozide N05AG02, loxapine N05AH01, clotiapine N05AH06, sulpiride N05AL01), proportion of patients with antipsychotic polytherapy, chlorpromazine equivalent dose (CPZeq) (reported with the lowest effective method calculation if available), adjunctive treatment duration (days) and adjunctive treatment dose. In case of missing CPZeq data, we calculated them using raw data and expert consensus recommendations (Gardner et al. 2010) to convert antipsychotic doses into their chlorpromazine equivalent.
- proportion of participants treated with anticholinergic or benzodiazepine at baseline (not as augmentation drug) and among them, mean daily dose of biperiden, trihexyphenidyl, benztropine, procyclidine, tropatepine, diazepam, lorazepam, nitrazepam, clonazepam and temazepam.
- number of serious adverse events, number of adverse events, proportion of dropouts and proportion of dropouts for tolerance issues.

Missing data

First, last and/or corresponding authors were contacted in case of missing or incomplete data. Missing standard deviation (SD) were calculated from raw data when available. If we couldn't obtain raw data, we calculated missing SD from confidence intervals, SE or p-values (Student t test). If any data wasn't available, we calculated missing means and SDs from raw data if available (Gagrat et al. 1978; Friis et al. 1983; Adler et al. 1986; Kramer et al. 1988; Poyurovsky et al. 2006).

Risk of bias

Two assessors (C.G. and G.F.) analyzed the five criteria of the risk-of-bias assessment tool for each study included in the quantitative meta-analysis: adequate randomization process and concealment; deviations from intended interventions; dealing with missing outcome data; correct measurement of outcome; and selection of reported results. In case of disagreement, discrepancies were managed through discussion between the two assessors and in case of doubt, a third author (L.B.) was contacted for the final decision.

Statistical analysis

We estimated standardized mean differences (SMDs) and their respective standard error (seSMD) for our continuous outcome using pairwise and network meta-analysis. If the total sample size was ≤ 20 , Hedges's g (SMD) correction was applied (Hedges 1981). If not, Cohen's d (SMD) was calculated. For multi-arm studies, to avoid double counting and preserve individual treatment contribution, we adopted reducing weights method conceived by Rücker and Schwarzer (Rücker et Schwarzer 2014), recalculating standard errors for each comparison. This method preserves the total residual heterogeneity, measured by the Cochran's Q . To avoid the emergence of intrinsic inconsistencies in the calculation of SMDs for three-arm studies, the SMDs were computed using a common pooled standard deviation from all the associated three treatment groups. Only Cohen's d (SMD) is adequate for multiple-arm studies (Crippa et Orsini 2016). The different effect sizes were compiled using a frequentist random-effects network meta-analysis model and 95% confidence intervals (95%CI) are presented. Frequentist setting gives the same results than Bayesian setting (Shim et al. 2019). Pooled weights for each intervention were calculated from pairwise comparisons model (Rücker et al. 2020). Results were resumed in a forest plot and a league table.

The statistical heterogeneity of our model was assessed with I^2 (Higgins 2003) and τ^2 (Higgins 2008). Cochran's Q test was conducted for overall heterogeneity and inconsistency.

We assessed the publication bias using Egger's test (Egger et al. 1997) of the intercept from the funnel plot constructed. We have verified the consistency of our results by using Pustejovsky-Rodger's correction test (more adapted for continuous effect sizes) (Pustejovsky et Rodgers 2019) and the Thompson-Sharp's test (Thompson et Sharp 1999).

We explored the proportion of direct and indirect comparisons for each face-to-face of interventions. We also evaluated the consistency between direct and indirect evidence through separate indirect from direct evidence (SIDE) back calculation method, with p -value of test of disagreement for each comparison.

The ranking of treatments is presented through P-score, based on the random-effects model. Surface under the cumulative ranking curve (SUCRA) has been used for the rankogram. To examine the transitivity assumption, we listed relevant sociodemographic and clinical factors (cf. 3.3 Data extraction) and compared them by means of boxplots. For continuous variables, we used error bars to present means \pm SD according to intervention group.

Sensitivity analyses. Effect size modifiers analyses were carried out for continuous variables (mean age, proportion of men, akathisia treatment duration, akathisia treatment dose, psychotic severity, chlorpromazine equivalent dose, biperiden, trihexyphenidyl, benztropine, diazepam, lorazepam and nitrazepam dose as cotreatments). Five subgroup analyses were carried out limiting analyses to trials (i) with low risk of bias, (ii) with akathisia treatment duration > two days, (iii) using the BARS scale (the most frequent one) vs. other scales. (iv) exploring the efficacy of benzodiazepines (diazepam and clonazepam) and antihistaminics (diphenhydramine and cyproheptadine), (v) by therapeutic classes.

All statistical analyses were performed using the 'netmeta' package (version 2.8-2) in R 4.1.3 (R Foundation, Vienna, Austria; Balduzzi S, 2019).

2. eResults

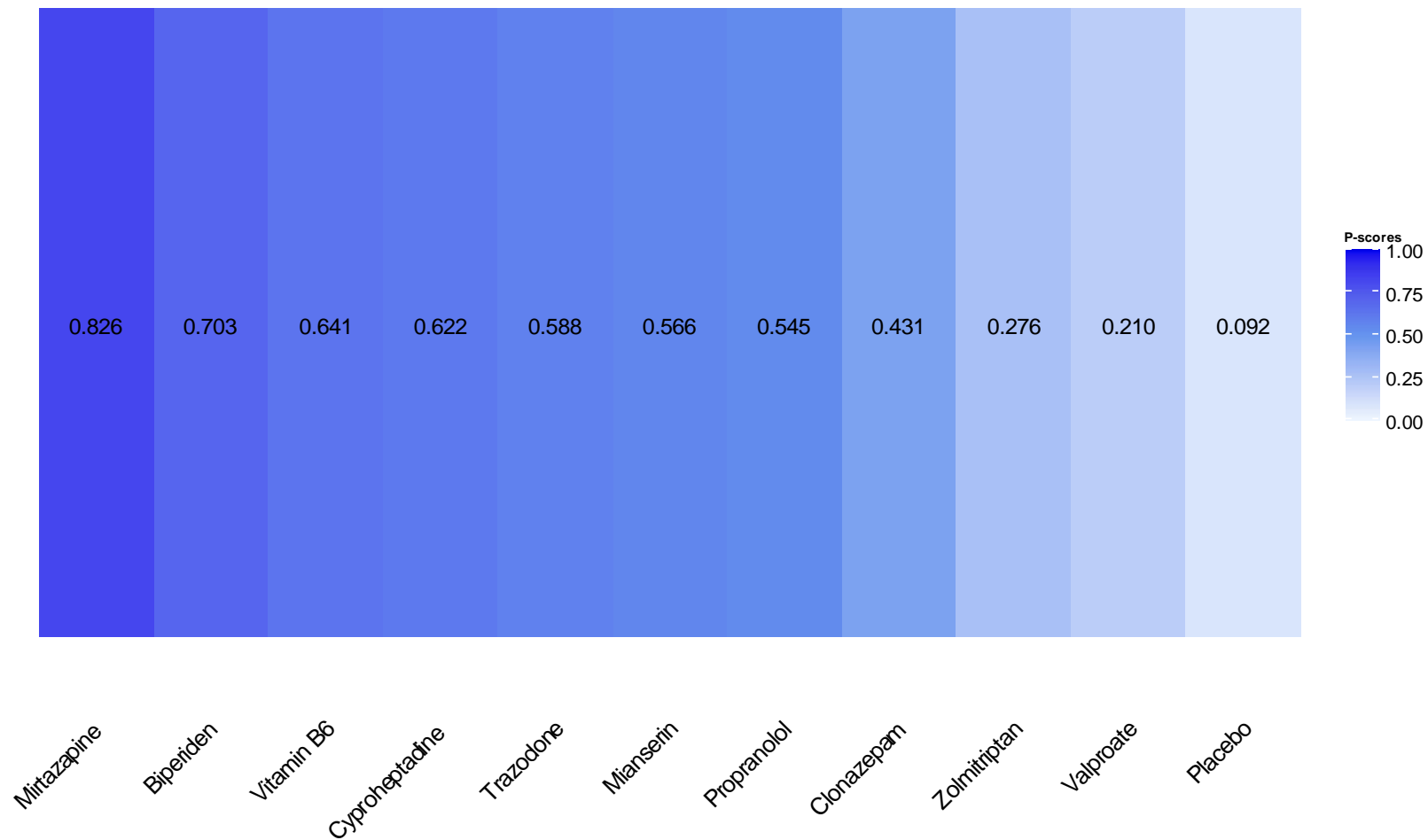
Supplementary text 2. Results for the efficacy at different time points and the efficacy on subjective and objective symptoms

About the efficacy at different time points, vitamin B6 appears to be effective in reducing subjective akathisia symptoms starting from day three^{24,25}. Mianserin is effective from three days in one RCT¹⁶ whereas it is effective from five days on subjective symptoms in another RCT²¹. The same conclusions have been found for trazodone for all subscales^{28,29}.

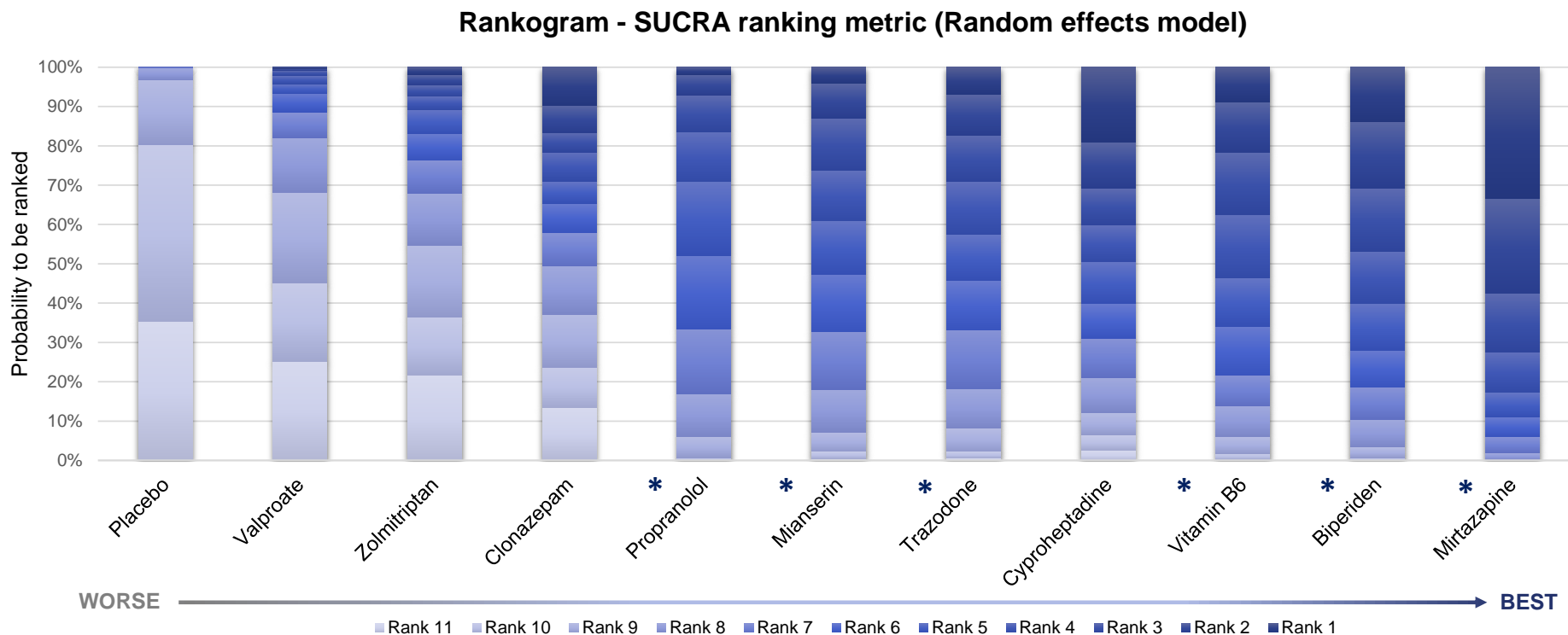
About the efficacy on subjective and objective symptoms, mianserin and vitamin B6 are not statistically effective for objective symptoms, but are effective in all other subscales (global, subjective, distress)^{24,25}. Mirtazapine and propranolol, tested in Poyurovsky 2006²¹, were effective on all subscales, except for distress subscale. Mirtazapine does not reach significance for subjective symptoms and distress subscales in another RCT²⁶. Biperiden is effective on objective and subjective subscales but no data were reported for global and distress subscale, and Baskak et al. do not report efficacy for biperiden but the treatment duration was too short (6 hours)^{18,23}.

eFigure 1. P-score ranking for the 10 interventions treating AIA and placebo.

P-score ranking (random effects model)

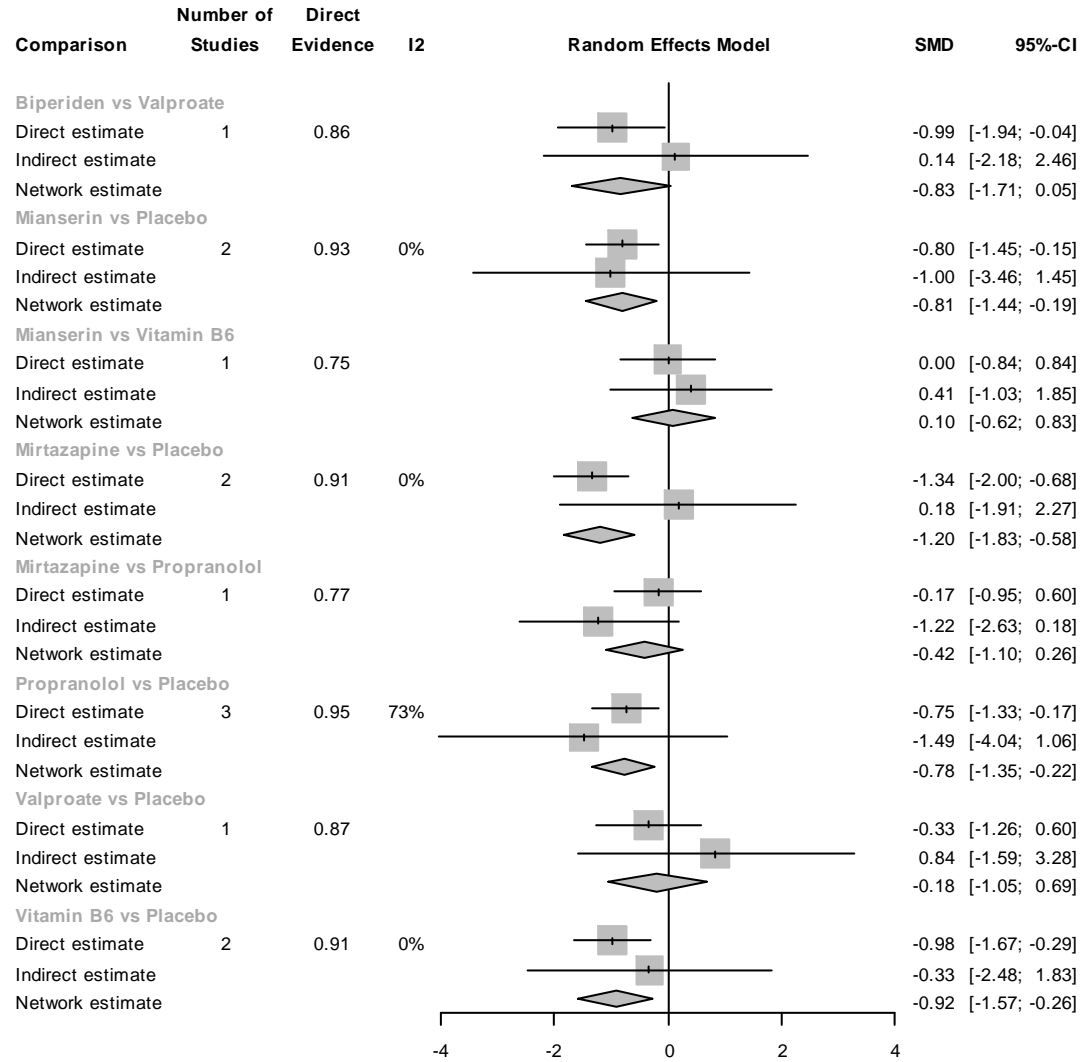


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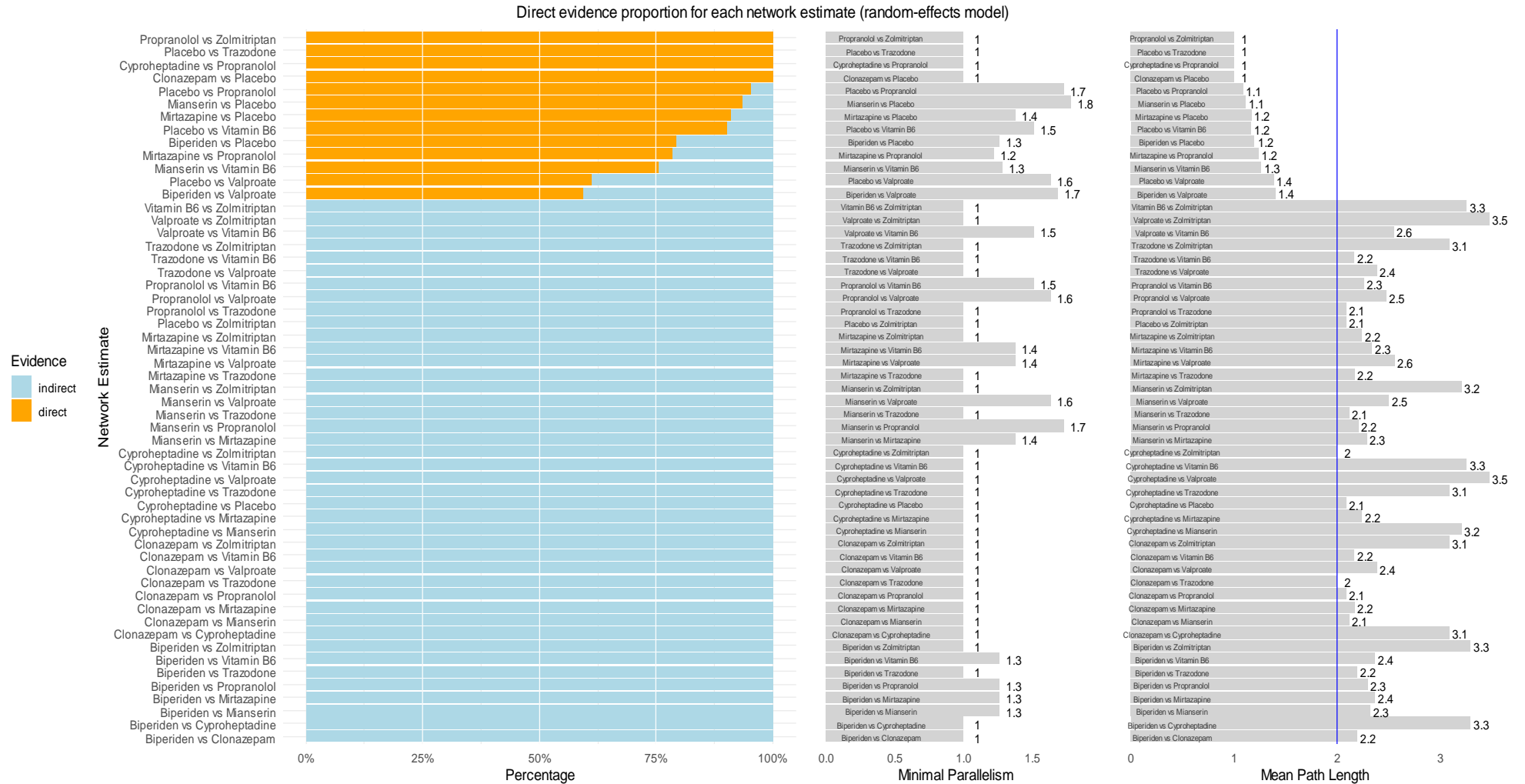


The set of probabilities to be rank from first (rank 1) to eleventh (rank 11) for each intervention is represented in a cumulative bar chart. Raw probabilities are summarized in the cross-tabulation (eTable 5). Darkest colors represent highest ranks, whereas whitest colors represent lowest rank. Asterisks underline interventions for which effect size, as reported in the forest plot (Figure 3), is statistically different than 0.

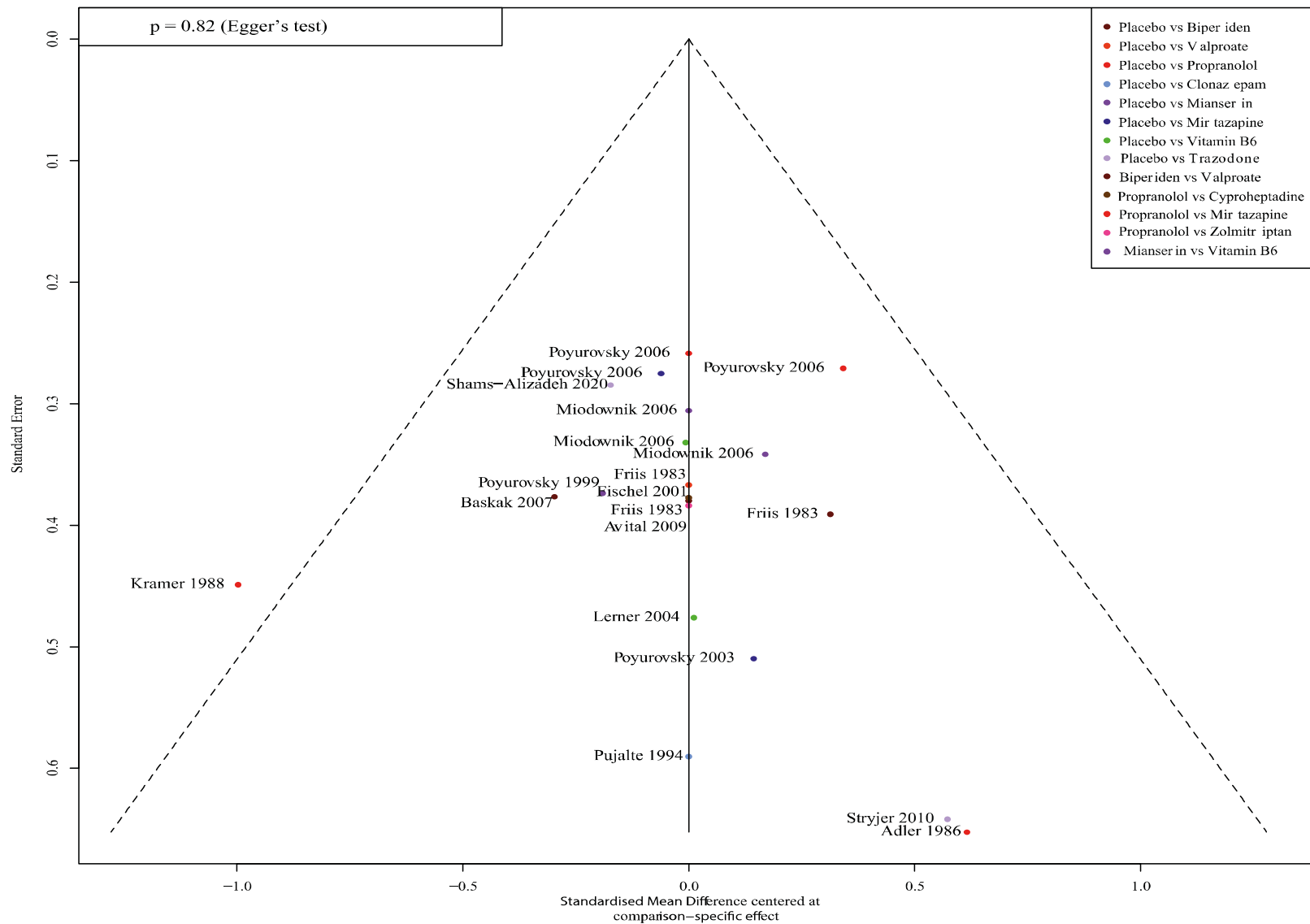
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Bjarke J, Gjerde HN, Jørgensen HA, Kroken RA, Løberg EM, Johnsen E. Akathisia and atypical antipsychotics: relation to suicidality, agitation and depression in a clinical trial. <i>Acta Neuropsychiatr</i> . 2022 Oct;34(5):282-288. doi: 10.1017/neu.2022.9. Epub 2022 May 20. PMID: 35260218.	Missing data for the main outcome
Juncal-Ruiz M, Ramirez-Bonilla M, Gomez-Arnau J, Ortiz-Garcia de la Foz V, Suarez-Pinilla P, Martinez-Garcia O, Neergaard KD, Tabares-Seisdedos R, Crespo-Facorro B. Incidence and risk factors of acute akathisia in 493 individuals with first episode non-affective psychosis: a 6-week randomised study of antipsychotic treatment. <i>Psychopharmacology (Berl)</i> . 2017 Sep;234(17):2563-2570. doi: 10.1007/s00213-017-4646-1. Epub 2017 May 31. PMID: 28567698.	Missing data for the main outcome
Seemüller F, Schennach R, Mayr A, Musil R, Jäger M, Maier W, Klingenberg S, Heuser I, Klosterkötter J, Gastpar M, Schmitt A, Schlösser R, Schneider F, Ohmann C, Lewitzka U, Gaebel W, Möller HJ, Riedel M; German Study Group on First-Episode Schizophrenia. Akathisia and suicidal ideation in first-episode schizophrenia. <i>J Clin Psychopharmacol</i> . 2012 Oct;32(5):694-8. doi: 10.1097/JCP.0b013e3182677958. PMID: 22926606.	Missing data for the main outcome
Trottier ED, Bailey B, Lucas N, Lortie A. Prochlorperazine in children with migraine: a look at its effectiveness and rate of akathisia. <i>Am J Emerg Med</i> . 2012 Mar;30(3):456-63. doi: 10.1016/j.ajem.2010.12.020. Epub 2011 Feb 5. PMID: 21296523.	No psychiatric patient
de Leon J, Diaz FJ, Aguilar MC, Jurado D, Gurpegui M. Does smoking reduce akathisia? Testing a narrow version of the self-medication hypothesis. <i>Schizophr Res</i> . 2006 Sep;86(1-3):256-68. doi: 10.1016/j.schres.2006.05.009. Epub 2006 Jun 30. PMID: 16814524.	No randomized controlled trial
Gross-Isseroff R, Magen A, Shiloh R, Hermesh H, Weizman A. The 5-HT1D receptor agonist zolmitriptan for neuroleptic-induced akathisia: an open label preliminary study. <i>Int Clin Psychopharmacol</i> . 2005 Jan;20(1):23-5. doi: 10.1097/00004850-200501000-00005. PMID: 15602112.	No randomized controlled trial
Vinson DR. Diphenhydramine in the treatment of akathisia induced by prochlorperazine. <i>J Emerg Med</i> . 2004 Apr;26(3):265-70. doi: 10.1016/j.jemermed.2003.11.011. PMID: 15028322.	No randomized controlled trial
Stryjer R, Strous RD, Bar F, Poyurovsky M, Weizman A, Kotler M. Treatment of neuroleptic-induced akathisia with the 5-HT2A antagonist trazodone. <i>Clin Neuropharmacol</i> . 2003 May-Jun;26(3):137-41. doi: 10.1097/00002826-200305000-00006. PMID: 12782915.	No randomized controlled trial

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Collins RW, Jones JB, Walthall JD, Chisholm CD, Giles BK, Brizendine EJ, Cordell WH. Intravenous administration of prochlorperazine by 15-minute infusion versus 2-minute bolus does not affect the incidence of akathisia: a prospective, randomized, controlled trial. <i>Ann Emerg Med</i> . 2001 Nov;38(5):491-6. doi: 10.1067/mem.2001.119249. PMID: 11679859.	No psychiatric patient
Vinson DR, Migala AF, Quesenberry CP Jr. Slow infusion for the prevention of akathisia induced by prochlorperazine: a randomized controlled trial. <i>J Emerg Med</i> . 2001 Feb;20(2):113-9. doi: 10.1016/s0736-4679(00)00297-3. PMID: 11207403.	Missing data for the main outcome
Hirose S, Ashby CR. Intravenous biperiden in akathisia: an open pilot study. <i>Int J Psychiatry Med</i> . 2000;30(2):185-94. doi: 10.2190/RAFD-AXDF-RJAD-FL1R. PMID: 11001281.	No randomized controlled trial
Sharma AN, Steinberg K, Nelson LS. Akathisia and prochlorperazine. <i>Ann Emerg Med</i> . 2000 Aug;36(2):169-70. doi: 10.1067/mem.2000.108179. PMID: 10918114.	No randomized controlled trial
Duncan EJ, Adler LA, Stephanides M, Sanfilippo M, Angrist B. Akathisia and exacerbation of psychopathology: a preliminary report. <i>Clin Neuropharmacol</i> . 2000 May-Jun;23(3):169-73. doi: 10.1097/00002826-200005000-00008. PMID: 10895402.	Missing data for the main outcome
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Drotts DL, Vinson DR. Prochlorperazine induces akathisia in emergency patients. <i>Ann Emerg Med</i> . 1999 Oct;34(4 Pt 1):469-75. doi: 10.1016/s0196-0644(99)80048-1. PMID: 10499947.	Missing data for the main outcome
Gruber O, Northoff G, Pflug B. Subjektives Erleben von Patienten mit akuter neuroleptika-induzierter Akathisie [Subjective experiences of patients with acute neuroleptic-induced akathisia]. <i>Fortschr Neurol Psychiatr</i> . 1998 Dec;66(12):531-8. German. doi: 10.1055/s-2007-995295. PMID: 9922925.	Missing data for the main outcome
Nishimatsu O, Horiguchi J, Inami Y, Sukegawa T, Sasaki A. Periodic limb movement disorder in neuroleptic-induced akathisia. <i>Kobe J Med Sci</i> . 1997 Oct;43(5):169-77. PMID: 9642972.	Sample size < 10
Poyurovsky M, Weizman A. Serotonergic agents in the treatment of acute neuroleptic-induced akathisia: open-label study of buspirone and mianserin. <i>Int Clin Psychopharmacol</i> . 1997 Sep;12(5):263-8. doi: 10.1097/00004850-199709000-00003. PMID: 9466160.	No randomized controlled trial

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Spivak B, Mester R, Abesgaus J, Wittenberg N, Adlersberg S, Gonen N, Weizman A. Clozapine treatment for neuroleptic-induced tardive dyskinesia, parkinsonism, and chronic akathisia in schizophrenic patients. <i>J Clin Psychiatry</i> . 1997 Jul;58(7):318-22. doi: 10.4088/jcp.v58n0706. PMID: 9269253.	Missing data for the main outcome
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DiMartini AF, Trzepacz PT, Daviss SR. Prospective study of FK506 side effects: anxiety or akathisia? <i>Biol Psychiatry</i> . 1996 Sep 1;40(5):407-11. doi: 10.1016/0006-3223(95)00395-9. PMID: 8874843.	Missing data for the main outcome
Foster PN, Stickle BR, Laurence AS. Akathisia following low-dose droperidol for antiemesis in day-case patients. <i>Anaesthesia</i> . 1996 May;51(5):491-4. doi: 10.1111/j.1365-2044.1996.tb07800.x. PMID: 8694168.	No psychiatric patient
Weiss D, Aizenberg D, Hermesh H, Zemishlany Z, Munitz H, Radwan M, Weizman A. Cyproheptadine treatment in neuroleptic-induced akathisia. <i>Br J Psychiatry</i> . 1995 Oct;167(4):483-6. doi: 10.1192/bjp.167.4.483. PMID: 8829717.	No randomized controlled trial
Movin-Osswald G, Karlsson P, Hammarlund-Udenaes M, Farde L. Influence of rate of administration of raclopride on akathisia and prolactin response. <i>Psychopharmacology (Berl)</i> . 1994 Mar;114(2):248-56. doi: 10.1007/BF02244845. PMID: 7838916.	No psychiatric patient
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Remington G, Fornazzari L, Sethna R. Placebo response in refractory tardive akathisia. <i>Can J Psychiatry</i> . 1993 May;38(4):248-50. doi: 10.1177/070674379303800404. PMID: 8100184.	No randomized controlled trial
Sachdev P, Loneragan C. Low-dose apomorphine challenge in tardive akathisia. <i>Neurology</i> . 1993 Mar;43(3 Pt 1):544-7. doi: 10.1212/wnl.43.3_part_1.544. PMID: 8450998.	Missing data for the main outcome
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eTable 2. Characteristics of the included studies comprised in network meta-analysis.

First Author	PY	Country	Akathisia scale	Design
Gagrat	1978	USA	Original Q.	Parallel groups
Friis	1983	Denmark	Original Q.	3-arms, cross-over.
Adler	1986	USA	SAS	Cross-over
Kramer	1988	USA	ARS	Cross-over
Pujalte	1994	France	BARS	Parallel groups
Poyurovsky	1999	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups
Fischel	2001	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups
Poyurovsky	2003	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups
Lerner	2004	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups
Miodownik	2006	Israel	BARS	3-arms
Poyurovsky	2006	Israel	BARS	3-arms
Baskak	2007	Turkey	BARS	Parallel groups
Avital	2009	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups
Stryjer	2010	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups
Shams-Alizadeh	2020	Israel	BARS	Parallel groups

PY: Publication year;

Original Q.: original questionnaire; SAS: Simpson Angus Scale; ARS: Akathisia Rating Scale; BARS: Barnes Akathisia Rating Scale

Description of scales:

Barnes Akathisia Rating Scale (BARS):

- 4-items, with objective, subjective and global assessment,
- Cohen's kappa varies between 0.74 and 0.95 (Barnes 2003).

Akathisia Rating Scale (ARS):

- 10-items, based on Braude et al. (Braude et al. 1983),
- Factors able to distinguish akathisia from other illness-related movements $p < 0.001-0.02$, in principal component analysis (PCA) (Braude et al. 1983).

Simpson Angus Scale (SAS):

- 1-item, objective rating,
- Cronbach $\alpha = 0.79$ (Janno et al. 2005).

Two different original questionnaires (designed for the trial):

- The original scale in Gagrath et al. (Gagrath et al. 1978) was defined as follows: a score of 0 correspond to no akathisia symptoms, 1 to subjective inner restlessness, 2 to objective restlessness, 3 to severe objective restlessness.
- The original scale in Friis et al. (Friis et al. 1983) was defined as follows: for subjective symptoms, a score of 0 corresponds to absence of symptom, 1 to slight feeling of restlessness, slight muscle sensation in legs and slight anxiety or irritation, 2 to moderate feeling of restlessness, strong wish to move or concentration difficulties, dysphoric mood, anxiety and/or irritation, 3 to strong feeling of restlessness, compulsion to move, totally occupied by the symptoms, sleeping problems and agitation, psychosis aggravation. For objective signs, a score 0 correspond to absence, 1 to can sit still up to one hour and slight movements and feet tapping, 2 to can sit still up to 15 minutes, often leg movements and feet tapping, sometimes lifting the arms and stands or walks around most of the time, 3 to cannot sit still, constant arm and leg movements, rocking of the body and pacing.

First Author	PY	N	Arm 1 (n)	Arm 2 (n)	Arm 3 (n)	Reference group
Gagrat	1978	20	Diazepam (9)	Diphenhydramine (11)	-	Diphenhydramine
Friis	1983	45	Valproate (15)	Biperiden (15)	Placebo (15)	Placebo
Adler	1986	12	Propranolol (6)	Placebo (6)	-	Placebo
Kramer	1988	20	Propranolol (10)	Placebo (10)	-	Placebo
Pujalte	1994	12	Clonazepam (6)	Placebo (6)	-	Placebo
Poyurovsky	1999	30	Mianserin (15)	Placebo (15)	-	Placebo
Fischel	2001	29	Cyproheptadine (17)	Propranolol (12)	-	Propranolol
Poyurovsky	2003	26	Mirtazapine (13)	Placebo (13)	-	Placebo
Lerner	2004	20	Vitamin B6 (10)	Placebo (10)	-	Placebo
Miodownik	2006	60	Mianserin (20)	Vitamin B6 (23)	Placebo (17)	Placebo
Poyurovsky	2006	90	Mirtazapine (30)	Propranolol (30)	Placebo (30)	Placebo
Baskak	2007	30	Biperiden (15)	Placebo (15)	-	Placebo
Avital	2009	33	Zolmitriptan (14)	Propranolol (19)	-	Propranolol
Stryjer	2010	13	Trazodone (8)	Placebo (5)	-	Placebo
Shams-Alizadeh	2020	52	Trazodone (26)	Placebo (26)	-	Placebo

The sample sizes of the trials ranged from 12 to 90 participants. The mean duration of intervention was 5.5 days (Standard deviation (SD) = 4.0). Out of the total participants, 309 (63.4%) were male, and the mean age was 36 (SD = 5). Eight studies (53.3%) recruited patients from Israel, three (20.0%) from the USA, and one each from Denmark, France, Turkey, and Iran (6.7% each).

The distribution of diagnoses was as follows: 348 (80.0%) had schizophrenia, 49 (11.3%) had schizoaffective disorder, 12 (2.8%) had bipolar disorder, nine (2.1%) had schizophreniform disorder, five (1.1%) had delusional disorder, three (0.7%) had psychotic depression, three (0.7%) had a personality disorder, three (0.7%) had alcoholic dementia, one (0.2%) had obsessive-compulsive disorder, one (0.2%) had an anxiety disorder, and one (0.2%) had another psychotic disorder. One study (43) did not report any DSM-5 diagnoses for its participants (52 participants).

Among all participants, 384 (80.2%) were treated with first-generation antipsychotics, 99 (21.0%) were treated with second-generation antipsychotics (defined by one of the following ATC codes: sertindole N05AE03, lurasidone N05AE05, clozapine N05AH02, olanzapine N05AH03, quetiapine N05AH04, sultopride N05AL02, amisulpride N05AL05, risperidone N05AX08, aripiprazole N05AX12, paliperidone N05AX13, cariprazine N05AX15, brexpiprazole N05AX16), and 7 (1.5%) received a combination of first and second-generation antipsychotics. One trial (Stryjer et al. 2010) did not report the type of antipsychotics taken by participants (13 participants). The mean PANSS severity score was 72 (SD = 24). The mean chlorpromazine equivalent dose was 814 mg/day (SD = 520). The CPZeq of trials are on average below 700 mg/d, except for three RCTs assessing propranolol (Adler et al. 1986; Kramer et al. 1988) and clonazepam (Pujalte et al. 1994).

The allowance of benzodiazepines and anticholinergics as cotreatments were mentioned in respectively eight RCTs (Adler et al. 1986; Pujalte et al. 1994; Poyurovsky et al. 1999, 2006; Fischel et al. 2001; Baskak et al. 2007; Avital et al. 2009; Stryjer et al. 2010)(53.3%) and thirteen RCTs (Friis et al. 1983; Adler et al. 1986; Kramer et al. 1988; Pujalte et al. 1994; Poyurovsky et al. 1999, 2006; Fischel et al. 2001; Lerner et al. 2004; Miodownik et al. 2006; Baskak et al. 2007; Avital et al. 2009; Stryjer et al. 2010; Shams-Alizadeh et al. 2020)(86.7%) and unknown in respectively six RCTs (Friis et al. 1983; Kramer et al. 1988; Poyurovsky et al. 2003; Lerner et al. 2004; Miodownik et al. 2006; Shams-Alizadeh et al. 2020)(40.0%) and one RCT(Poyurovsky et al. 2003)(6.7%). Cotreatments with benzodiazepines and anticholinergics were not allowed (exclusion criterion) in respectively four RCTs (Pujalte et al. 1994; Fischel et al. 2001; Baskak et al. 2007; Stryjer et al. 2010)(26.7%) and five RCTs (Friis et al. 1983; Fischel et al. 2001; Baskak et al. 2007; Stryjer et al. 2010; Shams-Alizadeh et al. 2020)(33.3%).

eTable 3. Subnetwork for Gagrat 1978 with treatment effect size estimate and calculation method.

	Experimental	Control	SMD	seSMD	95% CI
Gagrat 1978	Diazepam	Diphenhydramine	-0.122	0.450	[-1.0034; 0.7602]

Number of studies	Number of pairwise comparisons	Number of treatments
1	1	2

In Gagrat 1978, SDs were missing. Student's t-tests (df = 19) for independent samples were conducted. We know that the mean differences of score between diazepam and diphenhydramine aren't statistically significant at the different time-points. Using the homoscedasticity hypothesis of Student's test and a not significant p-value, we can estimate the pooled value of SD for the two samples. We simulated results with multiple not significant p-values.

The most likely value of SDs is near studies sharing similar characteristics in our NMA (Friis 1983). Calculations leads to: pooled SD = 0.63; p-value = 0.39. The effect size is compatible with a small effect of diazepam comparing to diphenhydramine in NIA, matching with conclusions of Gagrat et al.

SMD: standardized mean difference; seSMD: standard error of SMD.

eTable 4. Characteristics of the interventions comprised in the network meta-analysis.

Experimental (or control)	Total number of patients across NMA	Total number of studies	Therapeutic class	Hypothetic therapeutic action(s) on NIA
Diazepam	9	1	Benzodiazepines (long half-life)	Γ-aminobutyric acid receptor agonist
Clonazepam	6	1		
Diphenhydramine	11	1	Antihistaminics	5-HT ₂ antagonistic activity
Cyproheptadine	17	1		
Propranolol	77	5	β-adrenergic blocker	Central and peripheral effects of beta-blocking
Valproate	15	1	Mood stabilizer / Antiepileptic	Γ-aminobutyric acid mimetic drug
Biperiden	30	2	Anticholinergic	Stop increasing acetylcholine turn-over
Mianserin	35	2	Antidepressants (α ₂ -blockers)	5-HT _{2A} antagonistic activity
Mirtazapine	43	2		
Trazodone	34	2	Antidepressant (5-HT _{2A} blocker)	Post-synaptic antagonism 5-HT _{2A} and 5-HT _{2C}
Vitamin B6	33	2	Water-soluble vitamin	Co-factor in decarboxylation from dopa to dopamine, antioxidant, free radical scavenger
Zolmitriptan	14	1	Triptan (5-HT _{1D} agonist)	Inhibition of 5-HT _{1D} presynaptic auto-receptor
Placebo	168	12	-	-

12 studies have placebo as control group. Three studies have an active treatment as control group: propranolol (n = 2), diphenhydramine (n = 1).

eTable 5. Cross-tabulation of ranking probabilities for the 10 akathisia interventions and placebo.

	Rank 1	Rank 2	Rank 3	Rank 4	Rank 5	Rank 6	Rank 7	Rank 8	Rank 9	Rank 10	Rank 11
Placebo	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.001	0.032	0.163	0.45	0.354
Valproate	0.003	0.005	0.014	0.02	0.025	0.047	0.065	0.14	0.229	0.199	0.253
Zolmitriptan	0.02	0.026	0.028	0.033	0.063	0.066	0.084	0.133	0.183	0.147	0.217
Clonazepam	0.097	0.069	0.05	0.074	0.056	0.074	0.085	0.124	0.134	0.102	0.135
Propranolol	0.018	0.054	0.093	0.126	0.188	0.187	0.164	0.109	0.054	0.007	0
Mianserin	0.041	0.088	0.134	0.127	0.137	0.146	0.147	0.108	0.049	0.018	0.005
Trazodone	0.07	0.103	0.117	0.134	0.118	0.125	0.15	0.101	0.059	0.017	0.006
Cyproheptadine	0.191	0.116	0.095	0.092	0.107	0.088	0.101	0.088	0.057	0.038	0.027
Vitamin B6	0.088	0.129	0.159	0.159	0.124	0.123	0.08	0.077	0.043	0.015	0.003
Biperiden	0.138	0.169	0.161	0.132	0.119	0.095	0.082	0.07	0.027	0.007	0
Mirtazapine	0.334	0.241	0.149	0.103	0.063	0.049	0.041	0.018	0.002	0	0

eTable 6. Results for Separate indirect from direct evidence (SIDE) using back-calculation method, testing agreement between direct and indirect evidence.

Comparison	k	Prop	NMA	Direct	Indirect	Diff	Z	p-value
Biperiden vs Clonazepam	0	0	-0.4552	.	-0.4552	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Cyproheptadine	0	0	-0.1026	.	-0.1026	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Mianserin	0	0	-0.1993	.	-0.1993	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Mirtazapine	0	0	0.1907	.	0.1907	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Placebo	2	1.00	-1.0129	-1.0129	.	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Propranolol	0	0	-0.2296	.	-0.2296	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Trazodone	0	0	-0.1695	.	-0.1695	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Valproate	1	0.86	-0.8315	-0.9939	0.1385	-1.1324	-0.88	0.38
Biperiden vs Vitamin B6	0	0	-0.0953	.	-0.0953	.	.	.
Biperiden vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.7240	.	-0.7240	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Cyproheptadine	0	0	0.3526	.	0.3526	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Mianserin	0	0	0.2559	.	0.2559	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Mirtazapine	0	0	0.6460	.	0.6460	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Placebo	1	1.00	-0.5577	-0.5577	.	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Propranolol	0	0	0.2256	.	0.2256	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Trazodone	0	0	0.2857	.	0.2857	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Valproate	0	0	-0.3763	.	-0.3763	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Vitamin B6	0	0	0.3599	.	0.3599	.	.	.
Clonazepam vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.2688	.	-0.2688	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Mianserin	0	0	-0.0966	.	-0.0966	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Mirtazapine	0	0	0.2934	.	0.2934	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Placebo	0	0	-0.9103	.	-0.9103	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Propranolol	1	1.00	-0.1270	-0.1270	.	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Trazodone	0	0	-0.0668	.	-0.0668	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Valproate	0	0	-0.7289	.	-0.7289	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Vitamin B6	0	0	0.0073	.	0.0073	.	.	.
Cyproheptadine vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.6214	.	-0.6214	.	.	.
Mianserin vs Mirtazapine	0	0	0.3900	.	0.3900	.	.	.
Mianserin vs Placebo	2	0.93	-0.8136	-0.8004	-1.0046	0.2042	0.16	0.87
Mianserin vs Propranolol	0	0	-0.0304	.	-0.0304	.	.	.

Mianserin vs Trazodone	0	0	0.0298	.	0.0298	.	.	.
Mianserin vs Valproate	0	0	-0.6322	.	-0.6322	.	.	.
Mianserin vs Vitamin B6	1	0.75	0.1039	0.0000	0.4076	-0.4076	-0.48	0.63
Mianserin vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.5248	.	-0.5248	.	.	.
Mirtazapine vs Placebo	2	0.91	-1.2037	-1.3415	0.1799	-1.5214	-1.36	0.17
Mirtazapine vs Propranolol	1	0.77	-0.4204	-0.1747	-1.2215	1.0468	1.28	0.20
Mirtazapine vs Trazodone	0	0	-0.3602	.	-0.3602	.	.	.
Mirtazapine vs Valproate	0	0	-1.0222	.	-1.0222	.	.	.
Mirtazapine vs Vitamin B6	0	0	-0.2861	.	-0.2861	.	.	.
Mirtazapine vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.9148	.	-0.9148	.	.	.
Propranolol vs Placebo	3	0.95	-0.7833	-0.7469	-1.4902	0.7433	0.56	0.58
Trazodone vs Placebo	2	1.00	-0.8434	-0.8434	.	.	.	.
Valproate vs Placebo	1	0.87	-0.1814	-0.3313	0.8448	-1.1761	-0.88	0.38
Vitamin B6 vs Placebo	2	0.91	-0.9176	-0.9780	-0.3258	-0.6522	-0.57	0.57
Zolmitriptan vs Placebo	0	0	-0.2889	.	-0.2889	.	.	.
Propranolol vs Trazodone	0	0	0.0602	.	0.0602	.	.	.
Propranolol vs Valproate	0	0	-0.6019	.	-0.6019	.	.	.
Propranolol vs Vitamin B6	0	0	0.1343	.	0.1343	.	.	.
Propranolol vs Zolmitriptan	1	1.00	-0.4944	-0.4944	.	.	.	.
Trazodone vs Valproate	0	0	-0.6620	.	-0.6620	.	.	.
Trazodone vs Vitamin B6	0	0	0.0741	.	0.0741	.	.	.
Trazodone vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.5546	.	-0.5546	.	.	.
Valproate vs Vitamin B6	0	0	0.7361	.	0.7361	.	.	.
Valproate vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	0.1075	.	0.1075	.	.	.
Vitamin B6 vs Zolmitriptan	0	0	-0.6287	.	-0.6287	.	.	.

k - Number of studies providing direct evidence ; Prop - Direct evidence proportion ; NMA - Estimated treatment effect (SMD) in network meta-analysis ; Direct - Estimated treatment effect (SMD) derived from direct evidence ; Indirect - Estimated treatment effect (SMD) derived from indirect evidence ; Diff - Difference between direct and indirect treatment estimates ; Z - z-value of test for disagreement (direct versus indirect) ; p-value - p-value of test for disagreement (direct versus indirect).

P-values ≤ 0.10 for SIDE-test means that there is a disagreement between direct and indirect evidence for the considered comparison.

eTable 7. Egger's test details (publication bias assessment).

<i>Egger's test</i>			
Intercept	95% CI	t	p-value
-0.546	[-4.97; 3.87]	-0.242	0.81

eTable 8. Pustejovsky-Rodgers's corrected test details (for standard error of SMD) (publication bias assessment).

<i>Pustejovsky-Rodger's correction</i>			
Intercept	95% CI	t	p-value
-0.241	[-5.72; 5.24]	-0.086	0.93

eTable 9. Thompson-Sharp's test details (publication bias assessment).

<i>Thompson-Sharp's test</i>			
Intercept	95% CI	t	p-value
-0.5712	[-0.574; -0.569]	0.501	0.62

eTable 10. Tolerability outcome details: adverse events for the 10 akathisia interventions and placebo (meta-analysis level)

Treatment	N patients in NMA (without dropouts)	Number of patients with adverse events (%)						
		Drowsiness	Dizziness	Lightheadedness	Headache	Nausea or vomiting	Hypersalivation	Dry mouth
Mirtazapine	34	11 (32.4%)	4 (11.8%)	0	2 (5.9%)	0	0	5 (14.7%)
Biperiden	29	0	0	0	1 (3.4%)	1 (3.4%)	2 (6.9%)	10 (34.5%)
Vitamin B6	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cyproheptadine	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trazodone	33	9 (27.3%)	5 (15.2%)	3 (9.1%)	0	0	0	3 (9.1%)
Mianserin	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Propranolol	61	8 (13.1%)	3 (4.9%)	0	2 (3.3%)	0	0	3 (4.9%)
Clonazepam	6	MD	MD	MD	MD	MD	MD	MD
Zolmitriptan	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valproate	15	0	0	0	0	0	5 (33.3%)	5 (33.3%)
Diazepam	9	NS*	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diphenhydramine	11		0	0	0	0	0	0
Placebo	202	13 (6.4%)	1 (0.5%)	6 (3.0%)	0	2 (1.0%)	2 (1.0%)	11 (5.4%)

A frequent reason for dropout is lack of efficacy / persistent or worsening AIA, observed in 9/43 patients (20.9%) for mirtazapine, 27/168 (16.0%) for placebo, 4/35 (11.4%) for mianserin and 6/77 (7.8%) for propranolol. All dropouts for mirtazapine occur between three and five days after the initiation of therapy^{21,26}. Overall, severe adverse events occur for only two patients: one patient suffered from severe bradycardia with propranolol and one patient has an allergic reaction to biperiden. Other motives for treatment discontinuation were delusions for zolmitriptan

(n=5) and propranolol (n=4), a switch of antipsychotic for zolmitriptan (n=1), adverse events (without further specification) for zolmitriptan (n=5), moderate sedation for cyproheptadine (n=1), and no reported motives for discontinuation for the other augmentation drugs.

NMA: network meta-analysis;

NS*: non statistically significant difference between diazepam and diphenhydramine, no count reported by authors (Gagrat et al.).

Treatment	N patients in NMA (without dropouts)	Number of patients with adverse events (%)				
		Perspiration	Sedation	Vision disturbances	Hypotension	Palpitations
Mirtazapine	34	0	0	4 (11.8%)	0	2 (5.9%)
Biperiden	29	0	14 (48.3%)	2 (6.9%)	0	0
Vitamin B6	33	0	0	0	0	0
Cyproheptadine	16	0	0	0	0	0
Trazodone	33	3 (9.1%)	0	0	0	0
Mianserin	31	0	0	0	0	0
Propranolol	61	0	0	2 (3.3%)	4 (6.6%)	3 (4.9%)
Clonazepam	6	MD	MD	MD	MD	MD
Zolmitriptan	8	0	0	0	0	0
Valproate	15	0	8 (53.3%)	0	0	0
Diazepam	9	0	0	0	0	0
Diphenhydramine	11	0	0	0	0	0
Placebo	202	1 (0.5%)	10 (5.0%)	5 (2.5%)	0	3 (1.5%)

Treatment	N patients in NMA (without dropouts)	Number of patients with adverse events (%)				
		Hypokinesia	Increased sexual desire	Transient sedation	Depression	Transient orthostatic hypotension
Mirtazapine	34	0	0	0	0	0
Biperiden	29	2 (6.9%)	0	0	0	2 (6.9%)
Vitamin B6	33	0	0	0	0	0
Cyproheptadine	16	0	0	0	0	0
Trazodone	33	0	0	0	0	0
Mianserin	31	0	0	8 (25.8%)	0	1 (3.2%)
Propranolol	61	0	0	0	0	0
Clonazepam	6	MD	MD	MD	MD	MD
Zolmitriptan	8	0	0	0	0	0
Valproate	15	0	0	0	4 (26.7%)	0
Diazepam	9	0	0	0	0	0
Diphenhydramine	11	0	0	0	0	0
Placebo	202	1 (0.5%)	1 (0.5%)	3 (1.5%)	2 (1.0%)	2 (1.0%)

eTable 11. Acceptability outcome details: dropouts for the 10 akathisia interventions and placebo (meta-analysis level)

Treatment	N patients in NMA	Number of dropout (%)	Motive(s) for dropout
Mirtazapine	43	9 (20.9%)	Intolerance to persistent or worsening NIA
Biperiden	30	1 (3.3%)	Allergic reaction
Vitamin B6	33	0	N/A
Cyproheptadine	17	1 (5.9%)	Moderate sedation
Trazodone	34	1 (2.9%)	Missing data
Mianserin	35	4 (11.4%)	Intolerance to persistent NIA
Propranolol	77	16 (20.8%)	Intolerance to persistent NIA (n = 6), delusions (n = 4), severe bradycardia (n = 1), adverse events (n = 5)
Clonazepam	6	0	N/A
Zolmitriptan	14	6 (42.9%)	Delusions (n = 5), switch of neuroleptic treatment (n = 1)
Valproate	15	0	N/A
Diazepam	9	0	N/A
Diphenhydramine	11	0	N/A
Placebo	168	28 (12.2%)	Intolerance to persistent or worsening NIA (n = 27), missing data (n = 1)

3. Transitivity assumption

To explore the transitivity assumption, we present below, clustered by intervention arm:

- Boxplots (for qualitative parameters).
- Error bars (for continuous parameters), that represent mean of the parameter considered plus or minus its standard deviation.

For boxplots: When boxplots show ratios, a ratio of 1.0 indicates 100% for the parameter considered (men ratio, schizophrenic patients, patients treated with first-generation antipsychotics).

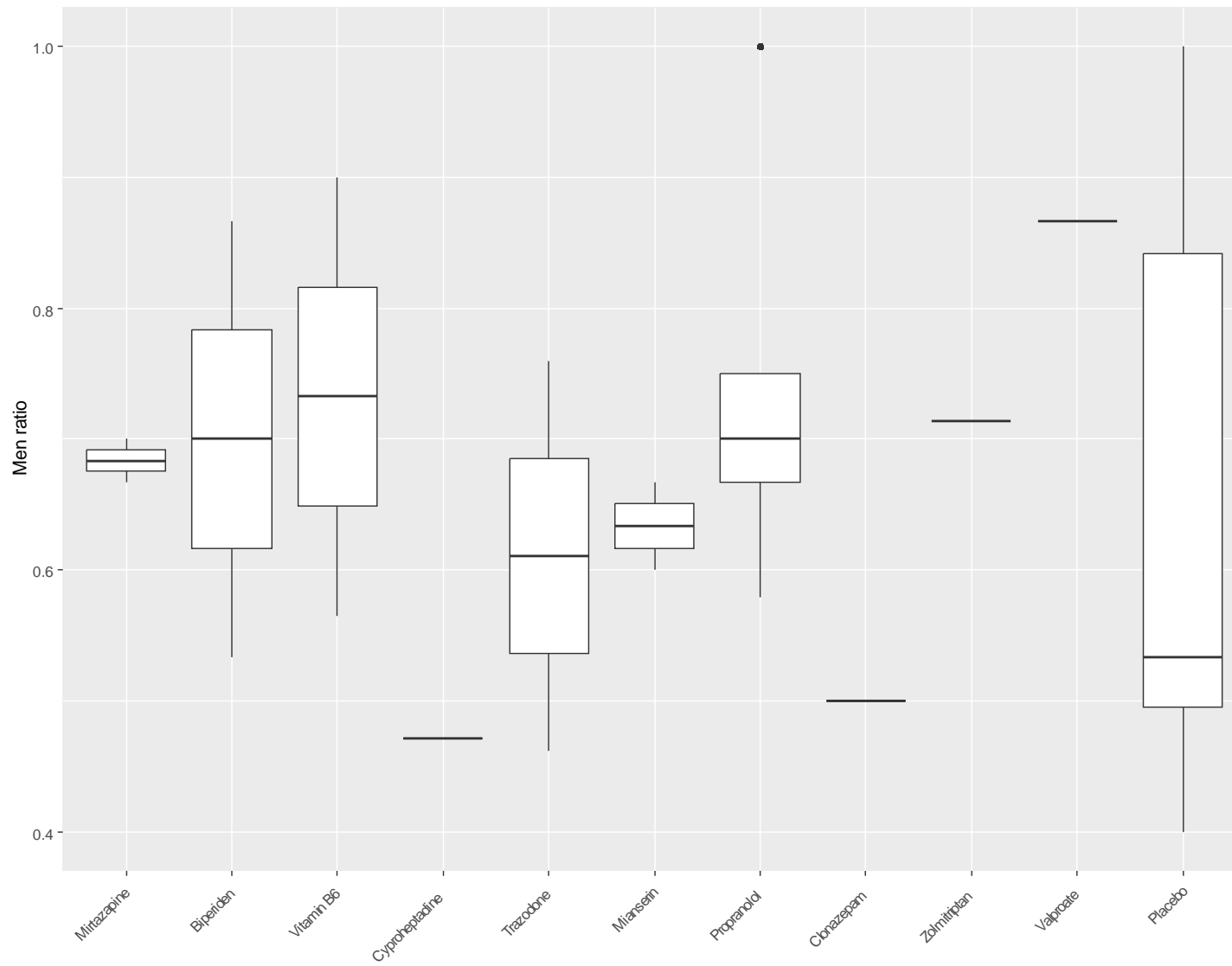
For error bars: They show mean \pm standard deviation (SD) and simply display the variance of the continuous parameter considered.

For anticholinergics and benzodiazepines data: They present data of participants treated by cotreatment drugs, not used as active treatment and only for the trials allowing their use.

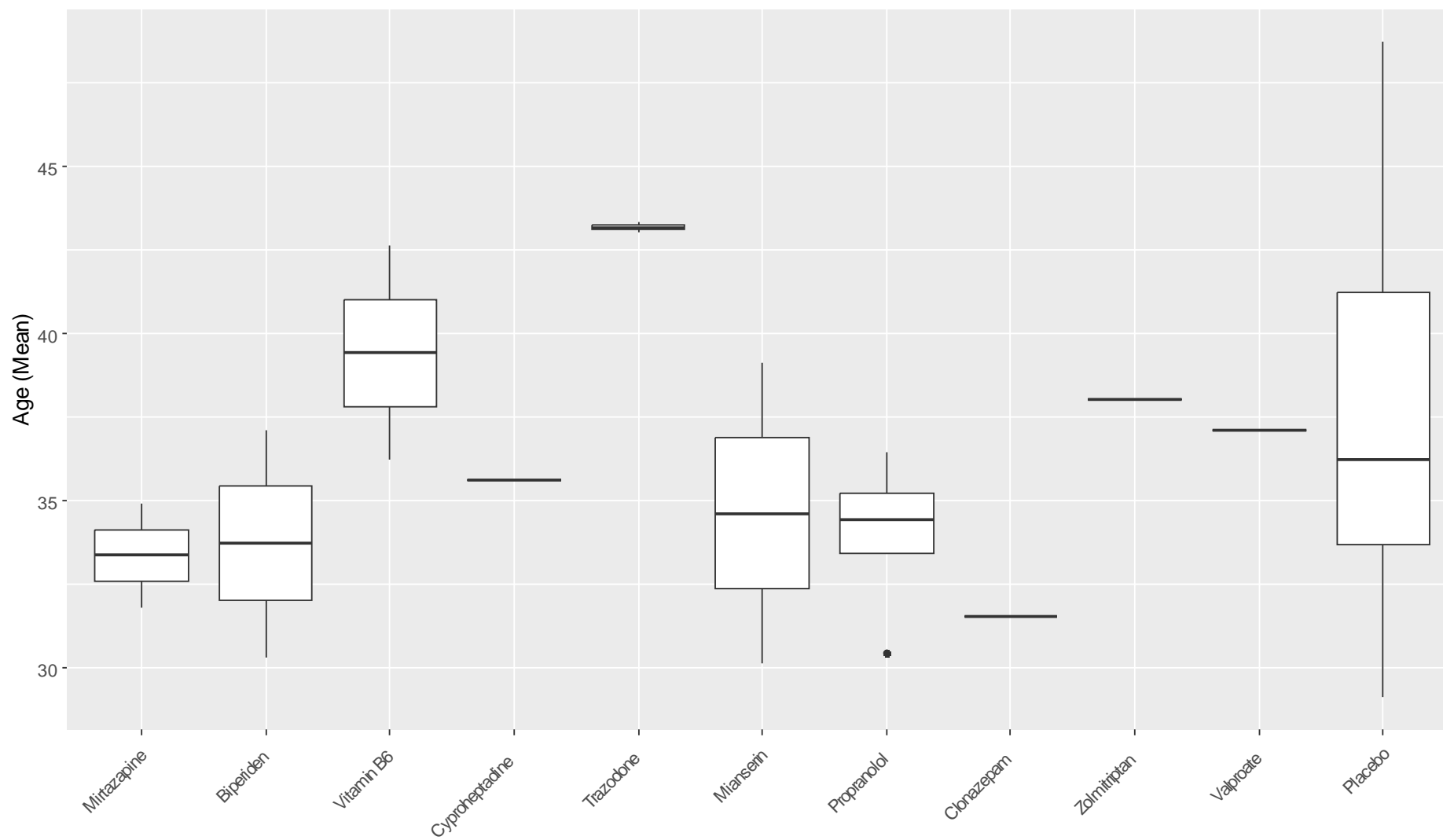
These cotreatment drugs have been initiated before the start of the relevant trials.

Regarding demographic characteristics, the patients participating in the NMA do not substantially differ in terms of sex ratio and age, except for two outlier studies. One trial had a sample consisting of 100% men, testing propranolol (Kramer et al. 1988) and one trial with the lowest proportion of men of 40% in the placebo group (Baskak et al. 2007). The diagnosis of schizophrenia was present in 60% or more of the participants, except for the vitamin B6 arms. Only biperiden shows a wide range of treatment duration, ranging from one day to 14 days. The daily treatment dose ranges from 2 to 12 mg for biperiden, from 20 to 120 mg for propranolol, from 50 to 100 mg for trazodone, and from 600 to 1200 mg for vitamin B6. At baseline, the psychotic severity measured by PANSS score in the experimental group ranged between 50 and 100 points, with the exception of three extremes: one biperiden arm (112 pts), one mirtazapine arm (42 pts), and one propranolol arm (38 pts). More than 60% of the participants were treated with first-generation antipsychotics, except for the trazodone arm (only 34.6%). The chlorpromazine equivalent dose was distributed below 1000 mg/day, except for two propranolol arms (1354 and 1047 mg/day) and the clonazepam arm (1416 mg/day).

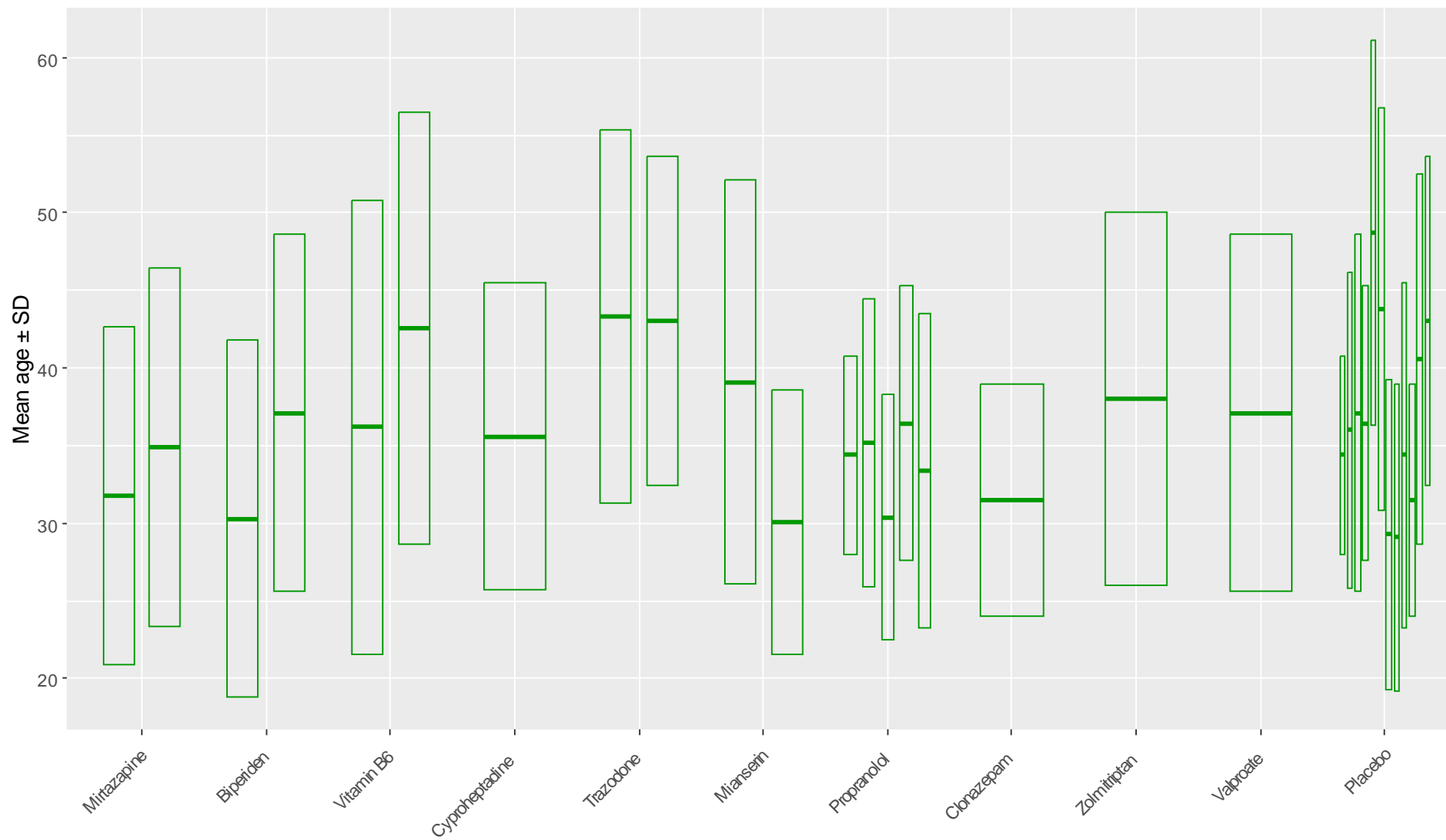
eFigure 6. Boxplot showing men ratio clustered by intervention.



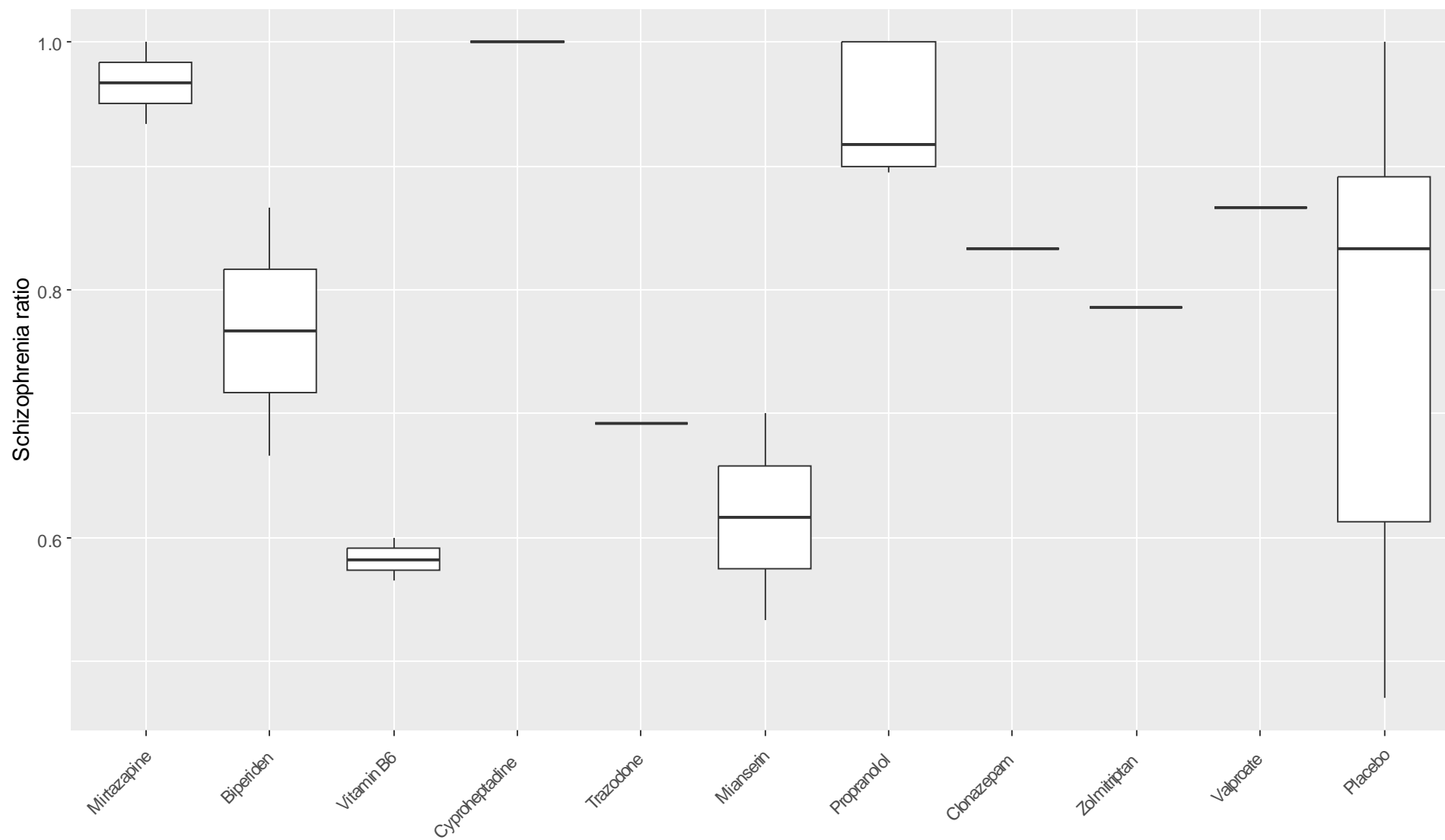
eFigure 7. Boxplot showing age (mean) clustered by intervention.



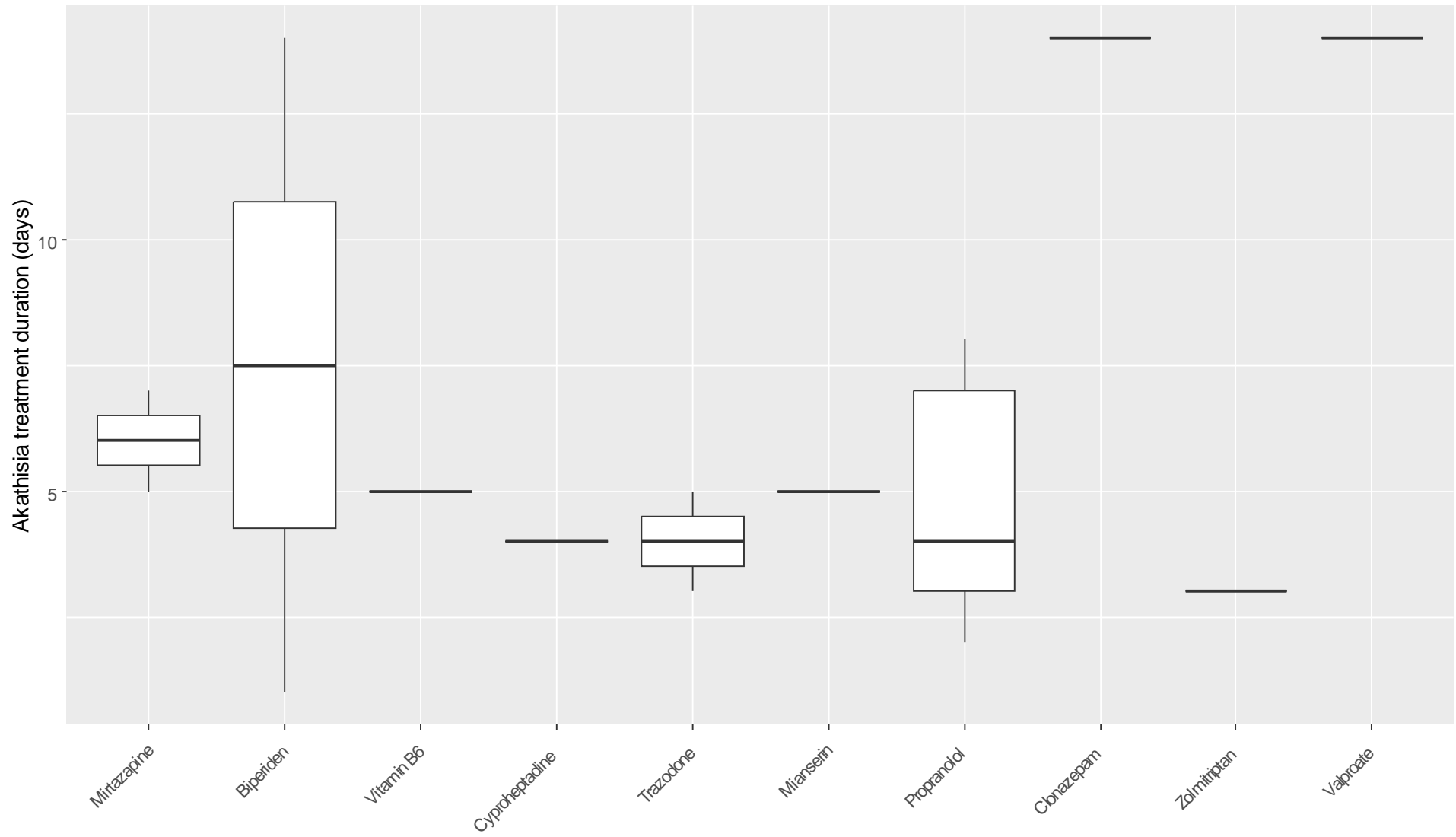
eFigure 8. Error bars showing mean age \pm standard deviation clustered by intervention.



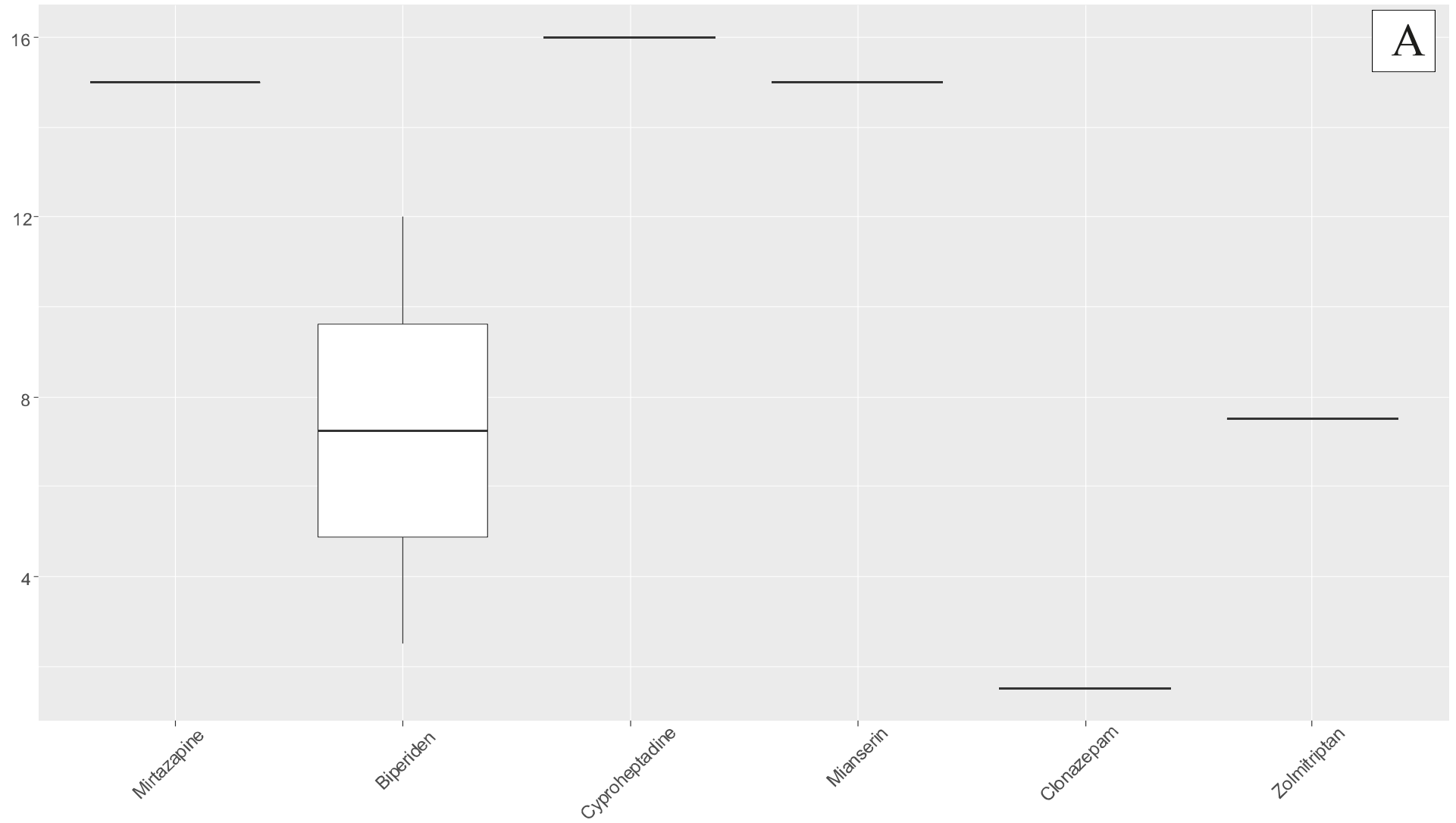
eFigure 9. Boxplot showing schizophrenia ratio (DSM-5 diagnosis) in participants clustered by intervention.



eFigure 10. Boxplot showing akathisia treatment duration (days) clustered by intervention.

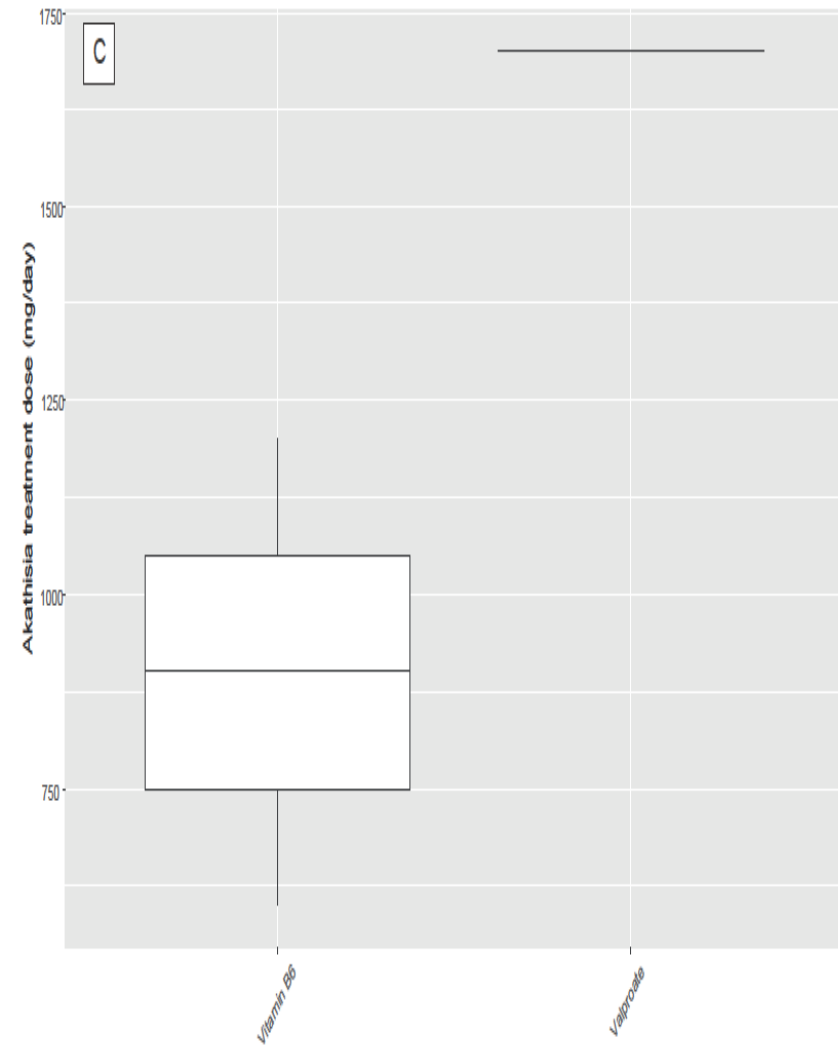
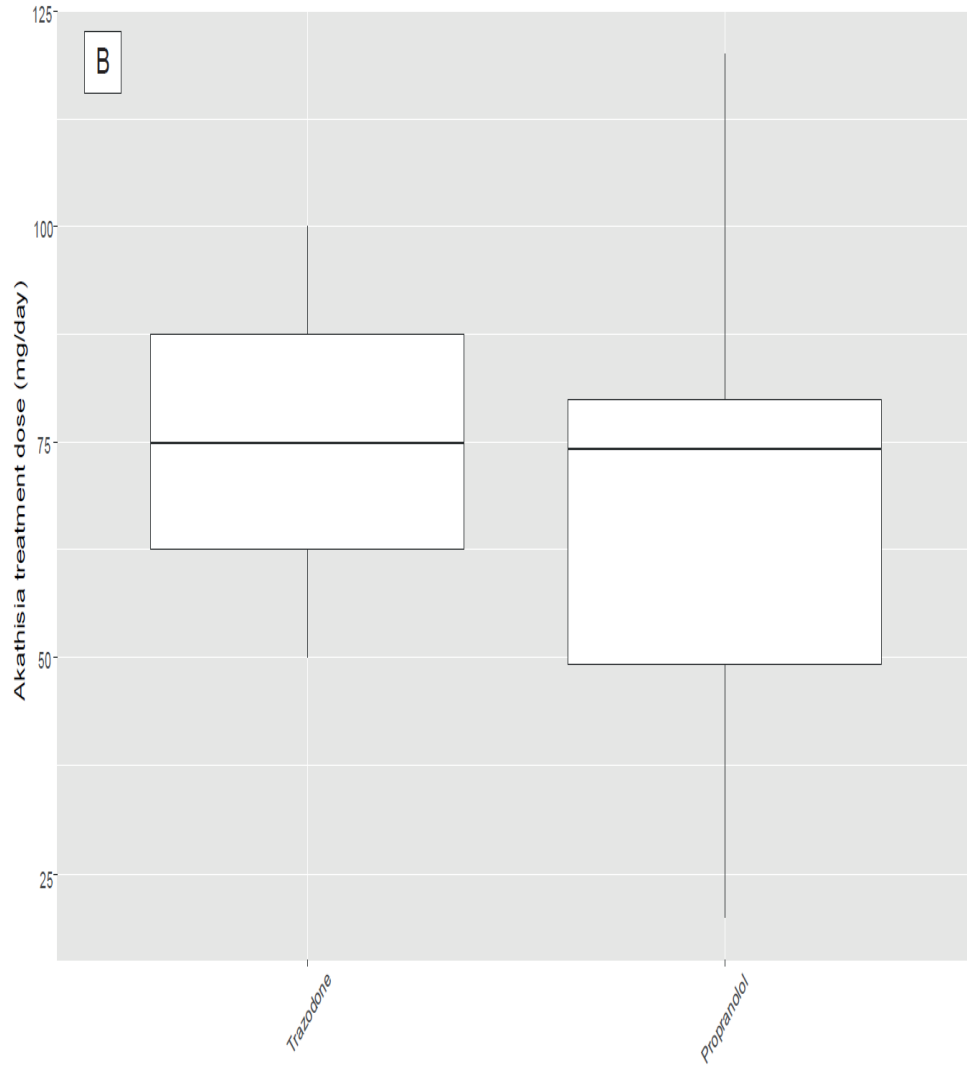


eFigure 11. Boxplot showing akathisia treatment dose (mg/day), sort by dose range (A – low dose) for each intervention.

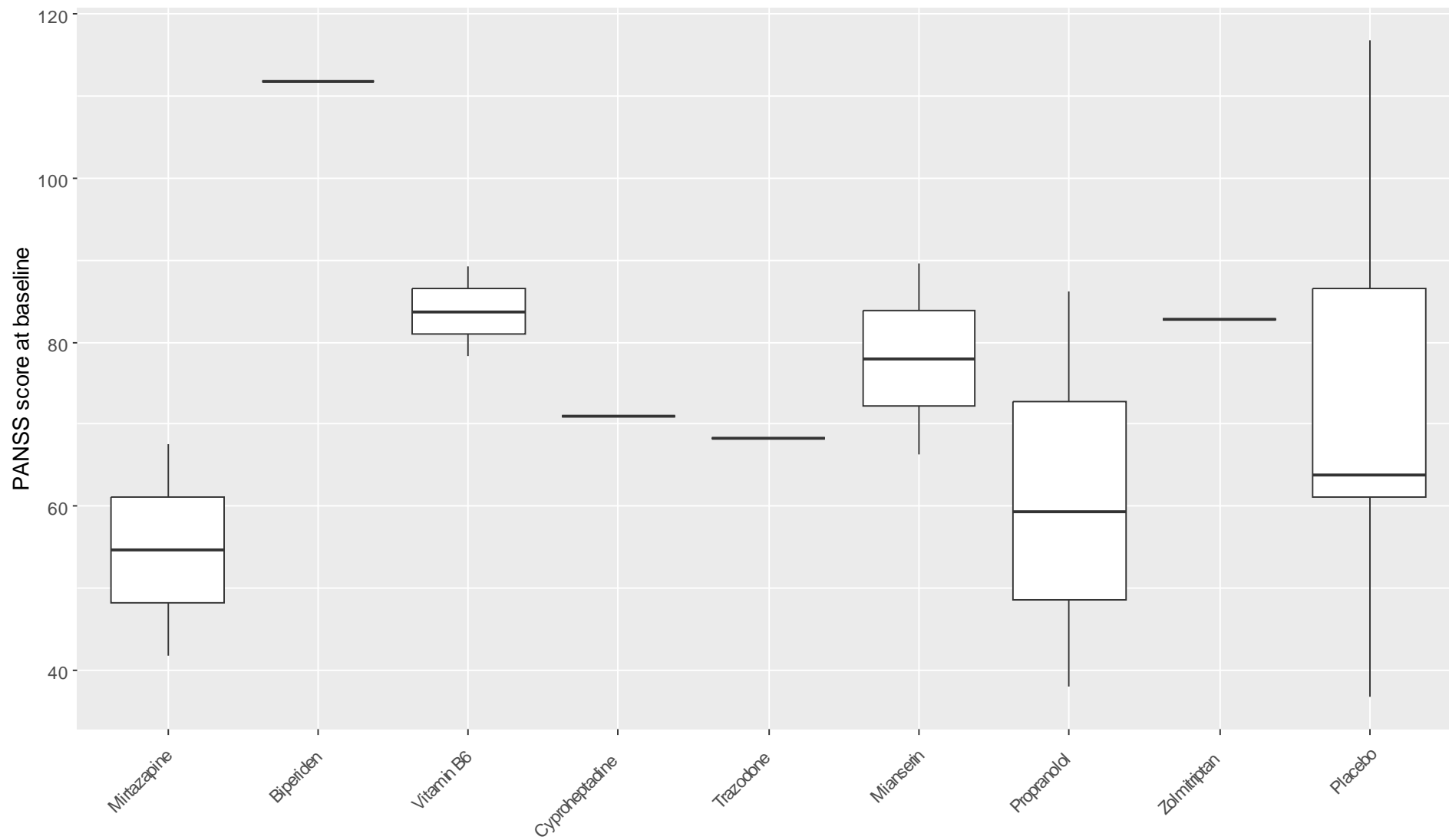


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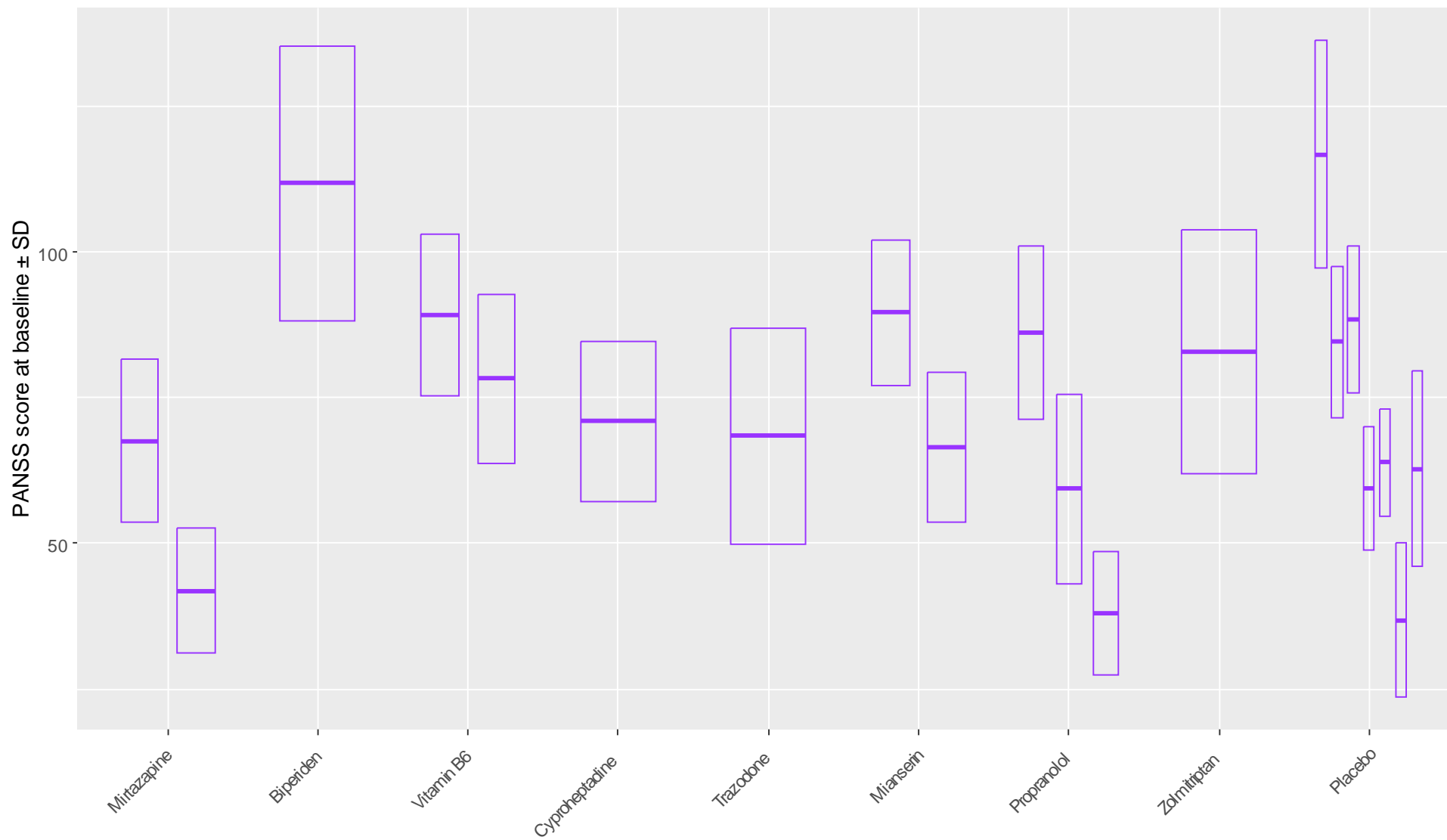
eFigure 12. Boxplots showing akathisia treatment dose (mg/day), sort by dose range (B – intermediate dose, C – high) for each intervention.



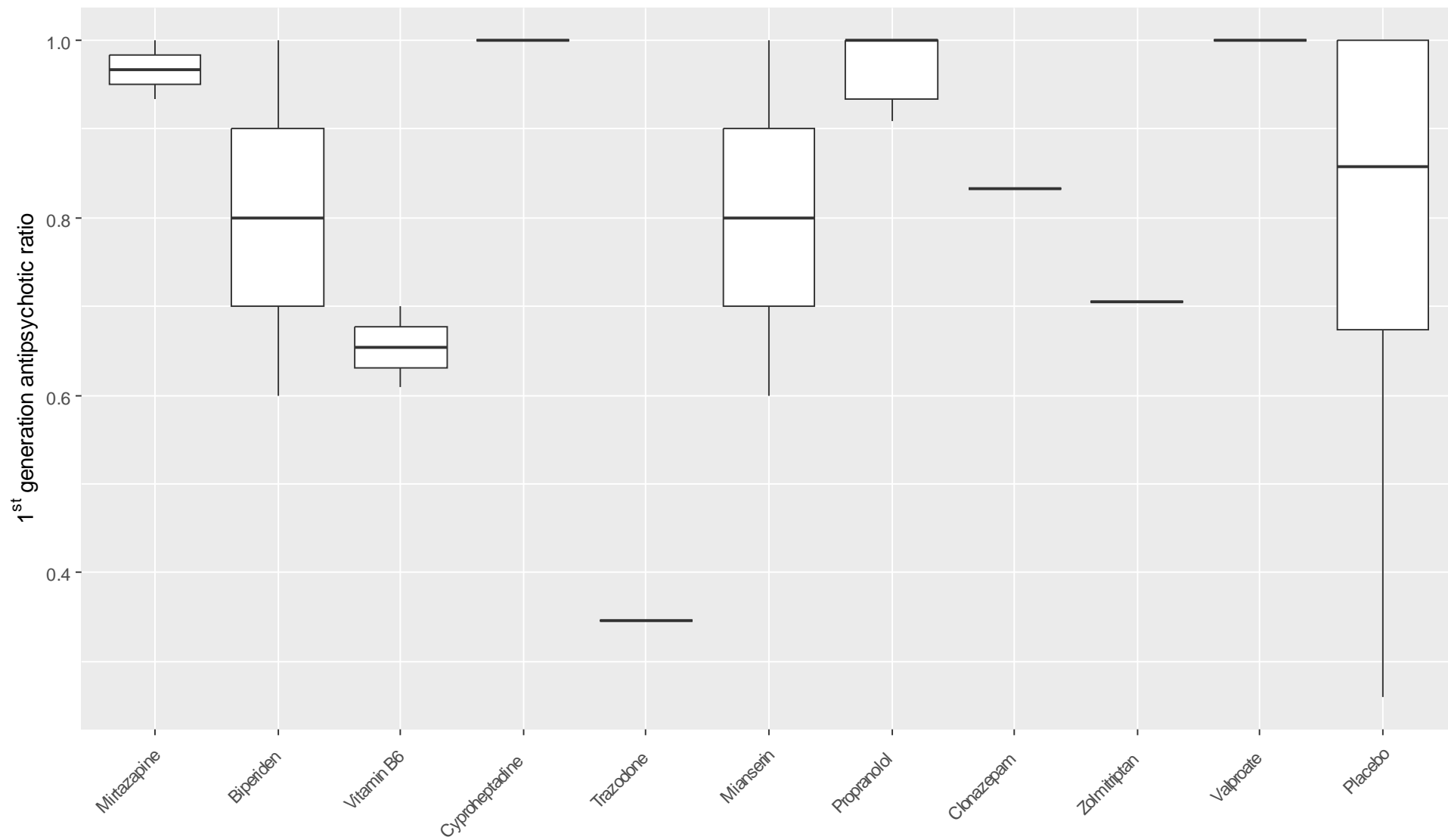
eFigure 13. Boxplot showing PANSS severity score at baseline (means) for each intervention.



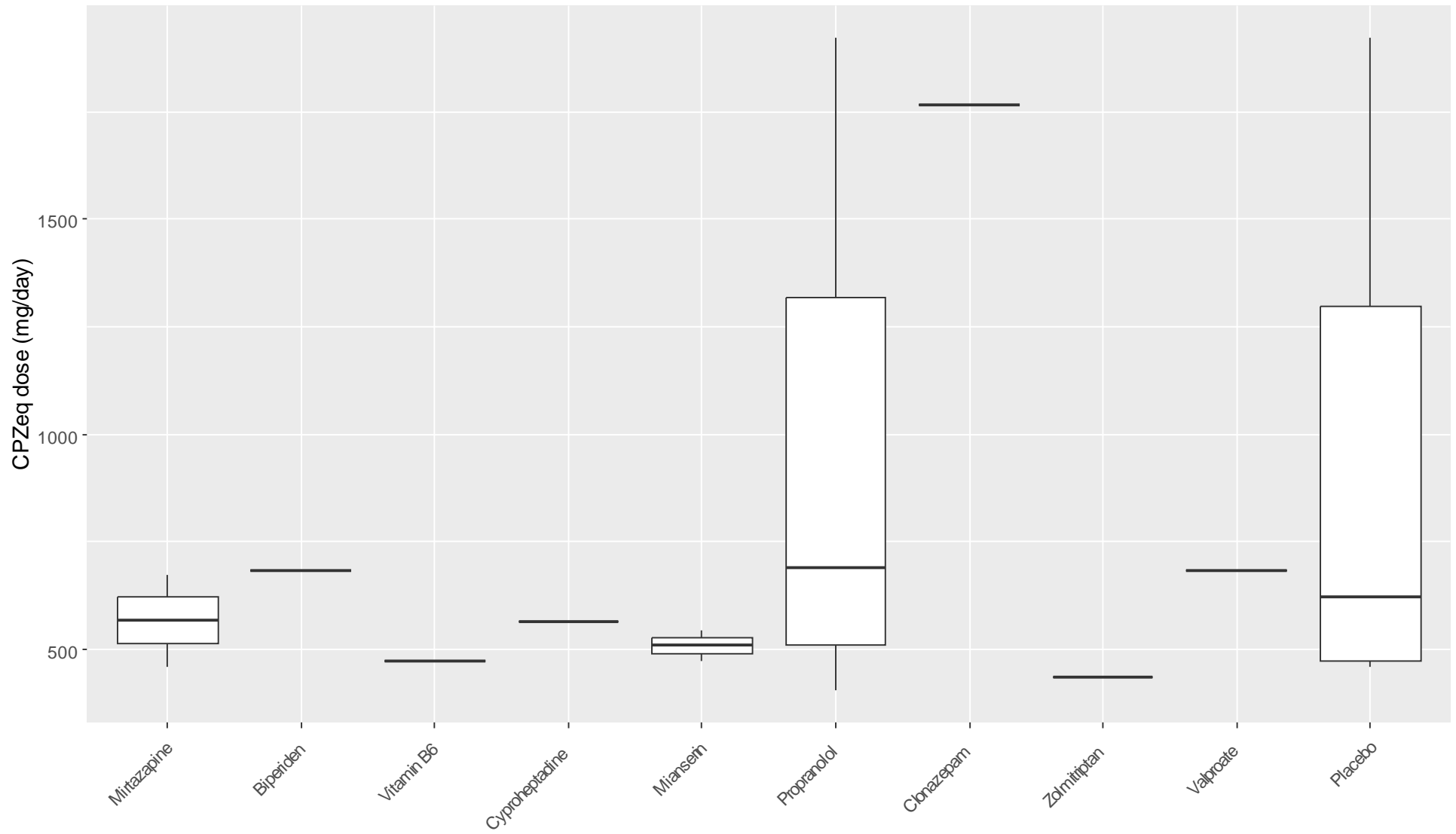
eFigure 14. Error bars showing the mean PANSS scores at baseline \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



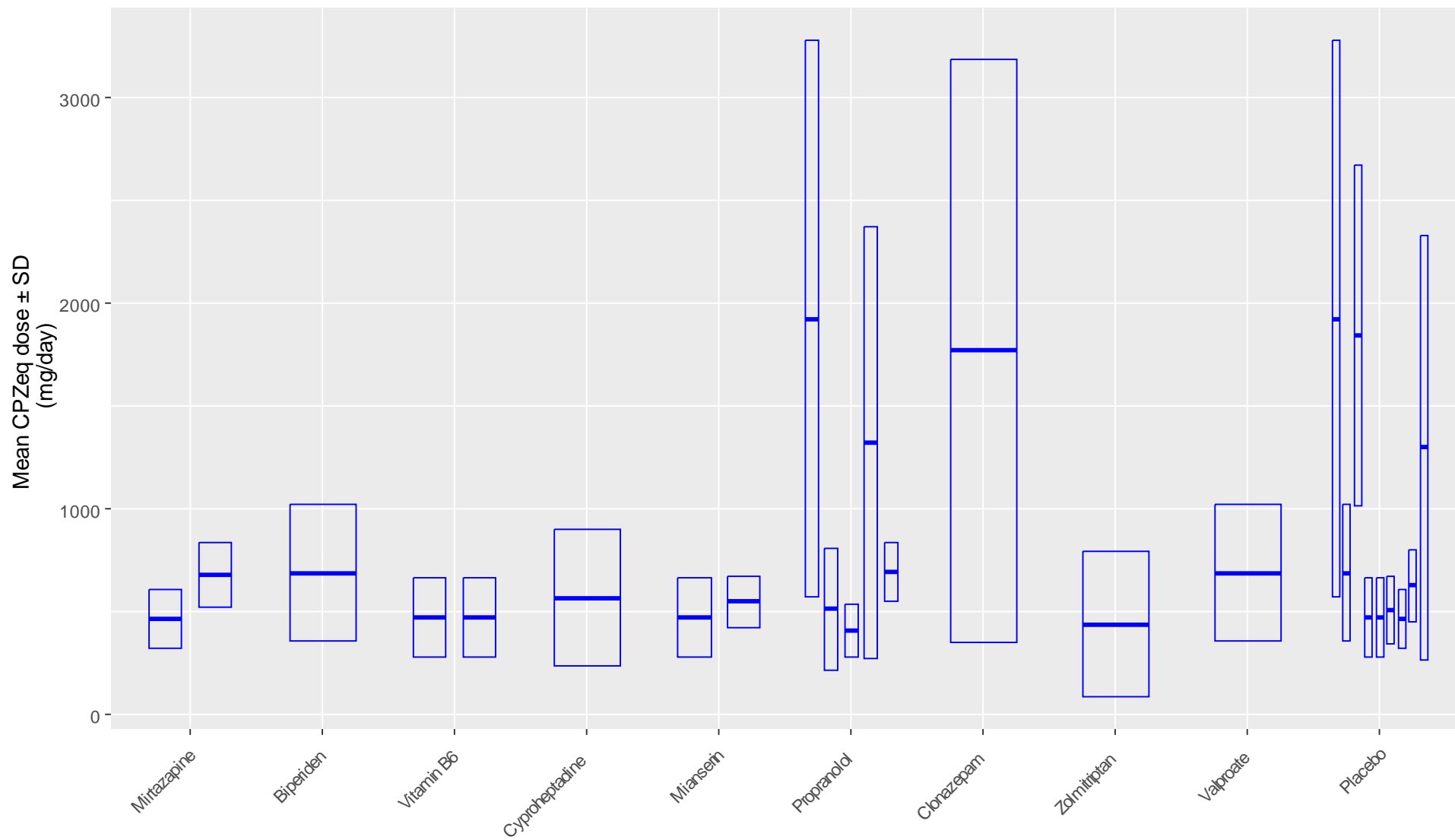
eFigure 15. Boxplot showing first-generation (typical) antipsychotic (FGA) ratio for each intervention.



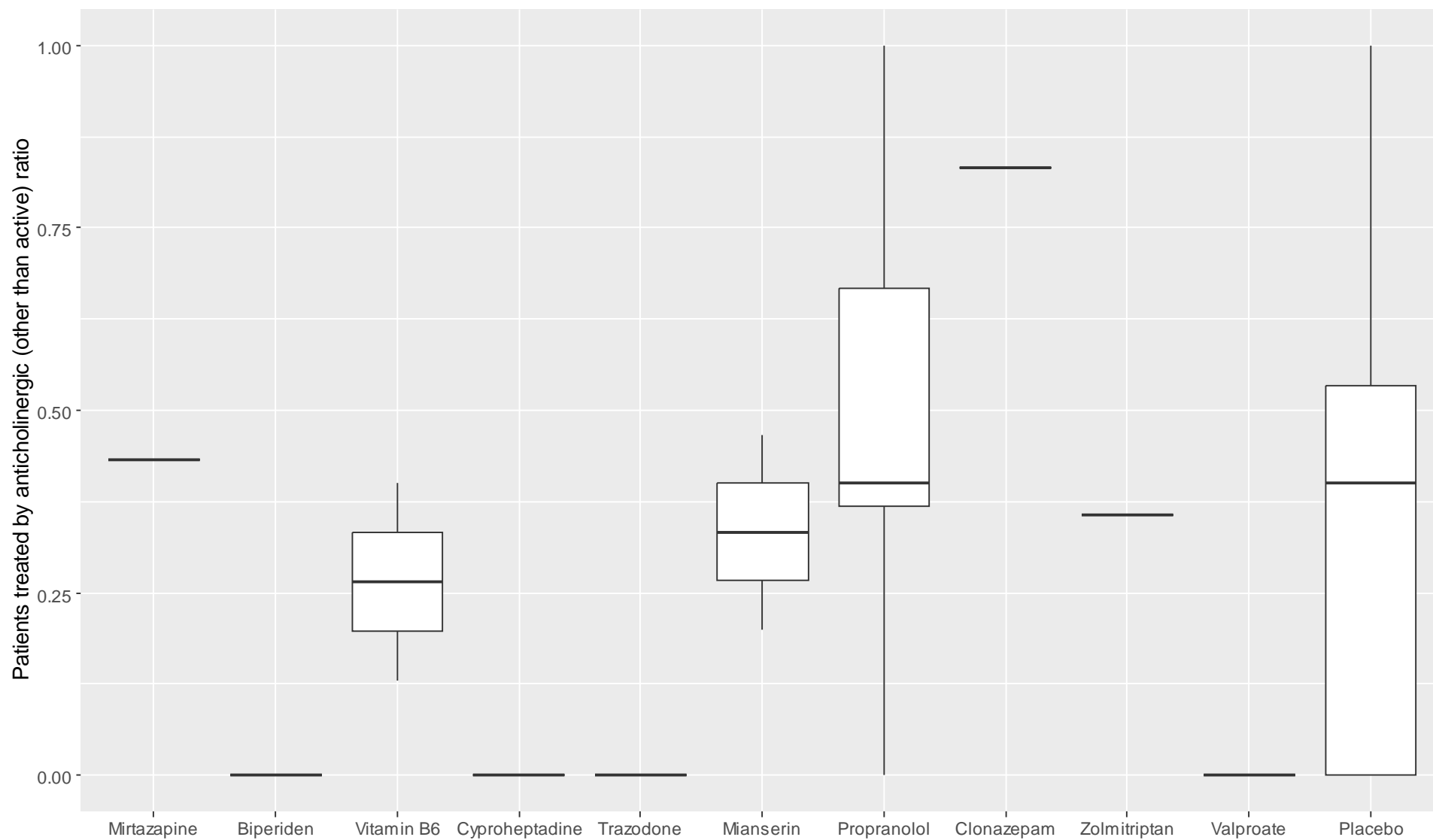
eFigure 16. Boxplot showing chlorpromazine equivalent dose (mg/day) for each intervention.



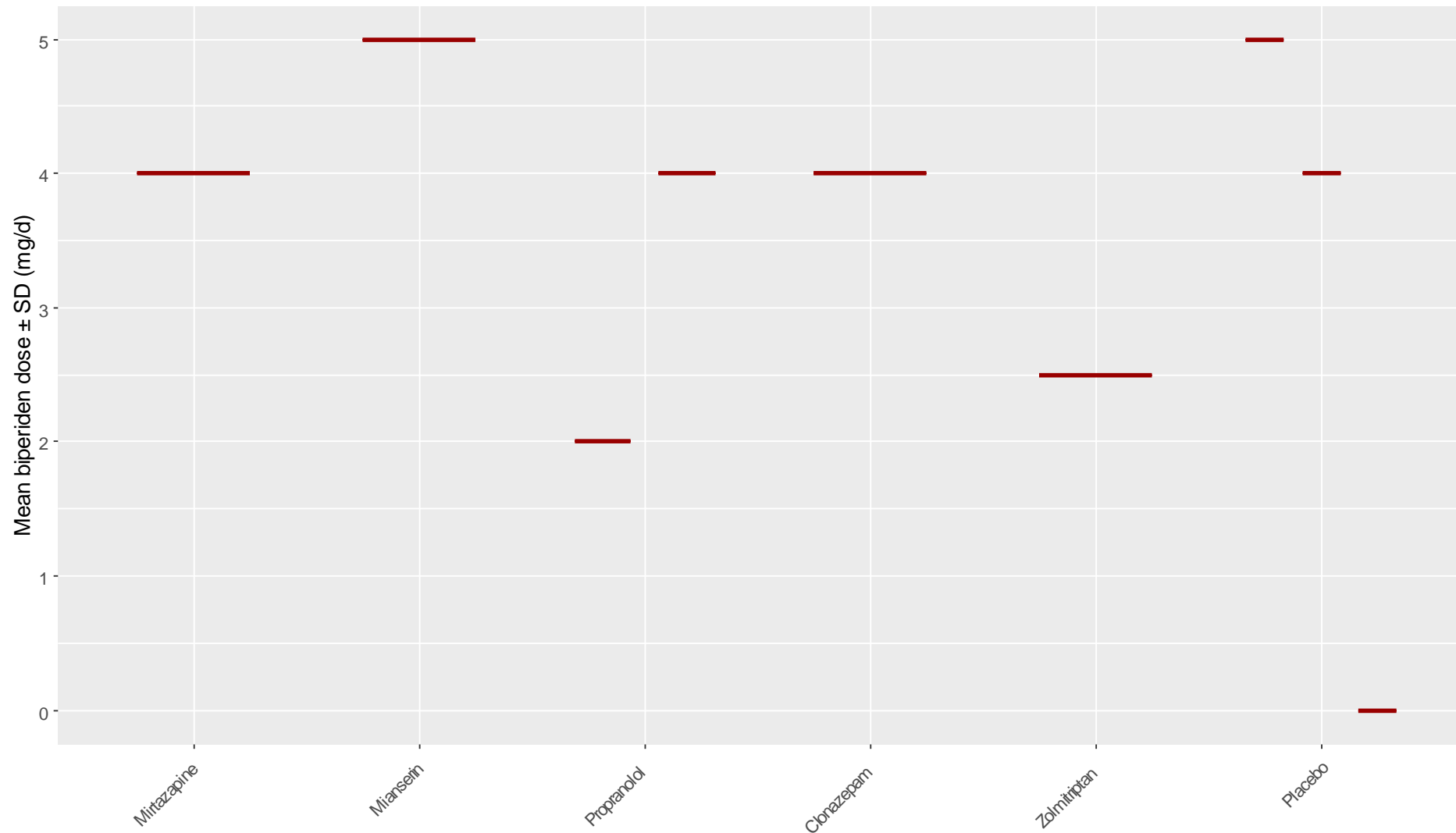
eFigure 17. Error bars showing mean chlorpromazine equivalent dose (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



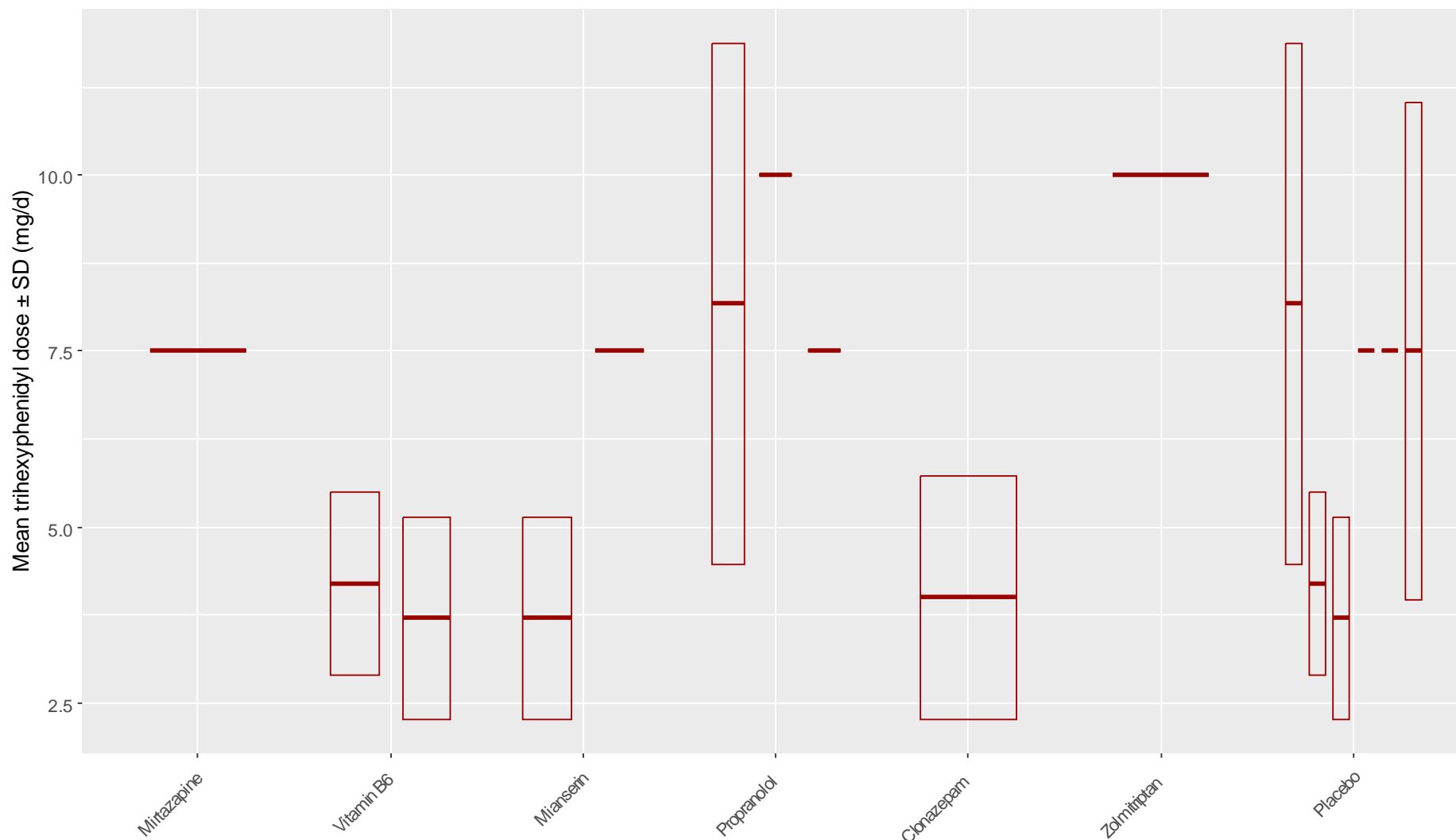
eFigure 18. Boxplot showing ratio of patients treated with anticholinergic as cotreatment for each intervention.



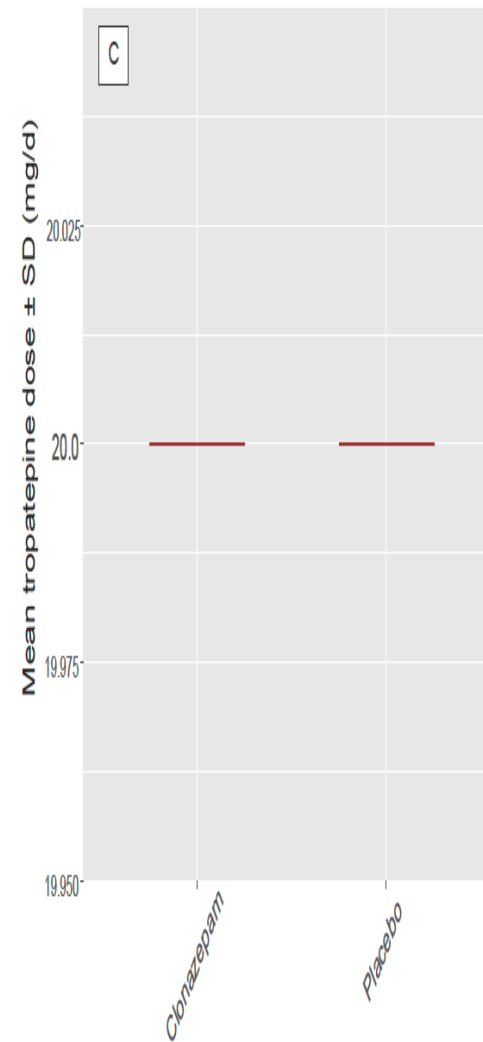
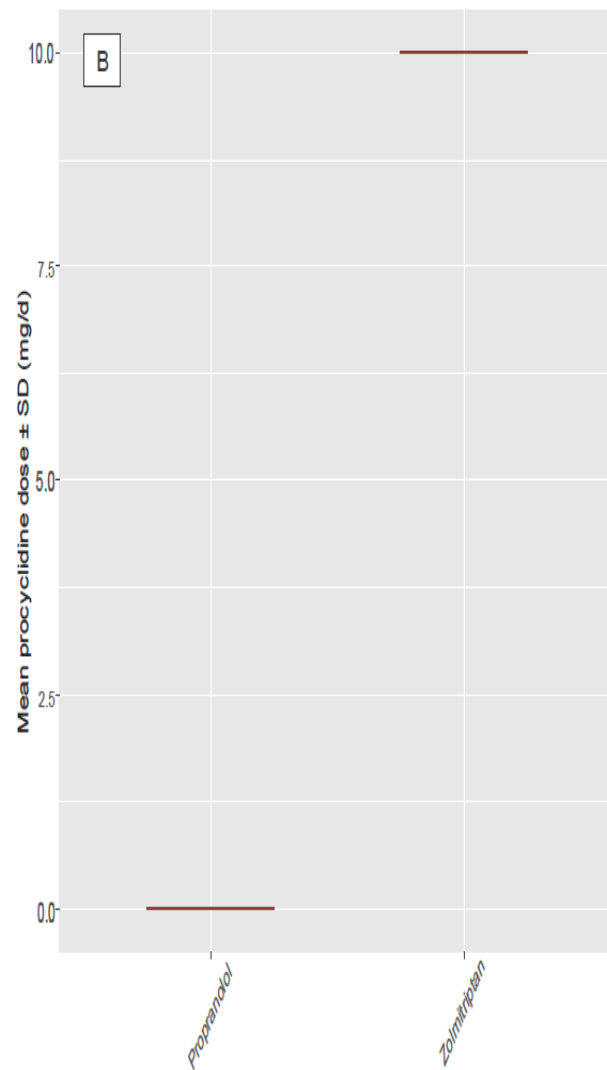
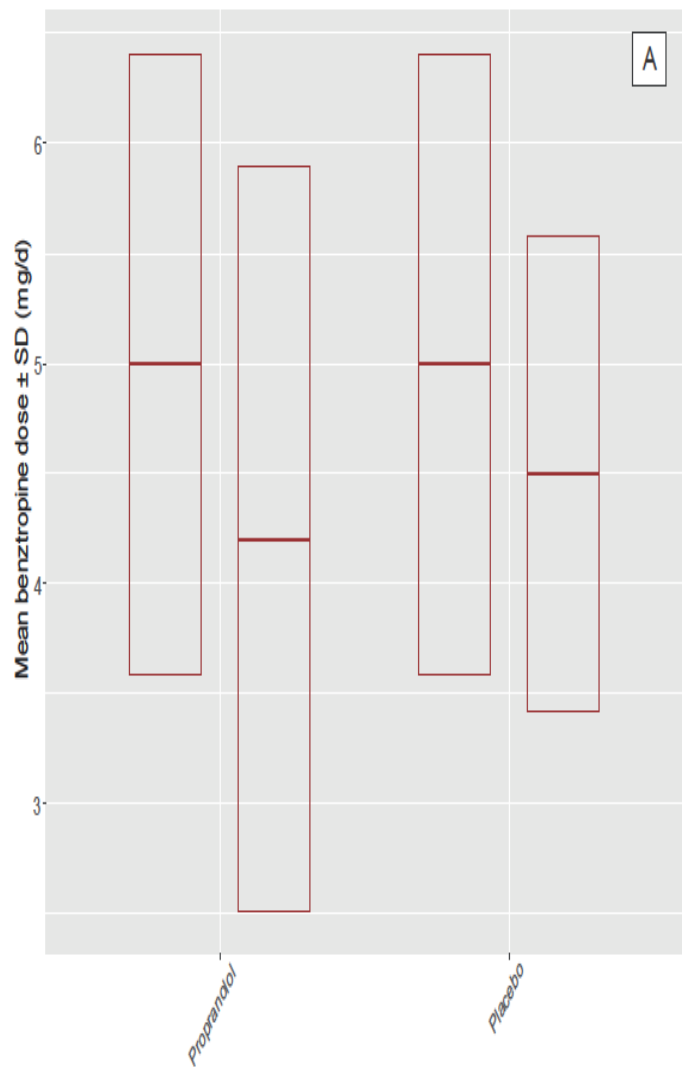
eFigure 19. Error bars showing mean biperiden dose (cotreatment drug) (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



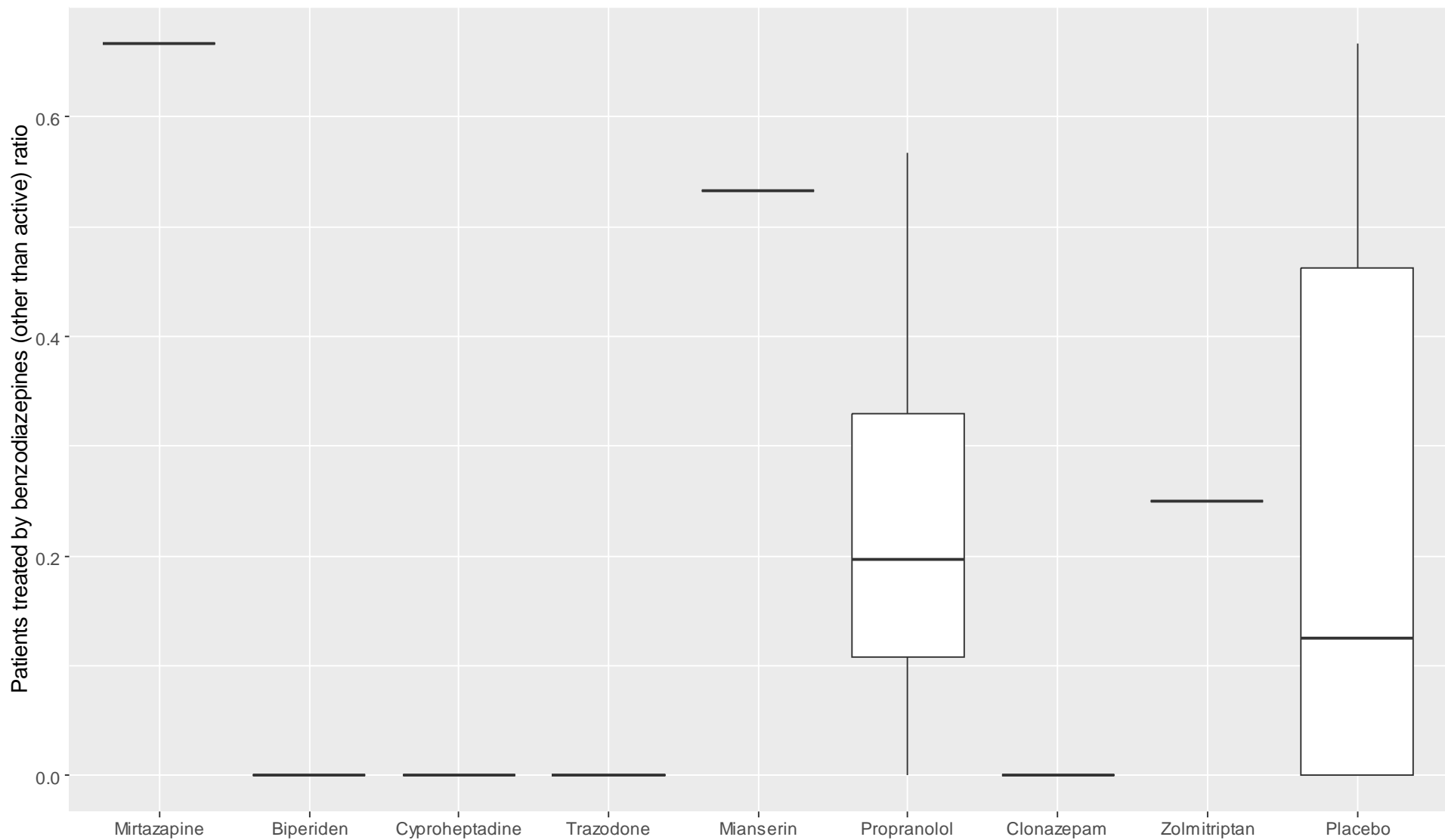
eFigure 20. Error bars showing mean trihexyphenidyl dose (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



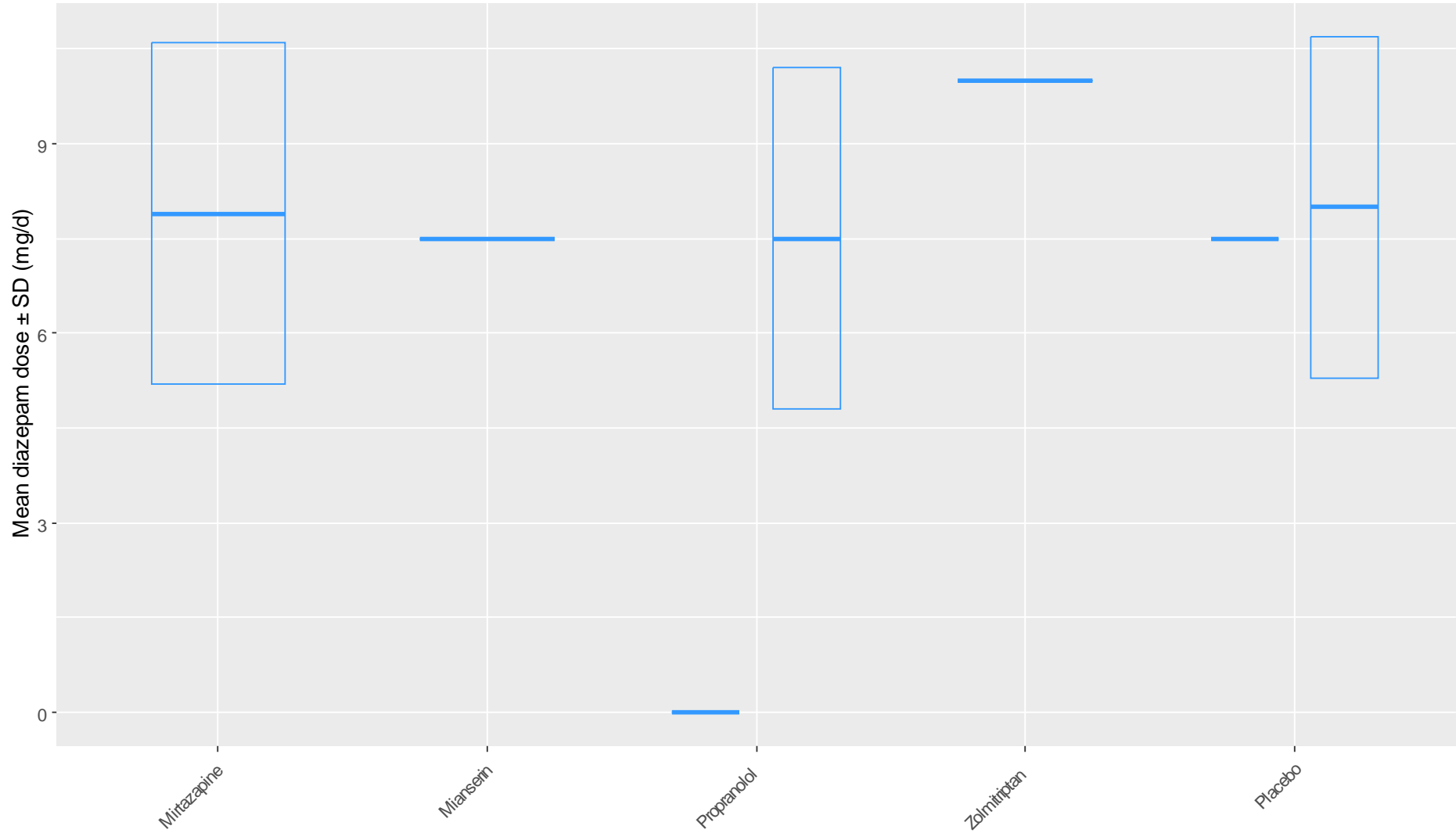
eFigure 21. Error bars showing mean benztropine dose (A), procyclidine dose (B) and tropatepine dose (C) (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



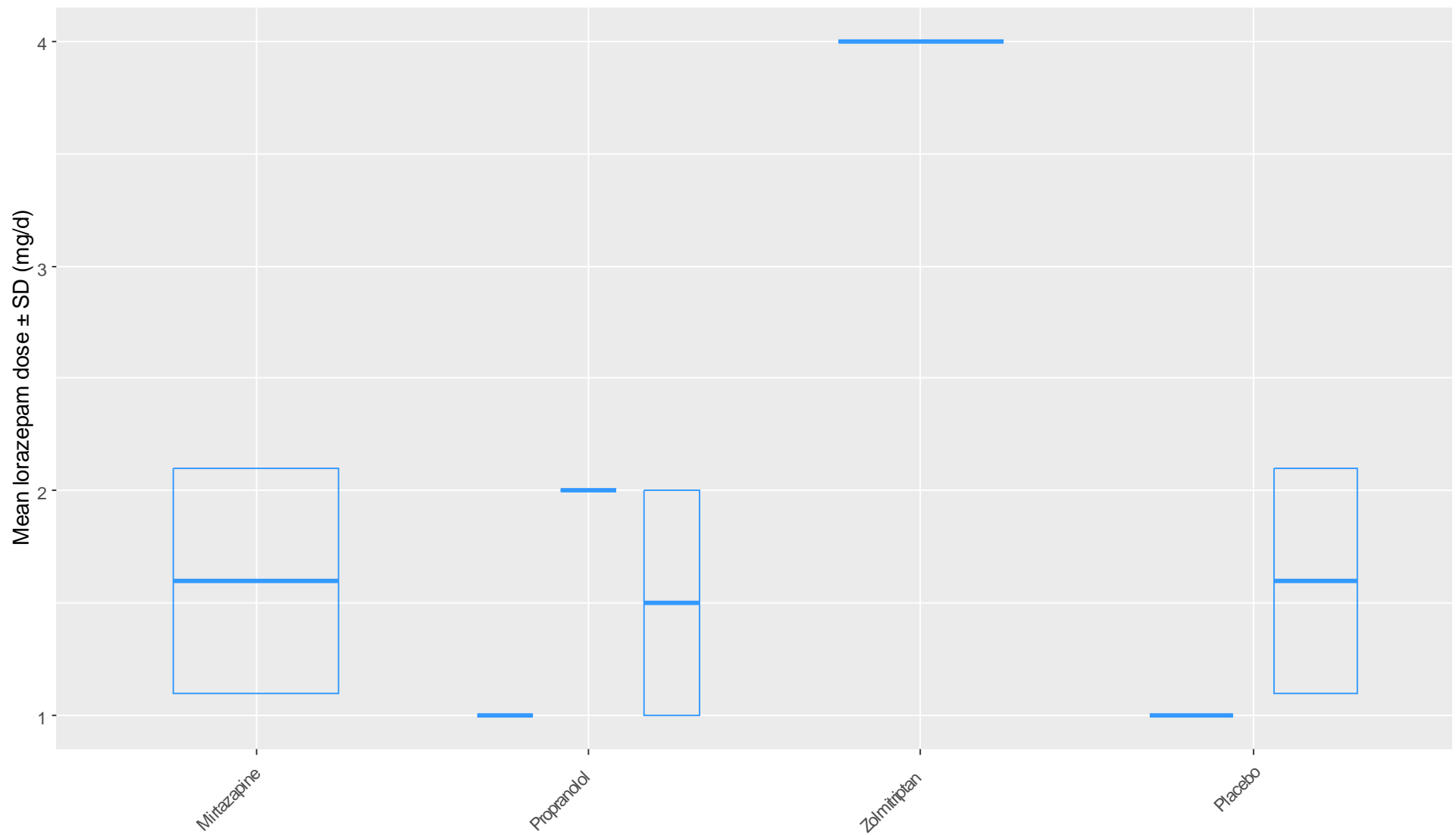
eFigure 22. Boxplot showing ratio of patients treated with benzodiazepine (cotreatment drug) for each intervention.



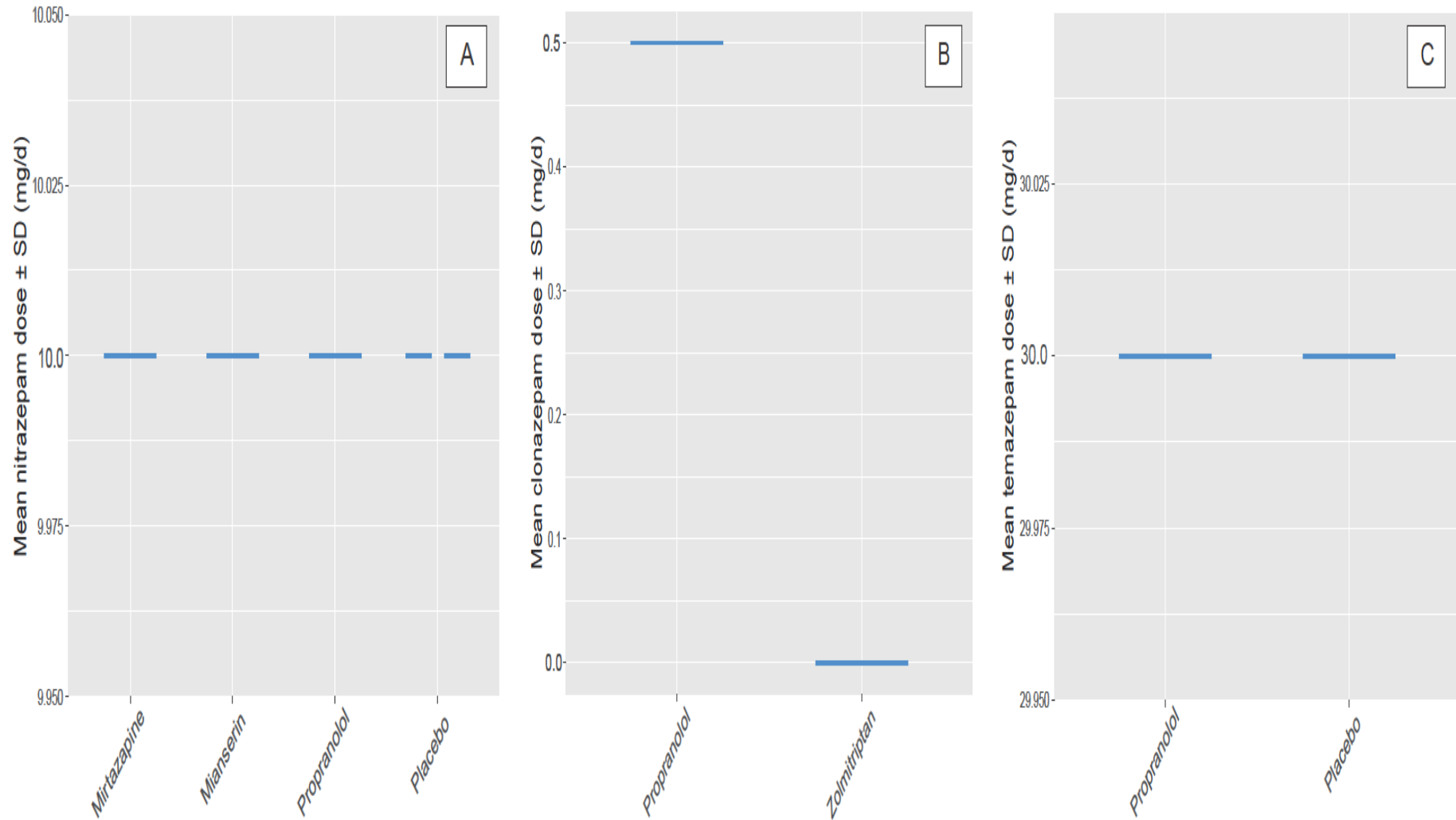
eFigure 23. Error bars showing mean diazepam dose (cotreatment drug) (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



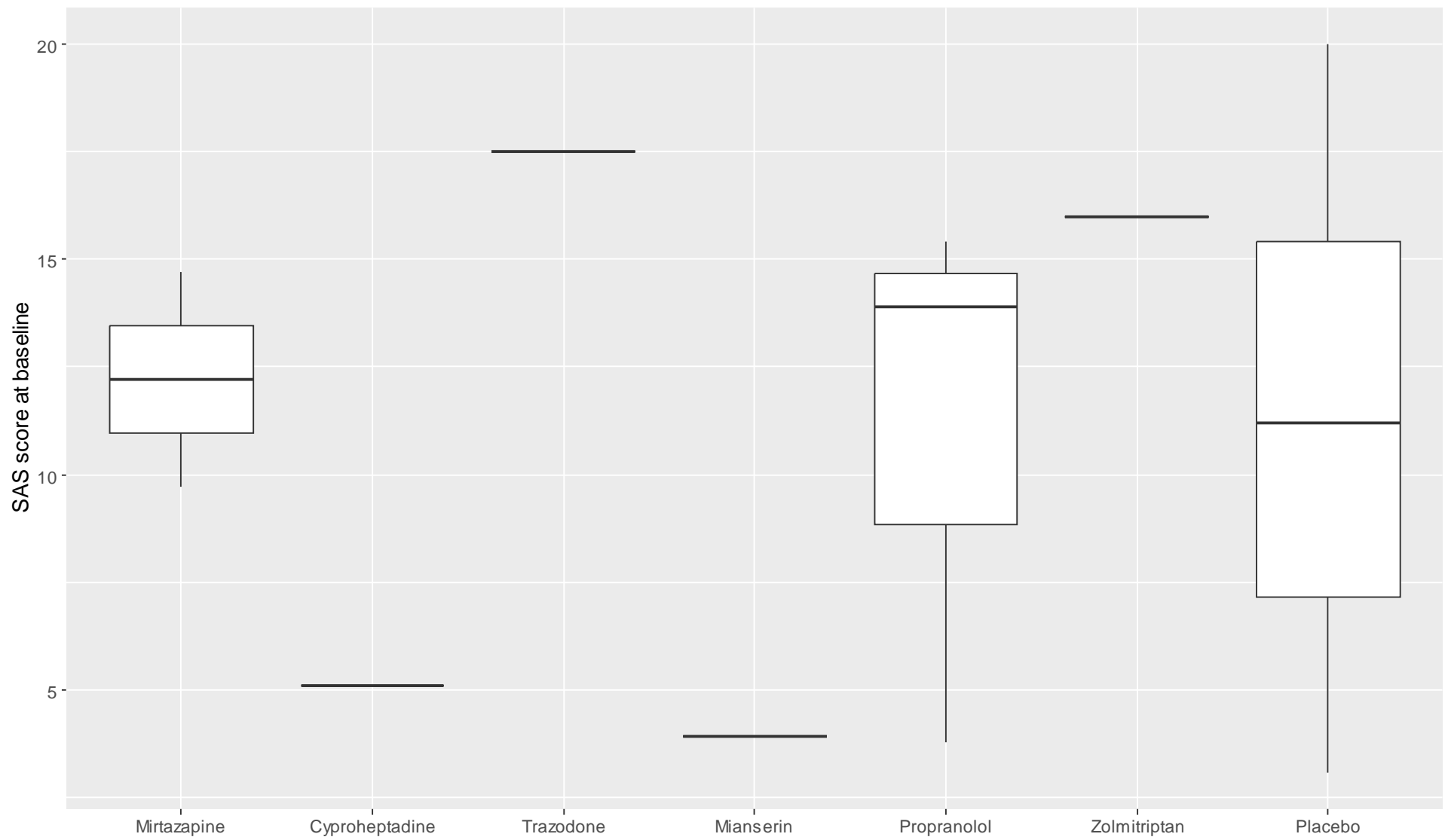
eFigure 24. Error bars showing mean lorazepam dose (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



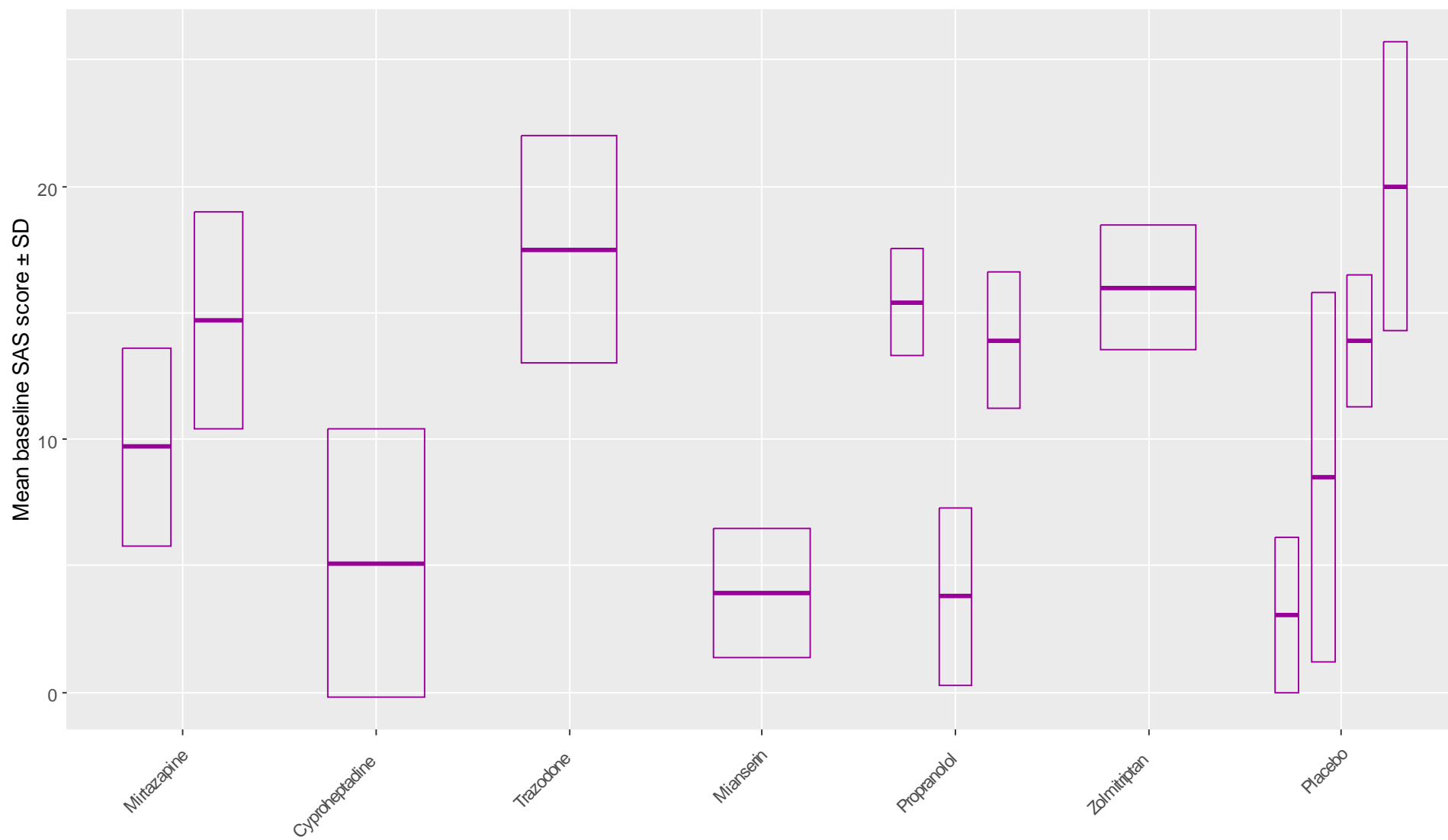
eFigure 25. Error bars showing mean nitrazepam dose (A), clonazepam dose (B) (cotreatment drug) and temazepam dose (C) (mg/day) \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



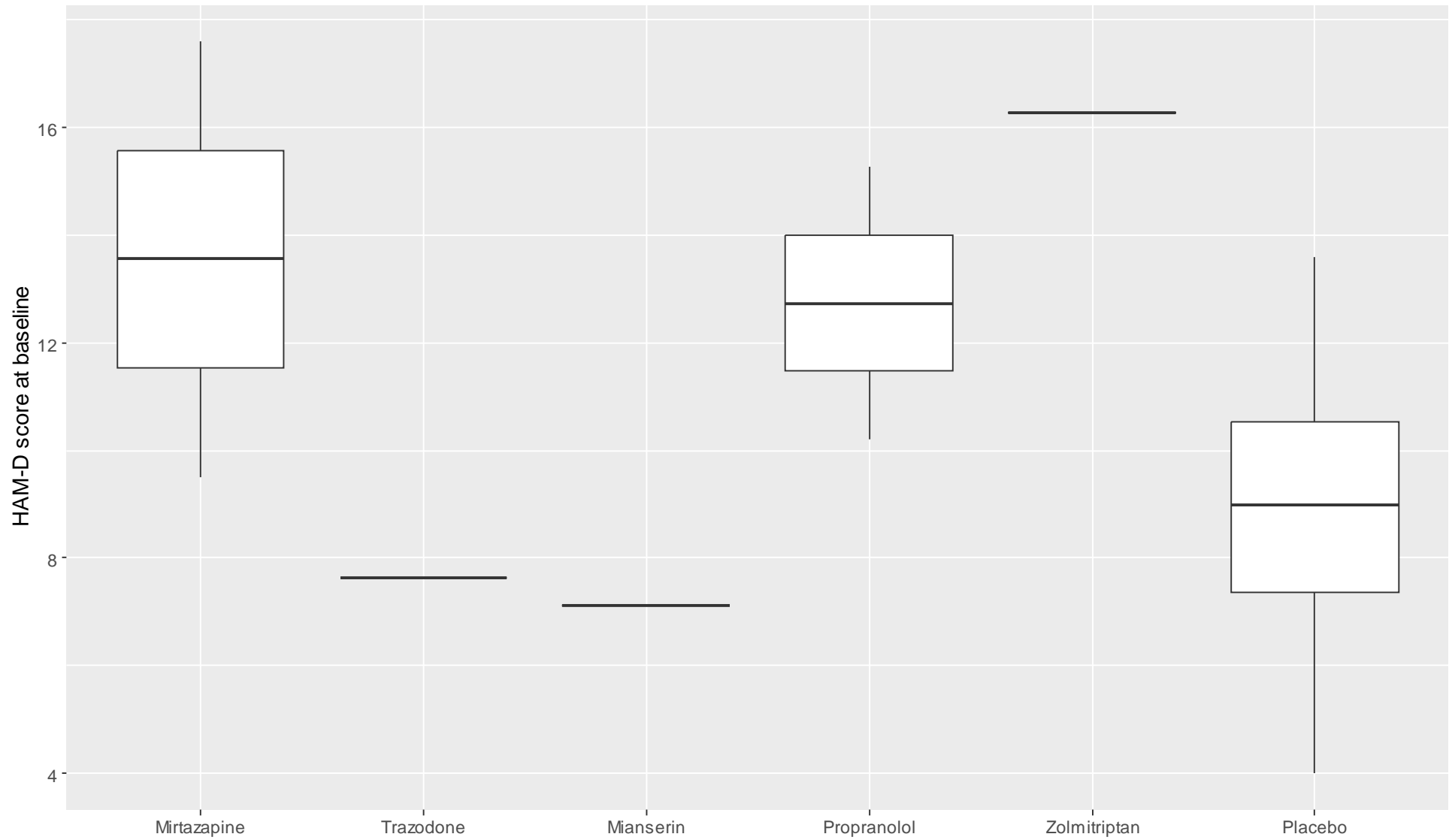
eFigure 26. Boxplot showing mean Simpson Angus Scale (SAS) scores at baseline for each intervention.



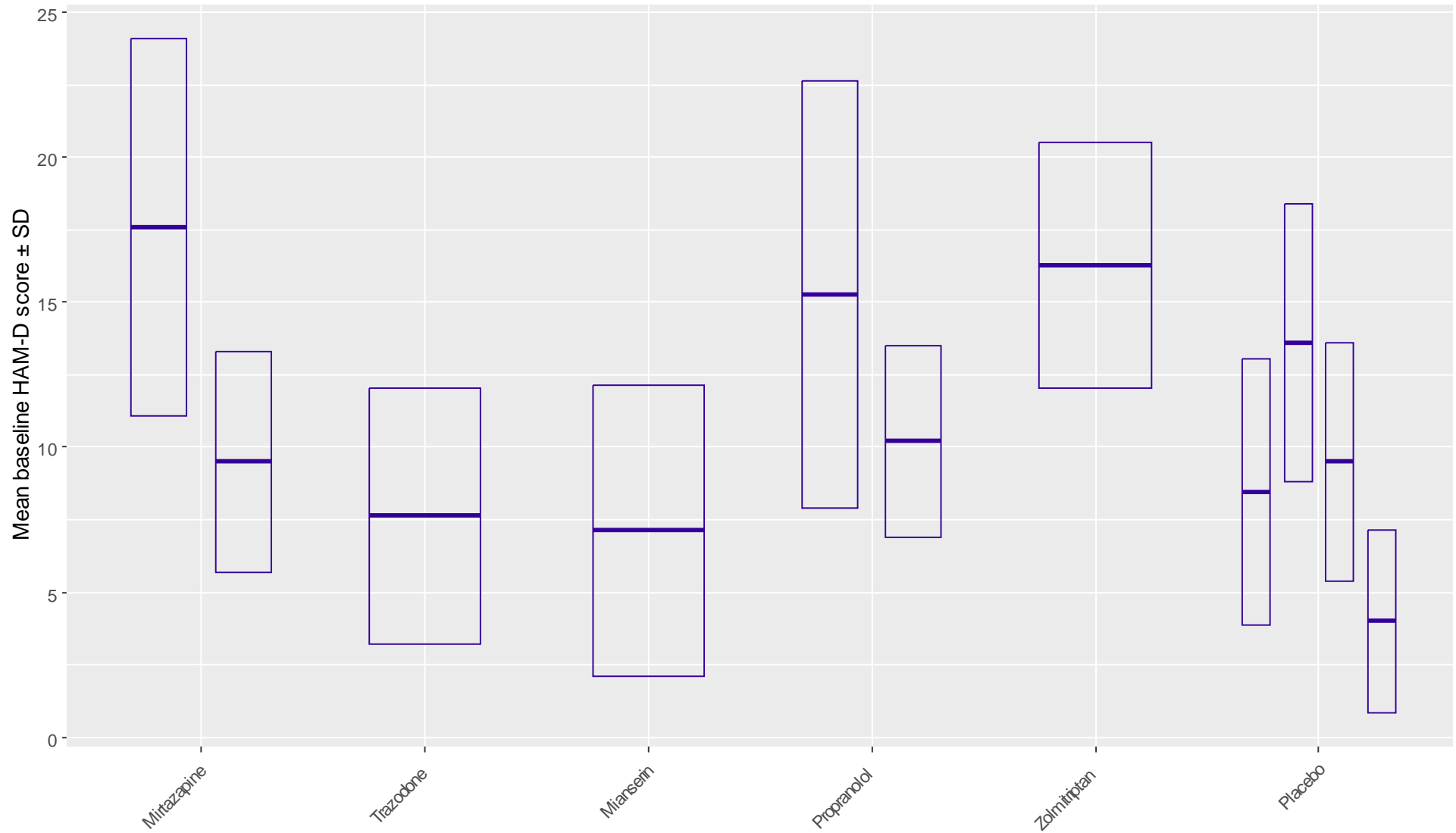
eFigure 27. Error bars showing mean SAS scores at baseline \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



eFigure 28. Boxplot showing mean Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (HAM-D) scores at baseline for each intervention.



eFigure 29. Error bars showing mean HAM-D scores at baseline \pm standard deviation for each intervention.



4. Sensitivity analyses

3.1. Effect size modifiers analyses

To examine the existence of potential effect size modifiers, we present below error bars, representing standardized mean differences (SMD) \pm standard error of standardized mean differences (seSMD), colored according to the parameter explored.

A gradient scale supports each figure to visualize whether there is an impact of the parameter.

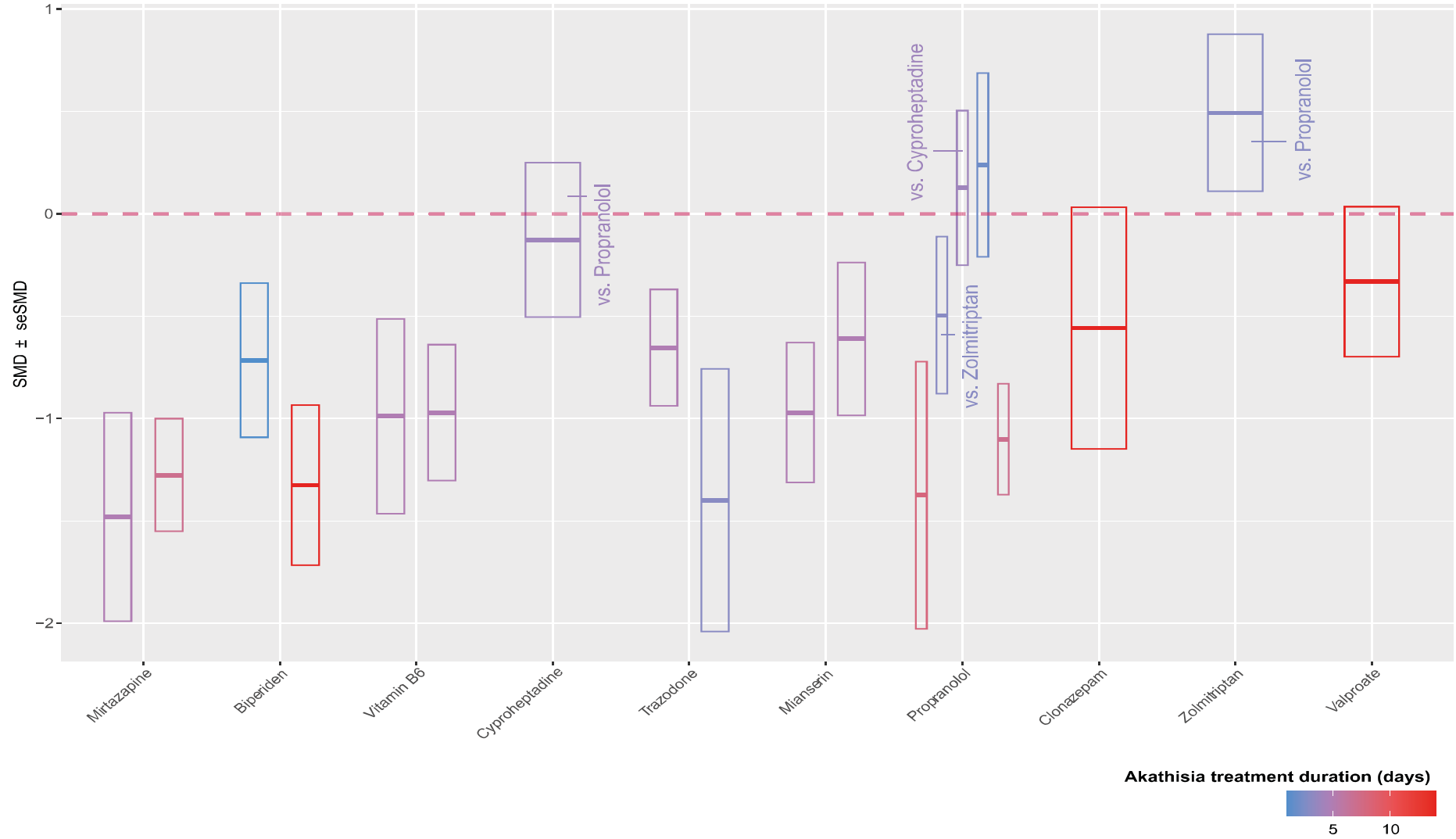
When the comparison considered does not use placebo as control group, a legend precise the active chosen as reference group.

For akathisia treatment dose: the interventions are separated in three categories to clearly visualize respective doses.

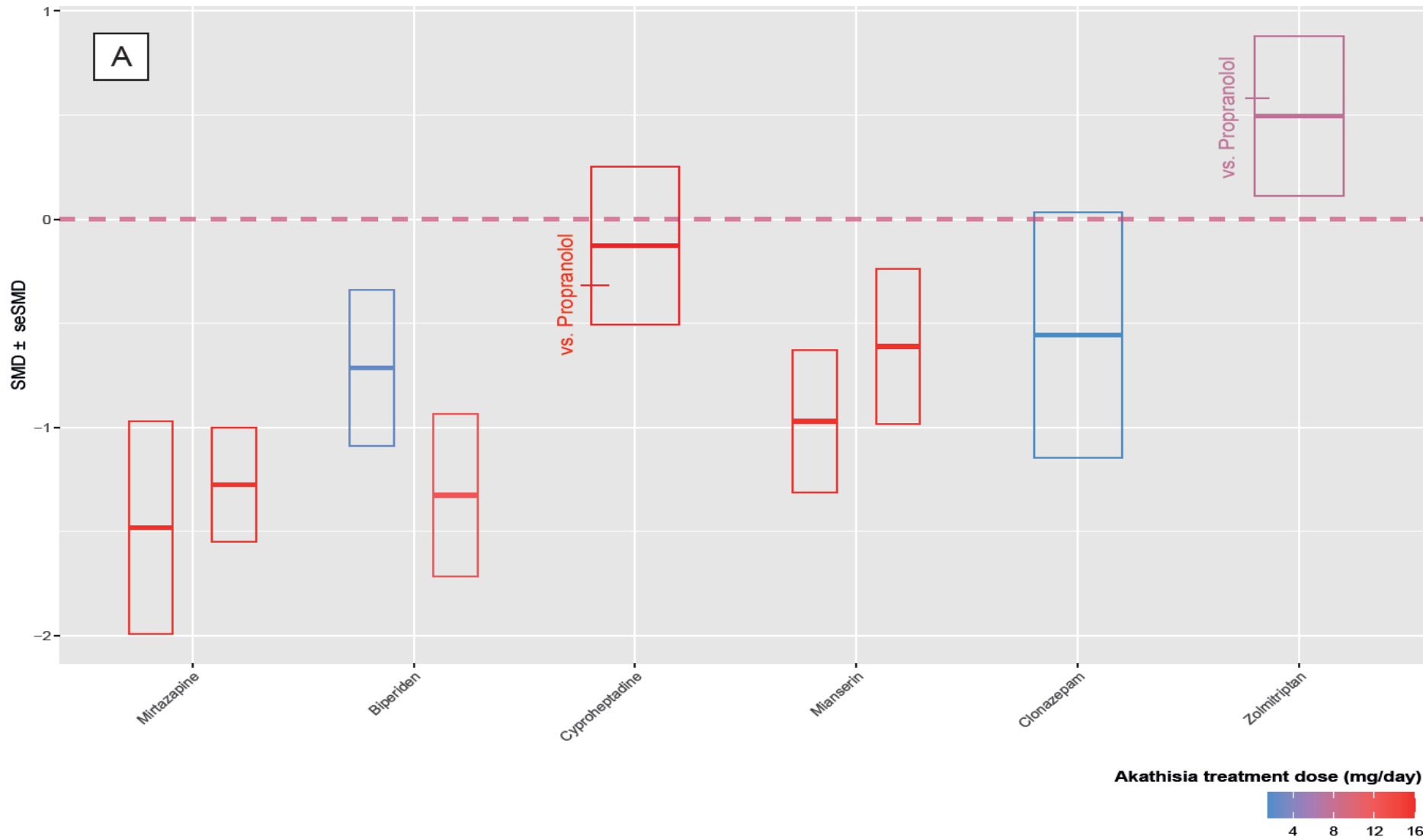
Effect size modifiers analyses

We investigated potential effect size modifiers. The efficacy of biperiden and propranolol increased with treatment duration. The efficacy of biperiden, propranolol, and trazodone increased with treatment dose. In one randomized controlled trial, co-treatment with biperiden 4 mg/day was administered in the clonazepam group for one patient (Pujalte et al. 1994) and not in placebo group. Otherwise, no relationship was found between the dose of benzodiazepines and anticholinergics as cotreatment and the significance of SMDs. No significant association was found between effect sizes and psychotic severity (measured using PANSS score). There was no relationship between baseline SAS score, baseline HAM-D score and significance of effect sizes. Higher chlorpromazine equivalent doses were found in the clonazepam arm, whose effect size wasn't significant, and in one propranolol arm, which effect size remained significant.

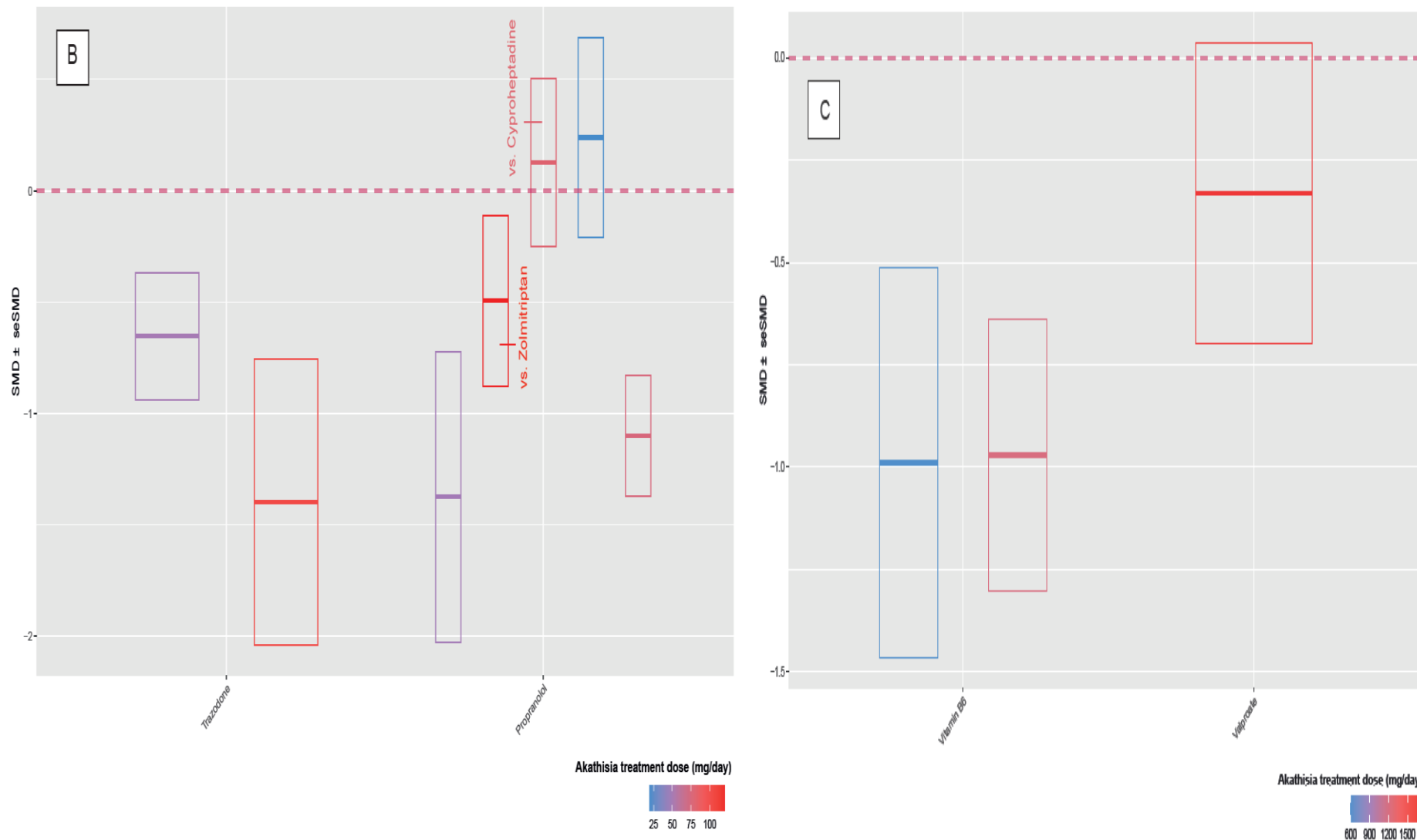
eFigure 30. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to akathisia treatment duration (in days).



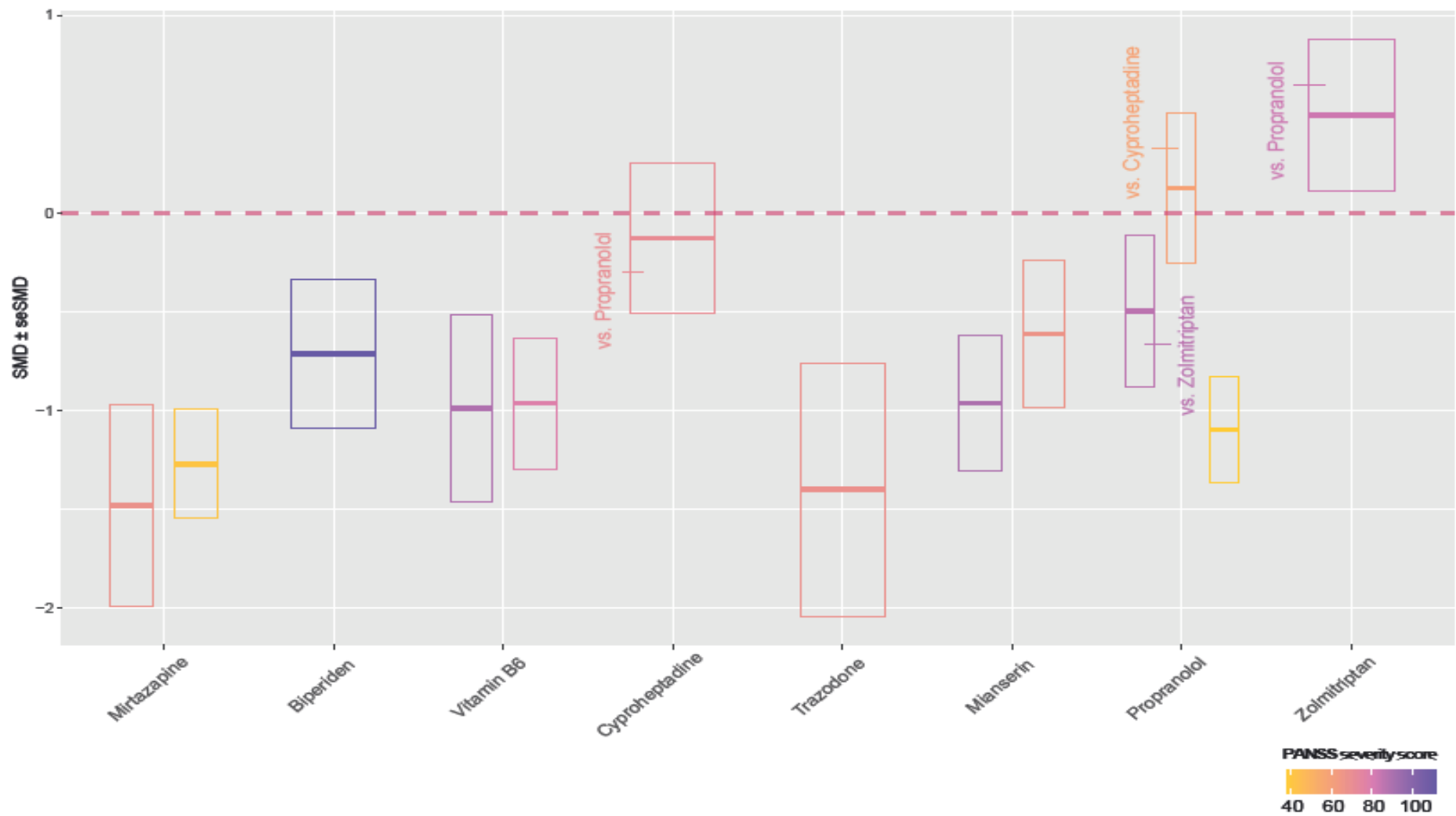
eFigure 31. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention, sort by dose range (A – low dose), according to akathisia treatment dose (mg/day).



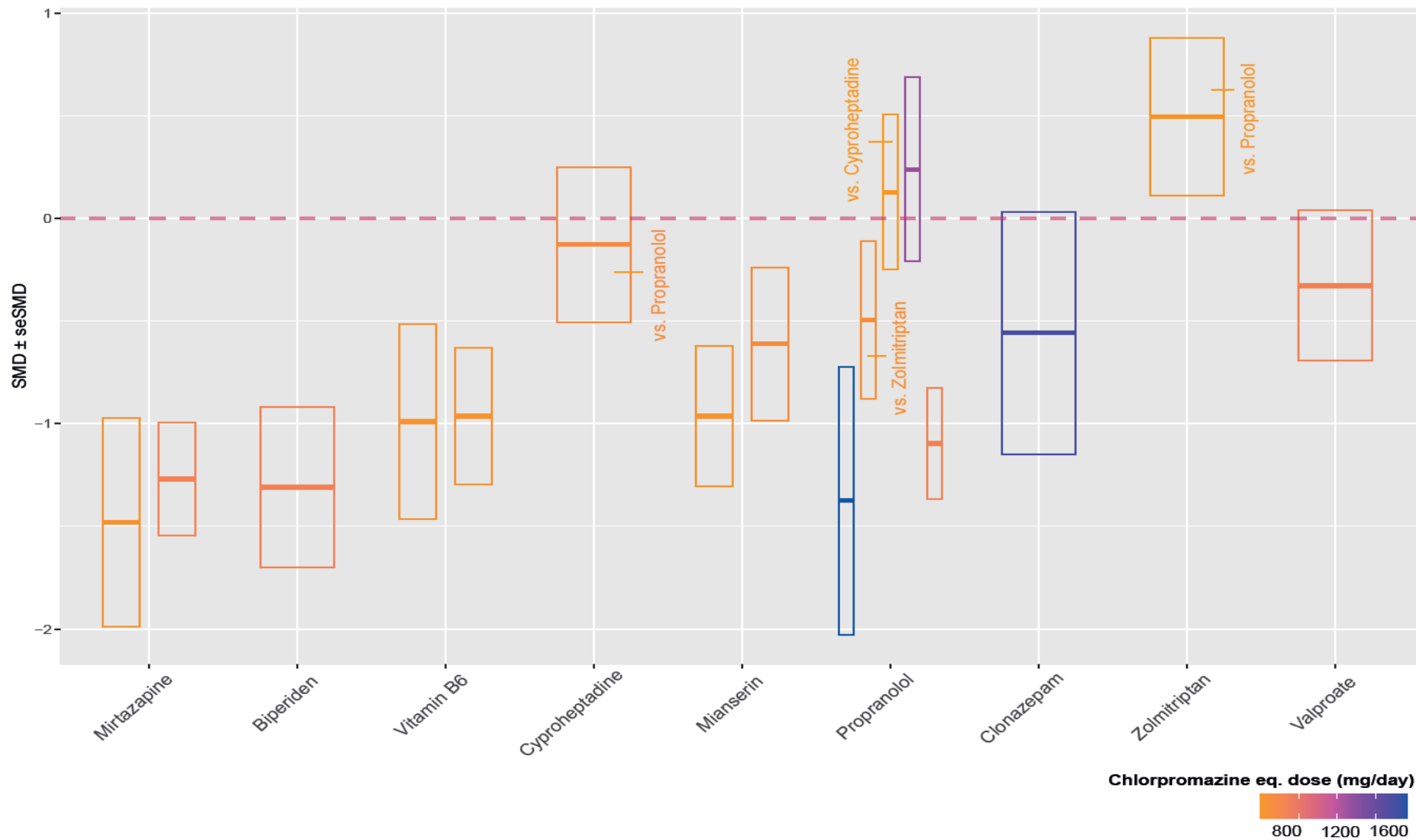
eFigure 32. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention, sort by dose range (B – intermediate dose, C – high dose), according to akathisia treatment dose (mg/day).



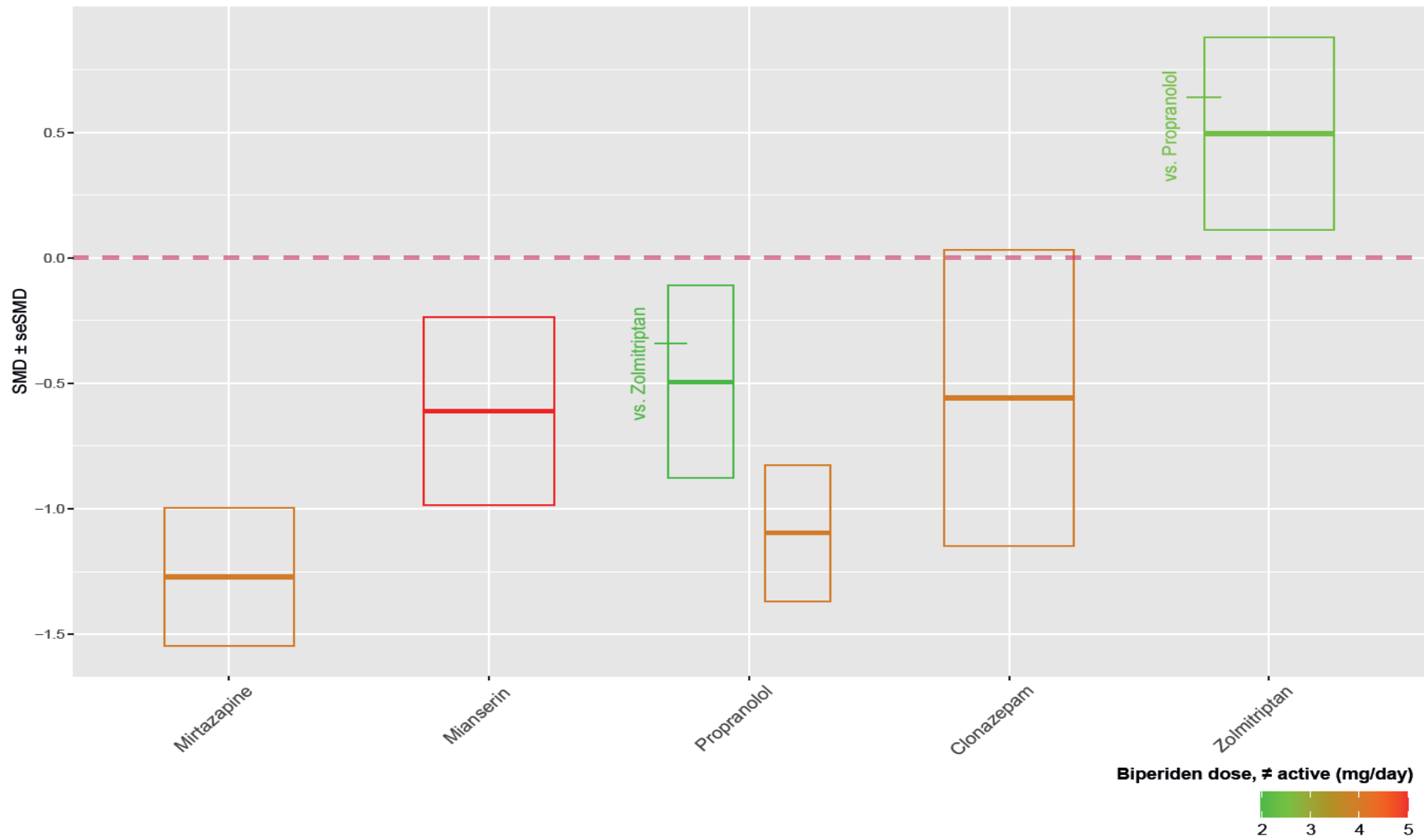
eFigure 33. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to PANSS score (mean).



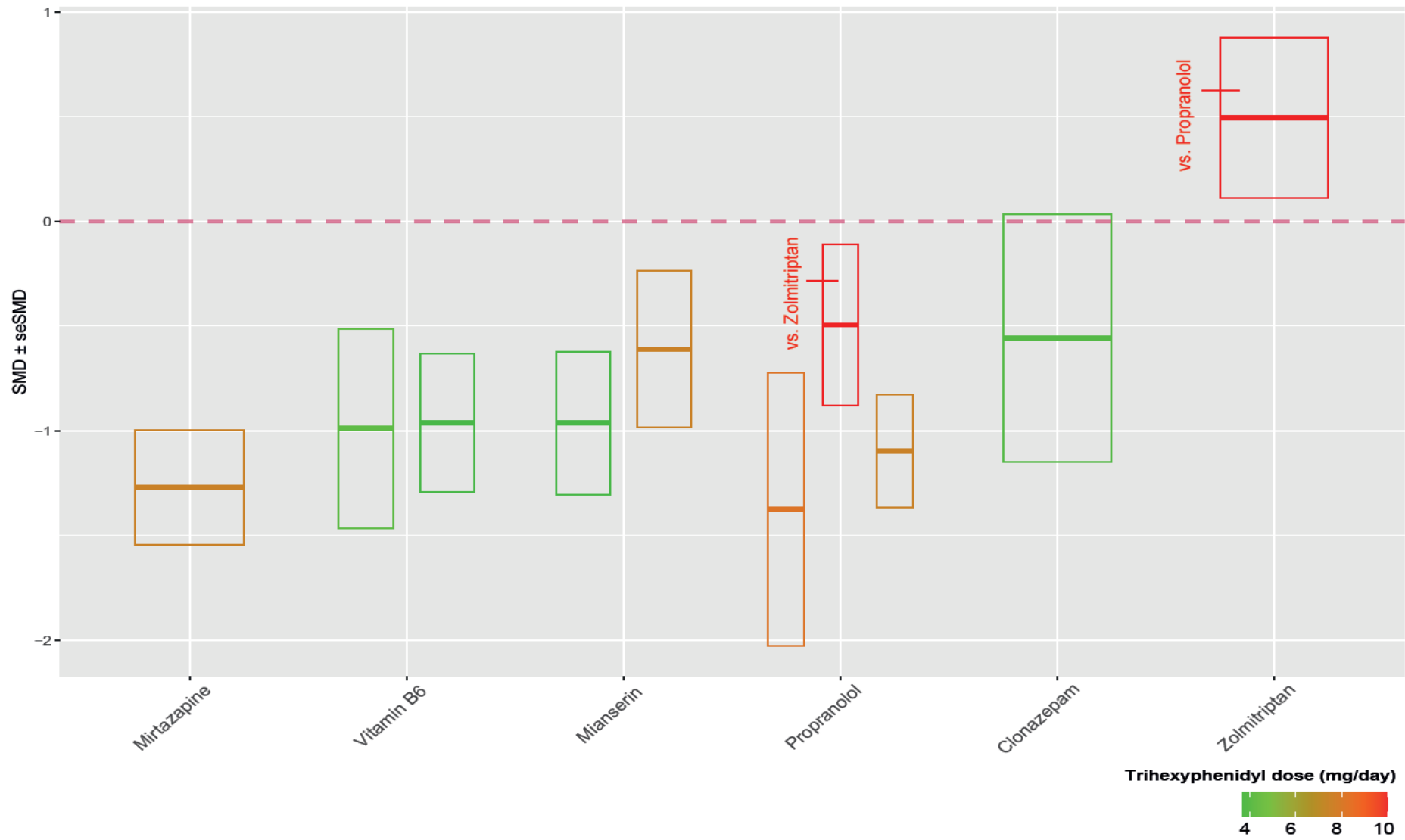
eFigure 34. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to chlorpromazine equivalent dose (mg/day).



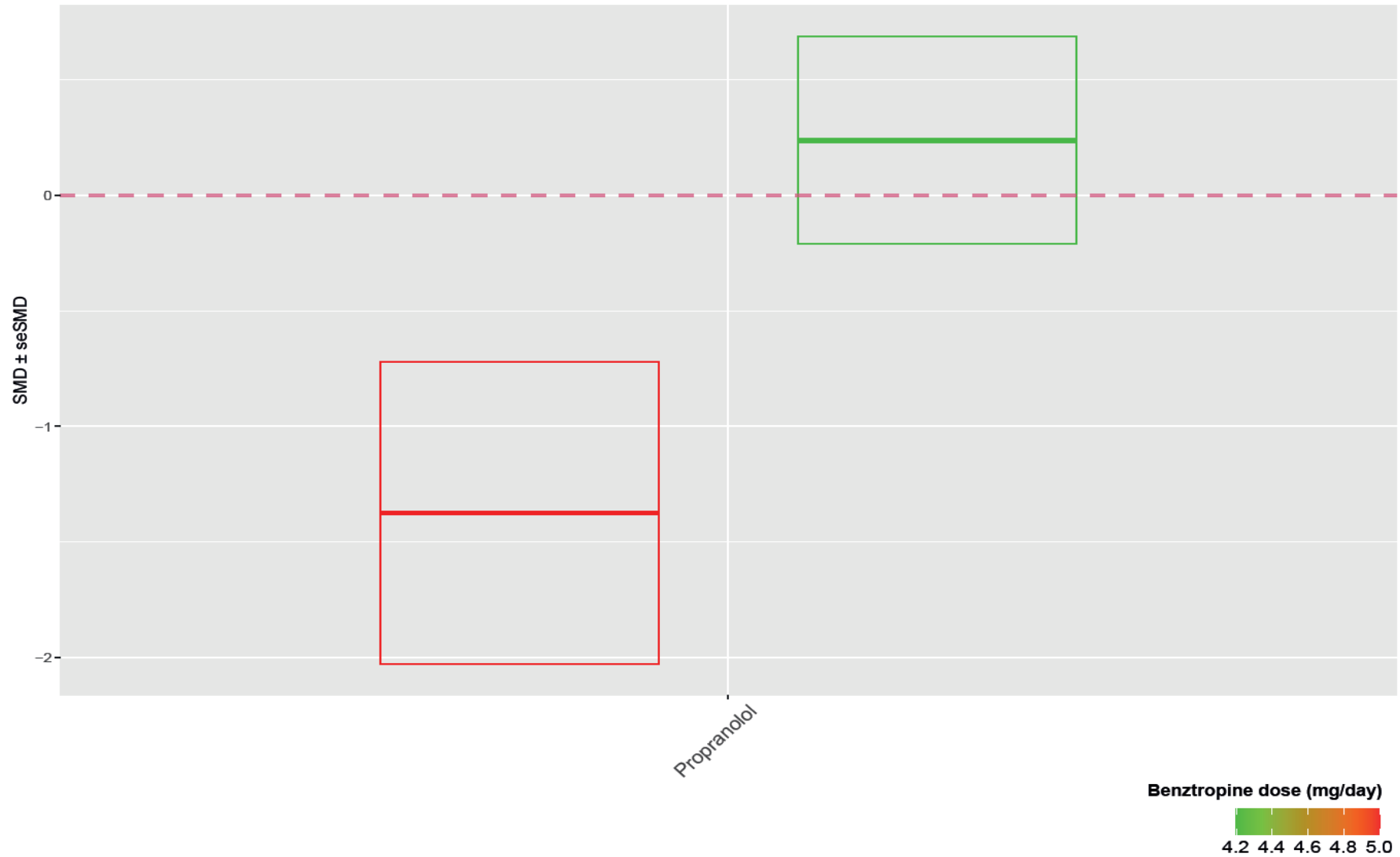
eFigure 35. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to biperiden mean dose (mg/day), used as cotreatment drug.



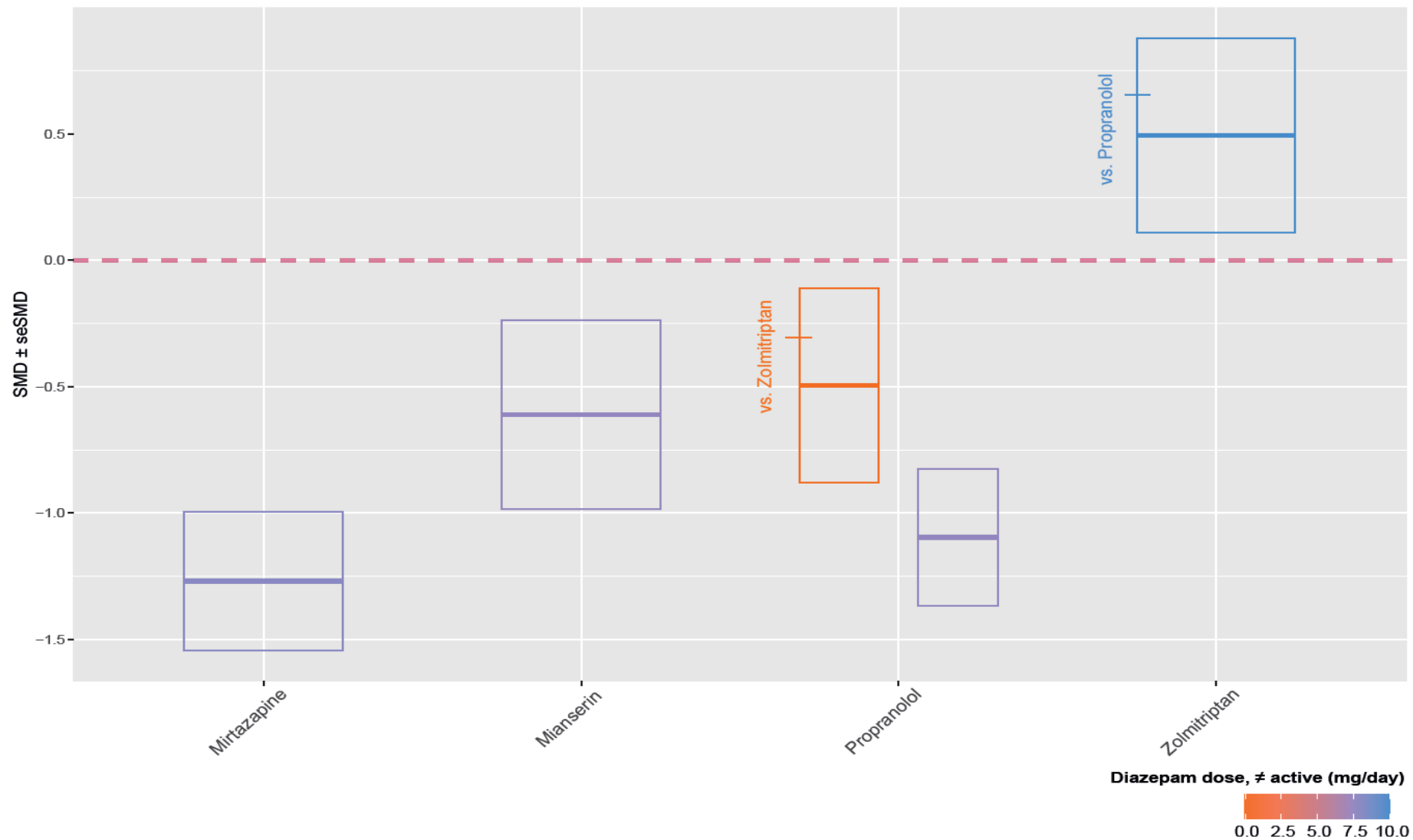
eFigure 36. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to trihexyphenidyl mean dose (mg/day).



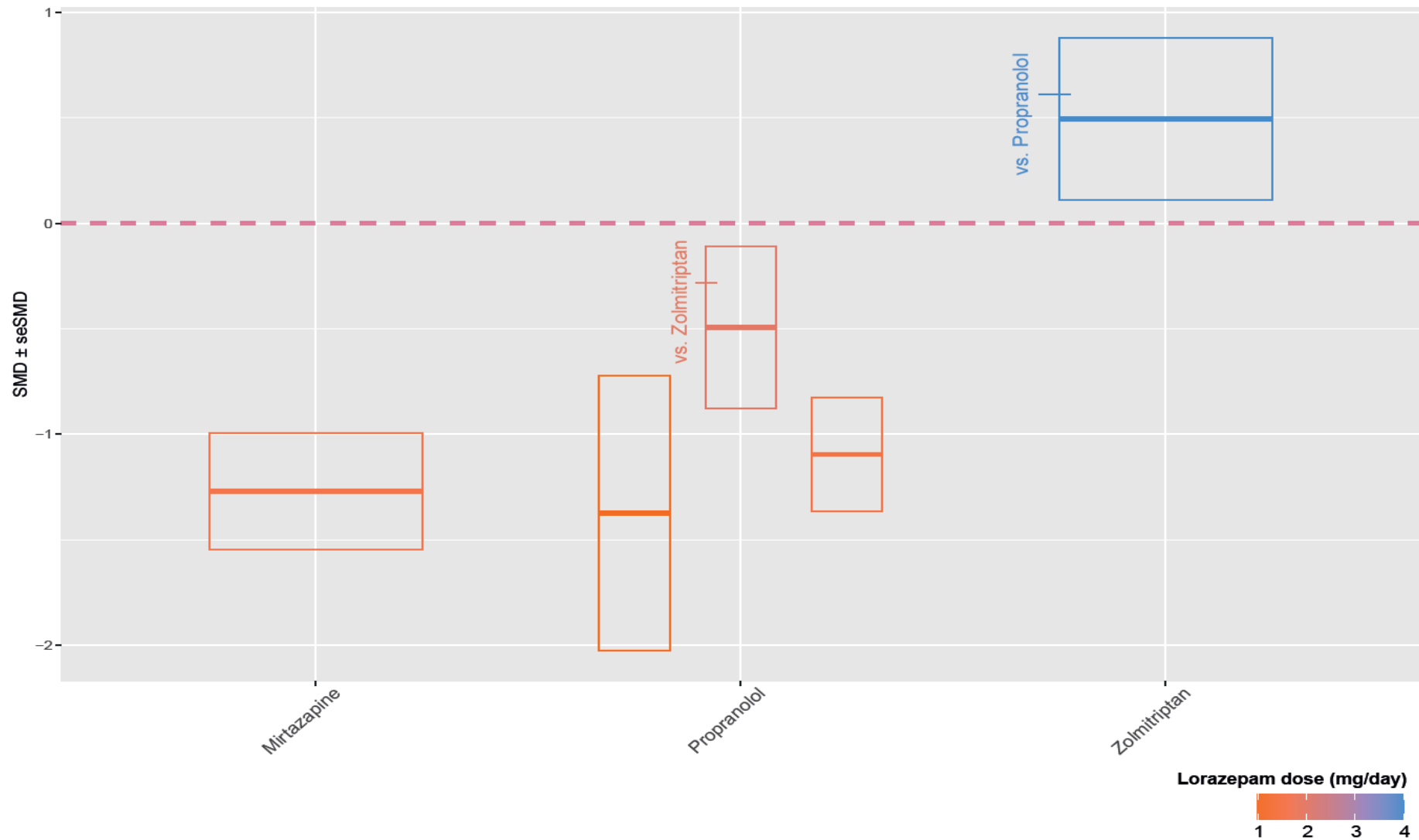
eFigure 37. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to benzotropine mean dose (mg/day).



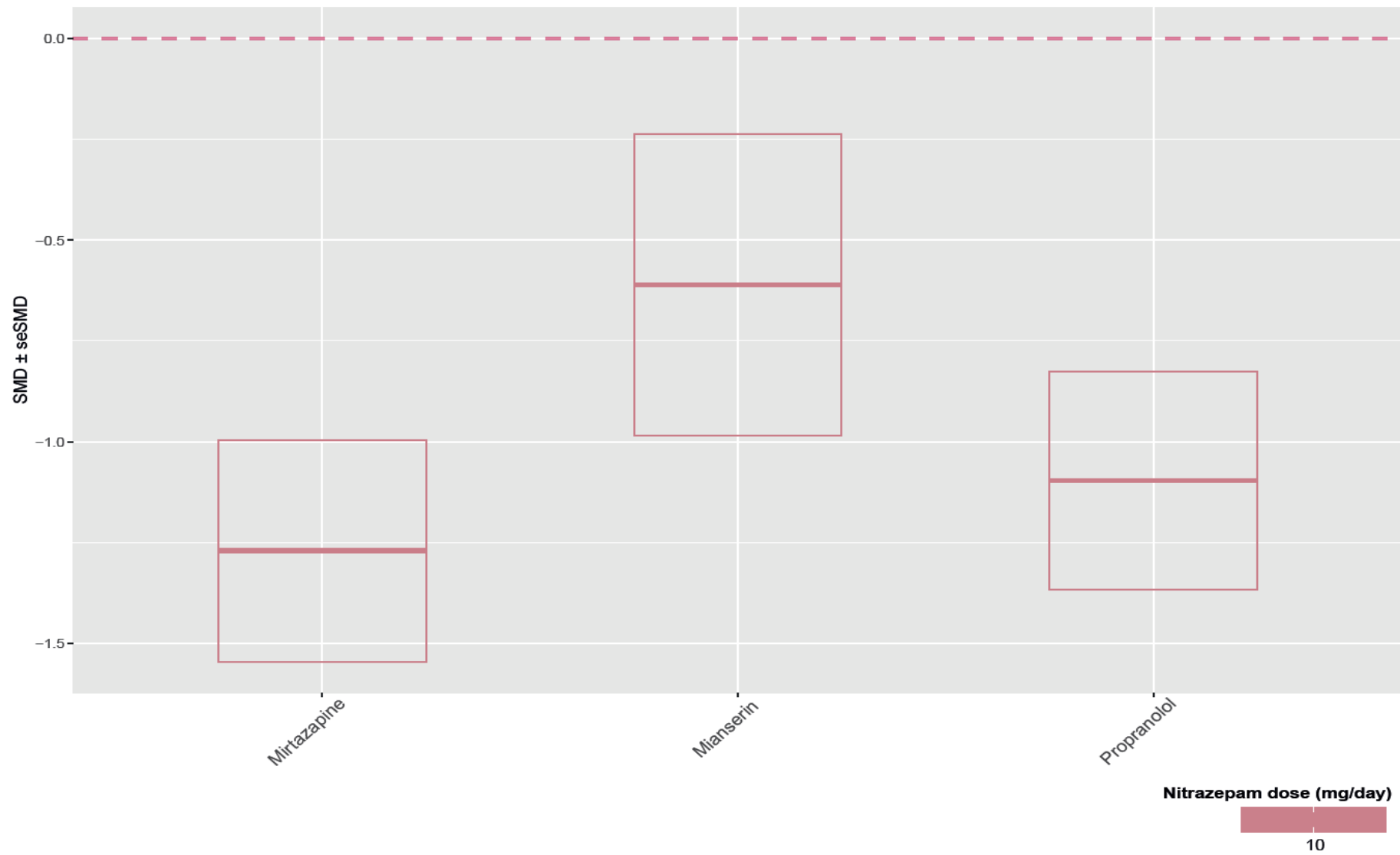
eFigure 38. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to diazepam mean dose (mg/day), used as cotreatment drug.



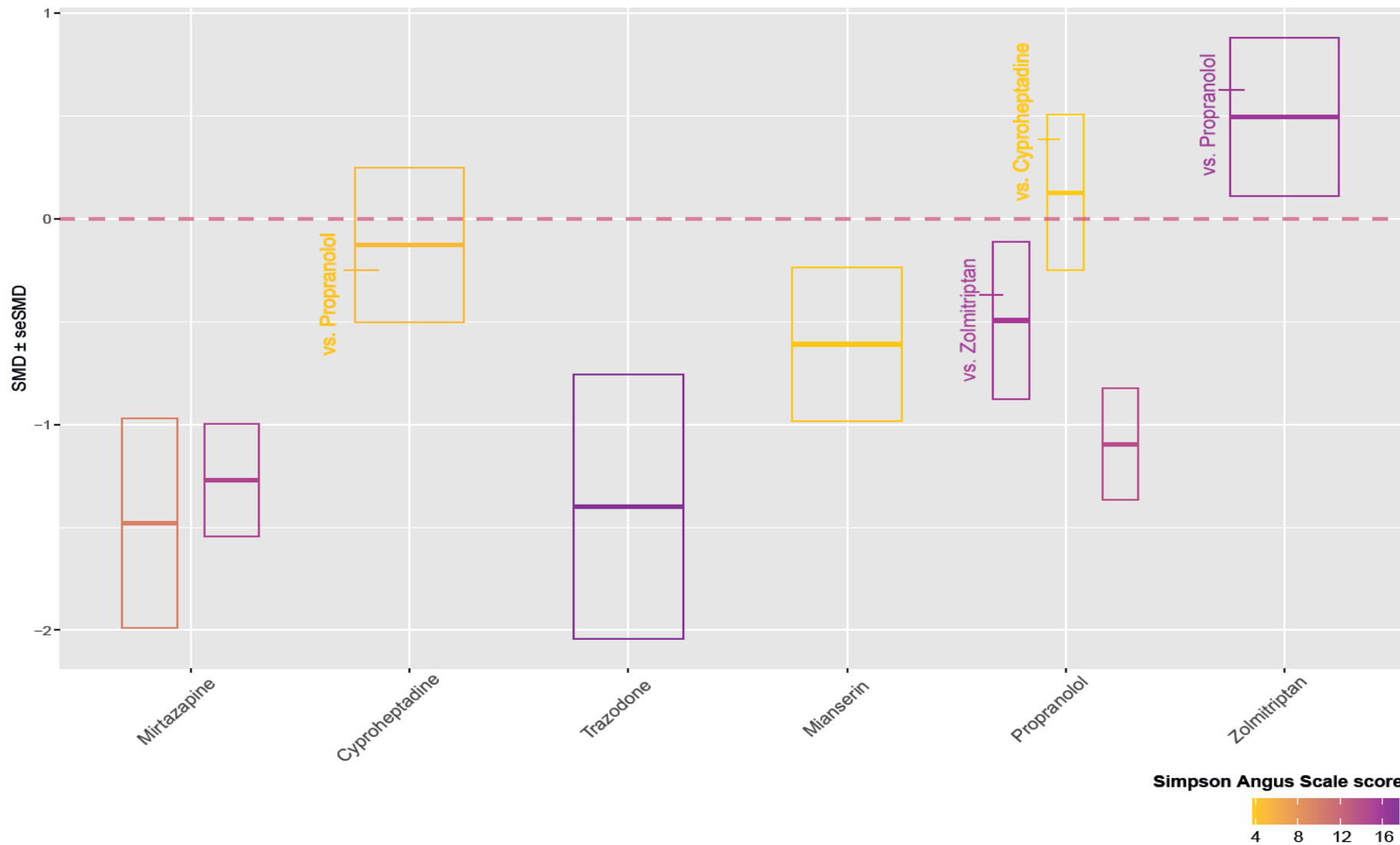
eFigure 39. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to lorazepam mean dose (mg/day).



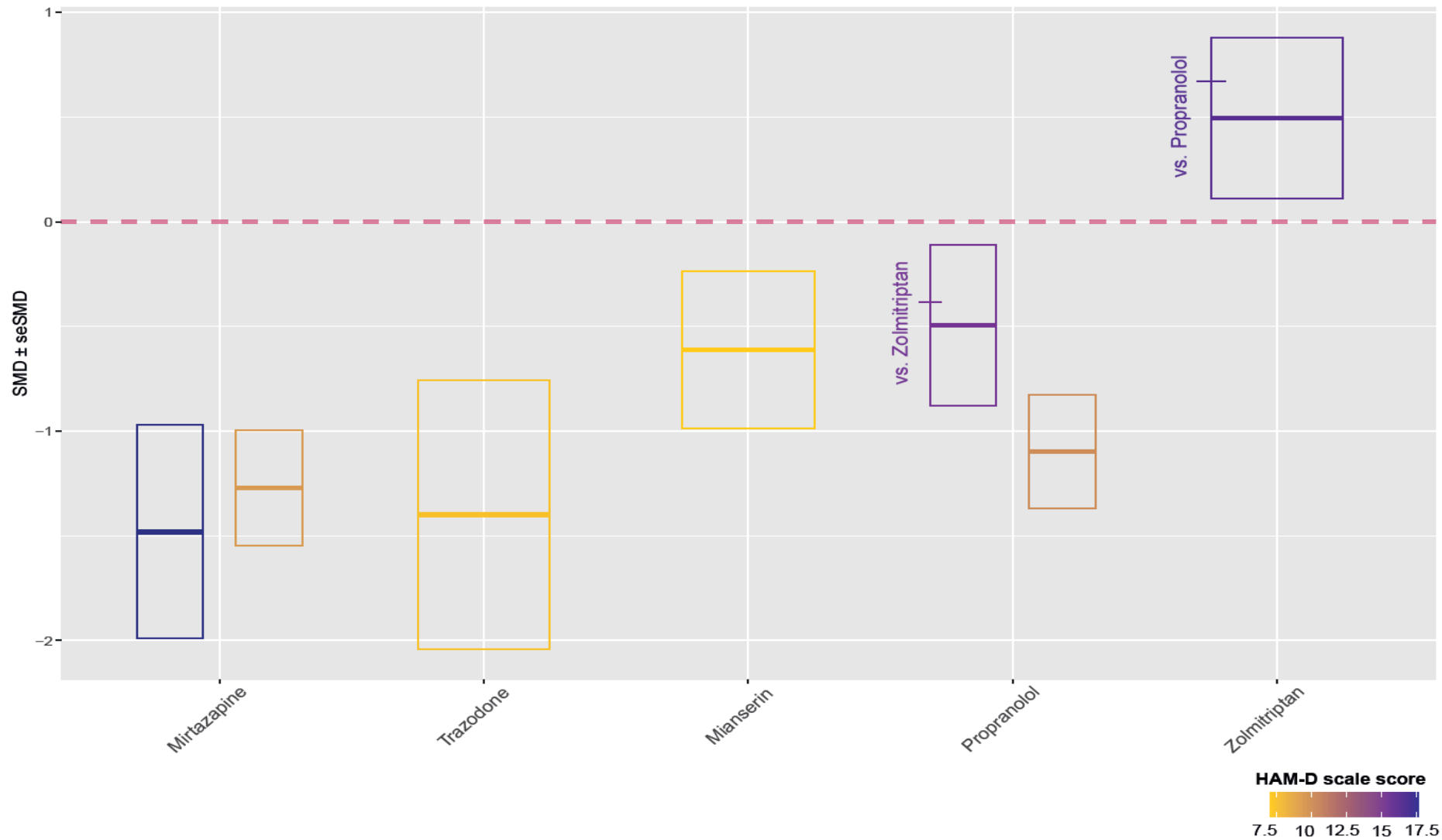
eFigure 40. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to nitrazepam mean dose (mg/day).



eFigure 41. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to Simpson Angus Scale score (mean).



eFigure 42. Error bars showing the different standardized mean differences \pm standard deviation for each intervention according to Hamilton Depression Rating Scale (mean).



3.2. Subgroup analyses

For the primary outcome, reduction of score in akathisia scale, we present below:

- Network graph
- Forest plot of the results of the network meta-analysis (reference: placebo)
- League table of the results for the network meta-analysis

Legend for network graphs: Node size is proportional to the total number of patients for each intervention. Line thickness is proportional to weight, from random effect model. The number overlying lines is equal to the number of studies corresponding to the comparison. Colored triangles represent comparisons for multi-arm studies.

Legend for forest plots: Effect sizes are from the random effect model of network-meta-analysis. The type of effect size measure (SMD, standardized mean differences) can be seen on top right.

Order of treatments is decreasing order of rank according to the surface under the cumulative ranking score (SUCRA). Reference is placebo.

Effect estimates to the left are in favor of experimental treatment. The more negative the value of SMD is, the higher is the reduction in akathisia scale.

Legend for league tables: Drugs are reported by decreasing rank order. Data are SMDs (95% CI). Data in bold are statistically significant. Comparisons should be read from left to right.

For the lower triangle that reports network estimates, column-defining treatment is compared to row-defining treatment.

For the upper triangle that reports direct treatment estimates, row-defining treatment is compared to column-defining treatment.

SMDs above 0 favors the column-defining treatment in the lower triangle, whereas it favors the row-defining treatment in the upper triangle.

SMD, standardized mean difference; CI, confidence interval.

In the first subgroup analysis, which only included studies with a low risk of bias, the network graph exhibited poor connectivity, resulting in only eight remaining studies (Friis et al. 1983; Kramer et al. 1988; Pujalte et al. 1994; Fischel et al. 2001; Poyurovsky et al. 2003; Lerner et al. 2004; Miodownik et al. 2006; Shams-Alizadeh et al. 2020). The results remained consistent with the main analysis for the top three ranked molecules. However, propranolol dropped to the last position, and its overall effect size was not statistically different from placebo (standardized mean difference [SMD] 0.24, 95% confidence interval [CI] [-0.64; 1.12]). Mianserin surpassed trazodone, securing the fourth position. According to network estimates, mirtazapine demonstrated statistically superior efficacy compared to cyproheptadine (SMD -1.48, 95% CI [-2.48; -0.48] and SMD 0.11, 95% CI [-1.04; 1.26], respectively). Biperiden also exhibited statistically superior efficacy compared to valproate and cyproheptadine (SMD -1.33, 95% CI [-2.09; -0.56], SMD -0.33, 95% CI [-1.05; -0.39] and SMD 0.11, 95% CI [-1.04; 1.26] respectively).

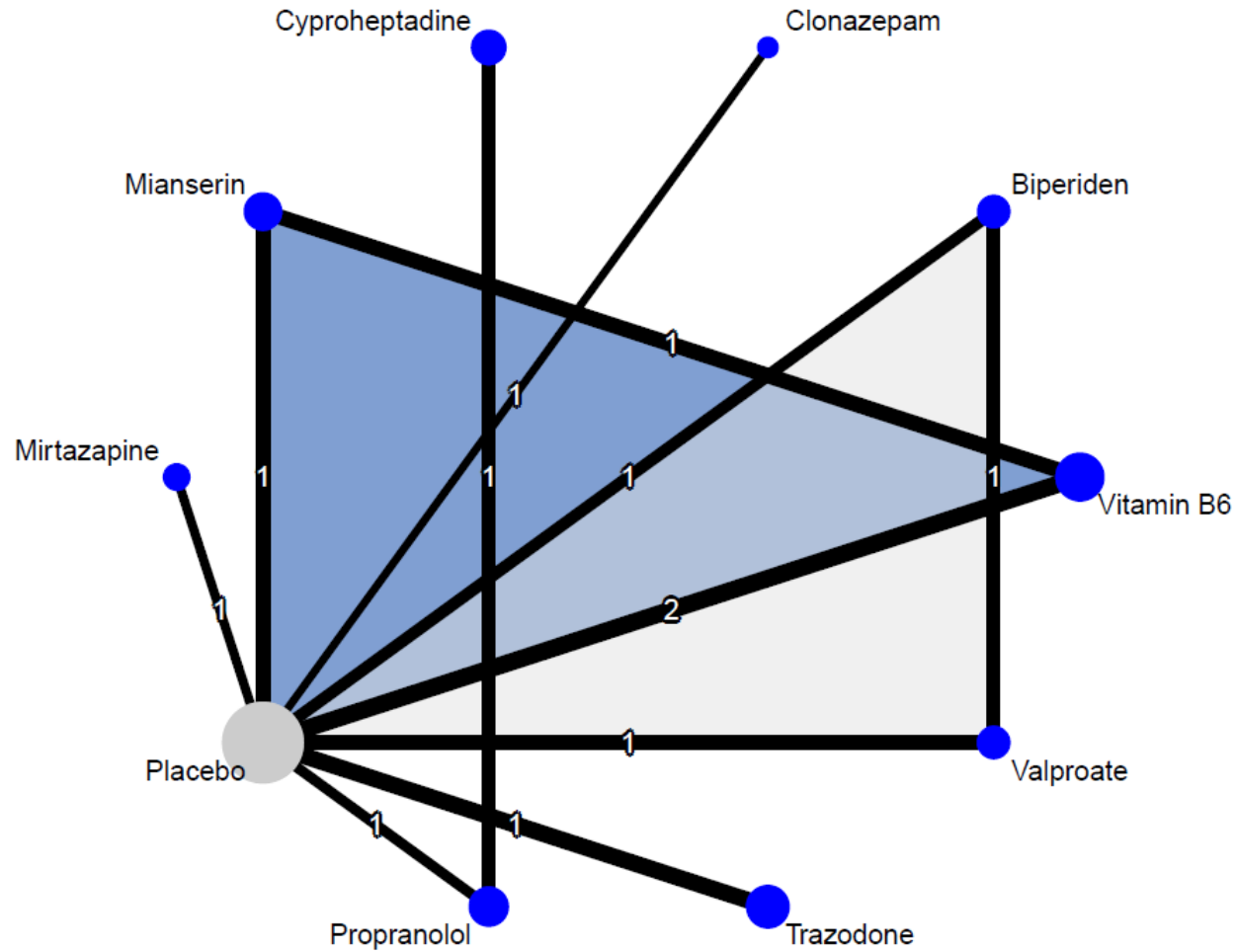
In the second subgroup analysis, restricted to trials with an AIA treatment duration of more than two days (Friis et al. 1983; Adler et al. 1986; Pujalte et al. 1994; Poyurovsky et al. 1999, 2003, 2006; Fischel et al. 2001; Lerner et al. 2004; Miodownik et al. 2006; Avital et al. 2009; Stryjer et al. 2010; Shams-Alizadeh et al. 2020), cyproheptadine claimed the third position and showed statistical superiority over placebo (SMD -1.29, 95% CI [-2.17; -0.41]). Additionally, the efficacy of propranolol improved compared to the main results, placing it fourth among the interventions (SMD -1.16, 95% CI [-1.64; -0.68]).

In the third subgroup analysis, which focused on studies utilizing the BARS scale for akathisia measurements (Pujalte et al. 1994; Poyurovsky et al. 1999, 2003, 2006; Fischel et al. 2001; Lerner et al. 2004; Miodownik et al. 2006; Baskak et al. 2007; Avital et al. 2009; Stryjer et al. 2010; Shams-Alizadeh et al. 2020), mirtazapine retained its position as the top-ranked molecule (SMD -1.32, 95% CI [-1.80; -0.85]). Cyproheptadine also exhibited statistical efficacy compared to placebo (SMD -1.25, 95% CI [-2.15; -0.35]), as did propranolol (SMD -1.13, 95% CI [-1.64; -0.61]). Individually, cyproheptadine and propranolol secured the second and third positions, respectively.

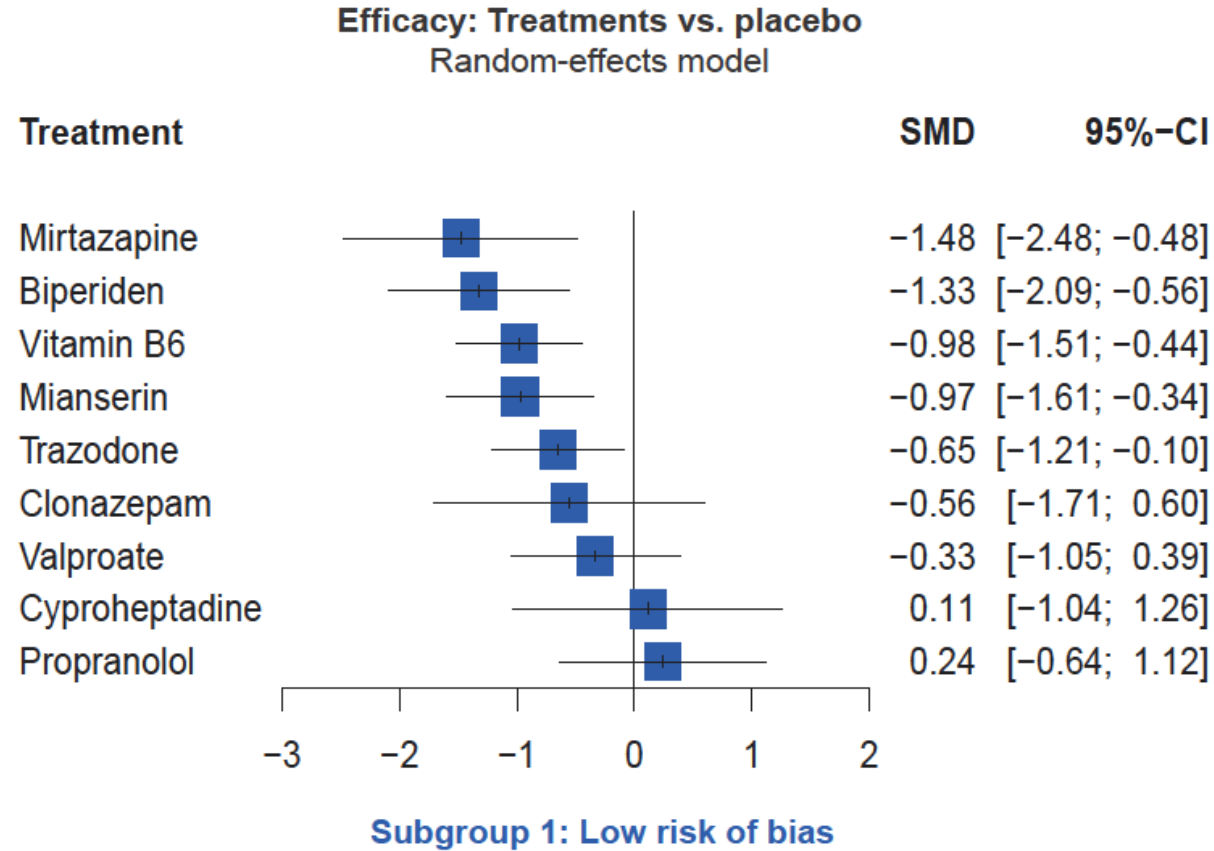
In the fourth and fifth subgroup analyses, including all trials and gathering SMDs by therapeutic classes, benzodiazepines (fourth and fifth analyses respectively: SMD -0.76, 95% CI [-1.72; 0.19] and SMD -0.74, 95% CI [-1.65; 0.17]) and antihistaminics (SMD -0.78, 95% CI [-1.66; 0.10] and SMD -0.73, 95% CI [-1.56; 0.09]) didn't show statistical superiority over placebo.

eFigure 43. Low-risk bias assessment, subgroup 1: network graph (random-effects model).

Number of studies	Number of pairwise comparisons	Number of treatments	Number of designs
8	12	10	8



eFigure 44. Low-risk bias assessment, subgroup 1: forest plot (random-effects model).



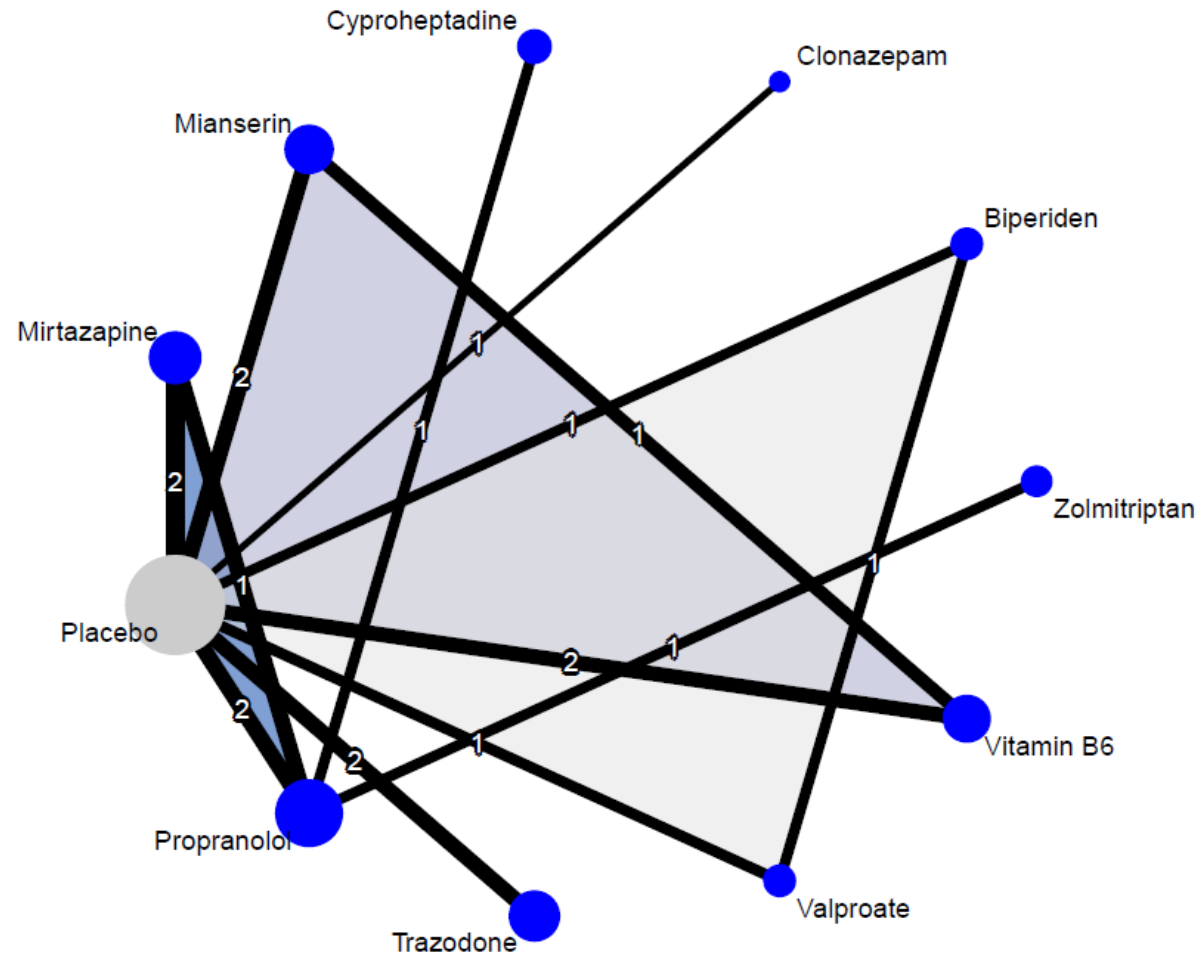
Heterogeneity (τ^2)	P-value for inconsistency (between designs)	Inconsistent comparisons of separable comparisons (SIDE-test $p < 0.1$)
0.0	0.97	0 / 2 (0%)

eFigure 45. Low-risk bias assessment, subgroup 1: league table (random-effects model).

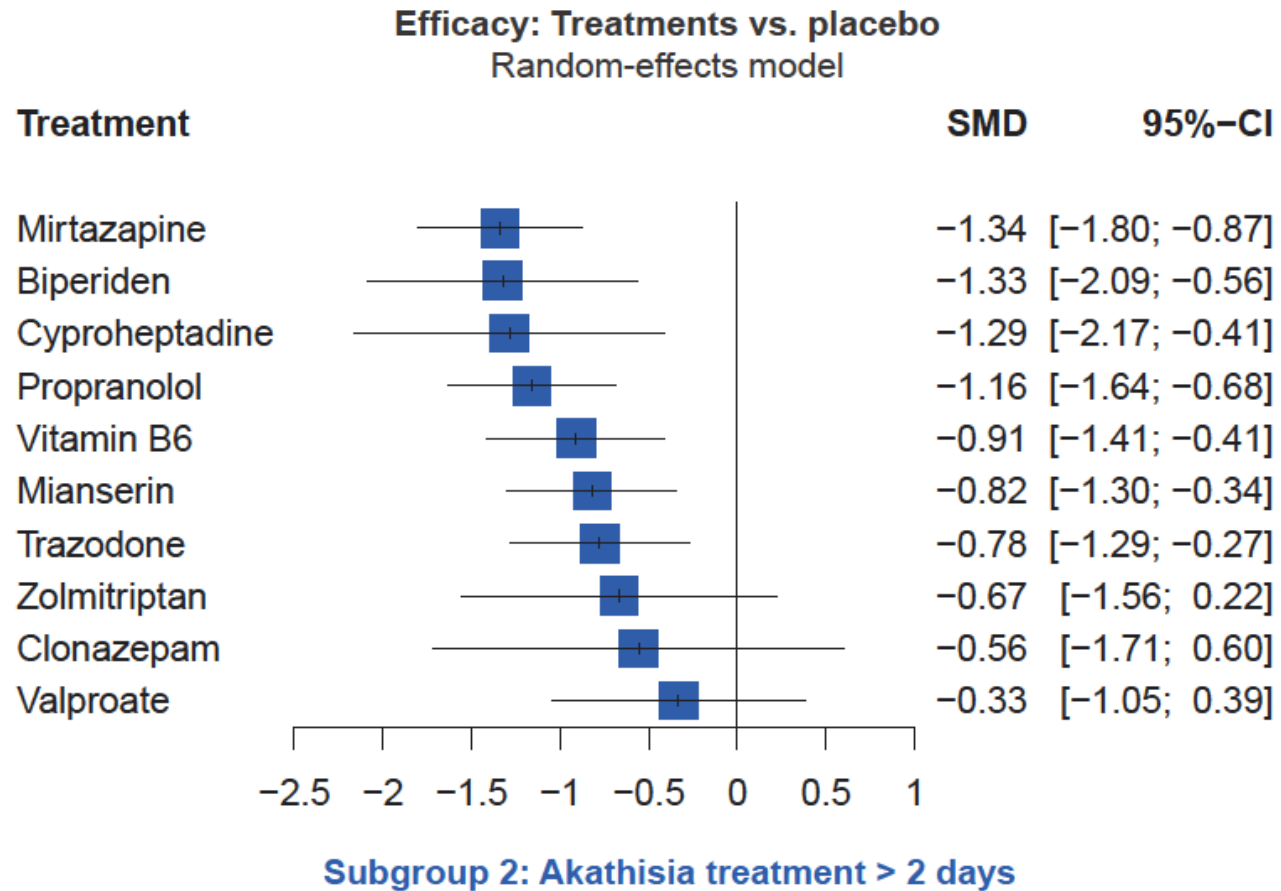
Mirtazapine	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-1.48 [-2.48;-0.48]	NA
-0.16 [-1.41; 1.10]	Biperiden	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.99 [-1.74;-0.25]	NA	-1.33 [-2.09;-0.56]	NA
-0.50 [-1.64; 0.63]	-0.35 [-1.28; 0.59]	Vitamin B6	-0.00 [-0.60; 0.60]	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.98 [-1.51;-0.44]	NA
-0.51 [-1.69; 0.68]	-0.35 [-1.34; 0.64]	-0.00 [-0.58; 0.58]	Mianserin	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.97 [-1.64;-0.30]	NA
-0.83 [-1.97; 0.32]	-0.67 [-1.62; 0.28]	-0.32 [-1.10; 0.45]	-0.32 [-1.16; 0.52]	Trazodone	NA	NA	NA	-0.65 [-1.21;-0.10]	NA
-0.92 [-2.45; 0.61]	-0.77 [-2.16; 0.62]	-0.42 [-1.69; 0.86]	-0.42 [-1.73; 0.90]	-0.10 [-1.38; 1.19]	Clonazepam	NA	NA	-0.56 [-1.71; 0.60]	NA
-1.15 [-2.38; 0.08]	-0.99 [-1.74;-0.25]	-0.65 [-1.54; 0.25]	-0.64 [-1.60; 0.31]	-0.32 [-1.23; 0.59]	-0.23 [-1.59; 1.13]	Valproate	NA	-0.33 [-1.05; 0.39]	NA
-1.59 [-3.12;-0.07]	-1.44 [-2.82;-0.06]	-1.09 [-2.36; 0.18]	-1.09 [-2.40; 0.22]	-0.77 [-2.04; 0.51]	-0.67 [-2.30; 0.96]	-0.44 [-1.80; 0.91]	Cyproheptadine	NA	-0.13 [-0.87; 0.61]
-1.48 [-2.48;-0.48]	-1.33 [-2.09;-0.56]	-0.98 [-1.51;-0.44]	-0.97 [-1.61;-0.34]	-0.65 [-1.21;-0.10]	-0.56 [-1.71; 0.60]	-0.33 [-1.05; 0.39]	0.11 [-1.04; 1.26]	Placebo	-0.24 [-1.12; 0.64]
-1.72 [-3.05;-0.39]	-1.56 [-2.73;-0.40]	-1.22 [-2.24;-0.19]	-1.21 [-2.30;-0.13]	-0.89 [-1.93; 0.15]	-0.80 [-2.25; 0.66]	-0.57 [-1.71; 0.57]	-0.13 [-0.87; 0.61]	-0.24 [-1.12; 0.64]	Propranolol

eFigure 46. Akathisia treatment duration > two days, subgroup 2: network graph (random-effects model).

Number of studies	Number of pairwise comparisons	Number of treatments	Number of designs
12	18	11	11



eFigure 47. Akathisia treatment duration > two days, subgroup 2: forest plot (random-effects model).



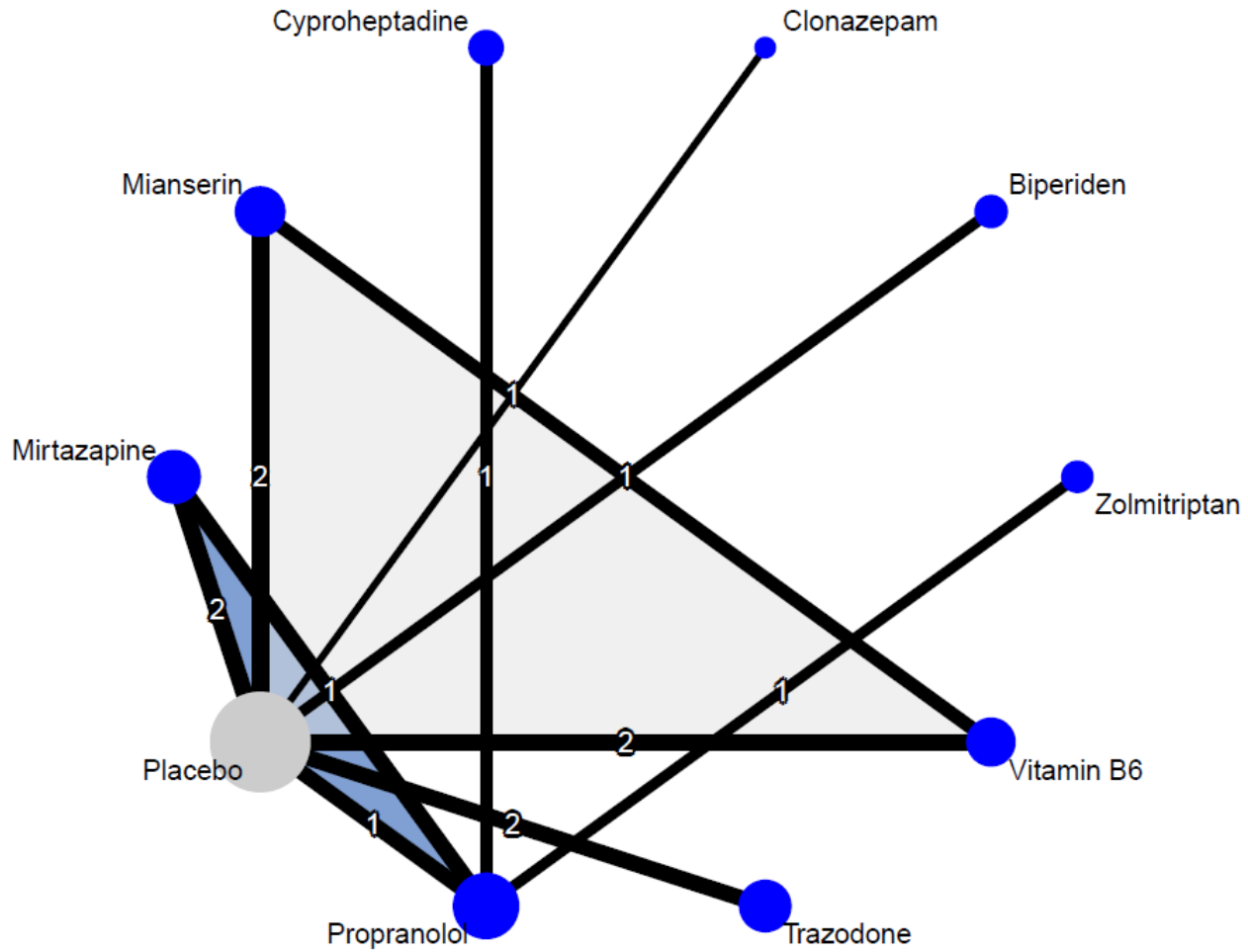
Heterogeneity (τ^2)	P-value for inconsistency (between designs)	Inconsistent comparisons of separable comparisons (SIDE-test $p < 0.1$)
0.0	0.94	0 / 6 (0%)

eFigure 48. Akathisia treatment duration > two days, subgroup 2: league table (random-effects model).

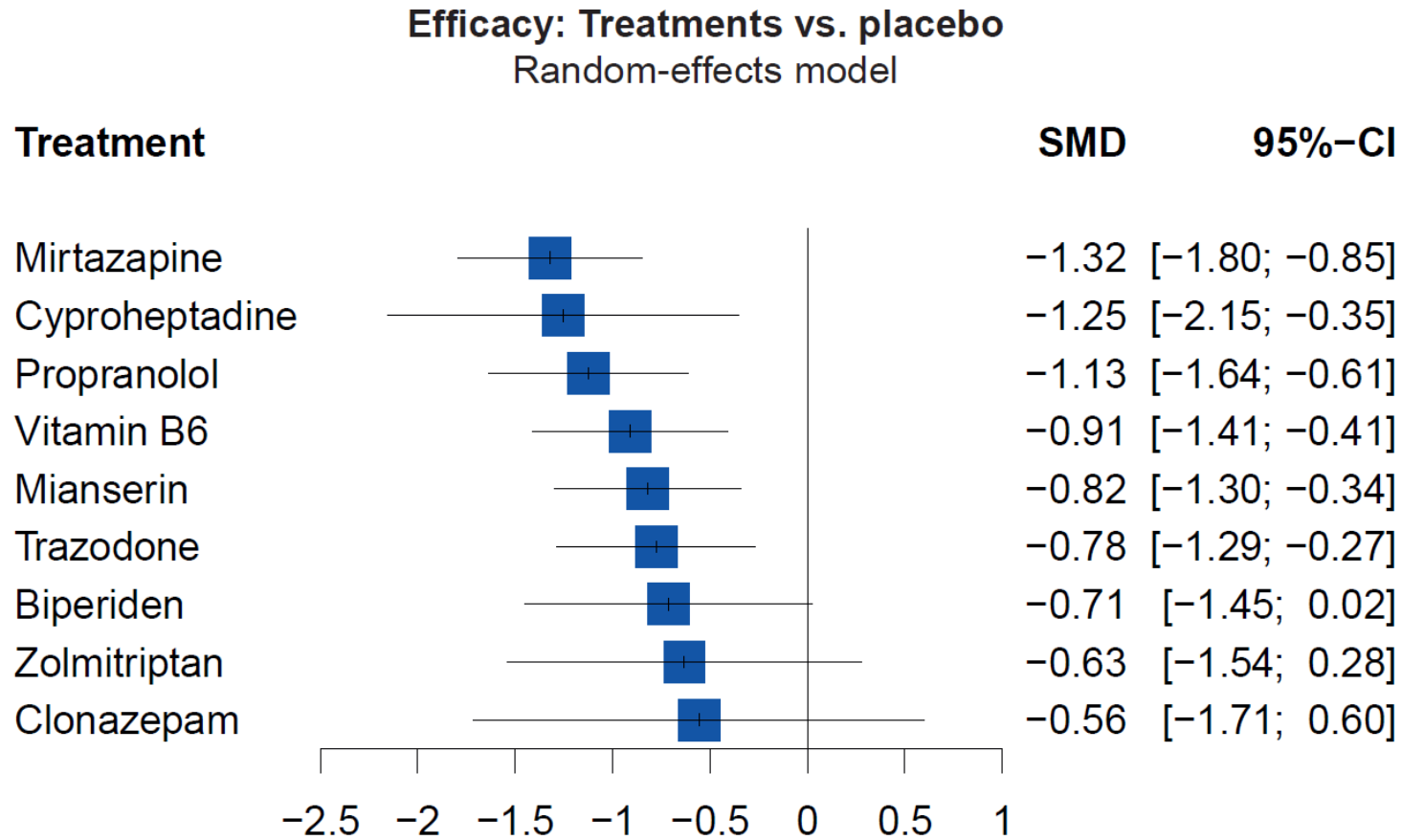
Mirtazapine	NA	NA	-0.17 [-0.68; 0.33]	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-1.32 [-1.80;-0.85]
-0.01 [-0.91; 0.88]	Biperiden	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.99 [-1.74;-0.25]	-1.33 [-2.09;-0.56]
-0.05 [-0.93; 0.83]	-0.04 [-1.20; 1.13]	Cyproheptadine	-0.13 [-0.87; 0.61]	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
-0.18 [-0.66; 0.30]	-0.16 [-1.07; 0.74]	-0.13 [-0.87; 0.61]	Propranolol	NA	NA	NA	-0.49 [-1.25; 0.26]	NA	NA	-1.14 [-1.63;-0.65]
-0.43 [-1.11; 0.26]	-0.42 [-1.33; 0.50]	-0.38 [-1.39; 0.64]	-0.25 [-0.94; 0.44]	Vitamin B6	-0.00 [-0.60; 0.60]	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.98 [-1.51;-0.44]
-0.52 [-1.19; 0.15]	-0.51 [-1.41; 0.40]	-0.47 [-1.47; 0.53]	-0.34 [-1.01; 0.33]	-0.09 [-0.62; 0.44]	Mianserin	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.81 [-1.30;-0.31]
-0.56 [-1.25; 0.13]	-0.55 [-1.47; 0.37]	-0.51 [-1.53; 0.51]	-0.38 [-1.08; 0.31]	-0.13 [-0.85; 0.58]	-0.04 [-0.74; 0.66]	Trazodone	NA	NA	NA	-0.78 [-1.29;-0.27]
-0.67 [-1.57; 0.22]	-0.66 [-1.83; 0.52]	-0.62 [-1.68; 0.43]	-0.49 [-1.25; 0.26]	-0.24 [-1.27; 0.78]	-0.15 [-1.16; 0.86]	-0.11 [-1.14; 0.91]	Zolmitriptan	NA	NA	NA
-0.78 [-2.03; 0.47]	-0.77 [-2.16; 0.62]	-0.73 [-2.18; 0.72]	-0.60 [-1.85; 0.65]	-0.35 [-1.61; 0.91]	-0.26 [-1.51; 0.99]	-0.22 [-1.48; 1.05]	-0.11 [-1.57; 1.35]	Clonazepam	NA	-0.56 [-1.71; 0.60]
-1.01 [-1.86;-0.15]	-0.99 [-1.74;-0.25]	-0.96 [-2.09; 0.18]	-0.83 [-1.69; 0.03]	-0.58 [-1.46; 0.30]	-0.49 [-1.35; 0.37]	-0.45 [-1.33; 0.43]	-0.33 [-1.48; 0.81]	-0.23 [-1.59; 1.14]	Valproate	-0.33 [-1.05; 0.39]
-1.34 [-1.80;-0.87]	-1.33 [-2.09;-0.56]	-1.29 [-2.17;-0.41]	-1.16 [-1.64;-0.68]	-0.91 [-1.41;-0.41]	-0.82 [-1.30;-0.34]	-0.78 [-1.29;-0.27]	-0.67 [-1.56; 0.22]	-0.56 [-1.71; 0.60]	-0.33 [-1.05; 0.39]	Placebo

eFigure 49. BARS as akathisia scale, subgroup 3: network graph (random-effects model).

Number of studies	Number of pairwise comparisons	Number of treatments	Number of designs
11	15	10	10



eFigure 50. BARS as akathisia scale, subgroup 3: forest plot (random-effects model).



Subgroup 3: BARS scale

Heterogeneity (τ^2)	P-value for inconsistency (between designs)	Inconsistent comparisons of separable comparisons (SIDE-test $p < 0.1$)
0.0	0.88	0 / 5 (0%)

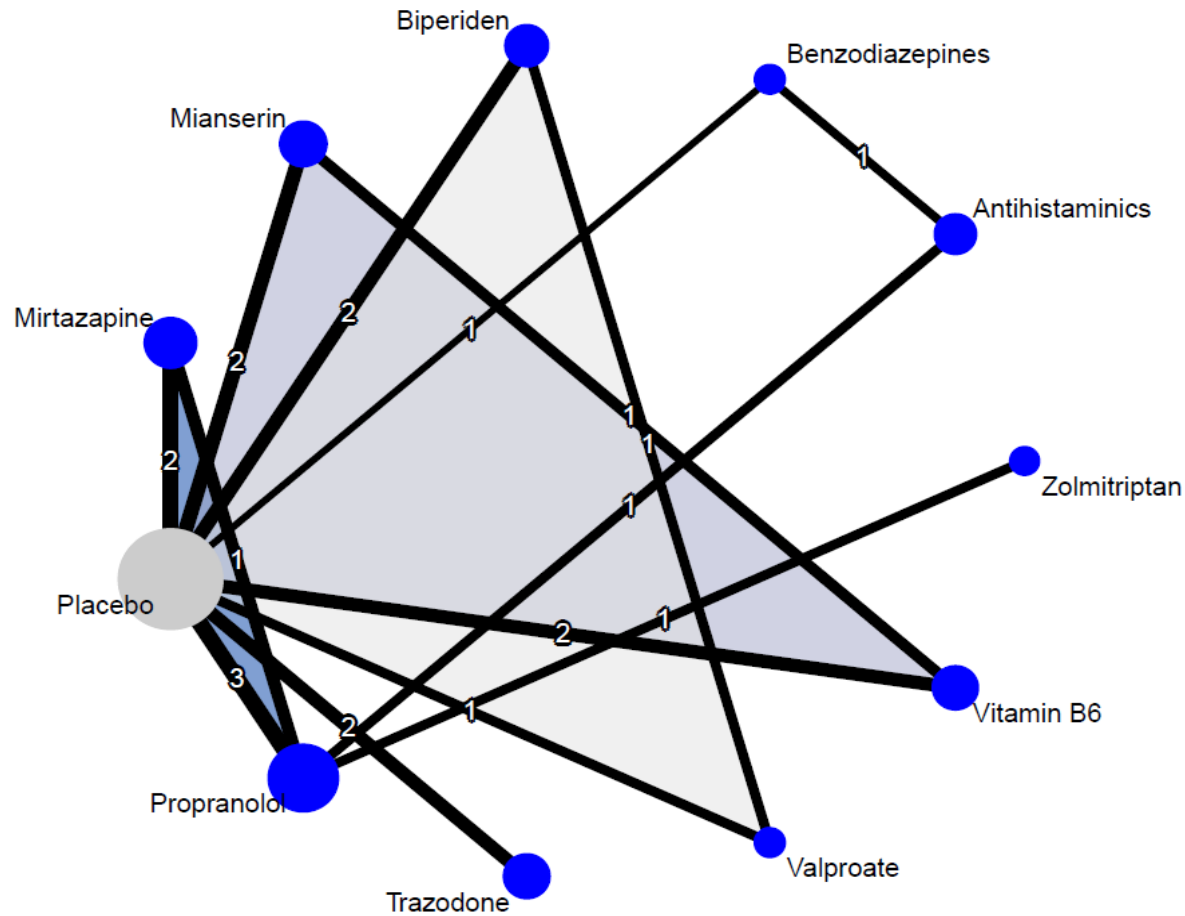
eFigure 51. BARS as akathisia scale, subgroup 3: league table (random-effects model).

Mirtazapine	NA	-0.17 [-0.68; 0.33]	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-1.32 [-1.80;-0.85]
-0.07 [-0.96; 0.82]	Cyproheptadine	-0.13 [-0.87; 0.61]	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
-0.20 [-0.69; 0.30]	-0.13 [-0.87; 0.61]	Propranolol	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.49 [-1.25; 0.26]	NA	-1.10 [-1.63;-0.57]
-0.41 [-1.10; 0.28]	-0.34 [-1.37; 0.69]	-0.22 [-0.93; 0.50]	Vitamin B6	-0.00 [-0.60; 0.60]	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.98 [-1.51;-0.44]
-0.50 [-1.18; 0.17]	-0.43 [-1.45; 0.59]	-0.31 [-1.01; 0.39]	-0.09 [-0.62; 0.44]	Mianserin	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.81 [-1.30;-0.31]
-0.55 [-1.24; 0.15]	-0.48 [-1.51; 0.56]	-0.35 [-1.07; 0.37]	-0.13 [-0.85; 0.59]	-0.04 [-0.74; 0.66]	Trazodone	NA	NA	NA	-0.78 [-1.29;-0.27]
-0.61 [-1.48; 0.27]	-0.54 [-1.70; 0.63]	-0.41 [-1.31; 0.49]	-0.19 [-1.09; 0.70]	-0.10 [-0.98; 0.77]	-0.06 [-0.96; 0.84]	Biperiden	NA	NA	-0.71 [-1.45; 0.02]
-0.69 [-1.59; 0.21]	-0.62 [-1.68; 0.43]	-0.49 [-1.25; 0.26]	-0.28 [-1.32; 0.76]	-0.19 [-1.22; 0.84]	-0.14 [-1.19; 0.90]	-0.08 [-1.25; 1.09]	Zolmitriptan	NA	NA
-0.76 [-2.01; 0.49]	-0.70 [-2.16; 0.77]	-0.57 [-1.83; 0.70]	-0.35 [-1.61; 0.91]	-0.26 [-1.51; 0.99]	-0.22 [-1.48; 1.05]	-0.16 [-1.53; 1.22]	-0.07 [-1.55; 1.40]	Clonazepam	-0.56 [-1.71; 0.60]
-1.32 [-1.80;-0.85]	-1.25 [-2.15;-0.35]	-1.13 [-1.64;-0.61]	-0.91 [-1.41;-0.41]	-0.82 [-1.30;-0.34]	-0.78 [-1.29;-0.27]	-0.71 [-1.45; 0.02]	-0.63 [-1.54; 0.28]	-0.56 [-1.71; 0.60]	Placebo

eFigure 52.
model).

Benzodiazepines, antihistaminics and other actives vs. placebo, subgroup 4: network graph (random-effects

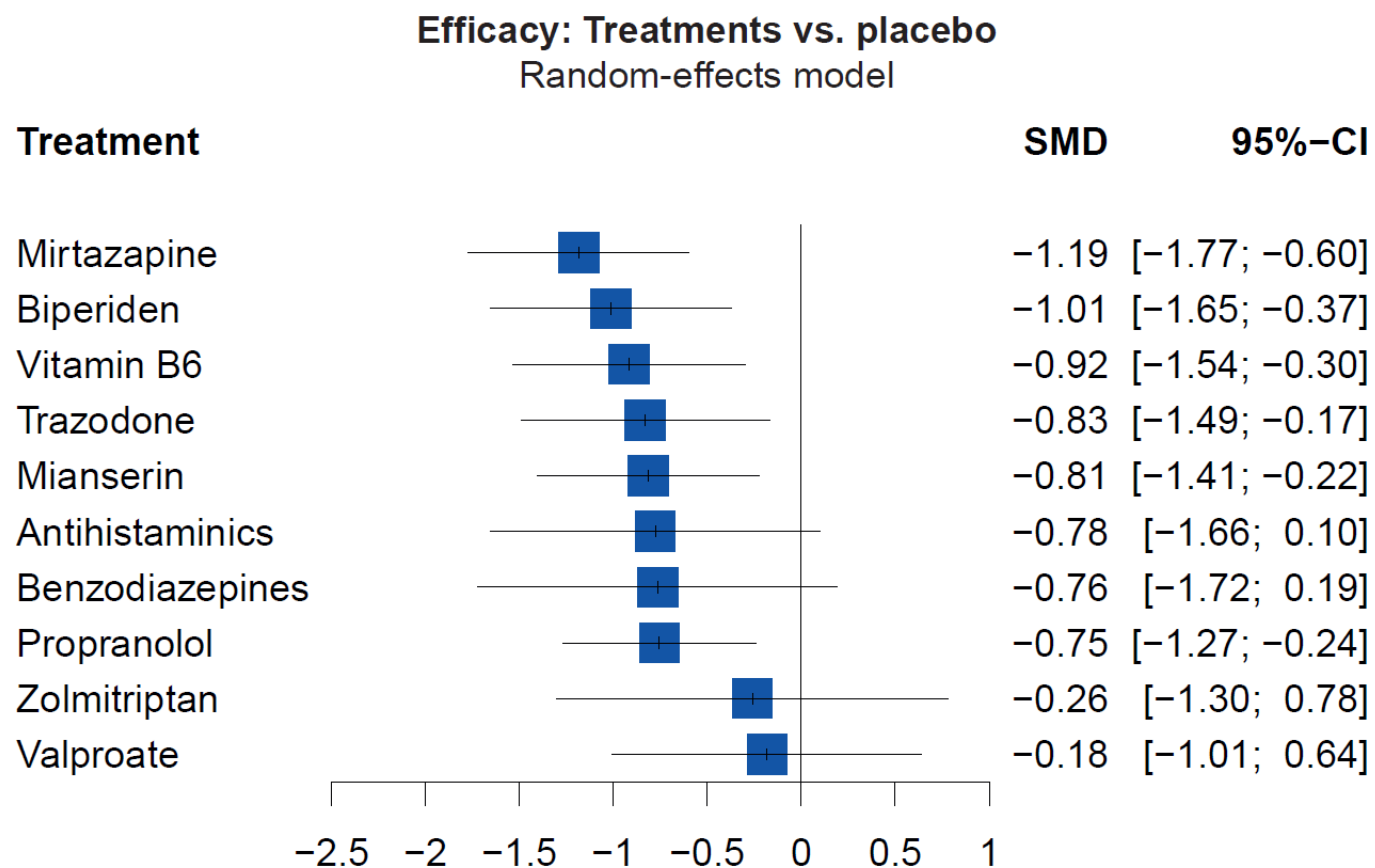
Number of studies	Number of pairwise comparisons	Number of treatments	Number of designs
15	21	11	13



Description of treatment groups. The following groups gather the standardized mean differences from the drugs listed below:

- **"Benzodiazepines"**: diazepam, diphenhydramine.
- **"Antihistaminics"** (first-generation): diphenhydramine, cyproheptadine.

eFigure 53. Benzodiazepines, antihistaminics and other actives vs. placebo, subgroup 4: forest plot (random-effects model).



Subgroup 4: Benzodiazepines, antihistaminics (H1) and other actives

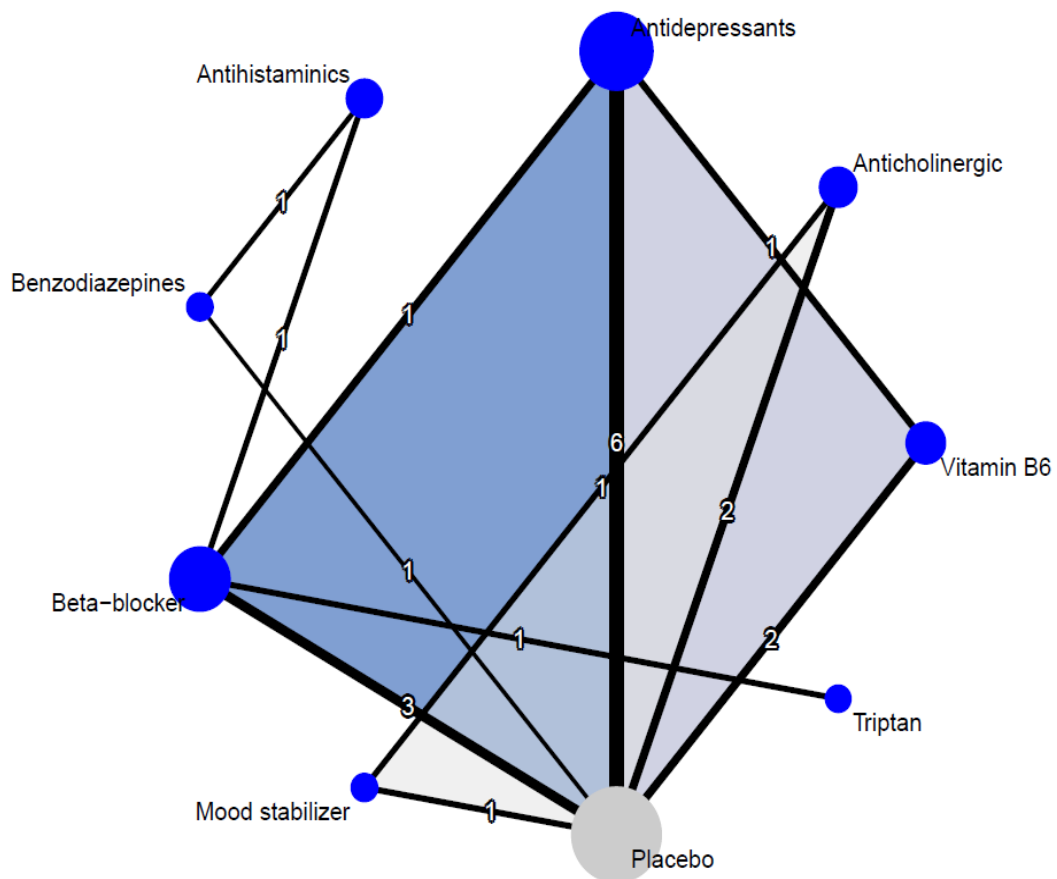
Heterogeneity (τ^2)	P-value for inconsistency (between designs)	Inconsistent comparisons of separable comparisons (SIDE-test $p < 0.1$)
0.0679	0.44	0 / 11 (0%)

eFigure 54. Benzodiazepines, antihistaminics and other actives vs. placebo, subgroup 4: league table (random-effects model).

Mirtazapine	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.17 [-0.89; 0.54]	NA	NA	-1.34 [-1.96;-0.72]
-0.17 [-1.04; 0.70]	Biperiden	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.99 [-1.90;-0.09]	-1.01 [-1.65;-0.37]
-0.27 [-1.12; 0.59]	-0.10 [-0.99; 0.80]	Vitamin B6	NA	-0.00 [-0.79; 0.79]	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.98 [-1.63;-0.32]
-0.35 [-1.24; 0.53]	-0.18 [-1.10; 0.74]	-0.09 [-0.99; 0.82]	Trazodone	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.83 [-1.49;-0.17]
-0.37 [-1.20; 0.46]	-0.20 [-1.07; 0.68]	-0.10 [-0.78; 0.58]	-0.02 [-0.90; 0.87]	Mianserin	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.80 [-1.41;-0.19]
-0.41 [-1.39; 0.57]	-0.23 [-1.32; 0.85]	-0.14 [-1.22; 0.94]	-0.05 [-1.15; 1.05]	-0.04 [-1.10; 1.02]	Antihistaminics	0.12 [-0.90; 1.14]	-0.13 [-1.03; 0.77]	NA	NA	NA
-0.42 [-1.50; 0.66]	-0.25 [-1.40; 0.90]	-0.15 [-1.29; 0.99]	-0.07 [-1.23; 1.10]	-0.05 [-1.17; 1.07]	-0.01 [-0.88; 0.85]	Benzodiazepines	NA	NA	NA	-0.56 [-1.82; 0.71]
-0.43 [-1.06; 0.20]	-0.26 [-1.08; 0.57]	-0.16 [-0.97; 0.64]	-0.08 [-0.91; 0.76]	-0.06 [-0.84; 0.72]	-0.02 [-0.82; 0.77]	-0.01 [-0.98; 0.96]	Propranolol	-0.49 [-1.40; 0.41]	NA	-0.76 [-1.30;-0.21]
-0.92 [-2.03; 0.18]	-0.75 [-1.98; 0.47]	-0.66 [-1.87; 0.56]	-0.57 [-1.81; 0.67]	-0.55 [-1.75; 0.65]	-0.52 [-1.72; 0.69]	-0.50 [-1.83; 0.82]	-0.49 [-1.40; 0.41]	Zolmitriptan	NA	NA
-1.00 [-2.02; 0.01]	-0.83 [-1.67; 0.00]	-0.73 [-1.77; 0.30]	-0.65 [-1.70; 0.41]	-0.63 [-1.65; 0.38]	-0.60 [-1.80; 0.61]	-0.58 [-1.84; 0.68]	-0.57 [-1.54; 0.40]	-0.08 [-1.41; 1.25]	Valproate	-0.33 [-1.21; 0.55]
-1.19 [-1.77;-0.60]	-1.01 [-1.65;-0.37]	-0.92 [-1.54;-0.30]	-0.83 [-1.49;-0.17]	-0.81 [-1.41;-0.22]	-0.78 [-1.66; 0.10]	-0.76 [-1.72; 0.19]	-0.75 [-1.27;-0.24]	-0.26 [-1.30; 0.78]	-0.18 [-1.01; 0.64]	Placebo

eFigure 55. Therapeutic classes in akathisia vs. placebo, subgroup 5: network graph (random-effects model).

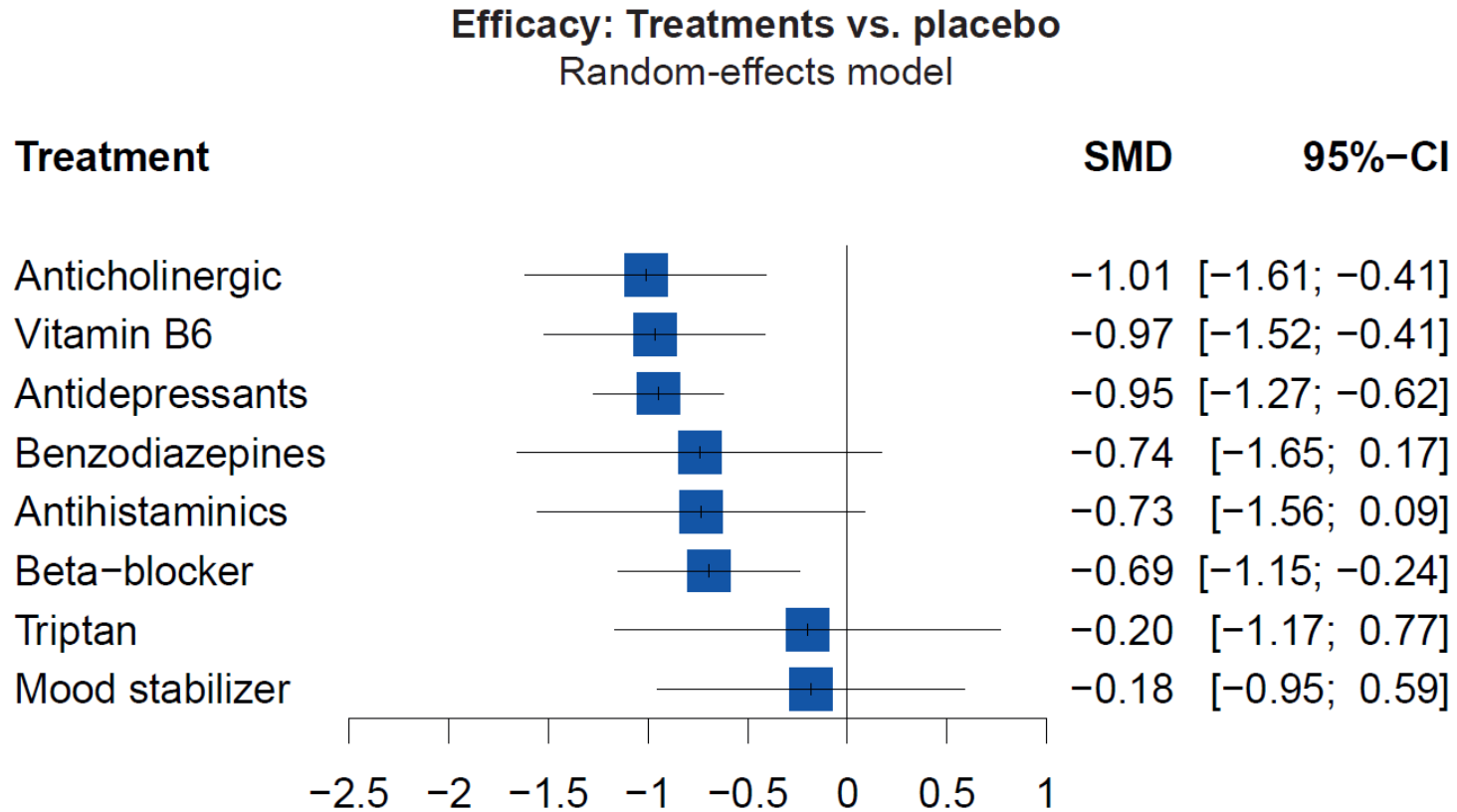
Number of studies	Number of pairwise comparisons	Number of treatments	Number of designs
15	21	9	11



Description of treatment groups. The following groups gather the standardized mean differences from the drugs listed below:

- **"Benzodiazepines"**: diazepam, diphenhydramine.
- **"Antihistaminics"** (first-generation): diphenhydramine, cyproheptadine.
- **"Antidepressants"**: mirtazapine, mianserin, trazodone.
- **"Beta-blocker"**: propranolol.
- **"Triptan"**: zolmitriptan.
- **"Mood stabilizer"**: valproate.

eFigure 56. Therapeutic classes in akathisia vs. placebo, subgroup 5: forest plot (random-effects model).



Subgroup 5: Therapeutic classes in akathisia

Heterogeneity (τ^2)	P-value for inconsistency (between designs)	Inconsistent comparisons of separable comparisons (SIDE-test $p < 0.1$)
0.0425	0.48	0 / 10 (0%)

eFigure 57. Therapeutic classes in akathisia vs. placebo, subgroup 5: league table (random-effects model).

Anticholinergic	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.99 [-1.84;-0.15]	-1.00 [-1.61;-0.41]
-0.06 [-0.75; 0.62]	Antidepressants	0.00 [-0.72; 0.72]	NA	NA	-0.17 [-0.82; 0.47]	NA	NA	-0.99 [-1.33;-0.65]
-0.04 [-0.86; 0.77]	0.02 [-0.55; 0.59]	Vitamin B6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	-0.98 [-1.59;-0.37]
-0.27 [-1.37; 0.82]	-0.21 [-1.16; 0.75]	-0.23 [-1.29; 0.83]	Benzodiazepines	-0.12 [-1.09; 0.85]	NA	NA	NA	-0.56 [-1.78; 0.67]
-0.28 [-1.30; 0.74]	-0.21 [-1.07; 0.64]	-0.23 [-1.21; 0.75]	-0.01 [-0.83; 0.82]	Antihistaminics	-0.13 [-0.97; 0.72]	NA	NA	NA
-0.32 [-1.07; 0.44]	-0.25 [-0.75; 0.24]	-0.27 [-0.97; 0.42]	-0.05 [-0.97; 0.87]	-0.04 [-0.79; 0.71]	Beta-blocker	-0.49 [-1.35; 0.36]	NA	-0.77 [-1.28;-0.26]
-0.81 [-1.95; 0.33]	-0.75 [-1.74; 0.24]	-0.77 [-1.87; 0.33]	-0.54 [-1.80; 0.71]	-0.53 [-1.67; 0.60]	-0.49 [-1.35; 0.36]	Triptan	NA	NA
-0.83 [-1.61;-0.05]	-0.77 [-1.60; 0.07]	-0.78 [-1.73; 0.16]	-0.56 [-1.75; 0.64]	-0.55 [-1.68; 0.57]	-0.51 [-1.41; 0.38]	-0.02 [-1.25; 1.22]	Mood stabilizer	-0.33 [-1.16; 0.49]
-1.01 [-1.61;-0.41]	-0.95 [-1.27;-0.62]	-0.97 [-1.52;-0.41]	-0.74 [-1.65; 0.17]	-0.73 [-1.56; 0.09]	-0.69 [-1.15;-0.24]	-0.20 [-1.17; 0.77]	-0.18 [-0.95; 0.59]	Placebo

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