



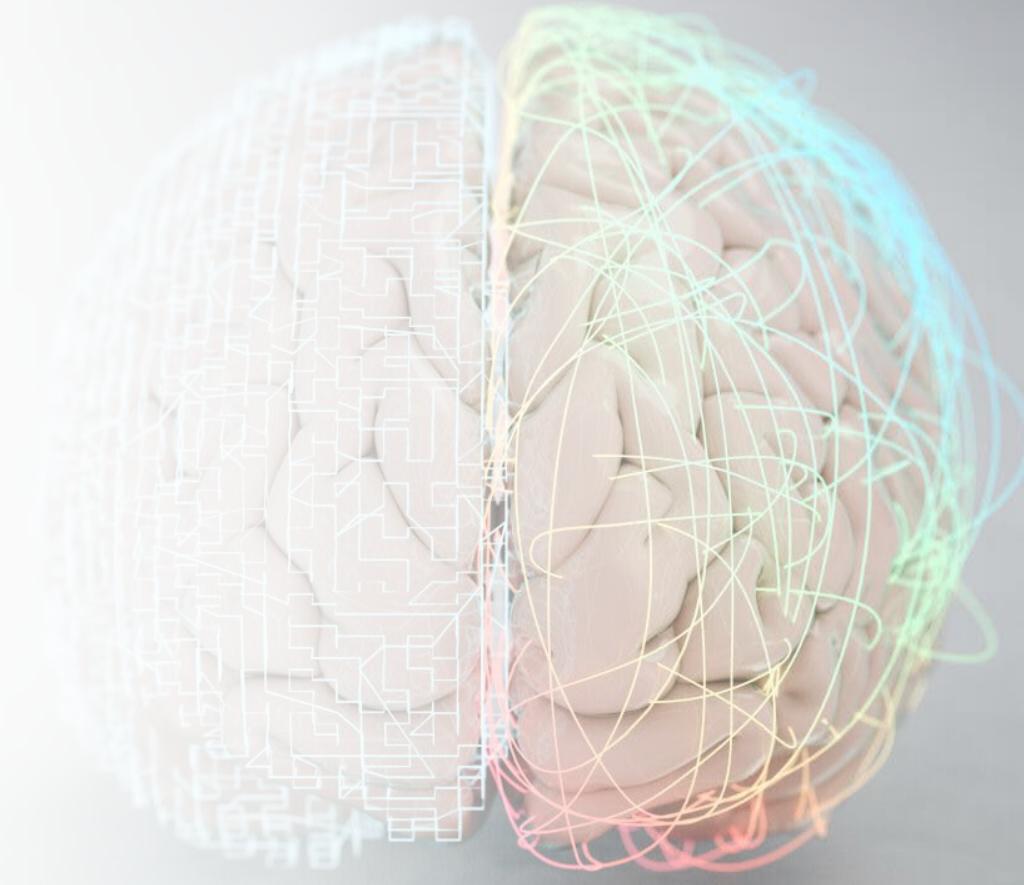
GUT FEELINGS

Managing the Brain-Gut
Connection in IBD

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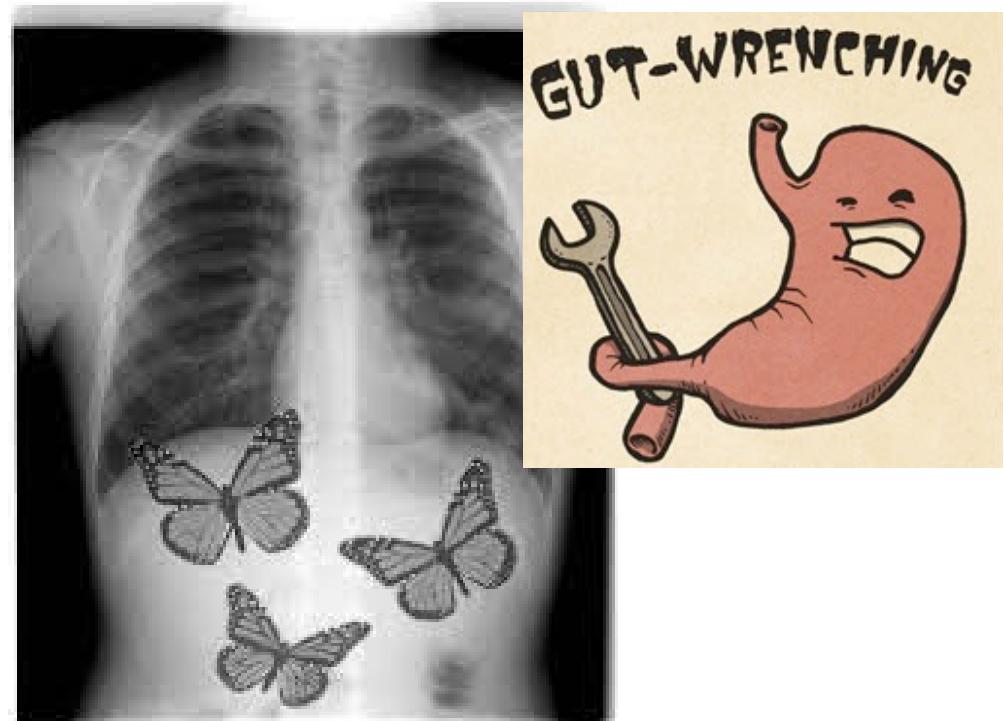


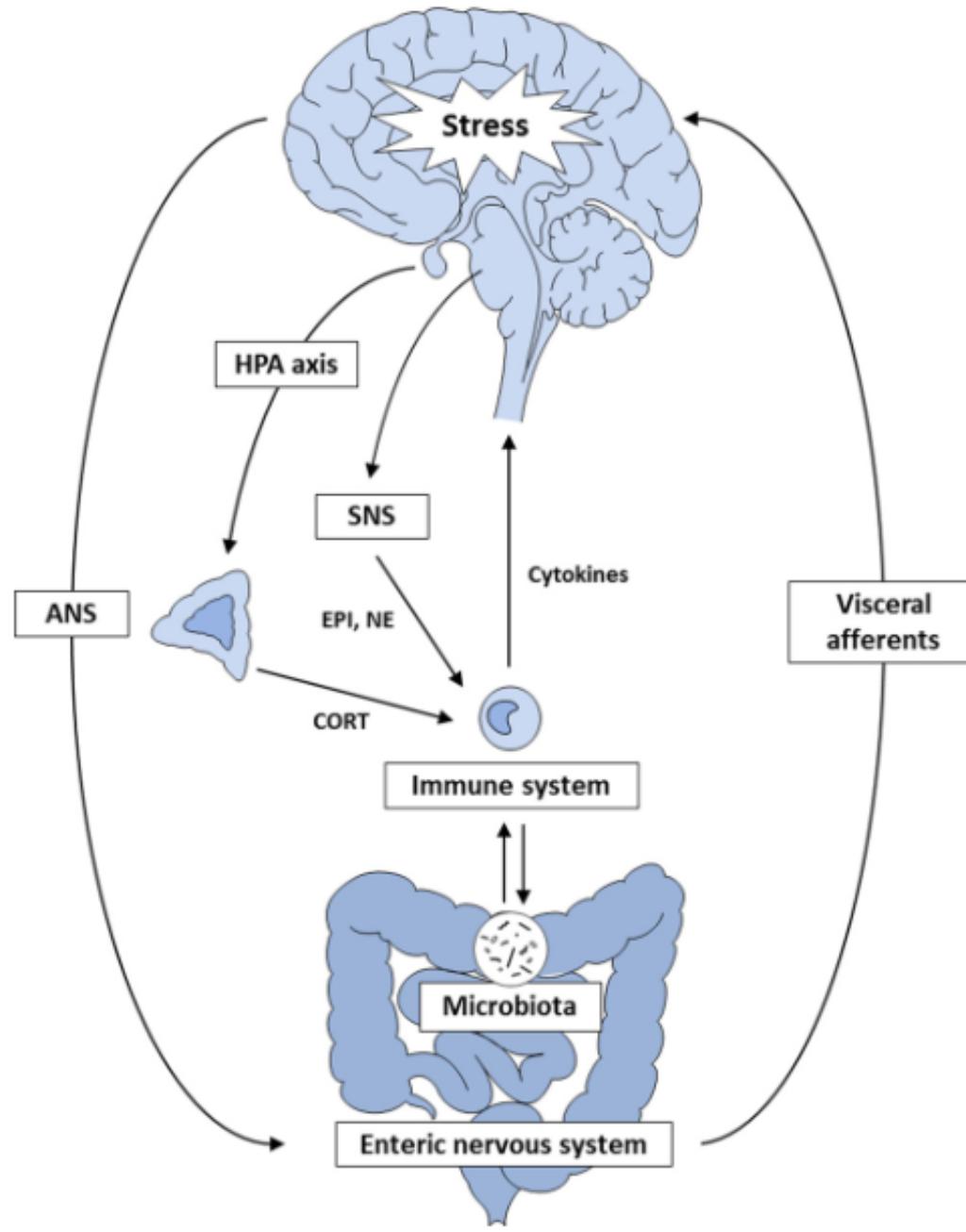
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Historical Examples

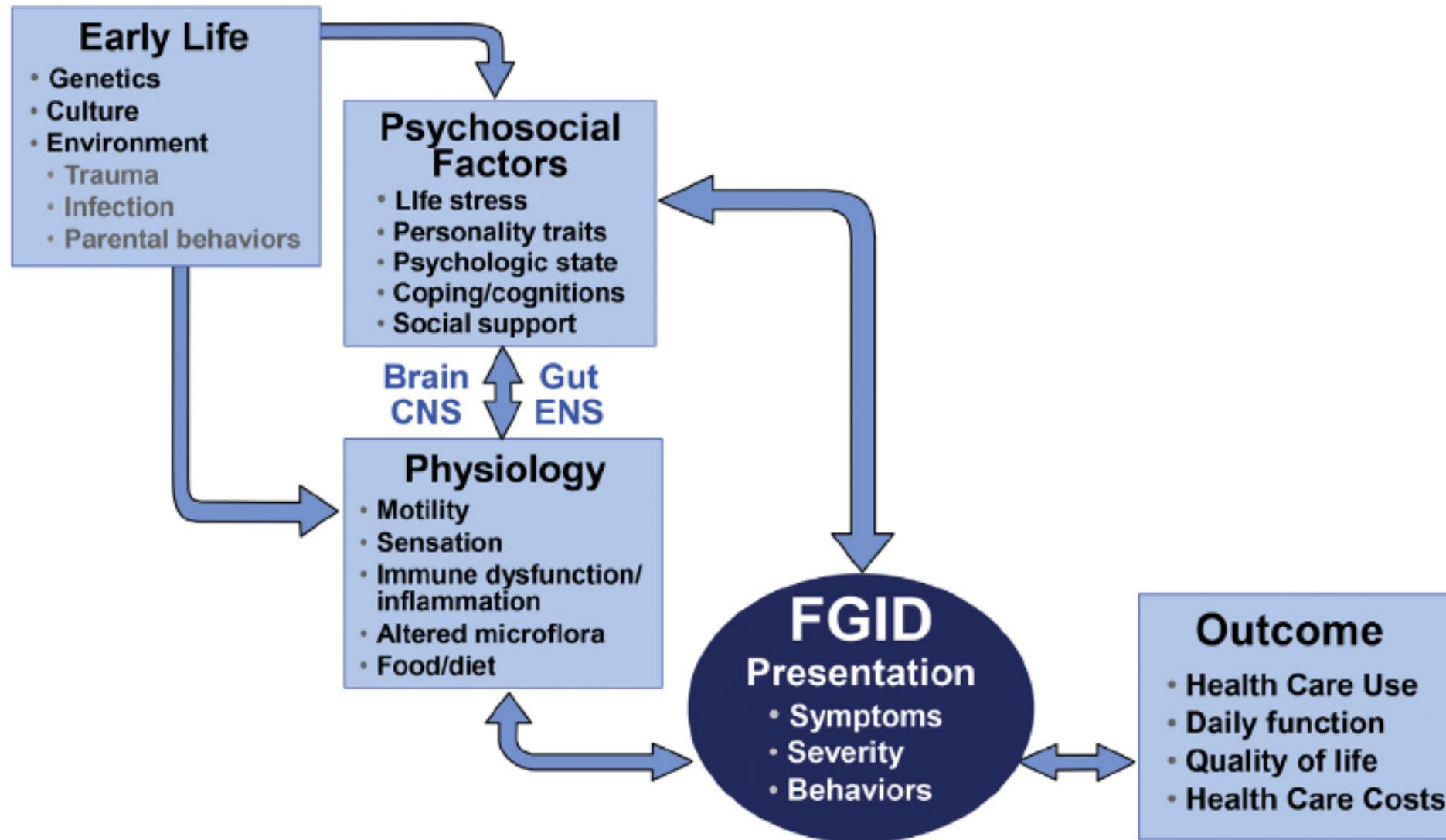
- “All disease begins in the gut”
- melancholy → *melaina chole* → black bile

Contemporary Idioms





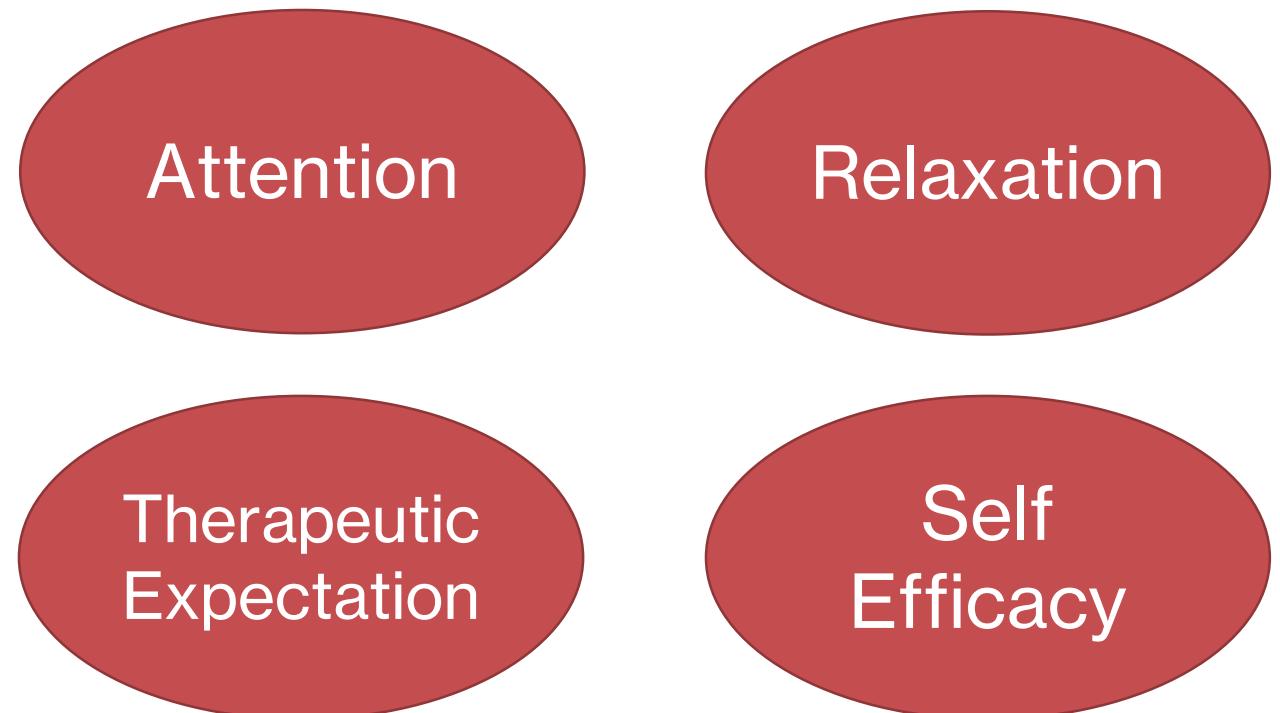
Biopsychosocial Conceptual Model



Behavioral Interventions

- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Gut-Focused Hypnotherapy
- Mindfulness Based Treatments

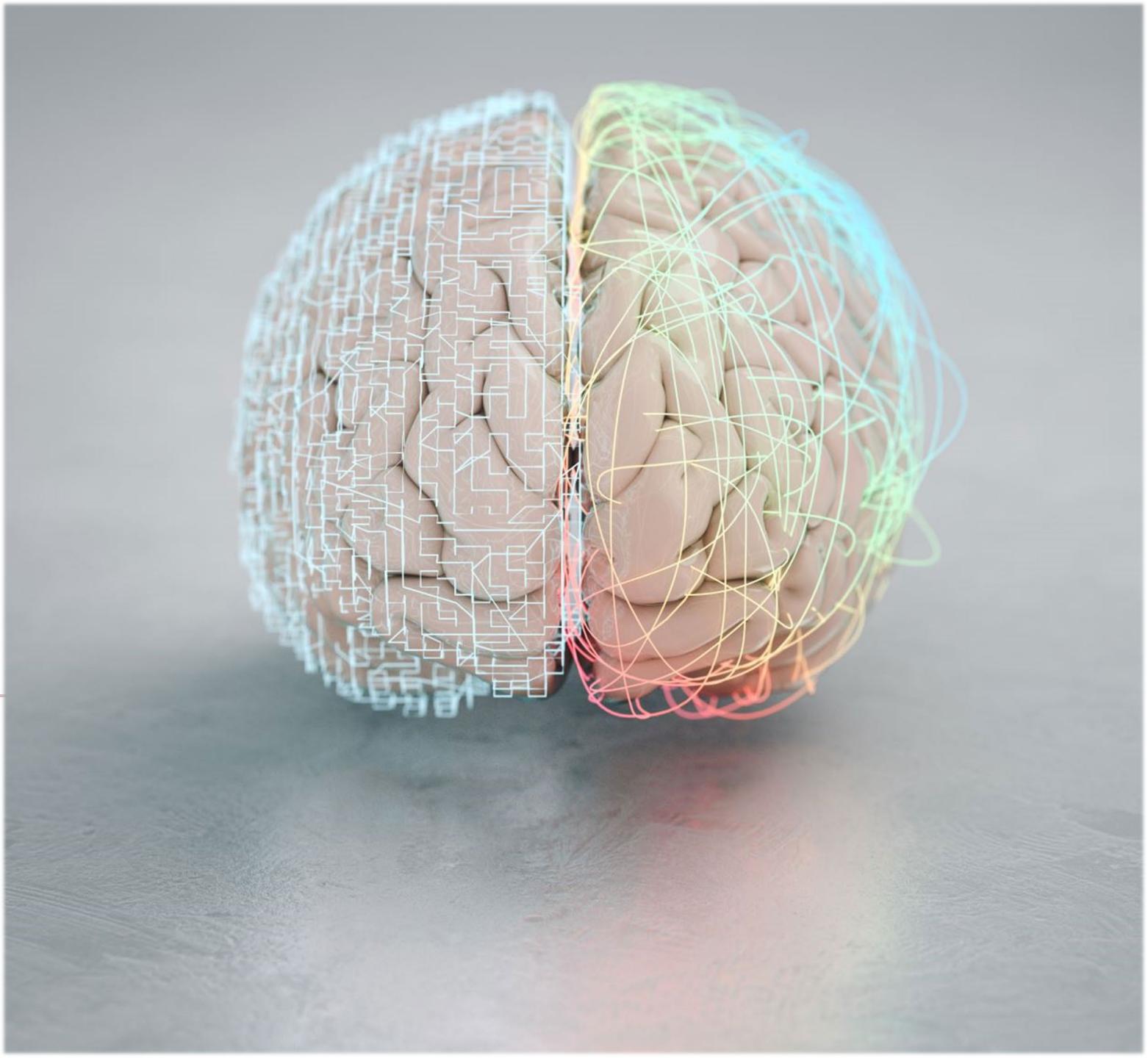
Common Factors



Medications

- **Considerations:** Indications, Side Effects, Absorption
- **Many Different Options**
 - Mirtazapine
 - Bupropion
 - TCA: amitriptyline; nortriptyline, desipramine
 - SNRI: duloxetine, venlafaxine
 - SSRI: escitalopram, fluoxetine

Questions?



Thanks!

