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THE USE OF CLOZAPINE IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH SERIOUS CONDUCT DISORDER FOR CONTROL OF THE AGGRESSIVENESS

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Objectives: To analyze the use of Clozapine in six children and adolescents with Serious Conduct Disorder, whose symptoms had been refractory to other pharmacology treatment. Scalar analysis is supplied for the more important psychopathology aspects and the changes with therapeutic one.

Methods: Six patients diagnosed with Serious Conduct Disorder are described who had begun the use of Clozapine. They had been widely studied and received application of standardized instruments of infantile psychiatry (CBCL - Child Behavior Check List) before and after the use of this medication.

Results: The patients had mainly significant improvement in relation to the level of aggressiveness and social behavior.

Conclusions: Although ample studies on the use of this medication in children and adolescents do not yet exist, more precisely for cases of Serious Conduct Disorder, the preliminary results are very positive and indicate that Clozapine could be an important tool in the handling of the aggressiveness in those refractory patients with Serious Conduct Disorder.