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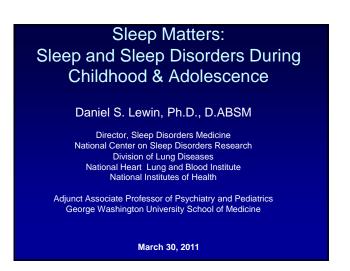
Sleep Matters: Sleep and Sleep Disorders During Childhood and Adolescence

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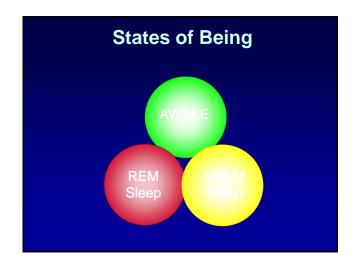
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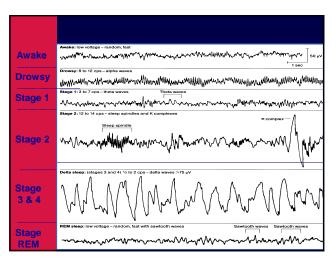


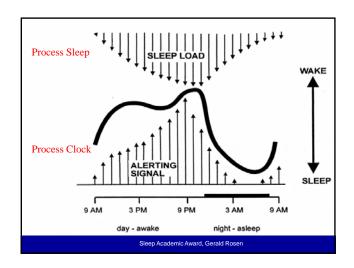
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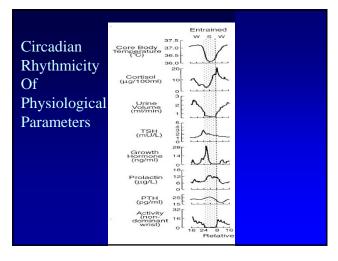


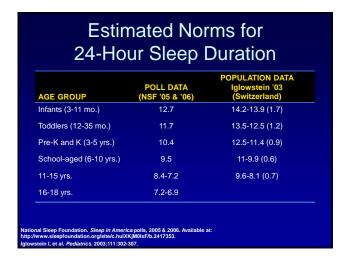


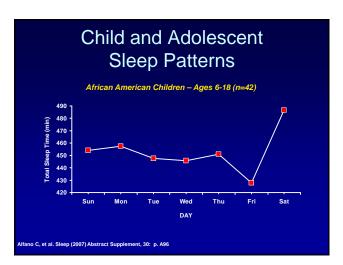










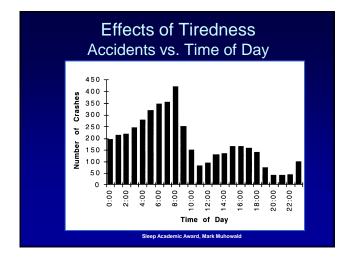


Hypotheses Regarding Functions of Sleep

- Physical and mental restoration
- Replenishment/break down of brain chemicals (hormones, neurotransmitters, peptides)
- Communication between brain regions
- · Memory consolidation
- Conservation of resources
- Miscellaneous biological processes (digestion & immune function)
- Safe during times of perceptual weakness & vulnerability

Functions of Sleep: Experimental Evidence

- Effects of Sleep Deprivation
 - Experimental Animal studies
 - Complete sleep deprivation results in death
 - Experimental human adult studies
 - decrements in cognitive, perceptual, and motor abilities
 - Naturalistic human adult studies
 - Increased risk of mortality
 - Increased risk of mental health disorders



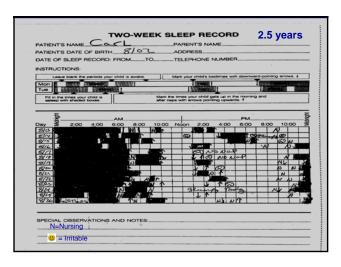
A Few Key Principles A tired child does not look like a tired adult. There is high comorbidity of sleep and psychiatric disorders in children

Behavioral Insomnias of Childhood (BIC) ➤ Sleep Onset ➤ Limit Setting Sleep **Association Disorder** Disorder > Prevalence: 25-30% ➤ Prevalence: 25-30% ➤ Age group: 6-36 ➤ Age group: 18-60 months months ➤ Clinical Features ➤ Clinical Features ➤ Delayed time to fall ➤ Delayed bedtime asleep & nighttime awakenings ➤ Parents reinforce undesirable behavior at > Falling asleep becomes bedtime associated with cues Cue must be present American, S. D. A. (1997). The International Classification of Steep Disorders Diagnostic and Coding Manual, Revised. Rochester, MN, American Steep Disorders Associal Medial, J. A. (1999). "Empirically supported treatments in postatic psychology, bedfine refusal and right wakings in young children." <u>J Pediatr Psychol</u> 24(6): 465-81.

Other Causes of BIC

- Nighttime feeding after 6 months of age
- Medical causes
 - Gastroesophegeal Reflux Disease
 - Pain
 - History of colic
- Family Preference





Carl's Treatment

- Decrease frequency and duration of nursing
- Limit sleep to own bedroom
- Fade parents involvement at bedtime
- Involve father in bedtime ritual
- Introduce transitional object
- · Limit setting during day

Targets of Treatment

- -Bedtime Resistance
 - Curtain Calls
 - Nighttime fears
 - Bed/crib aversion
 - Crying/tantrums
- -Nocturnal Awakenings
 - Nighttime Call-outs
- Early Morning Awakenings
 - (i.e., schedule conflicts)

BIC Treatment

- Establish appropriate bed times
- Establish appropriate bedtime routines

BIC Treatment

- Extinction and its variations
 - Cry It Out" Cold Turkey
 - ignore child's attention seeking/inappropriate behavior
 - immediate withdrawal of parent, bottle, holding, breast feeding
 - Gradual withdrawal of parent involvement
 - Increase visit intervals
 - Decrease duration of visits
 - Quick Check
 - · Equal interval visits
 - Bed time pass

Sleep Hygiene

- -Regular bed and wake times
- -Eliminate caffeine
- Eliminate stimulating behavior before bedtime
- No electronic media within an hour of bedtime.
- -Quiet reading/snuggling
- -Establish and early evening worry time

Psychophysiological Insomnia

- ➤ Difficulty falling asleep
- ➤ Difficulty staying asleep
- ➤ Poor sleep quality

Psychophysiological Insomnia in Children – Treatment

- > Remove the clock
- ➤ Bed is for sleep
- ➤ Sleep hygiene
- ➤ Relaxation therapies

Case Study: Sandra

- 7-year-old girl
- Presenting Complaint:
 - History of waking in an extremely agitated state
 - Has left house on 1 occasion
 - Mild snoring
- Medical and Psychiatric History
 - Allergies
 - Anxious, but no psychiatric diagnosis

Non-REM Parasomnias

- Confusional arousals, night terrors, sleep walking
- Treatment Safety-Safety-Safety
 - Parent Education
 - Increase total sleep time
 - Afternoon naps
 - Scheduled awakenings

Case Study: Brandon

- 16-year-old boy
- Presenting complaint
 - Missed 30+ days of school, scheduled truancy hearing
 - Does not get up for school
 - Cannot fall asleep at night
- Medical History
 - Unremarkable
- Psychiatric History
 - Long history of academic problems
 - Possible history of depression

Circadian Rhythm Disorder Delayed Sleep Phase Syndrome

• Definition:

A shift of the sleep period to a later time that conflicts with academic and work schedules & social norms

 Prevalence: affects 7% of adolescents

Delayed Sleep Phase Treatment

- Motivation???
- Gradual advance
- Melatonin???
- Light

Case Insufficient Sleep Syndrome

- 17 year old adolescent male
- History of decreased sleep
- Inconsistent grades
- High pressure home and school
- Mild anxiety
- · Treatment resistant

narrow upper

airway

Sleep Disordered Breathing Sleep Apnea

- Definition: Partial and complete obstruction of airway and decreased airflow
- Prevalence of Obstructive Sleep Apnea (OSA)
 - 1.1-2.9% of 4-5 year-olds (Ali, 1993)
- 4.7% of 8-11 year olds (Spillsbury, 2003) 13-33% of overweight children (Beebe, 2006)
- 18% of children w/ behavior & academic problems (Gozal 2001)
- Prevalence of Primary Snoring
 - up to 12% children

Pediatric OSAS: Signs and Causes • Signs: snoring, snorting, gasping, airflow cessation Causes: obstructed or

Pediatric OSA: Effects

- Primary Effects:
 - -Decreased oxygen to brain and body
 - -Sleep disruption

Top Sleep Tips

- No electronic media in the bedroom and within an hour of bedtime
- Regular bedtime routines
- Quiet and together time before bedtime
- Regular bedtime routine
- Comfortable sleep environment
- Cut out Caffeine
- NEVER DRIVE SLEEP DEPRIVED!

Pediatric Sleep Resources & Suggested Bibliography

- American Academy of Sleep Medicine AASM.org
- National Institutes of Health National Center on Sleep Disorders Research
- National Sleep Foundation Sleepfoundation.org
- Sleeping Through the Night Jodi Mindell
- Solve Your Child's Sleep Problems Richard Ferber
- Guide to Your Child's Sleep American Academy of Pediatrics



Two-Week Sleep Record

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