

Is Your Child Troubled by Repetitive Behaviors or Thoughts?

Has Medication Not Helped?

The NIMH is researching a medication (riluzole) with potential to help repetitive behaviors and obsessive thoughts in children and adolescents.

Research Includes:

- Taking either riluzole or placebo for 12 weeks.
- The option of taking riluzole after the initial 12-week study period.
- Comprehensive psychiatric, medical, and laboratory evaluations.
- Travel assistance may be provided. Parental consent is required.
- No cost for research study participation.

Children must:

- Be ages 7-17.
- Have Autism Spectrum Disorder or Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder.
- Be able to participate in an initial 1½-day outpatient evaluation and brief outpatient visits approximately monthly for 6 months, and at months 9 & 12, at the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, MD.
- Forego any cognitive-behavioral therapy during the 12-week study.



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