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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROSHOCK MACHINE; ECT MACHINE; ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY MACHINE

ELECTROSHOCK MACHINE; ECT MACHINE; ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY MACHINE

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Event Date 12/30/2005

Event Type Injury

Event Description

In 2005, i was a pt at the institute of living, a psychiatric facility in hospital. After trying a few psychotropic drugs on me and offering little else for treatment, the psychiatric staff decided to give me electroshock against my will. Despite the protests from me, my parents, and a longtime friend of ours, the judge authorized the involuntary electroshock, after only about 30 minutes of deliberation. Electroshock, more commonly known by the euphemism of electroconvulsive therapy or ect, is a psychiatric treatment that involves electrocution of the pt and putting the pt into a seizure. Many psychiatrists believe it is a safe and effective treatment for mental illness, even though pt accounts of it often differ vastly from theirs. I was repeatedly electroshocked. Over 15 times. My memory was damaged, but i still feel like convulsing when i remember the blurry details of the assault and torture done to me. My side effects, besides the daily terror and despair, included nocebo effect, headaches, jawaches, forgetting the names of staff and pts, and amnesia. I had intense nightmares, even though i rarely had nightmares before. At one point, in a desperate attempt to prevent more electroshock, knowing that it is dangerous to eat before

sedation, i swallowed part of a napkin shortly before my next electroshock. The staff saw me eat it, but they tranquilized me and electrocuted me anyway. Afterward, i was taken to the emergency room for abnormal breathing. At another point, i became so disoriented after my latest electroshock that i fell from my wheelchair. When asked by the staff how the electroshock felt, i told them, twice, "it feels like being raped". They looked away from me, as if that was unbelievable. In the end, electroshock did not cure me. It made worse. In another desperate attempt to evade more of the treatment, i pretended to get better. Probably because of their confirmation bias about the effects of the treatment, the staff believed my false reports and released me from the hospital. But now i had posttraumatic stress disorder to add to my depression. Contemplating this unusual form of assault, and torture that i had endured, i felt desolation. Nevertheless, i felt i had to do something to help prevent this from happening to others. Involuntary psychiatric treatment often makes a person's condition worse and fuels anguish and despair of ever being cured.

Search Alerts/Recalls

Type of Device	ELECTROSHOCK MACHINE; ECT MACHINE; ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY MACHINE
MDR Report Key	1513494
Report Number	MW5013058
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	10/03/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	10/19/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	Yes
Device Operator	Health Professional
OTHER Device ID Number	882.5940
Was Device Available For	No

Evaluation?	
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA

Date Received: 10/19/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY

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ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY Back to Search Results

Event Date 01/01/2002

Event Type Injury

Event Description

I had over 100 ect's from 2002-2005 due to severe and treatment resistant depression.

I and my husband were informed that i could experience some temporary short term memory loss. We were never informed that the memory loss could be permanent or that it could affect my long term memory. The ect's were given with our consent, but was certainly not "informed" consent. Ect treatments did keep me alive, and were effective for a few days to a couple of weeks. By 2005, memory problems were causing me to forget names of friends we had had for over 30 years. I got lost driving to familiar places, had trouble unloading the dishwasher - where do the dishes, etc. , and basically couldn't function. The memory deficits were now significantly contributing to the depression as well. I couldn't even work as a consultant in the field i had worked in for 25 years. I worked with special education students in my career and in talking with teachers i worked with, they reminded me that students who experienced seizures were treated aggressively by doctors to try to stop them. The reason? those who couldn't get their seizures under control experienced continued brain damage or at least measurable decrease of functioning. A medical letter sent out from the hosp had an article re: ect and never even mentioned the possibility of permanent or long term memory loss. Almost 4 years since my last ect, i have significant long term memory loss going back at least 30 years. Once a strength, i have a lot of difficulty with organization skills and get side tracked more easily.

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Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key	1501185
Report Number	MW5012924
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	10/01/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	10/01/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA

Date Received: 10/01/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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ELECTROCONVULSIVE SHOCK THERAPY

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Event Date 04/30/1997
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I was catatonic, did not respond to medications. The doctors gave me too many treatments of ect and i now have permanent memory loss, very poor math skills and learning disabilities. I also have very poor recall. I was told i may have short term memory loss, but that was far from the truth. Dates of use: 1997. Diagnosis or reason for use: severe depressive episode, electroshock therapy. Event abated after use stopped or dose reduced?: yes.

Search Alerts/Recalls

New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name	ELECTROCONVULSIVE SHOCK THERAPY
Type of Device	NA
MDR Report Key	1564749
Report Number	MW5014057
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	12/19/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	12/19/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health	Yes

Professional?

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 12/19/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1
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ELECTROSHOCK - ELECTROCONVULSIVE - ECT Back to Search Results

Event Date 08/26/2006
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I received electroconvulsive shock treatments -approx 48 bilateral in a period of about 1 year - 2006/2007. My diagnosis was clinical chronic depression recurrent -2001-2009. I refused ect treatments when offered. While on a 72-hr involuntary hold, i was coerced to accept ect. Two psychiatrists attested to having reviewed my medical files and rendered the professional opinion that ect was the least invasive form of treatment for a drug-resistant depression such as mine, for i had been prescribed all available medications to no avail. I was assured an 85% chance of recovery. I was informed

that lapses in memory were experienced by some, and informed this was only temporary. All of this was untrue. When my psychiatrist retired, i was assigned to a younger psychiatrist. He had read my file. He proposed meds i had never been given before - turns out there is a lot of them. I thanked him for caring and trying despite my being "drug-resistant. " one week later, my depression started to lift. That was 19 months ago and i remain "depression-free. " sadly, the ect treatments injured my brain. Memory loss turned out to be permanent. Memory function - cognitive abilities - motor skills - speech - gravely impaired. My law degree and undergraduate records say summa cum laude, highest departmental honors, dean's lis, woman of the year. That is not me anymore. I once taught law students. My writings were published. I was a speaker at conferences. I translated books for a major publishing company. I handled a caseload of 300 files. And i volunteered. I had my own radio show. Clinically depressed and under the influence of psych meds, my mind remained intact. Brilliant. Outstanding. Privileged. Today, i don't recognize 85% of the entries in my phone book. Former students call seeking advice or recommendations, and i don't know them. The materials i taught - the books i wrote - i'm unable to understand their content. Worst yet, i can't re-learn them. And i wrote them and taught them to law students three years ago. (b)(6). I don't work anymore. Dose or amount: bilateral; approx 48 treatments. Frequency: 2-3 x's/wk - tapers. Route: intracerebral. Dates of use: varied, (b)(6)2006-(b)(6)2007. Diagnosis or reason for use: chronic clinical depression; drug-resistent. Event reappeared after reintroduction: yes.

Search Alerts/Recalls

New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name	Unknown Brand Name
Type of Device	ELECTROSHOCK - ELECTROCONVULSIVE - ECT
MDR Report Key	1828510
Report Number	MW5017306
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	09/01/2010
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	09/01/2010
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes

Is This A Product Problem Report?	Yes
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	Yes

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 09/01/2010 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: UNKNOWN UNKNOWN ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY

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Lot Number UNKNOWN
Event Date 01/01/2007
Event Type Injury

Event Description

I had 20 something ect treatments in 2007. I don't remember the exact number. I was told memory loss would be minimal. I still don't remember most of my life. I have had to start writing everything down and i have to follow written directions for things i have done hundreds of times. Please make doctors be more honest about the lasting effects of ect. Dates of use: (b)(6) 2007. Diagnosis or reason for use: bipolar depression.

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Brand Name	UNKNOWN
Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN unk
MDR Report Key	2006289
Report Number	MW5019605
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	02/26/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	02/26/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Device LOT Number	UNKNOWN
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA

Date Received: 02/26/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 05/11/2007

Event Type Injury

Event Description

This is to report an adverse effect from what i consider to be one of the most dangerous medical devices still allowed, under class 3 status, ect, electroconvulsive therapy. For me i have permanent brain damage, and permanent disability that is clearly attributed to my 9 treatments. My memory is now amnesic, which is a common side effect from electroshock. I also go into states of delirium, forget names, but i have read many studies, and talked to many other "survivors" of electroshock who tell an eerily similar, sometimes exactly the same story. I had my treatment at (b)(6) hospital, but i was not told of the possibility for permanent, even deteriorating memory loss, that i believe with the right help of experts in the field of psychiatry, and neurology i could prove. The problem is so many of us who have had electroshock, are ignored, or even told the memory, even personality loss, including for many permanent seizure disorder, chronic insomnia, list goes on, is not due to what the industry considers still "a safe and effective treatment. " my long term memory, basically is shot. I can only explain it in light of many others who have had this treatment, who have decades, even whole lifetimes of memory gone, or very faded, due to the uniquely brain damaging affects of high voltage electric current, that induces seizures in this device.

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name	UNSURE
Type of Device	ECT MACHINE
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN
MDR Report Key	2237964
Report Number	MW5022093
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	09/01/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	09/01/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	Yes
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 09/01/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 09/22/2009

Event Type Injury

Event Description

I had electroconvulsive therapy seven times and have had permanent problems. I have a very bad memory; long-term and short-term. I went from being an honor student to having a learning disability. I have problems understanding things now. School has become extremely difficult. I am very limited now on what i can do and comprehend. I am only (b)(6) and it destroyed my life! i have trouble at work as well. I went into the hospital for depression and walked out with much more damage. Other people i talked to in the hospital had bad experiences as well. The hospital was one of the best in the country too. I feel sorry for people that consider this treatment. If anything, there needs to be a limit on age, no one under 30 should do this. By going through with the procedure its really a gamble on whether or not you will become mentally disabled. Also, the doctors should not be allowed to ask people that are at their lowest point if they want the treatment. I was not in the mental shape to make such a decision. A depressed person will do anything to be happy when they are desperate.

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Type of Device	ECT DEVICE
MDR Report Key	2050302
Report Number	MW5020200
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	04/06/2011

1 **Device Was Involved in the Event**
1 **Patient Was Involved in the Event**
Date FDA Received 04/06/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report? Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report? No
Device Operator Service Personnel
Was Device Available For Evaluation? No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional? No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
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Event Date 05/11/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
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clearly attributed to my 9 treatments. My memory is now amnesic, which is a common side effect from electroshock. I also go into states of delirium, forget names, but i have read many studies, and talked to many other "survivors" of electroshock who tell an eerily similar, sometimes exactly the same story. I had my treatment at (b)(6) hospital, but i was not told of the possibility for permanent, even deteriorating memory loss, that i believe with the right help of experts in the field of psychiatry, and neurology i could prove. The problem is so many of us who have had electroshock, are ignored, or even told the memory, even personality loss, including for many permanent seizure disorder, chronic insomnia, list goes on, is not due to what the industry considers still "a safe and effective treatment. " my long term memory, basically is shot. I can only explain it in light of many others who have had this treatment, who have decades, even whole lifetimes of memory gone, or very faded, due to the uniquely brain damaging affects of high voltage electric current, that induces seizures in this device.

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Brand Name	UNSURE
Type of Device	ECT MACHINE
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN
MDR Report Key	2237964
Report Number	MW5022093
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	09/01/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	09/01/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	Yes
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 09/01/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Type Injury

Event Description

This is now my third attempt to write this because i keep deleting the form. I suffer from bipolar depression and was desperate to find something that would work so i could go back to work. None of the medication worked so i did 12 bilateral ect treatments back in 2008 or 2009. They were not successful. I was told that i would have memory problems for up to six months and then things would go back to normal. It's now 6 or 7 years and i have some long term memory problems but i mainly suffer from short term memory problems. I can't tell you how frustrating this is for me. I can't find simple words and try to describe it so someone can tell me what i'm looking for. I can watch a tv show or movie and not remember it. I watch it again like it's the first time. Sometimes i notice the tv show when i'm watching the following week and i don't remember how something happens or when. I've watched but forgotten the previous weeks show so i have to go back and watch the previous weeks show to catch up. Thank goodness for my (b)(6). I am very lucky to have such a patient husband because i am always asking things more than once or twice.

searching for words and watching things over again. I used to be able to do complex math problems in my head and now i struggle to enter then into a calculator. My husband said i could do them in my head faster than he could input them into a calculator. That ability is gone. I have difficulty writing things that make sense and find spelling errors. I read it several times and still miss things. I tried to use the dictation feature on my phone but it still didn't all make sense. The most disturbing thing that happened the other day was i looked at my shoe and couldn't think how to tie it. It didn't take long to remember and do it but it has really bothered me. I sometimes joke that my phone is my brain but it really is. I have everything on a calendar with at least 2 reminders. I have alarms and alerts for everything so i don't forget something. I have all contacts listed, including home. I also input address into my map in case i do not know or forget how to get somewhere. I have an app on my phone for my grocery list. I input items on the list and my husband can add or delete items from his phone or computer. It has a box to check it off as you get it and when i think i'm finished, i click the trash can. If everything is gone then i got everything otherwise it shows me what i missed. I still suffer from severe depression with the occasional mania so nothing has worked. I know ect is a very effective treatment for many but it has been a nightmare for me. I ask that you continue to keep this high risk and do further investigations into the possible side effects. I wish i had known this was a possibility because i wouldn't have done it. I have also been checked for a stroke and my husband said he would have considered alzheimer's if it didn't begin with the treatments.

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Brand Name	ECT
Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key	4652099
Report Number	MW5041771
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	03/29/2015
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	03/29/2015
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	No

Is This A Product Problem Report? No

Device Operator Health Professional

Patient TREATMENT DATA

Date Received: 03/29/2015 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Type Injury

Event Description

I received ect-electroshock therapy to treat depression in 2010 and 2013 from the (b)(6) hosp while a patient at (b)(6) hosp. The first course of 9, i don't remember anything after the second treatment and seemed to recover from it and not sure if it helped or not, but the second course i received of 19 plus was one of the worst experiences of my life and regret doing any ect at all and feel it should be banned. Yes in the short term, it does seem to help depression, but it never lasted more than a couple of weeks and suffered many disorientation, lost touch with reality, complete lack of control over my body at times and unable to eat, drink , dress, communicate. Bad headaches, nausea, brain zap, uncontrollable shaking, waking up in the night with ect nightmares and feelings of being fallen/swallowed up by darkness and black holes with zapping dying feelings is the best of how i can describe it and still every once in

a while have having those nightmares. And i feel i suffered permanent brain damage. Before ect, i never had any problems with reading and comprehending and now i do. It has gotten better as time goes on, but it's been 2 years now and still have a hard time reading, doing puzzles etc, and feels just like when i had an ect treatment. Words get jumbled up in my head and my perception around me is different and is hard to explain, but again just feels like when i had an ect treatment but not as severe. Also my long term memory is fine, but my short term memory seems worse off. I try to just keep working through it, in hopes my brain might return back to normal, but i am scared it never will. I am feeling more stable and recovered with my mental illnesses, have been discharges, getting back into life, and want to go back to school so so badly to do something meaningful and helpful, and get off welfare, but i'm scared my brain won't be up to par like it used to be and won't be able to succeed. And i am angry with the doctors and staff who all pressured me and said things like i would never get better or be able to leave the state hosp if i did not do ect and angry with my parents who also really pressured me and everyone telling me it is safe. Luckily, i was transferred to a different unit, the 3rd one, with a better doctor and was able to find a med to help and was discharged and doing much much better, but still feel i suffer from the damaging effects of ect. I'm not sure reporting this is of any help, but i just strongly wish that ect would be banned so one else is traumatized and damaged by ect. I know several other people who have also done ect and all say similar things and how awful it was for them and never really helped. May be for some, they do help, but i've never met anyone, and i'm angry i trusted doctors to let them literally fry my brain and had to go through the awfulness of it. It causes harm, and lasting harm for some and thus should not be used as a form of treatment for depression. Its barbaric and cruel and inhumane even if they are using anesthesia, muscle paralyzers, and drugs. Really, putting innocent people into seizures is ok and making them suffer while going through it. Well for me, it is not ok and i hope ect will no longer be an option. Mental illness is a serious and sad disease with so many suffering, and it just makes me so sad in how people with mental illness can be treated in such cruel ways. Please don't allow ect to be used anymore.

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Brand Name	ECT
Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key	4815071
Report Number	MW5042926
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Other

Type of Report Initial
Report Date 05/23/2015
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**
Date FDA Received 05/23/2015
Is This An Adverse Event Report? Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report? No
Device Operator Service Personnel

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 05/23/2015 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 05/01/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
In 2006-2007 i had electroconvulsive therapy (ect). I cant remember most of my life before 2007. I not only have long term memory loss, but i have cognitive impairments and brain damage. I have the symptoms of a person with a traumatic brain injury. Ect

ruined my life. Before ect i was working after ect, i was on disability. Not only do i still have treatment resistant depression, but now i have anxiety and the psychological trauma of being an ect survivor with brain damage and memory loss. I tried getting off disability an going back to school and work, but i can't function the way i did before ect and it's frustrating.

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Brand Name	ECT MACHINE
Type of Device	ECT MACHINE
MDR Report Key	5409638
Report Number	MW5059997
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	01/31/2016
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	01/31/2016
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	NO INFORMATION
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No Answer Provided
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No Answer Provided
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	
Event Location	No Information
Was Device Evaluated By Manufacturer?	No Answer Provided
Is The Device Single Use?	No Answer Provided
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	
Type of Device Usage	

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 01/31/2016 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ECT DEVICE

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Event Date 07/30/2012
Event Type Injury
Event Description
Due to a severe and treatment-resistant bipolar depression that lasted for years, both before and after my treatment, my psychiatrist recommended as a last resort electro-conclusive therapy. My very competent husband (who still cares deeply for me and who used his broad network and excellent research skills) chose the absolutely higher rated electroconvulsive therapy hospital-based practice in (b)(6) and surrounding areas. I underwent as many as 200 or even more treatments (3 times a week for over a year, then tapering to 2x a week for a few months, then weekly for a few months, then every other week and so on.) not usually (and i had been warned), i have only 2, perhaps 3 snapshot sort of memories of the entire period of the nearly two years of my life lost to ect. I fully credit ect saving my life. My complaint, following, although dramatic, severe, and destructive to everything i enjoyed, learned and accomplished prior to ect is nevertheless a heavy price to pay. More important to me, and i have confirmed this through discussions with my husband who does have an above-average memory of that time, and through review of what disclose paperwork each of us recall, as well as through non-profit community lecture series by institutions claiming expertise in the diagnostic and treatment of bipolar disorder all pointed in the same direction: any memory loss beyond the period of ect administration is extremely rare. This "info" is also found all over the web's "official" medical advisory services for

consumers. My own experience of ect's "extremely rare" side effect, and, to lesser or even greater functional impairments, that of nearly every other comrade i have come across who also chose ect therapy when nothing else worked, is of my memories of my absolutely entire life of 40 years totally gone. I remembered my husband who drove me to ect every morning around 6am, and i remembered my primary ect doctor, and i recognized the depression scales i had to fill out every morning. The only other things i felt confident about were: i was heart-broken over not having custody of my two children who, despite visits during the course of my ect, i could only picture as 5-10 years younger than their actual age, i could recognize our home in (b)(6), but could not tell you a single thing about any other home i had ever lived in other than my deduction from the likelihood that, at the ages of 9-13 (i still don't remember how only they were without doing the math) probably had separate rooms, so it must have had three bedrooms, i had to either move to (b)(6) for 24/7 supervision by my long-distance husband or face institutionalization in my home town. Everything else had to be either coaxed out of my memory gradually through pictures and stories (even my mother's childhood abuse of me), or had to be nearly retaught from the ground up. Tha's a lot of info for a summa cum laude in classics, and a stanford law school graduate with over 10 years in estate planning, trust and probate law (i even proved my experience and took a mini-bar like exam on only topics related to my filed in order to be approved by the state bar of california's board of legal specialization as a "certified specialist in estate planning, trust & probate law. " i am attempting but only slowly and painstakingly recovering a small portion of the knowledge that got me invited to speak/teach before live national audiences as recently as a year before my ect. I am still nationally known as one of, perhaps two or three, experts in the nation on snts because the reputation i stopped developing over 5 years ago was strong enough that my name is still associated with excellence and deep knowledge in that area, thought it no longer deserves to be. I don't want to ban life-saving ect, but to require honest disclosure of the actual likelihood of broad and severe memory loss. And cognitive impairments that aren't going away. Rx meds: none at the time treatment, or for several months after treatment. Now, a constantly changing array of medications because a given configuration loses effectiveness, or side effects at the effective dose are intolerable.

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Brand Name ECT DEVICE
Type of Device ECT DEVICE
MDR Report Key 5815123
Report Number MW5063595
Device Sequence Number 1
Product Code GXC
Report Source Voluntary

Reporter Occupation	Patient
Report Date	07/19/2016
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***0* PatientS WERE Involved in the Event:**	
Date FDA Received	07/20/2016
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No Answer Provided
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	
Event Location	No Information
Was Device Evaluated By Manufacturer?	No Answer Provided
Is The Device Single Use?	No Answer Provided
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	
Type of Device Usage	

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Event Description

Extreme loss of memory, cognitive function, emotions and personality change began after 1st ect treatment in (b)(6) 2015. By 3rd or 4th treatment, doctor walks in operating room as i am being hooked up and anesthesia being started, and gleefully says well, (b)(6) so how do you think you're doing? much better!! i hesitated, said no, not really. Not yet (trying to be "complaint" as per my personality), i told him, but mentioned i'd seen while (b)(6) on my phone there were 2 different kinds of ect, with oral possibly working better. "bilateral?" i asked doctor said "oh, yes, well ok, yeah! we can try that", ok, so all i did was mention a term, for his explanation/clarification and any advise he had rather whether it may work better on my type depression. At no point before, or during the procedure was the true effectiveness stated to me, which is approx 52% for my mental illness-diagnosed with clinical depression over 25 yrs ago after meningitis with approx 20 yrs of medication resistance, including his monthly or b-monthly pt of over 5 yrs straight. He had tried me on over 10 different combinations of and depression and psychotic meds, all of little to no help or worse. Suicidal state for yrs and he had been strongly suggesting the ect for months with only glowing remarks about it's highly effective treatment of major depression stating (during a visit/consult with my mom, dad, rn sister and other sister, who is married to an internist pyd) a cure rate of over 80%. I vaguely remember he may have mentioned some confusion and loss of memory i may experience the day of treatment. Had been admitted to inpatient hospital psyche ward previous day to 1st ect treatment. I was awoke after 10:30 pm that night after nurse giving me my nightly meds including sleeping pill) when he stepped in my dark room, woke me up and asked could i come with him. We needed to go over stuff (i'm assuming that was my signing of the consent in order to begin treatment the next am. All i remember is sitting across from my dr at a small round table while he flipped through a huge binder taking while all i could do was repeat over and over in my head "why am i in here? wasn't i just asleep? try to ack like you're listening. " so i was working hard to pretending to listen while he had to know i was out of my mind. Found a job (b)(6) 2016 which lasted 2 wks. Recd (b)(6) scholarship in (b)(6) and passed medical billing and conding fast track at local community college (b)(6) 2016 with an "a" avg, then failed (36%) (b)(6) cert test (b)(6) 2016. Working with long time friend who hired me pt (b)(6) 2016 after a week she kept saying "(b)(6), i told you, whatever it was" so i finally had to tell her i'd had ect and lost memory and ability to comprehend/remember things. She had not seen me in 10 yrs and the look in her eyes told me everything i proceeded to write down my schedule wrong several times and had to be called in. It's retail, and i have to ask customer's name to write on their dressing room door and half the time after standing by closed door a bit, finally have to embarrassingly ask "ma'am, what did you say your name was?" ect has devastated me. As if suicide and depression that never lifted in yrs, now i can't do the one thing i've excelled in since i could write. I'm constantly misspelling words or locking up spelling if i'm able and transposing numbers and even my own name! you can't imaging the feeling if i notice my signing stuff at work

or a card or something, and misspelled my own name. Ect disclosures do not back up specific evidence and research is mostly irrelevant since i find out regs being used over 20-30 yrs outdated and bad to no clinical f/u, after 6 months from my findings. And ect still being used by a "temporary" fda approval? surely this is incorrect.

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Brand Name	ECT MACHINE
Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key	6215334
Report Number	MW5066992
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Report Date	12/28/2016
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	12/28/2016
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No Answer Provided
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	
Event Location	No Information
Was Device Evaluated By Manufacturer?	No Answer Provided
Is The Device Single Use?	No Answer Provided
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	
Type of Device Usage	

Patient TREATMENT DATA

Date Received: 12/28/2016 Patient Sequence Number: 1

Treatment

1 40MG/DAY TO REDUCE COSTS
ABILIFY,
ADDERALL 30MG 2/DAY
BACLOFEN,
CALCIUM
DR PRESCRIBED THE FOLLOWING WHICH I CAN'T AFFORD:
FETZIMA,
FIORICET ,
LIPITOR,
MULTI-VITAMIN
PROZAC PRESCRIBED AT 40MG X 2/DAY, I ONLY TAKE
TOPOMAX,
VITAMIN D
XANAX 1MG AS NEEDED AT NIGHT
YEARLY SHOT PROLIA (ALMOST 2 YRS OVERDUE).

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Event Date 08/03/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
Vaginal bleeding, tia, almost death. Diagnosis or reason for use: for stress due finances. Event abated after use stopped or dose reduced: yes; event reappeared after reintroduction: yes; route: yes.

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Brand Name	ECT MACHINE
Type of Device	ECT MACHINE
MDR Report Key	5662262
Report Number	MW5062350
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Report Date	05/10/2016
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	05/10/2016
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	NO INFORMATION
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No Answer Provided
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	
Event Location	No Information
Was Device Evaluated By Manufacturer?	No Answer Provided
Is The Device Single Use?	No Answer Provided
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	
Type of Device Usage	

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Event Type Injury

Event Description

I received ect-electroshock therapy to treat depression in 2010 and 2013 from the (b)(6) hosp while a patient at (b)(6) hosp. The first course of 9, i don't remember anything after the second treatment and seemed to recover from it and not sure if it helped or not, but the second course i received of 19 plus was one of the worst experiences of my life and regret doing any ect at all and feel it should be banned. Yes in the short term, it does seem to help depression, but it never lasted more than a couple of weeks and suffered many disorientation, lost touch with reality, complete lack of control over my body at times and unable to eat, drink , dress, communicate. Bad headaches, nausea, brain zap, uncontrollable shaking, waking up in the night with ect nightmares and feelings of being fallen/swallowed up by darkness and black holes with zapping dying feelings is the best of how i can describe it and still every once in a while have having those nightmares. And i feel i suffered permanent brain damage. Before ect, i never had any problems with reading and comprehending and now i do. It has gotten better as time goes on, but it's been 2 years now and still have a hard time reading, doing puzzles etc, and feels just like when i had an ect treatment. Words get jumbled up in my head and my perception around me is different and is hard to explain, but again just feels like when i had an ect treatment but not as severe. Also my long term memory is fine, but my short term memory seems worse off. I try to just keep working through it, in hopes my brain might return back to normal, but i am

scared it never will. I am feeling more stable and recovered with my mental illnesses, have been discharges, getting back into life, and want to go back to school so so badly to do something meaningful and helpful, and get off welfare, but i'm scared my brain won't be up to par like it used to be and won't be able to succeed. And i am angry with the doctors and staff who all pressured me and said things like i would never get better or be able to leave the state hosp if i did not do ect and angry with my parents who also really pressured me and everyone telling me it is safe. Luckily, i was transferred to a different unit, the 3rd one, with a better doctor and was able to find a med to help and was discharged and doing much much better, but still feel i suffer from the damaging effects of ect. I'm not sure reporting this is of any help, but i just strongly wish that ect would be banned so one else is traumatized and damaged by ect. I know several other people who have also done ect and all say similar things and how awful it was for them and never really helped. May be for some, they do help, but i've never met anyone, and i'm angry i trusted doctors to let them literally fry my brain and had to go through the awfulness of it. It causes harm, and lasting harm for some and thus should not be used as a form of treatment for depression. Its barbaric and cruel and inhumane even if they are using anesthesia, muscle paralyzers, and drugs. Really, putting innocent people into seizures is ok and making them suffer while going through it. Well for me, it is not ok and i hope ect will no longer be an option. Mental illness is a serious and sad disease with so many suffering, and it just makes me so sad in how people with mental illness can be treated in such cruel ways. Please don't allow ect to be used anymore.

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Brand Name	ECT
Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key	4815071
Report Number	MW5042926
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Other
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	05/23/2015
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	05/23/2015
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes

Is This A Product Problem Report? No

Device Operator Service Personnel

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Event Type No Answer Provided

Event Description

After an (my) attempted suicide i was hospitalised in the local psychiatric ward of my local hospital. I was recommended/ referred and transported to a (b)(6) hospital that offered a larger psychiatric mood disorder behavior unit and surgical floor. I spent a week at my local hospital until a bed and placement was open for me at this (b)(6) clinic (b)(6). I was sent there for prescribed treatment plan was estimated to start with a minimal 6 treatments and target end goal of 12 ect treatments. I was given "generic", short, brief warnings about possible side affects and extremely vague pamphlets and quick overview with the treating surgeon and nurse explaining the process, and again benefits (which was given in elaborate detail) and possible side affects and very brief, vague hastily told about the "very rare" side affects. Once the

etc treatments began, the entire surgical procedures were as if a "fast food drive through process. Monitoring of my physical, neurological, and emotional health was lax to non existent. After my third treatment i knew i had to get out of there. Long term, not just the "short term" memory was fragmented and/or gone completely. I had to be told i even had an ex husband. I didn't know why i was there. Every time i was wheeled down to surgery i thought and verbally said "oh wow, this is real, i thought it was all a dream". I affected my ability to write and read. Took over a month to get back to "normal" with that. At treatment 7 (my last one, i couldn't handle anymore) is when i went into a documented psychosis that took about 10 days to come out of. I thought and fully believed that my attempted suicide actually was a success and that i was in hell, limbo, purgatory. I was under the care of my mother who took me to nonstop doctor appointments where i pleaded for them to let me stop the treatments. That this world was not real. They were not real. My children were not my children, (i believed i was in a parallel universe) and the only way to get out of the parallel universe and limbo was to kill myself again so i could wake up back in the real one. (this one). It has been 5 months since my last ect. I am still having daily memory loss and fragmentation. Still have permanent memory loss surrounding the time period of ect to several years ago. My depression has been made worse because ect was toted as a cure with just headaches and some temporary amnesia surrounding the day before and day of a treatment. I now have also post traumatic stress disorder and debilitating headaches that come from no where. During a conversation i will be talking about something and stop mid sentence, completely having forgotten what i was going to say and said.

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Brand Name	ELECTRO SHOCK
Type of Device	ELECTRO SHOCK
MDR Report Key	3672457
Report Number	MW5034856
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	03/02/2014
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	03/06/2014
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes

Is This A Product Problem Report? Yes
Device Operator Health Professional
Device EXPIRATION Date 03/31/2014

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 03/06/2014 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Type Death
Event Description
My bipolar dad was given thirty two, yes 32, ect treatments for depression. He became manic, depressed, and committed suicide. Ect is barbaric. I have many of his medical records and documentation. Over 4000 video clips of his erratic behavior, a 360 from prior behavior. He shot himself in the head (b)(6) 2009. One of the ect treatments they did on him they forgot to put his brace in mouth and he nearly bit his tongue off. Literally, he was also told to take so many medications he was a guinea pig. I have his med list and mg. I am so sad without my dad. I lost my mom when i was 14 and now this. What is this world coming to. Thirty two ect treatments, handbag of meds, suicide, i miss my dad.

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Brand Name	ECT
Type of Device	ECT
MDR Report Key	2982636
Report Number	MW5029130
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	02/23/2013
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	02/23/2013
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Service Personnel
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No

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Event Type No Answer Provided

Event Description

Ect's caused perm. Seizures, bi frontal brain atrophy. Shrinking of grey and white matter in brain, perm. Cognitive physical behavioral issues. Was (b)(6) and now can't remember how to spell. The doctors kept telling my parents my memory and seizures and talk incomplete sentences would all be fine a few months after we stopped ects, but they kept doing them even after i have positive signs of brain damage shown in two eeg's and frontal atrophy in frontal lobes. The doctors kept saying i was fine and went on with treatment for two more years. I have been to 3-4 neurologist and had test with a physiologist at (b)(6). I live in (b)(6), but none of my doctors involved with ruining my life and ability to learn, will say anything about it. Just that it's too bad and they can't explain it. Even though we have an explanation. I also am (b)(6) now and still have to live with my parents. I finally now. After fighting and fighting with my doctors that there was something really wrong and finally going myself to (b)(6) to get a second opinion. They are sending me to traumatic brain injury rehabilitation. Still. Either of the doctors won't say it's from, ect. I have migraines everyday. I can't remember things. I can't control my anger and have lost my fiancee because of it. I was nothing like the person i now am, ect, ect, ect, ect. Ects should be illegal. Ect machines from 2007-2010. (b)(6), where i received treatment, got a different machine in 2009, i think the year was.

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Type of Device	ECT MACHINE
MDR Report Key	2888779
Report Number	MW5028345
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	12/20/2012

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1 Patient Was Involved in the Event
Date FDA Received 12/20/2012
Is This An Adverse Event Report? Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report? No
Device Operator Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation? Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional? No

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Lot Number N/Q
Event Date 09/01/2011
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I admit that ect seems to be the only cure for my depression (with antidepressants as well). It does however come at a price. The memory problems are downplayed. You

hear things like - you could have some short term memory loss, but it's just temporary. I have had a total of 75 treatments over the course of 4 years. My short term memory loss is severe. Example: i wanted to open a bank account for my new grandson, but i was told by my daughter i had already done so. And, sure enough after looking for the paperwork i had in fact opened an account without remembering it even to this day. I have to write down everything because it simply disappears from my mind after a week or sometimes less. I have forgotten people, places, things i collect, clothing i own, everything; i grocery shop with my head down; i am so afraid of seeing someone i have been introduced to but don't remember. (b)(6) at the school where my husband teaches are filled with anxiety because people know me but i have no memory of them. I am too ashamed to tell them why i don't remember them so i just pretend i know them. I would say i forget app 80% of things. My long term memory is no also affected too, and is getting worse and worse. If i remember anything about my children's lives i write it in a journal because i don't want to forget them. And something i was never warned about. I have to look up simple words because i can't remember how to spell them, i never had a problem with spelling before. I have access to nearby magnetic therapy which has no memory issues, and my psychologists recommends it. My insurance however will not cover it even though it would be much cheaper for them.

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name	DON'T KNOW
Type of Device	ECT
MDR Report Key	2392815
Report Number	MW5023600
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	12/26/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	12/26/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	No
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Service Personnel
Device LOT Number	N/Q

Is The Reporter A Health Professional? No
Was the Report Sent to FDA? No

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Date Received: 12/26/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 05/11/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
This is to report an adverse effect from what i consider to be one of the most dangerous medical devices still allowed, under class 3 status, ect, electroconvulsive therapy. For me i have permanent brain damage, and permanent disability that is clearly attributed to my 9 treatments. My memory is now amnesic, which is a common side effect from electroshock. I also go into states of delirium, forget names, but i have read many studies, and talked to many other "survivors" of electroshock who tell an eerily similar, sometimes exactly the same story. I had my treatment at (b)(6) hospital, but i was not told of the possibility for permanent, even deteriorating memory loss, that i believe with the right help of experts in the field of psychiatry, and neurology i could prove. The problem is so many of us who have had

electroshock, are ignored, or even told the memory, even personality loss, including for many permanent seizure disorder, chronic insomnia, list goes on, is not due to what the industry considers still "a safe and effective treatment. " my long term memory, basically is shot. I can only explain it in light of many others who have had this treatment, who have decades, even whole lifetimes of memory gone, or very faded, due to the uniquely brain damaging affects of high voltage electric current, that induces seizures in this device.

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Brand Name	UNSURE
Type of Device	ECT MACHINE
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN
MDR Report Key	2237964
Report Number	MW5022093
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	09/01/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	09/01/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	Yes
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Was the Report Sent to FDA?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

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Date Received: 09/01/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Lot Number UNKNOWN
Event Date 01/01/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I had 20 something ect treatments in 2007. I don't remember the exact number. I was told memory loss would be minimal. I still don't remember most of my life. I have had to start writing everything down and i have to follow written directions for things i have done hundreds of times. Please make doctors be more honest about the lasting effects of ect. Dates of use: (b)(6) 2007. Diagnosis or reason for use: bipolar depression.

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Brand Name UNKNOWN
Type of Device ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY

Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN unk
MDR Report Key	2006289
Report Number	MW5019605
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	02/26/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	02/26/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Device LOT Number	UNKNOWN
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 02/26/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 08/12/2006
Event Type Injury
Event Description

After the patient was given 6 sessions of ect over a two month period, she became confused and disoriented. Her original problem was severe depression, but she began to have signs of memory loss. She claimed she no longer remembers meeting her husband or her wedding day. She couldn't remember the name of her childhood dog. She was very interested in physics and found she couldn't remember the most rudimentary formulas. She reported experiencing speech abnormalities. It did seem that she was speaking a few words in short bursts with unusually long pauses in between. After six months, she was able to talk and function better, but she claims she did not recover her memories. Since the ect, she has not been able to work, and she was previously employed for five years before the treatment. She reports a lower quality of life and she does not feel like herself. She still suffers from chronic depression. The thymatron makers state on their website and in brochures given to the administering physician that it can cause loss of recent and remote memories. However, it did not claim that this could lead to exacerbating the disability of the patient. She went from working and going to night school to needing help with everyday living. Her depression worsened after the treatment due to a feeling of loss. A loss of her memories, knowledge, and skill sets. Now she reports the type of chronic depression she suffered her whole life, likely because of ptsd. The device did not help the patient, but made her handicapped. She can no longer live alone and also has a service dog to comfort her and remind her when to take her medications. Dose or amount: pulsewidth 3 seconds 3 trains, frequency: weekly. Dates of use: (b)(6) 2006 and (b)(6) 2006. (b)(4).

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Brand Name	SOMATICS
Type of Device	THYMATRON SYSTEM IV
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	SOMATICS

	lake bluff IL
MDR Report Key	1981163
Report Number	MW5019271
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Other
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	02/02/2011
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	02/02/2011
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Device MODEL Number	SYSTEM IV
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 02/02/2011 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROSHOCK - ELECTROCONVULSIVE - ECT

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Event Date 08/26/2006

Event Type Injury

Event Description

I received electroconvulsive shock treatments -approx 48 bilateral in a period of about 1 year - 2006/2007. My diagnosis was clinical chronic depression recurrent -2001-2009. I refused ect treatments when offered. While on a 72-hr involuntary hold, i was coerced to accept ect. Two psychiatrists attested to having reviewed my medical files and rendered the professional opinion that ect was the least invasive form of treatment for a drug-resistant depression such as mine, for i had been prescribed all available medications to no avail. I was assured an 85% chance of recovery. I was informed that lapses in memory were experienced by some, and informed this was only temporary. All of this was untrue. When my psychiatrist retired, i was assigned to a younger psychiatrist. He had read my file. He proposed meds i had never been given before - turns out there is a lot of them. I thanked him for caring and trying despite my being "drug-resistant. " one week later, my depression started to lift. That was 19 months ago and i remain "depression-free. " sadly, the ect treatments injured my brain. Memory loss turned out to be permanent. Memory function - cognitive abilities - motor skills - speech - gravely impaired. My law degree and undergraduate records say summa cum laude, highest departmental honors, dean's lis, woman of the year. That is not me anymore. I once taught law students. My writings were published. I was a speaker at conferences. I translated books for a major publishing company. I handled a caseload of 300 files. And i volunteered. I had my own radio show. Clinically depressed and under the influence of psych meds, my mind remained intact. Brilliant. Outstanding. Privileged. Today, i don't recognize 85% of the entries in my phone book. Former students call seeking advice or recommendations, and i don't know them. The materials i taught - the books i wrote - i'm unable to understand their content. Worst yet, i can't re-learn them. And i wrote them and taught them to law students three years ago. (b)(6). I don't work anymore. Dose or amount: bilateral; approx 48 treatments. Frequency: 2-3 x's/wk - tapers. Route: intracerebral. Dates of use: varied, (b)(6)2006-(b)(6)2007. Diagnosis or reason for use: chronic clinical depression; drug-resistent. Event reappeared after reintroduction: yes.

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Brand Name	Unknown Brand Name
Type of Device	ELECTROSHOCK - ELECTROCONVULSIVE - ECT
MDR Report Key	1828510
Report Number	MW5017306
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	09/01/2010
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	09/01/2010
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	Yes
Device Operator	Health Professional
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	Yes

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Event Date 09/01/2008

Event Type Injury

Event Description

After receiving ect treatment, pt immediately exhibited severe cognitive impairment, difficulty speaking, difficulty walking, can no longer read, concentrate and can no longer work. These changes seem to happen overnight. Pt was an educated intelligent, coordinated, fully functional member of the community. Pt received a total of 3 treatments before treatment was halted due to changes. Treatment dates (b) (6) - (b) (6). Medical community is in denial that this treatment has caused these changes.

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Brand Name	UNKNOWN
Type of Device	ECT
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN
MDR Report Key	1583160
Report Number	MW5014391
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	01/21/2010
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	01/21/2010
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes

Is This A Product Problem Report? No
Device Operator Service Personnel
Is The Reporter A Health Professional? No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 01/21/2010 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY

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Lot Number 2009-N-0392
Event Date 09/23/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I am not actually sure when the starting date of my second round of ect started. I have no paperwork, no consent form, my family didn't know how the procedures were affecting me, and my doctor was extremely reluctant to give me any info about the procedures afterward. I had asked to make another appointment with him about a year after the procedures were over. He refused. I found out about a year ago that i had a previous session of ect in 2006, which was cut short, due to the fact that my insurance company changed after 6 sessions. I have no idea who my caretaker was during that period. It is the ect that was started in 2007, that concerns me. My doctor did not

inform anyone of the possibility of the severity of the memory loss or the loss of cognitive ability i could have. I ended up not remembering almost nothing of the last half of 2007. One thing that stuck, though, was that my doctor asked me for consent to add additional ect procedures while i was being treated. When i started treatment, a friend of mine, took me to appointments. After she took me home, apparently i was driving. My headlights and tail lights had been broken out. When i started getting my memory back, my family is unsure of how to deal with me. I dont' know how to deal with myself. My personality has totally changed. I cannot stop talking. I used to be extremely quiet and shy. My emotional reactions are very different. I am studying books in order to fit in with society. I still have memory loss; i carry a notebook around with me wherever i go to record appointments. I don't remember people's names that i have known for months. I don't know how to deal with this new me. I have alienated my family. I have no friends. None of my doctors will address this subject. None of them knew me prior to the ect. I used to be very intelligent. My college entrance exams would have allowed me to go to any college i wanted. I was in the 99th percentile. Now i cannot remember words. I write in gibberish. I have to wait until the next day, and rewrite letters. I don't even know what i was trying to say. I can only park my car to the left. My spatial recognition works only partially. This procedure needs to be researched before its use is continued, and some very specific guidelines need to be in place if its use is to be continued. Dates of use: 2006 - 2007. Diagnosis or reason for use: depression, depression/suicidal. Event abated after use stopped: no.

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Brand Name	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
Type of Device	ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key	1577536
Report Number	MW5014282
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	01/07/2010
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	01/07/2010

Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Device LOT Number	2009-N-0392
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No
Is this a Reprocessed and Reused Single-Use Device?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 01/07/2010 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 01/10/2000
Event Type Injury
Event Description
Adverse event associated with the use of an ect device that has caused extensive problems and on going memory loss.

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Type of Device	ECT
MDR Report Key	1574859
Report Number	MW5014255
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	01/06/2010
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***0* PatientS WERE Involved in the Event:**	
Date FDA Received	01/06/2010
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Service Personnel

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROCONVULSIVE SHOCK THERAPY

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Event Date 04/30/1997
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I was catatonic, did not respond to medications. The doctors gave me too many treatments of ect and i now have permanent memory loss, very poor math skills and learning disabilities. I also have very poor recall. I was told i may have short term memory loss, but that was far from the truth. Dates of use: 1997. Diagnosis or reason for use: severe depressive episode, electroshock therapy. Event abated after use stopped or dose reduced?: yes.

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Brand Name ELECTROCONVULSIVE SHOCK THERAPY
Type of Device NA
MDR Report Key 1564749
Report Number MW5014057
Device Sequence Number 1
Product Code GXC
Report Source Voluntary
Reporter Occupation Patient

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Event Date 06/20/2007
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I think i have permanent cognitive damage due to bifrontal and bilateral -6 total-sessions of ect. Also memory issues.

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name ECT
Type of Device NONE
MDR Report Key 1564747
Report Number MW5014055
Device Sequence Number 1
Product Code GXC
Report Source Voluntary
Reporter Occupation Patient
Type of Report Initial
Report Date 12/14/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**
Date FDA Received 12/14/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report? Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report? No
Device Operator Service Personnel
Was Device Available For Evaluation? No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional? No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 12/14/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ECT MACHINE NONE

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Event Date 02/01/2007

Event Type Injury

Event Description

I underwent outpatient ect at the hospital. I was told prior to treatment that ect carried a risk of some memory loss, but that this was minor and usually was recovered within 3 months of treatment. Infact, i lost many memories of the entire year before treatment, as well as for many months afterwards. Today, nearly 3 years later, i am still discovering memory deficits. I know that depression itself can cause memory problems, but these memory lapses are clustered in time around my ect. I believe the memory impairments of ect are grossly understated and that this risk is especially high for people who need a high degree of mental functioning in their careers. (i am a writer).

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name ECT MACHINE
Type of Device NONE
MDR Report Key 1545751
Report Number MW5013673

Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	11/17/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	11/17/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Health Professional
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No

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Date Received: 11/17/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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Event Date 05/22/1990
Event Type Injury
Event Description
I was subjected to voluntary ect for depression. I had 6 treatments within 2 weeks time in 1990. I was told by the treating psychiatrist then that there would be no side effects except, possibly, "some short-term memory loss". However, i found that my memory for certain events- some important to me- that had transpired for days to years previous to my treatment had been wiped clean. Over the course of several years following this, some of these memories gradually returned. However, the feeling of being robbed of parts of my life history, and being lied to by the psychiatrist about this loss of memory which i found later was common to many ect patients - made me very angry.

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Brand Name	UNKNOWN
Type of Device	ECT
Manufacturer *(Section D)*	UNKNOWN
MDR Report Key	1527182
Report Number	MW5013476
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	11/09/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	11/09/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Service Personnel
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	No
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	Yes

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 11/09/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROSHOCK MACHINE; ECT MACHINE; ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY MACHINE

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Event Date 12/30/2005

Event Type Injury

Event Description

In 2005, i was a pt at the institute of living, a psychiatric facility in hospital. After trying a few psychotropic drugs on me and offering little else for treatment, the psychiatric staff decided to give me electroshock against my will. Despite the protests from me, my parents, and a longtime friend of ours, the judge authorized the involuntary electroshock, after only about 30 minutes of deliberation. Electroshock, more commonly known by the euphemism of electroconvulsive therapy or ect, is a psychiatric treatment that involves electrocution of the pt and putting the pt into a seizure. Many psychiatrists believe it is a safe and effective treatment for mental illness, even though pt accounts of it often differ vastly from theirs. I was repeatedly electroshocked. Over 15 times. My memory was damaged, but i still feel like convulsing when i remember the blurry details of the assault and torture done to me. My side effects, besides the daily terror and despair, included nocebo effect, headaches, jawaches, forgetting the names of staff and pts, and amnesia. I had intense

nightmares, even though i rarely had nightmares before. At one point, in a desperate attempt to prevent more electroshock, knowing that it is dangerous to eat before sedation, i swallowed part of a napkin shortly before my next electroshock. The staff saw me eat it, but they tranquilized me and electrocuted me anyway. Afterward, i was taken to the emergency room for abnormal breathing. At another point, i became so disoriented after my latest electroshock that i fell from my wheelchair. When asked by the staff how the electroshock felt, i told them, twice, "it feels like being raped". They looked away from me, as if that was unbelievable. In the end, electroshock did not cure me. It made worse. In another desperate attempt to evade more of the treatment, i pretended to get better. Probably because of their confirmation bias about the effects of the treatment, the staff believed my false reports and released me from the hospital. But now i had posttraumatic stress disorder to add to my depression. Contemplating this unusual form of assault, and torture that i had endured, i felt desolation. Nevertheless, i felt i had to do something to help prevent this from happening to others. Involuntary psychiatric treatment often makes a person's condition worse and fuels anguish and despair of ever being cured.

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ECT DEVICE NONE

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Event Date 09/30/1987	

Event Type Injury

Event Description

I was forced to have ect. I was traumatized by the callousness of staff and the disregard for my wishes. I do not know how much i have been harmed, but i think it has had a disabling impact on my life. In coinjection with the ect, i entered a coma and nearly died. I also was force drugged and had seizures as a result. The harmful effects included worsening of my short term memory. Having poor short term memory has resulted in disabilities related to work performance and ability to remember instructions and names. I do not believe i was mentally ill at the time the alleged treatments occurred. It was coercion and malpractice.

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New Search | Submit an Adverse Event Report

Brand Name	ECT DEVICE
Type of Device	NONE
MDR Report Key	1505390
Report Number	MW5012988
Device Sequence Number	1
Product Code	GXC
Report Source	Voluntary
Reporter Occupation	Patient
Type of Report	Initial
Report Date	10/09/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**	
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**	
Date FDA Received	10/09/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report?	Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report?	No
Device Operator	Service Personnel
Was Device Available For Evaluation?	Yes
Is The Reporter A Health Professional?	No

Patient TREATMENT DATA

Date Received: 10/09/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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MAUDE Adverse Event Report: ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY

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Event Date 01/01/2002

Event Type Injury

Event Description

I had over 100 ect's from 2002-2005 due to severe and treatment resistant depression. I and my husband were informed that i could experience some temporary short term memory loss. We were never informed that the memory loss could be permanent or that it could affect my long term memory. The ect's were given with our consent, but was certainly not "informed" consent. Ect treatments did keep me alive, and were effective for a few days to a couple of weeks. By 2005, memory problems were causing me to forget names of friends we had had for over 30 years. I got lost driving to familiar places, had trouble unloading the dishwasher - where do the dishes, etc. , and basically couldn't function. The memory deficits were now significantly contributing to the depression as well. I couldn't even work as a consultant in the field i had worked in for 25 years. I worked with special education students in my career and in talking with teachers i worked with, they reminded me that students who experienced seizures were treated aggressively by doctors to try to stop them. The reason? those who couldn't get their seizures under control experienced continued brain damage or at least measurable decrease of functioning. A medical letter sent out from the hosp had an article re: ect and never even mentioned the possibility of permanent or long term memory loss. Almost 4 years since my last ect, i have significant long term memory loss going back at least 30 years. Once a strength, i have a lot of difficulty with organization skills and get side tracked more easily.

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Type of Device ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY
MDR Report Key 1501185
Report Number MW5012924
Device Sequence Number 1
Product Code GXC
Report Source Voluntary
Reporter Occupation Patient
Type of Report Initial
Report Date 10/01/2009
***1* Device Was Involved in the Event**
***1* Patient Was Involved in the Event**
Date FDA Received 10/01/2009
Is This An Adverse Event Report? Yes
Is This A Product Problem Report? No
Device Operator Health Professional
Is The Reporter A Health Professional? No

Patient TREATMENT DATA
Date Received: 10/01/2009 Patient Sequence Number: 1

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