

FIGURE S1. CONSORT Diagram

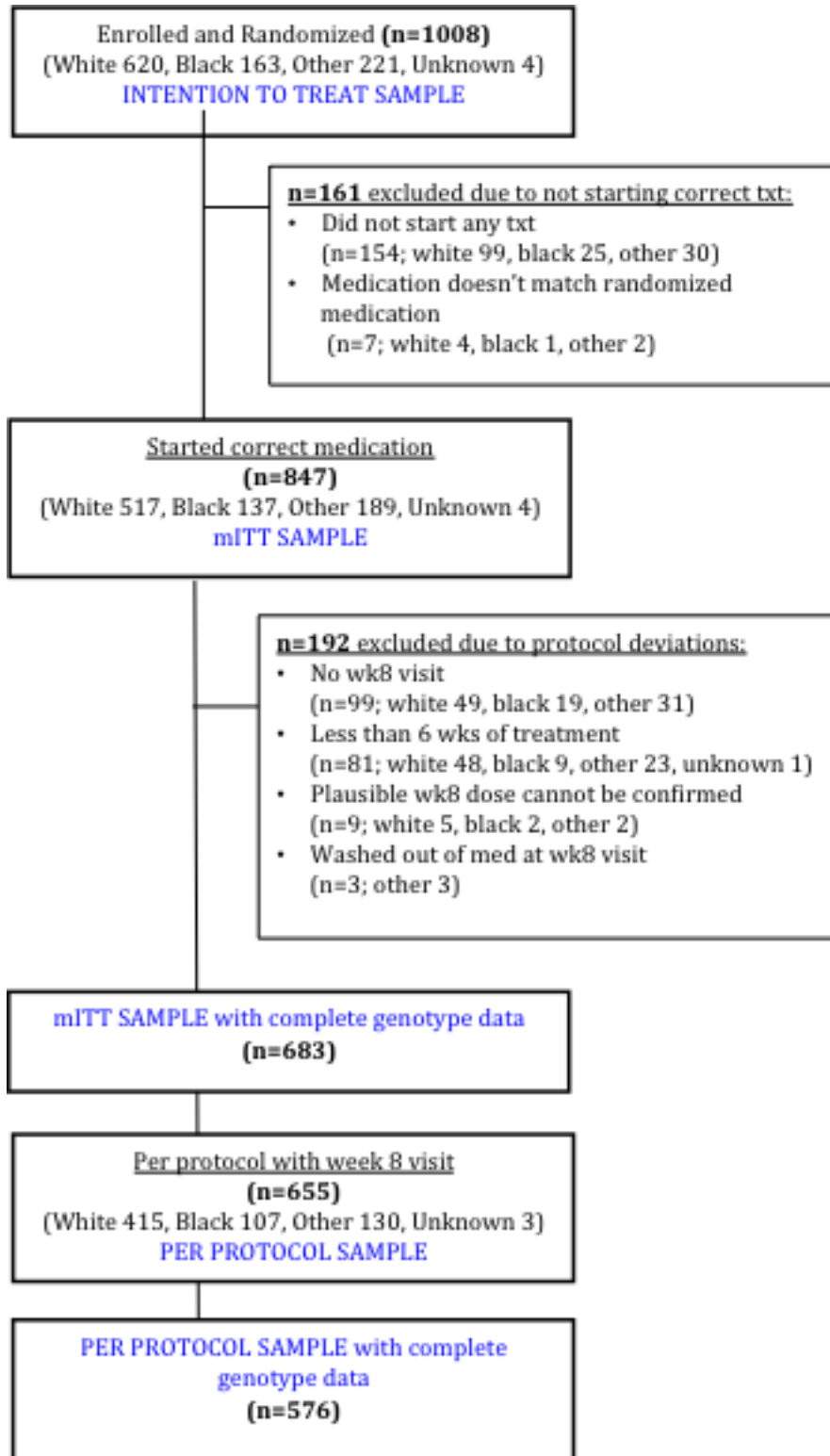


FIGURE S2. Summary of Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

Inclusion Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Age 18-65• Fluent and literate in English or Dutch• Provide written informed consent• Total HRSD₁₇ ≥16• Meets DSM-IV* criteria for single or recurrent nonpsychotic MDD established by MINI Plus
Exclusion Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suicidal ideation and/or tendencies, defined by a score ≥8 on Section C of the MINI Plus• History of bipolar disorder (I, II, not otherwise specified) (lifetime)• History of schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, or psychosis not otherwise specified (lifetime)• Current primary diagnosis of anorexia or bulimia, obsessive-compulsive disorder, or primary post-traumatic stress disorder• Known contra-indication for escitalopram, sertraline and/or venlafaxine-XR, or previous treatment failure at the highest recommended dose• Taking any medication that is contraindicated with escitalopram, sertraline, or venlafaxine-XR• Taking escitalopram, sertraline, or venlafaxine-XR in the current episode of MDD• Use of any non-protocol antidepressant drug or CNS drug (antipsychotic, anticonvulsant, anxiolytic, clonidine) that cannot be washed out prior to participation• Has general medical condition that contraindicates protocol antidepressant treatments or interferes with protocol measurements (such as epileptic condition for EEG recording)• Substance dependence (including alcohol intake equaling 29 standard alcoholic drinks per week for males; >15 for females) in the past six months• History of brain injury or blow to the head that resulted in loss of consciousness for greater than five minutes• Severe impediment to vision, hearing and/or hand movement that is likely to interfere with completion of assessments, or with comprehension of instructions or study requirements• Participation in an investigational study within four months prior to baseline that could affect symptoms of MDD• Is pregnant or breast-feeding

TABLE S1. Comparison of Modified Intent-to-Treat (mITT) Sample and Excluded Patients

Measure	Level	mITT Sample		Excluded Patients with Genotypes		t or χ^2	p
		Mean or Count	SD or %	Mean or Count	SD or %		
Age		38.65	12.79	36.00	12.27	2.688	0.008
Gender (number of females)		392	57.39%	111	54.15%	0.551	0.458
Ethnicity						3.760	0.584
	Black	106	15.52%	37	18.05%		
	Hispanic	56	8.20%	19	9.27%		
	Mixed	26	3.81%	4	1.95%		
	Other	68	9.96%	23	11.22%		
	Unknown	3	0.44%	0	0.00%		
	White	424	62.08%	122	59.51%		
Years of Education	-	14.54	2.88	14.43	2.57	0.534	0.594
Duration of MDD (Age - age of first episode)	-	14.81	12.57	13.22	11.31	1.699	0.090
Age of first episode	-	23.28	12.11	22.08	11.95	1.244	0.214
Weight (Kg)	-	79.45	21.03	76.41	22.79	1.680	0.094
HDRS anxiety score	-	6.16	1.93	6.20	1.96	-0.281	0.779
Baseline HAMD severity	-	21.70	4.06	22.34	4.24	-1.917	0.056
Baseline QIDS severity	-	14.54	3.77	14.22	3.88	1.029	0.304