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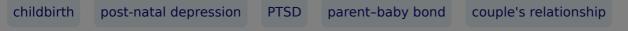
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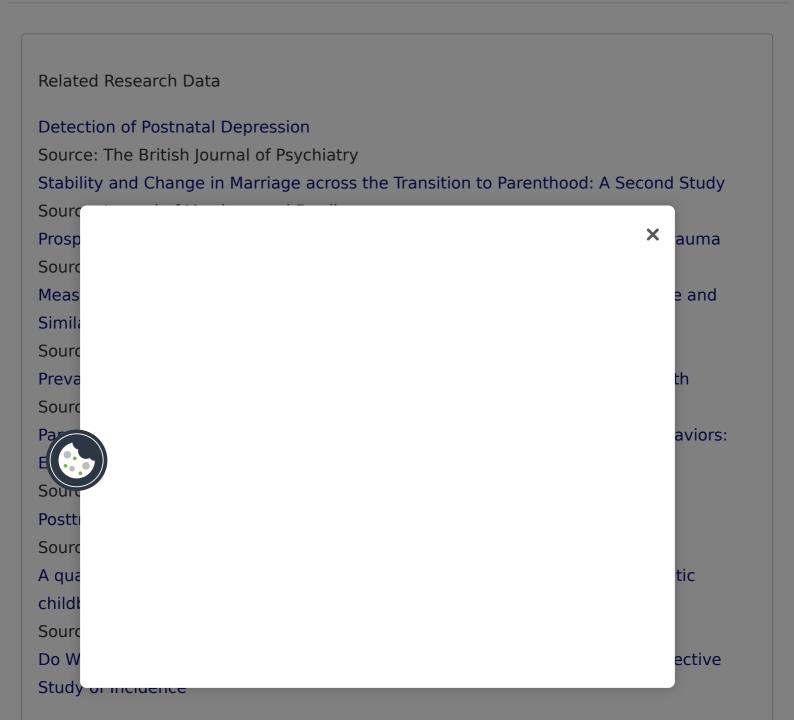
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the parent-baby bond, but the effect of PTSD on the couples' relationship was mediated by depression.

Conclusions: The results indicate the importance of examining the psychological reactions of men and women after birth; and suggest that symptoms of PTSD have an effect on the parent-baby bond. However, methodological considerations mean further research is needed to replicate and extend this study before firm conclusions can be drawn.

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