Table 1

ICD-10 diagnosis of schizophrenia

At least one of the following present most of the time for a month:

- Thought echo, insertion or withdrawal, or thought broadcast
- Delusions of control referred to body parts, actions, or sensations
- Delusional perception
- Persistent bizarre or culturally inappropriate delusions

Or at least two present most of the time for a month:

- Persistent daily hallucinations accompanied by delusions
- Incoherent or irrelevant speech
- Catatonic behaviour such as stupor or posturing
- Negative symptoms such as marked apathy, blunted or incongruous mood

None of these symptoms are pathognomonic for schizophrenia and all can occur in other psychiatric or medical conditions