# **Special Issue**

# Understanding the Relationship between Sleep and Psychiatric Disorders

## Message from the Guest Editors

Healthy sleep is essential for the optimal performance of physical, cognitive, and emotional processes. Sleep serves to maintain memory consolidation, emotion regulation, and restoration of the body and brain. When these processes are disturbed, the consequences are not only detrimental to everyday health and well-being, they increase vulnerability to psychiatric difficulties. Most psychiatric populations report a sleep-related complaint of some form. Whilst poor sleep and insomnia symptoms are perhaps most prevalent, additional complaints involve excessive daytime sleepiness. hypersomnolence, circadian rhythm disruption, or a culmination of varying sleep complaints. After the empirical research, it is well accepted that sleep disruption predicts the first onset of psychiatric conditions, whilst worsening the severity of those experiencing pre-existing symptoms. This Special Issue aims to provide a further understanding of the complex relationship between sleep and psychiatric disorders. Authors are invited to submit novel research and reviews that address a broad range of topics related to disturbed and/or disordered sleep in relation to particular psychiatric disorders.

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