



## Chemsex, LGBTIQ+ and Mental Disorders

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Substance use during sexual activity has increased in recent years. This phenomenon, recently named chemsex, is derived from the words "chemical substances" and "sex". The European ChemSex Forum document defines chemsex as "a particular type of sexualized substance use practice, among gay and bisexual men, trans and non-binary people and men who have sex with men and participate in the culture of casual or uncommitted gay sex". A strong association has been seen between substance use in chemsex contexts and mental health problems, such as anxiety, depression, risk of psychosis and suicidal ideation, social isolation, stigmatization, loss of impulse control, and even a lack of coping strategies. The aim of this Special Issue is to be a space where publications about chemsex, LGTBIQ+, and mental health disorders can be published, to the end of sharing science and knowledge.





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