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New Technologies for Understanding and Enhancing Lived Temporality in Chronic Illness

Message from the Guest Editors

Chronic illness management is medically challenging due to profound impacts on patients' quality of life and lived experiences of time. While modern treatments improve survival rates, they often neglect psychological well-being and disruptions to daily life rhythms. Chronic illnesses require patients to adapt to cyclical rather than linear temporalities, unpredictable illness trajectories, and recurrent remission-relapse patterns. Addressing these time-related effects is vital for improving quality of life and treatment adherence.

This Special Issue invites interdisciplinary contributions on technology-based approaches to understanding and improving the lived experiences of patients undergoing cancer treatment, chronic illness care (including mental health), and palliative care. We welcome studies that integrate computational tools, validate patient-reported outcomes, or explore the intersection of medical science with the humanities and psychology, focusing on themes like temporality, illness rhythms, and subjective health experiences.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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