



## Current Trends in Mental Health Research in Asia Pacific Region

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The Global Burden of Disease Study, which measured disease burden, estimated that mental and behavioural disorders accounted for 22.7% of all years lived with disability (YLD), which was an increase of 37% from 1990 to 2010 (Vos et al., 2012). Asia Pacific is a region characterised by rapid changes in economic and technological development, population growth, migration, and demographics. Across this region, mental illness causes a significant health and socioeconomic burden, which on average accounts for more than 20% of the total YLDs and 9.3% of the DALYs of the economy (Ng, 2018). While the impact of mental illness in this region is growing, very few papers in the literature to date have updated the current trends of research on mental health in this region. Hence, this Special Issue will provide up to date current research findings in the area of mental health. We invite authors to submit manuscripts related to all aspects of mental health research that have been conducted recently in the Asia Pacific region.

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