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Sleep, Shift Work and Health: Global Perspectives

Message from the Guest Editors

Chronic lack of sleep or poor-quality sleep is a risk factor for cognitive and mood disorders, cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, obesity and metabolic syndromes, mortality and reduced life expectancy. Undiagnosed sleep disturbances in workers can lead also to significant impairments in health and safety risks. Obstructive sleep apnea, sleep deficit, insomnia, and excessive daytime sleepiness are independently associated with road accidents and near-miss work accidents, as well as with absenteeism and decreases in productivity. Shift work schedules and irregular working times, which are both characteristics of our 24hour society, mean there is an increased number of people experiencing poor sleep quality and sleep disorders. The present Special Issue will address the issue with emphasis on the role of occupational environments. Original observational studies. randomized controlled trials and protocols, and systematic reviews and case reports are welcome. Other manuscript types may include methodological papers, position papers, brief reports, and commentaries.

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