

Special Issue

Self-Injuries and Suicidal Behavior

Message from the Guest Editors

In 2019, it was estimated that 703,000 people died by suicide worldwide, and suicide attempts in addition to self-injuries are precursors to this problem. Self-injurious behaviors are the most common among adolescents and young adults, and are estimated to begin between the ages of 12 and 14. The prevalence of self-injury is between 7.5 and 46.5% in adolescents, 39% in college students, and between 4 and 23% in adults. Despite increasing knowledge about this problem, it is important to examine the developmental trajectories, antecedents, and risk factors associated with it. Suicidal behaviors have a higher prevalence than suicide. After the COVID-19 pandemic, suicide rates have not increased significantly, although more frequent suicidal thoughts have been observed in people infected with COVID-19. Although suicide rates may not have significantly increased, we are in an environment with barriers to providing solutions for those who experience this problem; more evidence is needed regarding epidemiology, patterns of care, and prevention. We invite you to participate in this Special Issue, in which we will accept academic papers of high scientific quality.

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