Special Issue

The Interface between Psychological Stress, Motivation and Exercise

Message from the Guest Editor

Physical activity and exercise are clearly beneficial for mental health and stress reduction, but it is now clear that the experience of stress, poor mood and negative affect is deleterious for physical activity behavior. Stults-Kolehmainen and Sinha (2014) found that a majority of research on the effects of stress on physical activity reported that the relationship was typically negative—greater stress resulted in less PA. However, a notable amount of research indicated that stress might result in the activation of physically active behaviors. This Special Issue offers an opportunity to publish highquality multidisciplinary original research and reviews that focus on the intersection of stress, mental health and motivation in the promotion of physical activity and exercise. Research can target any age group and context or setting, such as leisure time, active commuting or the workplace, and in the form of structured exercise or unstructured activity and play. Investigators who have conducted research on these topics are invited to submit manuscripts for consideration for this Special Issue in IJERPH.

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