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Psychological Consequences of Chronic Physical Disease

Message from the Guest Editors

Traditionally, chronic physical and mental diseases have been viewed as separate domains of treatment and research. However, with advances in medicine. physiology, neuroscience, and psychology, the separation between the physical and mental realms is giving way to a new understanding that these two realms influence each other. Specifically, in this Special Issue, we are focused on the interaction between chronic physical and mental disease in the aftermath of disasters, and more generally on the influence of environmental toxins on chronic mental disease. Contributions should emphasize the public health and policy implications of their research. A wide variety of chronic mental health diseases can be considered for inclusion, including, but not limited to, mood and anxiety disorders, neurocognitive diseases (mild cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, dementia), personality disorders, psychoses, and mental health diseases with an organic basis. We also welcome the submission of papers that employ novel statistical approaches to establish an association or causal relationship between chronic physical and mental health diseases.

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