

Special Issue

Lifestyle and Risk of Depression

Message from the Guest Editors

Depression is one of the leading causes of the burden of diseases. Even if several pharmacological and psychological treatments are available, depression remains a chronic disease with a high rate of relapse and recurrence. In recent decades, awareness of depression as a public health issue has increased, and the literature has flourished towards the etiopathogenetic role played by lifestyle factors.

Lifestyle is in most cases a potential modifiable factor that might play a role both in prevention and treatment of depression (in combination with pharmacological and psychological therapy). The aim of this Special issue is to present the advances in the association between a broad range of lifestyle factors (including but not limited to diet, physical activity, sleep quality, social relationship, stress management, retirement) and the risk of depression.

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