

## Special Issue

# Molecular Mechanisms Underlying Vulnerability to Stress-Related Disorders

### Message from the Guest Editor

There is considerable interest in understanding what makes an individual vulnerable or resilient to the deleterious effects of stress. Chronic stress-related psychiatric conditions such as anxiety, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and drug abuse, among others, are an enormous public health concern. The etiology of these pathologies is complex, with psychosocial stressors being among the most frequently discussed risk factors. The transition probability to the disease is increased under stress in vulnerable people for genetic or non-genetic reasons. Not everyone with high levels of stress exposure will develop psychiatric disorders. The underlying pathophysiology of stress-related disorders remains ambiguous. We welcome several types of research articles, including reviews, case reports, and original research articles. We also encourage young researchers to participate in this Special Issue.

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