



New Research in Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder and Major Depression

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Major depression and OCD are now recognized among the most frequent psychiatric disorders, affecting 16–17% and 2–3% of the general population respectively. They are commonly characterized by: i) a high level of psychiatric and somatic comorbidities; ii) a recurrence or chronic profile; and iii) a negative impact on daily functions, thereby leading to a profound impairment of quality of life. Despite significant advances in pharmacological and psychological therapies over the last decades, unsuccessful responses to standard treatment strategies are classically observed in approximately 20–30% of cases. Therefore, there is a significant need for improving the pathophysiological knowledge through a better identification of environmental, clinical, psychological, genetic, anatomical, and biological determinants, specifically implied in the development, the phenotypic expression, and the relapsing course and/or contributing to the therapeutic failure in major depression and OCD. We thus encourage the submission of original research conducted in either humans or animal models, or updated reviews covering this topic for the present Special Issue.





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