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Sleep and Chronic Diseases

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Message from the Guest Editor

Insufficient sleep increases sympathetic activity, proinflammatory cytokines and advanced glycation end products, which increase insulin resistance. Delayed sleep onset suppresses the largest GH pulse, increases ghrelin and decreases leptin, which lead to weight gain, less repair and inflammation, predisposing the body to chronic disorders. Accumulations of some neurotoxins start after one night of sleep insufficiency. The results are interference with decision making and increased consumption of unhealthy snacks. High levels of β amyloid lead to sleep fragmentation, worsening of sleep quality and daytime somnolence. Concentration will he difficult and performance will be reduced. Cognition will be deteriorated in the long term.

The Special Issue focus on the relationship between sleep and chronic diseases. For example:

- 1. Comparing sleep and other lifestyle factors in chronic diseases
- 2. Interaction of sleep and other lifestyle factors
- 3. Strength of associations between sleep and different chronic diseases
- 4. Mechanisms of associations between sleep and various chronic diseases





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