The Social Determinants of Mental Health

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Message from the Guest Editors

Social determinants of health are often recognized as the origin of all causes of diseases. Indeed, recent epigenetics research supports this notion by demonstrating that social environmental factors can bring about a change in a phenotype without a change in a genotype. Behavioral science also suggests that health-related behaviors are largely formulated by individuals' socioeconomic status and social environment, such as the social capital, cultural norms, and social disparities to which they are exposed.

The proposed Special Issue on social determinants of mental health will seek to publish papers on how societal factors may contribute towards the process of developing mental disorders and how to recover from them. Innovative population approaches to enhance mental health and policy research are highly valued for their aims of facilitating implementation studies. International collaborative studies and interdisciplinary research are also highly valued, considering the complexity of the proposed topic.

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