



Alternative Perception-driven and Multi-Sensorial Approaches to Urbanism, Age-Friendly and Health-Supportive Design

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The turn of the 21st century witnessed renewed interest in sensory studies (from social sciences and environmental psychology to neuroscience and post-phenomenology). However, the empirical studies about the role of lived experience in evidence-based health-supportive and age-friendly design are scarce.

With an increased ageing population globally, perceptual aspects of urban experience become even more important, as sensory and cognitive declines accelerate with ageing, affecting almost all aspects of older adults' daily functioning and well-being (from mobility and way-finding to lower confidence level and decreased social interaction). Moreover, recent technological advancements offer new ways of studying human perception, while challenging typical approaches to healthful design and conventional paradigms of health and care delivery. This special issue welcomes interdisciplinary contributions, which address innovative approaches to urbanism and health-supportive design for all ages.

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