

Tentative Outline

Special Thematic Issue for the journal “Current Psychiatry Research and Reviews”

Title of the Thematic Issue: Mental health assessment during and post COVID-19

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- **Scope of the Thematic Issue:**

COVID-19 has greatly impacted the mental lives of people of all ages across the world. People whether infected with COVID or not have exhibited stress and anxiety and this has impacted their day to day lives. The family members who lost their near and dear ones have gone through pain and mental disorders, and has impacted their lives too. An increased psychological impact like loneliness, addiction to mobile, change in daily habits and food patterns, social disconnection is seen and it seems will continue for a long time.

This special issue throws light on these issues and assesses it using several case studies, use of tools like BAI, and GAD, and more. Brain signalling for stress assessment might also aid in the assessment. Besides, devising strategies by medical professionals, psychiatrics, and others shall prove beneficial in handling these issues. Diagnostic and remedial measures need to be devised for the same. This issue welcomes articles that throw light on case-studies, reviews, judicious use of stress assessment tools for diagnosis, and innovative and beneficial remedial strategies to tackle the impact COVID-19 had on people all over the world.

Keywords: Stress, Anxiety, Mental Disorders, Physiological tools, Beck Anxiety Inventory (BAI), Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD), mask, vaccination, Brain Signalling.

Sub-topics:

- Mental health impact
- Stress assessment using Psychological tools
- Brain signalling
- Post Covid-19 impact
- Changes in behaviour: mental impact of COVID-19
- Case studies

Tentative titles of the articles:

- Impact of COVID_19 on people: a survey
- Assessing mental health impact using psychological tools
- Brain signaling for stress assessment
- Analysing anxiety caused to individuals due to vaccination drive
- Mental disorders and COVID-19
- Identifying depression using motion activity and emotion classification in COVID19 situation

Schedule:

- ✧ Thematic issue submission deadline: **15th April 2023**

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