Sports Psychiatry – Journal of Sports and Exercise Psychiatry

Call for papers

“Sports psychology and sports psychiatry”

We are soliciting manuscripts for inclusion in an issue of Sports Psychiatry – Journal of Sports and Exercise Psychiatry, with the topic on “Sports psychology and sports psychiatry”.

We welcome conceptual or empirical manuscripts with an international focus on the topic. This can include review articles, meta-analyses, consensus statements, full original research reports, or brief communications, in keeping with the usual article types for Sports Psychiatry.

Topics of interest for this special section include, but are not limited to:

- The presentation of national or regional mental health strategies in competitive sport, describing the tasks and competencies of the professions in the field.
- The evaluation and description of structural and organizational measures of, for example, sport federations or safeguarding institutions for the improvement of mental health of athletes.
- The description of the interprofessional collaboration of experts in the field regarding mental health in sport.
- The impact of interventions to improve mental health in different athlete populations (e.g. elite athletes, competitive athletes, amateur athletes, recreational athletes).
- The impact of interventions to improve mental health in different sport leader populations (e.g. coaches at all levels of participation, sport leaders and key influencers).
- Case studies that demonstrate best practices for improving the mental health of competitive athletes and other sport stakeholders (e.g. coaches).

Article types

- Original research, abstract max. 250 words; article max. 3000 words; max. 60 references; max. 6 fig./tab.
- Reviews / meta-analyses / consensus statements, abstract max. 250 words; article max. 4000 words; max. 80 references; max. 6 fig./tab.
- Brief report, abstract max. 250 words; article max. 1500 words; max. 30 references; max. 2 fig./tab.
- Letter to the editor / commentaries, max. 1000 words; max. 10 references; max. 1 fig./tab.
Article-processing charges (APC)

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Approximate timeline for submissions

Authors are invited to submit a full manuscript due August 15, 2023. An optional letter of intent should be emailed to philipp.roethlin@baspo.admin.ch. All manuscripts will be subject to full editorial board and peer review. All accepted papers will be published in advance. We anticipate that the issue will be published in Winter 2023.

We are looking forward to your submissions!

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