

Sports Psychiatry – Journal of Sports and Exercise Psychiatry  
Call for papers

## **Topic: “Physical Activity and Sport in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry”**

We invite submissions of manuscripts for publication in an issue of *Sports Psychiatry – Journal of Sports and Exercise Psychiatry*, on the topic of "Physical Activity and Sport in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry".

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

- Physical activity levels, sport preferences and physical fitness of children and adolescents with psychiatric disorders and their utility in diagnostics
- Factors that challenge or contribute to physical activity and exercise adherence among paediatric patients
- Risk factors for psychiatric disorders among youth athletes in competitive sport
- Effects of acute and regular exercise and physical activity on cognitive, psychosocial and physical health in children and adolescents with neurodevelopmental disorders, including Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Autism Spectrum Disorder and Developmental Coordination Disorder
- Sport as intervention tool in paediatric patients with manifest psychiatric disorders, with a history of traumatic experiences and those suffering from chronic pain or fatigue
- Psychological, biological and neurocognitive mechanisms underlying potential benefits of physical activity and sports in children and adolescents with psychiatric disorders

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- Original research, abstract max. 250 words; article max. 3000 words; max. 60 references; max. 6 fig./tab.
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- Letter to the editor / commentaries, max. 1000 words; max. 10 references; max. 1 fig./tab.

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