

Call for papers

Sports Psychiatry (Journal of Sports and Exercise Psychiatry)

## Special issue on “Mental Health in Elite and High-performance sports”

We are soliciting manuscripts for inclusion in the issue of *Sports Psychiatry – Journal of Sports and Exercise Psychiatry* titled, “**Mental Health in Elite and High-performance sports.**” 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*.

The issue will focus on the following topics:

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

- Studies that examine manifestations, prevalence, and incidence of mental health and substance use disorders in elite and high-performance sports
- Studies focused on psychiatric treatment, including psychological and pharmacological treatment, of athletes in elite and high-performance sports
- Studies analyzing the impact of social determinants, particularly related to structural variables, such as gender, race, sexual orientation, etc., on mental health of athletes in elite and high-performance sports
- Studies that examine and/or compare implementation strategies of evidence-based practices for mental health and substance use disorders at the healthcare system
- Studies that examine mental health related policy dissemination and implementation at local, state, and national levels regarding athletes in elite and high-performance sports
- Studies that examine how best to disseminate and implement effective sports psychiatry interventions, including psychological and pharmacological interventions, for athletes in elite and high-performance sports in healthcare system and community settings

### Article types:

- Original research, abstract max. 250 words; article max. 3000 words; max. 60 references; max. 6 fig./tab.
- Reviews / meta-analyses, abstract max. 250 words; article max. 4000 words; max. 80 references; max. 6 fig./tab.
- Letter to the editor / commentaries, max. 1000 words; max. 10 references; max. 1 fig./tab.
- Consensus statements, Position papers, scope, only after prior editorial board approval

**Article-processing charges (APC):**

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**Approximate Timeline for Submissions:**

Authors are invited to submit a full manuscript due **November 30, 2021**. An optional letter of intent should be emailed to [andres.schneeberger@pdgr.ch](mailto:andres.schneeberger@pdgr.ch) by August 31, 2021. All manuscripts will be subject to full editorial board and peer review. We anticipate that the issue will be published in Spring 2022.

**Approximate Timeline for Submissions:**

November 30, 2021: Manuscripts due  
January 31, 2021: Reviews provided to authors  
February 28, 2022: Revised manuscripts due  
Spring 2022: Issue will appear (tentative)

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