

Editorial

Recommendations

This issue of Acta Neuropsychiatrica focuses on schizophrenia and psychosis. It begins with an invited editorial (1) written by a group that is at the forefront of research in this field. The editorial discusses the ‘duration of untreated psychosis’, a topic that has been the theme of many symposia in recent conferences. Authors from this same group also explore the complex relationship between trauma and psychosis in a scholarly brief (2) as part of our regular *Intervention Insights* section. The psychosis theme continues with an interesting review by Serretti et al. (3) that delves into schizophrenia pathophysiology. Specifically, this paper discusses aspects of the genetics of schizophrenia along with its prevention and rehabilitation. Following on from this is an original article by Keshavan et al. (4) that reports fascinating insights that have been gleaned by assessing olfactory function in patients with schizophrenia. Schizophrenia is clearly a multifaceted and sophisticated disorder and its clinical complexity is highlighted further in a *Comment and Critique* written by Kumar et al. (5) in which viral encephalopathy manifests as a ‘phenocopy’ of schizophrenia.

In addition to papers on psychosis and schizophrenia, there are two interesting original articles in this issue that report on treatment aspects of bipolar disorder (6,7). Further, maintaining a focus on mood I would like to mention two papers (8,9) in our ‘sister journal’ (10) that provide a clinical overview of the management of mood disorders. A brief introduction to these clinical practice recommendations is provided in our regular *Pictures and Prose* section and it is hoped that readers will refer to *Acta Psychiatrica Scandinavica* to access the full papers (8,9).

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