

## ***Psychosomatic Medicine* Special Issue – Call for Papers**

Stress, Sleep and Health: A Special Issue Honoring the Contributions of Dr. Martica Hall

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In March 2023, the scientific community lost a prominent and beloved leader in the field of psychosomatic medicine: Dr. Martica Hall (“Tica”). Tica served on the Editorial Board of *Psychosomatic Medicine* beginning in 2008, served as Associate Editor beginning in 2022, and was past-President of the American Psychosomatic Society. Throughout her career, Tica demonstrated a remarkable commitment to training and mentoring the next generation of researchers and played a key role in bridging the gap between psychosomatic medicine and sleep medicine. In particular, Tica conducted seminal research demonstrating the links among sleep, stress, and health and pioneered the use of ecologically valid ambulatory sleep methodologies. In honor of Tica’s memory and her many contributions to the field, *Psychosomatic Medicine* will publish a special journal issue focused on the intersections among sleep, stress, and health across the lifespan. Understanding of the dynamic association between stress and sleep, and their potential moderators and mediators, will advance science, inform the development of novel prevention and intervention efforts, and promote health equity. Systematic or narrative reviews will be considered, as will qualitative or mixed method analyses.

Potential topics of the manuscripts submitted to this Special Issue include (but are not limited to):

- Behavioral, psychological, or social determinants that mediate or moderate stress-sleep associations across the lifespan
- Interventions (operating at multiple levels including individuals, communities, or policies) designed to improve sleep in order to mitigate stress-related health outcomes or health disparities
- Novel methodological or statistical approaches to disentangle dynamic associations between stress and sleep
- Studies focused on specific subpopulations that are particularly vulnerable to increased stress exposure and sleep disturbances and the implications for health
- Lifespan approaches to better understand the role of sleep in contributing to the association between social determinants and health outcomes
- Studies focused on the links between psychosocial stress, sleep, and women’s health

### **Deadlines:**

September 15, 2023: Full Manuscript Submissions due

March/April 2024: Publication of Special Issue

In recognition of Tica’s commitment to fostering the development of the future generation of researchers, we encourage submissions from researchers at all stages of their career, though all manuscripts will undergo the journal’s standard rigorous review process. If you have questions about the appropriateness of a given topic, feel free to contact the Special Issue Guest Editor, Dr. Wendy Troxel at [wtroxel@rand.org](mailto:wtroxel@rand.org). We have planned an aggressive timeline for this special issue in hopes that the publication will coincide with the one-year anniversary of Dr. Hall’s passing. Manuscripts submitted for the special issue will be considered on a rolling basis and published online after acceptance. We will be reaching out to members of the field with expertise in this area to serve as reviewers of manuscripts submitted in response to this special issue. If you would be interested in serving as a reviewer, please send a message to [editorialoffice@psychosomaticmedicine.org](mailto:editorialoffice@psychosomaticmedicine.org) so that we may add your name to our list of potential reviewers for this special issue.