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Virtual reality in the treatment of anxiety and chronic neuropathic pain. Preliminary study

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Background: Pain and anxiety caused by prolonged treatment of neuropathic pain can result in discomfort for patients. Virtual Reality (VR) is a technology that is capable of entertaining and distracting the user. Among its many applications, we find the improvement of pain management and the reduction of anxiety in patients undergoing medical treatment. Objective: We ...

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The productive skill of requesting in children with Down syndrome: A case study

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The present case study aimed to investigate the nature of making requests by a child with Down Syndrome (DS) who has never received any medical intervention. To this aim, more than 180 hours of observation of a four-year-old male case in the field, together with interviews of parents and a relative, were analyzed qualitatively. Findings demonstrated a strong enthusias ...

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“Perrotta-Marciano questionnaire on the grade of awareness of one’s deviant and criminal behaviors” (ADCB-Q-2) and the “Criminal spectrum”: Development, Updates, Regulation, and Validation of a new psychometric instrument

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Introduction: Absent in the literature is the category of “criminal spectre” as a macro container that includes all those deviant, antisocial, and psychopathic behaviors, thereby generating confusion and interpretative distortions, as in the case of antisociality and psychopathy among them considered in some cases as synonyms. Methods: Updated the Perrotta-Marciano ...

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Perrotta Hypersexuality Questionnaire (PeHy-Q): Development, regulation and validation of a new psychometric instrument for the diagnosis of hypersexuality

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Introduction: The clinically relevant condition of hypersexuality is to date nebulous in its definition, and although it is understood as a psychological and behavioural alteration as a result of which sexually motivated stimuli are inappropriately sought and often experienced in a way that is not entirely satisfactory, it is unclear whether it is an obsessive disorde ...

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A mixed-methods study protocol on the psychosocial health of stroke survivors and their informal carers (CARESS): experiences, needs and quality of life

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Introduction: Surviving a stroke and caring for a survivor, impacts individuals’ psychological health and quality of life, which may impose substantial costs on healthcare and social systems. This study aims to understand and explore the psychological health, experiences, needs and quality of life of Portuguese stroke survivors and their informal carers.

Methods and ...

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Psychopathological investigation of the personality of “psychic mediums”: Clinical evidence

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Background: In popular culture, the medium is a subject of seemingly controversial psychic abilities, as he or she seems to be able to communicate telepathically and physically with the various spirit entities present on the astral plane, i.e., a plane parallel to the physical one that can interact with it. In the literature, such assumptions rise to mere speculation, ...

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Comparison of two questionnaires (PDQ-39 and SEIQoL) for assessment of the quality of life in idiopathic Parkinson’s disease

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Parkinson’s disease is a neurodegenerative disease of the central nervous system that begins insidiously and progresses over time with a loss of nerve cells in certain brain regions. People with chronic diseases often experience a change in their quality of life. For patients, relatives, and the whole community, a reduced quality of life can pose a significant burden ...

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Opinion

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The golden gate bridge barrier is completed

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The Golden Gate Bridge will finally erect a barrier at the end of this year. The death toll since its completion in 1937 is about 2000. Two a month still jump to their deaths. The bridge is tragically known as the number one suicide site in the world. ...

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