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Dr. Mark R. Beauchamp

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Dear Dr. Beauchamp,

On behalf of my co-authors, we submit a *Special Issue: Methodological Advances in Sport, Exercise, and Performance Psychology* article titled, “Network Approaches for Physical Activity and Mental Health Research” for consideration by *Sport, Exercise, and Performance Psychology*.

Psychometric network analysis methods are rapidly advancing and contributing substantial theoretical and empirical insights into the understanding of mental disorders. Our article proposes adopting a network approach to physical activity and mental health research, which we believe may elucidate current issues such as heterogeneity of responses and symptom-specific effects of physical activity interventions. We present various applications of network approaches in the context of physical activity and mental health research, including their use in cross-sectional, longitudinal, and idiographic data, and discuss the promises and limitations of each.

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Thank you in advance for considering our article,   
  
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