

Psychoneuroendocrineimmunology and science of integrated care. The Manual

The human organism functions like a network of structured and interconnected systems, that influence and are influenced by the psychic dimension. Psychoneuroendocrineimmunology is the paradigm that describes this network. With the present volume, through the 23 chapters that compose it, the Psychoneuroendocrineimmunology paradigm presents itself in its full extension:

The first part describes the historical and philosophical bases of THE paradigm

In antiquity, in the East and in the West, the human being was seen as a whole, but also in Modernity, systemic approaches to the knowledge of the functioning of the human being were very present. These approaches have been cancelled by the reductionist paradigm, which acquired its complete structure in the twentieth century with the massive entry of industry into the sciences and care practices.

The three chapters of this part, dedicated to Antiquity and Contemporaneity offer a historical and philosophical vision of the evolution of the medical sciences and care, presenting new and alternative points of view to current ones

The second shows the biological revolution underway, which through the bursting of epigenetics radically changes the traditional view of genetics and of the evolution of the human species. In the second part of this book the reader will encounter the scientific fundamentals underpinning the close integration of medicine and psychology from the early life.

Biology is undergoing an exciting moment as the revolution of Copernican proportions, at present under way, is bridging the abyss that has separated the area of human biology from that of social history.

The third

- describes in detail the nervous system, highlights the main news: neurogenesis, the lymphatic vessel in brain, the networks inside the brain
- describes in detail neuroendocrine system, focus on stress system and other neuroendocrine axes: thyroid axis, gonadal axis, the growth axis, prolactin, and endocannabinoids;
- describes in detail immune system, innate and acquired immunity and immune circuits: type 1, type 2, type 3
- describe the psychic system criticizing the reductionism in neuroscience and showing the influence of psyche on the brain
- the closing chapter of this section, on the physiological basis of PNEI, is dedicated to integration between nervous, immune, endocrine, and psychic systems

The fourth, based on a rigorous examination of the facts, shows the modulation tools of the human network for preventive and therapeutic uses, such as nutrition, physical activity, psychotherapy, meditation, and other behavioral and natural medicine techniques

The fifth part, chapter by chapter, disease after disease, in critical dialogue with reductionist physiopathology and clinical hyperspecialization, presents integrated care schemes, proposed on the basis of the available scientific evidence, for acute cardiovascular diseases, and disturbances of the psyche-brain system (from depression to anxiety disturbances, schizophrenia, autism, neurodegeneration), and immune disorders, and eating and metabolism disorders, and reproductive and sexual dysfunctions, and cancer.

the final chapter deals with the science of integrated care: the future.

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