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Definition

Exhibiting unusual or excessive concern with or indulgence in sexual activity is called hypersexuality (Psora). It is defined as a dysfunctional preoccupation with sexual fantasy, often in combination with the obsessive pursuit of casual or non-intimate sex, pornography, compulsive masturbation, romantic intensity and objectified partner sex for a period of at least six months (Psora). Hypersexuality includes excess of sexual activities, the obsession toward sex and its consequences.

Etymology

Origin of word

- Hyper- excessive (Psora)
- Sexuality- indulgence in sex (Psora)

Synonyms and related words

- Hyperphilia (Psora)
- Hypersexual disorder (Psora)
- Paraphilia-related disorder (Psora)
- Compulsive sexual behavior (Psora)
- Sexual addiction (Psora)
- Impulsive-compulsive sexual behavior (Psora)
- Out-of-control sexual behavior (Psora)

Hypersexuality in males is called satyriasis and nymphomania in females.

Etiology

Sexuality is reliant on many factors, including individual and bond variables, societal values, cultural values, and ethnic as well as religious principles (Causa occasionalis). Sex has been melodramatically controlled by these norms. The individuals engaged in frequent sexual behavior are often considered and pathologized because their behaviors do not follow the norms of their society (Psora/ Sycosis).



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Pathophysiology

Hypersexual subjects try to antagonize their depressive states and death anxiety with the life instinct through sexual activities, although in a deregulated way (Psora). Hence, hypersexual behaviors can be considered to be a defensive behavior against death anxiety (Psora). Some theoretical models are developed based on different aspects leading to hypersexual disorder- the compulsive sexual behavior, the sexual impulsivity, and sexual addiction.

Neurobiological model

Medical conditions associated with hypersexuality include-

Dementia

Here frontal or cortical damage is associated with disinhibition (Psora/Syphilis).

Temporal lobe epilepsy

Temporal lobe damage is associated with hypersexuality (Psora/ Syphilis).

Tourette's Syndrome

It has been associated with hypersexuality, with the suggestion that this condition was due to is inhibition of the limbic system (Psora).

Brain injury

Stroke and frontal lobotomy have been associated with hypersexuality. Frontal lesions are associated with disinhibition (Psora/ Sycosis/ Syphilis/Causa occasionalis).

Substance abuse

Methamphetamine, dopaminergic drugs and cocaine are main drugs to induce hypersexuality (Causa occasionalis).

Bipolar disorder

Hypersexual behavior associated with bipolar disorder is also well-known. Mood disorders are often associated with dysregulation of biologically mediated drive states or appetitive behaviors (Psora).

Compulsivity model

It states that thoughts and images constitute the obsession, while the acting constitutes the compulsion (Psora/ Sycosis).

Impulsivity model

It states that the hypersexual behavior is due to the failure to resist to sexual drive, and to the inability to delay the sexual gratification (Psora).

Addiction model

This is simply due to an addiction, so called sexual addiction, as in alcoholism etc. (Psora/Syphilis)

Types

Hypersexuality may be a nonparaphilic hypersexual behavior or paraphilia-related disorder. When an atypical sexual interest causes distress or impairment to the individual or harm to others, it is called paraphilia (Psora/ Sycosis).

Hypersexual behaviors include excess of compulsive masturbation, pornography, sexual behavior with consenting adults, cybersex or telephone sex use and strip club's attendance (Psora/Sycosis).

Clinical presentation

The affected person may show at minimum 5 from below symptoms, continuing for at least for six months-

- Recurrent and intense sexual fantasies, sexual urges, or sexual behaviors (Psora)
- Sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors consistently interfering with other important activities and obligations (Psora)
- Sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors in response to dysphoric mood states like anxiety, depression, boredom, irritability or stressful life events (Psora/Syphilis)
- Consistent but unsuccessful efforts to control or reduce their sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors (Psora)
- Sexual behaviors while disregarding the potential for physical or emotional harm to self or others (Psora)
- significant personal distress or impairment due to the frequency or intensity of sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors (Psora/Sycosis)

Other hallmarks of hypersexuality are-

Masturbation

Masturbation is the sexual stimulation of one's own genitals for sexual arousal or other sexual pleasure, usually to the point of orgasm. The stimulation may involve hands, fingers, everyday objects, sex toys such as vibrators, or combinations of these. (Psora)

Pornography

Pornography or pornography dependence is the representation of sexual behavior in books, pictures, statues, motion pictures, and other media that is intended to cause sexual arousal and pleasure. (Psora)

Sexual Behavior with Consenting Adults

This is a protracted heterosexual or homosexual promiscuity. (Psora)



Cybersex

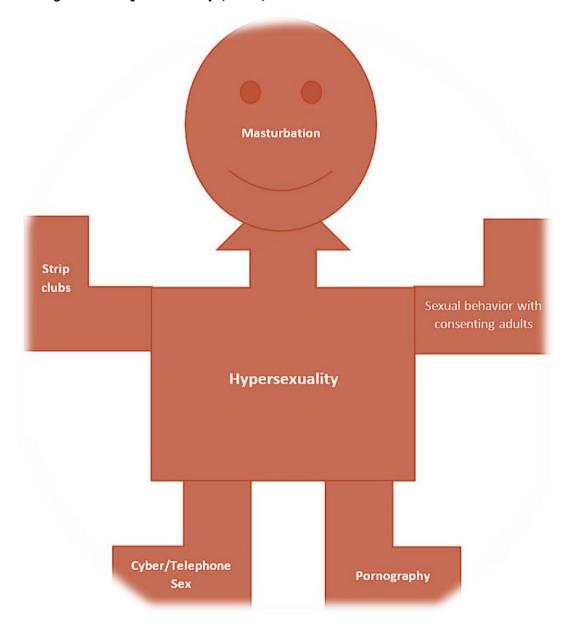
Cybersex has been defined as online sexual talk for purposes of sexual pleasure (Psora).

Telephone Sex

Telephone sex or telephone sex dependence or telephone scatologia is a paraphilia in which erotism depends on verbalizing sexually overt, usually uninvited, conversation with the listener (Psora).

Strip Clubs

The contact between dancers and patrons is called counterfeit intimacy. This may be the misimpression of sexual desire or attraction toward the customer given by the stripper in order to get him to spend money (Psora).



Model of Hypersexuality

Diagnosis

The following criteria for hypersexual disorder was proposed as an addition to the DSM-5. For a period of at least six months-

- An individual experiences recurrent and intense sexual fantasies, sexual urges, or sexual behaviors
- The time spent engaging in sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors consistently interferes with other important activities and obligations
- Sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors occur in response to dysphoric mood states (anxiety, depression, boredom, irritability) or stressful life events
- An individual engages in consistent but unsuccessful efforts to control or reduce their sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors
- An individual engages in sexual behaviors while disregarding the potential for physical or emotional harm to self or others
- The frequency or intensity of sexual fantasies, urges, or behaviors cause significant personal distress or impairment

Treatment

Treatment for hypersexuality typically involves psychotherapy and medications. The primary goal of treatment is to manage impulses and reduce excessive sexual behaviors while continuing healthy sexual activities.

Homoeopathic treatment

The Homoeopathic medicines work on the constitution and not on specific diseases, therefore Homoeopathic medicines cure these disorders more swiftly than any other system of treatment.

Common remedies for Hypersexuality

acon. Agar. agn. ALUM. am-c. ambr. anan. ant-c. apis arn. ars. asaf. aster. Aur. aven. Barm. borx. bov. calad. calc-p. calc. CAMPH. canth. CARB-V. caust. CHIN. COCC. coff. con. Croc. dig. ferr. fl-ac. gamb. GRAPH. Grat. ham. Hell. HYOS. Ign. iod. Kali-br. kali-c. kalin. kreos. LACH. laur. lil-t. lyc. mang. med. meny. MERC. MOSCH. Murx. nabal. NAT-C. NAT-M. nit-ac. nux-m. NUX-V. onos. OP. orig. par. Ph-ac. PHOS. Pic-ac. plat-m. Plat. Plb. puls. raph. Rhus-t. SABIN. sars. Sel. seneg. sep. SIL. spong. Stann. STAPH. STRAM. sul-ac. Sulph. TARENT. tell. teucr. thuj. upa. Verat. zinc.

Short repertory of Hypersexuality

ABDOMEN - INFLAMMATION - Colon - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased gamb. Grat. lyc. nabal.

ABDOMEN - INFLAMMATION - Gastroenteritis - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased Grat.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - EXCITABILITY of genitals - Clitoris; erection of - urination agg.; after - sexual desire, with calc-p.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - FETUS - motions - urinate; cutting pain with pain in bladder and desire to thuj.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - LEUKORRHEA - constant, chronic - sexual desire; with increased Ign.

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FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - LOCHIA - sexual desire; with increased Verat.
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FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - MENSES - pale - sexual desire; with loss of Lach.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - MENSES - protracted - sexual desire increased, with kali-br.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - MENSES - scanty - sexual desire lost Lach.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - METRORRHAGIA - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased ambr. coff. plat. Sabin.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - PAIN - Ovaries - sexual desire, during Kali-br.

FEMALE GENITALIA/SEX - SEXUAL DESIRE - increased - excitement of - sexual parts; with extreme excitement of Stram.

GENERALS - FOOD and DRINKS - delicacies - desire - sexual desire; with chin.

HEAD - PAIN - accompanied by - sexual desire Pic-ac. sep.

HEAD - PAIN - sexual desire apis chin. nux-v. onos. Ph-ac. plat-m. Sil.

HEAD - SEXUAL DESIRE - suppression of sexual desire agg. con. puls.

MALE GENITALIA/SEX - POLLUTIONS - coition - desire for coition, during ham. sars.

MALE CENITALIA/SEX - SEXUAL DESIRE - diminished - sexual excesses; after agn. aven. STAPH. Sulph. upa.

MALE GENITALIA/SEX - SEXUAL DESIRE - increased - coition - desire for; without borx.

MALE GENITALIA/SEX - SEXUAL DESIRE increased - indifference, followed by sexual tell.

MALE GENITALIA/SEX - SEXUAL DESIRE - violent - sexual mania, in apis PHOS. Tarent.

MIND - ABSORBED - sexual desire; in the fulfillment of his fl-ac.

MIND - ANXIETY - sexual desire; from suppressed con. STAPH.

MIND - BED - remain in bed; desire to - sexual excitement, from verat.

MIND - BUSY - must keep - sexual desire; to repress lil-t.

MIND - COMPANY- aversion to- desire for solitude- indulge her fancy; to- sexual fancies staph.

MIND - DELUSIONS - despised; is - sexual desire; with violent orig.

MIND - DELUSIONS - devil - after her; is - sexual desire; with violent orig.

MIND - DELUSIONS - hell - chains of; in - sexual desire; with violent orig.

MIND - DELUSIONS - lost; she is - salvation; for - sexual desire; with violent orig.

MIND - DISCOMFORT - sexual desire, with ant-c.

MIND - MANIA - sexual mania - increased sexual desire; from apis Bar-m.

MIND - MANIA, madness - sexual desire, from apis BAR-M. PHOS. TARENT.

MIND - MEMORY - active - sexual desire; from suppressed lach.

MIND - MOROSE - sexual desire; with violent orig.

MIND - RAGE - sexual desire; from suppressed lil-t.

MIND - SADNESS - alternating with - sexual desire lil-t.

MIND - SADNESS - sexual desire - suppressed sexual desire; sadness after con.

MIND - SUICIDAL disposition - sexual desire; with violent orig.

MIND - WILD feeling in head - sexual desire; from suppression of lil-t. med.

RESPIRATION - ASTHMATIC - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased nat-c.

SEXUAL IMPULSE - Increased desire - mental desire, without LACH. sulph.

SEXUAL IMPULSE - Increased desire acon. Agar. AGN. ALUM. am-c. ambr. Ant-c. arn. ars. asaf. aster. Aur. bov. calad. calc-p. CALC. CAMPH. CANTH. CARB-V. caust. CHIN. COCC. coff. con. Croc. dig. ferr. fl-ac. GRAPH. grat. Hell. HYOS. Ign. iod. kali-c. kali-n. kreos. LACH. laur. Lil-t. lyc. mang. meny. MERC. MOSCH. Murx. NAT-C. NAT-M. nit-ac. nux-m. NUX-V. OP. orig. par. PHOS. Plat. Plb. raph. Rhus-t. SABIN. sars. Sel. seneg. SEP. SIL. spong. Stann. staph. STRAM. sul-ac. SULPH. tarent. teucr. thuj. VERAT. zinc.

SLEEP - SLEEPLESSNESS - sexual desire; from anan. calc.

STOMACH - COMPLAINTS of the stomach - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased gamb. Grat. lyc. nux-v.

URETHRA - DISCHARGE - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased canth.

URETHRA - DISCHARGE - bloody - accompanied by - sexual desire; increased canth.

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