

Editorial on Young Generation Self-Injurious Thoughts and Behaviors (SITBs)

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EDITORIAL

The Self-Injurious Thoughts and Behaviors (SITBs) questionnaire is a commonly used tool for determining the existence, frequency, and characteristics of suicidal and self-harming thoughts and behaviours. Prior SITBs are linked to a higher probability of suicidal thoughts and actions in the future. However, they only increase diagnostic accuracy by a little amount over chance. Addressing flaws in study design, assessment, and underlying mechanisms could help improve suicidal thought and behaviour prediction and prevention. Examining cognitive processes as potential risk antecedents has a long history in suicide research, which has been supplemented by recent advancements in Non-Suicidal Self-Injury (NSSI) research.

However, these cognitive processes are frequently examined in isolation and are rarely integrated or directly contrasted. This systematic review (n=109 longitudinal studies conducted over the past 10 years) attempts to synthesise the literature by demonstrating how specific cognitive processes predict Self-Injurious Thoughts and Behaviours (SITBs) and examining whether intervening on cognitive features may help mitigate SITB risk. Our findings show that cognitive processes are most typically associated to repeated suicidal ideation, as judged by self-report and behavioural measures. Several patterns appeared in general.

For starters, SITB-themed cognitions were strong risk variables and were closely linked to SITB outcomes. Second, negatively valenced cognitive risk variables were the most widely examined risk factors, as they were generally resilient and had a minor relationship with SITB outcomes. Third, findings on cognitive deficiencies (i.e., basic cognitive processes that are not characterised by thematic content or negative valence) were mixed, implying a more distant relationship to SITB outcomes. Furthermore, our review of treatment papers found that, whereas the cognitive literature informs many interventions, putative cognitive mechanisms of treatment change are rarely investigated.

We wrap up by summarising some of the most important ways that future research might help researchers create more comprehensive cognitive profiles of self-injurious and suicidal people. In adolescence, Self-Injurious Thoughts and Behaviours (SITBs) are major public health issues. The current study is a systematic review that examines the association between occurrences that contribute to low perceived relational evaluation. Low relational evaluation is perceived as psychologically uncomfortable, according to theoretical work, which is a known correlate of SITBs. As a result, occurrences that result in poor relational assessment may be particularly useful in comprehending the context of SITBs.

Suicide Attempt (SA) vs. Suicide Ideation (SI) risk is clinically significant and difficult to distinguish. We wanted to see if a history of self-destructive ideas and behaviours distinguishes troops who have recently attempted suicide from those who haven't. Prior study has shown that Non-Suicidal Self-Injury (NSSI) and Suicidal Ideation (SI), as well as NSSI and Suicide Attempts (SA) have common heritable components. In addition, trauma has been linked to an increased risk of NSSI and suicide. To discover shared sources of liability for these three self-destructive ideas and behaviours, as well as the nature of their correlations with traumatic experiences, genetically informative research are needed.

Although there has been a tremendous gain in information about distal risk factors for Non-Suicidal Self-Injury (NSSI) over the last decade, less is known about short-term (proximal) factors that predict NSSI thoughts and behaviours. The current study clarifies (a) real-time factors that predict NSSI thoughts and (b) the extent to which theoretically important momentary factors (i.e., negative affect, positive affect, and self-efficacy to resist NSSI) predict NSSI behaviour in daily life, beyond NSSI thoughts, based on current NSSI theories and the concept of ideation-to-action given the worries about bullying in children and young people via electronic communication, as well as its potential relation to self-harm.

We looked at the evidence showing links between cyberbullying and self-harm or suicidal behaviours in children and teenagers (such as suicidal ideation, suicide planning, and suicide attempts). Suicide ideation, suicidal conduct, and non-suicidal self-injury are all major public health issues that affect teenagers. A large percentage of teenagers tested in clinical settings meet the Dysregulation Profile's requirements (DP). Restlessness, irritability, "affective storms," mood instability, and aggression that is out of proportion to the situation characterise DP. This DP could be linked to a higher risk of self-destructive thoughts and behaviours.

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