

# Comorbid mental disorders in internal , neurological and oncological diseases

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Comorbid means that they coexist at the same time. They can coexist by chance (e.g. a depressed patient getting a diagnosis of MS without any correlation) or a causative relationship (i.e. substance use disorder → liver cirrhosis or liver cirrhosis → hepatic encephalopathy (psychosis))

## Examples of co-morbid disorders in...

- F06: Other mental disorders due to brain damage and dysfunction and to physical disease

### ...Internal diseases

- e.g. in the DDx of **Dementia** → always screen **TSH** (hypothyroidism) and **B12** as their secondary causes
- Pheochromocytoma: a tumor of the adrenal medulla → state of anxiety, sweating
- Cushing disease: insomnia, anxiety, depression, mania, psychosis
- IHD: depression, type A personalities
- Peptic ulcer disease/IBD: psychological stress playing a role in the etiology? depression in any chronic disease
- Infectious
  - HIV: anxiety, depression, social stigma. organic psychiatric syndromes: encephalitis, delirium, AIDS dementia
  - Neurosyphilis: general paralysis of the insane. personality changes and deficits of memory and judgement

### ...Neurological diseases

- MS: cognitive impairment due to plaques, depression
- Basal ganglia disorders
  - e.g. Huntington disease
    - **Dementia** (particularly executive dysfunction)
    - **Major depressive disorder** (possibly including suicidal tendencies)
    - Aggression and psychosis
    - Apathy
    - Anxiety
  - e.g. Parkinson disease: depression, dementia, personality changes
- SLE: neuropsychiatric disorders → e.g. headache, depression, cognitive dysfunction

### ...Oncological diseases

- Kübler-Ross model (in patients or close contacts), MDD (risk group of it),

## Links

<https://icd.who.int/browse10/2019/en#/F95> (ICD-10 Classification)

## Related Articles

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