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### 1. Introduction

The Internet has revolutionized the way we communicate, conduct business and entertain ourselves. Goods can be accessed more easily, communication is faster and cheaper, and diverse forms of entertainment exist online, including TV series and computer gaming. Despite these positive aspects, a growing number of users spend an excessive amount of time on the Internet. A quickly growing body of literature is currently examining the degree to which problematic Internet use (PIU) actually reflects addictive behavior (e.g. see the review by Montag et al., 2015a). This literature has also considered if PIU can be better described by existing nosologies such as ADHD and depression (Sariyska et al., 2015). Comorbidities between PIU and several other conditions have also been examined in the literature (Han et al., 2008; Ko et al., 2012; Bozkurt et al., 2013; Carli et al., 2013).

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