Is it Manly Enough? A Meta-Synthesis about Men's Sexual Behavior and the Impact of Hegemonic Masculinity

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In western contemporary society men are subjugated by the impact of hegemonic masculinity. As such, there are several consequences in their daily lives, especially regarding to sexuality. However, few research has been developed about the effect of hegemonic masculinity on men's sexual behavior. The aim of this study is to access narratives about how men experience sexual behavior in relation to this heteronormative and patriarchal society. We are conducting a meta-synthesis of several journal articles on men's sexual behavior and hegemonic masculinity. Expected results materialize in themes about harassment and sexual violence; talking about sex; sexual fluidity; and tensions between gender and sexual behavior. Furthermore, with regard to sexual experiences, many men who are assumed to be heterosexual, often

experience same-sex sexuality as threatening. This meta-synthesis emphasizes the complex relationship between men's sexuality and the influence of hegemonic masculinity, revealing important health and well-being effects on men. Additionally, it highlights a dynamic relation that affects not only men, but also their partners in sexual relations.

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How Japanese Adolescents' Sexual Behaviors have Changed?

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Introduction: In Japanese society, adolescents' sexual behavior is taboo in sex education in schools and public situations. However, in fact many people experience sexual intercourse before their marriage and also there are many unintended pregnancies among Japanese youth. In order to educate young people about sexuality and reproductive health, it is necessary to grasp the actual situation of their sexual behaviors. We have been conducted 8 times nationwide surveys on sexual behaviors such as experiences of dating, kissing and sexual intercourse among Japanese youth in every 6 years since 1970s. Using these surveys, this presentation aims to describe how Japanese adolescents' sexual behaviors have changed.

Method and Sample: The latest 8th survey in 2017 includes 2504 junior-high school students, 2578 high school students and 2558 university students in all

over Japan. I compared cumulative experience rates of sexual behaviors between 4 generations (born in 1970s (1970-79), 1980s (1980-89), 1990s (1990-99) and 2000s (2000-04) using the data which merged the 3rd survey (1987) to the 8th survey. The total sample size is 45161.

Results: The dating experience is more active for newer generations. Experience rates at the 7th grade are 10% for the oldest 1970s cohort and over 20% for the newest 2000s cohort in both males and females. However, the most active in the kissing and sexual intercourse experience is the 1980s cohort, and following cohorts tend not to experience or tend to experience later than 1980s cohort. The sexual intercourse experience rate at the age of 17 of male respondents is 30% in the 1980s cohort and 13% in the 2000s cohort, while it of female respondents is 27% in the 1980s