



## Ageism, the Black Sheep of the Decade of Healthy Ageing

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### Message from the Collection Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The first UN Global Report on Ageism (18th March 2021) has unveiled ageism as an old yet highly prevalent phenomenon, which extends worldwide and has a dramatic impact: "Ageism is associated with earlier death (by 7.5 years), poorer physical and mental health, and slower recovery from disability in older age." The Decade of Health Aging 2021–2030 does not just clash with the COVID-19 pandemic, insofar as its suddenly exhausted health and socioeconomic systems, but urgently needs to confront this old problem of stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination towards age and ageing. In response to the "Global Campaign to Combat Ageism" call for "A World for All Ages", this Topical Collection aims to provide selected contributions from quantitative and qualitative research or reviews, as well as promote new initiatives tackling ageism from different disciplines and perspectives.

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