



Allergic Diseases in Adulthood: Burden, Mechanisms and Risk Factors

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Message from the Guest Editors

The prevalence of asthma and allergies, including atopy, has increased in recent decades, particularly in Westernized countries. Recent evidence has shown an increasing incidence of allergic diseases in adulthood, but little research has been conducted to assess the exact burden and related risk factors in this age window (adult and elderly). In older people, a number of factors can contribute to triggering allergy and/or to masking it, making it a more difficult and time-consuming process to reach the right diagnosis and relieve people who are often already suffering from other diseases and in the presence of many other causes of frailty. Considering that life expectancy and the number of elderly people are progressively increasing across the world, the issue of allergic diseases in adulthood is becoming a topic of interest from the public health point of view.

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