



Environmental Risk Factors, Allergic Diseases and Lung Health

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Allergic and chronic lung diseases, particularly asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), are now a worldwide public health problem. The complex and multifactorial features of these conditions make them a prevailing public health challenge.

This Special Issue is devoted to the consolidation of evidence of the impact of environmental factors on allergic diseases and lung health throughout the life course. We invite high-quality research that seeks to understand the epidemiology, burden, treatment and management of asthma, allergic rhinitis, COPD and lung development and decline in relation to environmental factors and their interaction with genetic traits. Environmental factors include, but are not limited to, individual non-genetic factors (e.g., smoking, infection and nutrition) as well as features of the physical environment (e.g., outdoor air pollution, indoor air pollution, greenness, the built environment, pollen and fungi). Original research papers and review articles (both systematic and narrative) are welcome.

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