Recreational Water Illnesses

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Message from the Guest Editor

Swimming and other water-based exercises are excellent ways to practice physical activity and to gain health and social benefits. However, recreational water use may expose people to different health risks due to the exposure to chemicals or infectious pathogens.

This Special Issue aims to provide new information about health risks in treated recreational waters (e.g., pools and spas) or untreated waters (e.g., surface water, natural pools, and thermal springs), together with the need to update prevention strategies. We encourage submission of papers concerning the monitoring and control of the chemical and infectious risks associated with recreational waters, the surveillance of infectious diseases in swimming pools and spas, and the study of outbreaks caused by traditional or emerging microorganisms. Papers focused on the adverse health effects due to disinfection by-products (DBPs) in swimming pools are also welcome. Of particular concern is the development of risk control approaches, including the application of effective innovative technologies, the promotion of healthy behaviors, and the design of appropriate polices for surveillance and controls.
Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Addressing the environmental and public health challenges requires engagement and collaboration among clinicians and public health researchers. Discovery and advances in this research field play a critical role in providing a scientific basis for decision-making toward control and prevention of human diseases, especially the illnesses that are induced from environmental exposure to health hazards. *IJERPH* provides a forum for discussion of discoveries and knowledge in these multidisciplinary fields. Please consider publishing your research in this high quality, peer-reviewed, open access journal.

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