



The Impact of COVID-19 on Dentistry and Oral Health

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I am editing the Special Issue “The Impact of COVID-19 on Dentistry and Oral Health” of the journal *Applied Sciences* (IF 2.474).

Since the outbreak of acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), more than 118,638,190 cases and 2,632,074 deaths have been recorded worldwide. The surge in the number of infected people across the globe has had an important social and economic impact and hampered health care delivery. One of the areas affected by the COVID-19 pandemic was dentistry. As is known in dental offices; aerosol-generating dental procedures (AGDPs) are amongst the most common types of treatment; thus, concerns about the risk of transmission from patient-to-practitioner and patient-to-patient have arisen. On the other hand, dental practitioners have had to adopt the guidelines on infection control protocols and changes of the practice and office environments.





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