Special Issue

Climate Change, Air Pollution and Human Health: Past, Present and Future

Message from the Guest Editors

Climate change and air pollution are closely interconnected environmental issues that have significant implications for human health. The sources and impacts of air pollution contribute to climate change, and both phenomena can have direct and indirect effects on the well-being of individuals and communities. Inhalation of pollutants can lead to respiratory problems and aggravating conditions such as asthma and bronchitis, and long-term exposure is linked to heart disease and strokes. Certain air pollutants, such as benzene and formaldehyde, are carcinogenic. The effects of climate change, such as heatwaves, can pose health risks, especially for vulnerable populations. Increased frequency and intensity of storms, floods, and droughts can affect health infrastructure and lead to injuries and diseases. Changes in climate patterns can impact the distribution of disease-carrying vectors, such as mosquitoes and ticks. This Special Issue aims to showcase novel results on the direct and indirect associations between climate change, air pollution, and various aspects of human health.

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