# **Special Issue**

# Eczema and Food Allergy in Children

## Message from the Guest Editors

Eczema (atopic dermatitis, AD) and food allergy are two separate but strongly associated conditions. Although international guidelines offer clear instructions regarding the diagnosis and management, some discrepancies still persist. While skin testing and slgE have a clearly defined role in the evaluation of fooddependent reactions, placebo-controlled, double-blind oral provocation challenge is the gold standard, distinguishing between food sensitization and allergy. In some cases, dietary avoidance may be taken into consideration, but only after a careful assessment, as nutritional deficiencies and loss of tolerance to food allergens are undesirable consequences. Early introduction of allergenic food shows promising results in preventing food allergy in high-risk patients with AD, with further studies regarding the best approach and the ideal timing of reintroduction still underway.

This Special Issue will feature an update on recent data regarding the diagnosis, management and prevention of eczema and food allergies. We invite articles focusing on all aspects of the topic, especially those with a possible impact on the daily clinical practice in paediatric allergy.

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