# **Special Issue**

# Updates on Perinatal Depression and Child Developmental Disorders

### Message from the Guest Editors

Perinatal mental health is a topic of growing interest, with distinct clinical conditions that could affect mothers in such a period of high vulnerability. Perinatal depression is a frequent and debilitating mental disorder that has become a significant public health concern. Important risk factors for perinatal depression include depression and/or anxiety during pregnancy, previous history of depression, life stressors, lack of social support, and problematic couple life.

A major challenge is to collect experiences and research on mother–child care units and emotional and cognitive child development, and then translate this knowledge into evidence–based, combined and effective treatment designs. Mother–child-specific support, habilitation and educational approaches, and models of psychosocial support networks that can reduce risk for mental illnesses all need further investigation.

Researchers and authors are invited to submit papers on intervention approaches in postpartum disorders and emotional and neurodevelopmental disorders in children that may have a significant impact on clinical presentation, diagnostic tools, or novel therapeutics.

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### Deadline for manuscript submissions

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