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Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) Outbreak: Epidemiology, Research and Implications for Public Health

Message from the Guest Editors

At the end of December 2019, Chinese authorities reported the spread of a novel coronavirus (named 2019-nCoV before, newly defined as SARS-CoV-2) responsible for cases of acute respiratory syndrome in the Wuhan municipality. In a few weeks, the spread of this new strain of coronavirus rapidly evolved, affecting other parts of China and determining cases outside the country. Further global diffusion can be not excluded, and it is expected that international exportation of cases may occur worldwide. Unfortunately, to date there is still a limited knowledge about the characteristics of the virus, how it spreads between people, how severe are the resulting infections, and how to treat them.

According to the previously reported considerations, in this Special Issue we particularly welcome articles and commentaries providing new insights into general epidemiology of this novel virus, disease prevention and control strategies, risk management and communication, evaluation of the impact of public health interventions, and innovative researches for developing necessary pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical treatments.

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