

## Special Issue

# Osteopathic and Complementary Manual Therapy in Musculoskeletal Pain and Dysfunction

### Message from the Guest Editors

Musculoskeletal pain and dysfunction often result in disability and a reduced quality of life. Osteopathic and complementary manual therapies offer promising non-pharmacological approaches.

We invite contributions to this Special Issue *"Osteopathic and Complementary Manual Therapy in Musculoskeletal Pain and Dysfunction"*, advancing research on efficacy, mechanisms, and applications to bridge practice and evidence.

In this Special Issue, we welcome original research articles and reviews whose scope includes, but is not limited to, the following topics:

- Clinical trials of osteopathic/manual therapies for musculoskeletal pain;
- Physiological/neurological effects of manual interventions;
- Comparisons with other pain management approaches;
- Patient-centred assessment/treatment innovations;
- Biomechanical analysis of osteopathic techniques;
- Psychosocial impacts and quality of life;
- Preventive uses and training for outcomes.

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