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Measuring Health-Related Quality of Life in Patients with Cystic Fibrosis

Message from the Guest Editor

Cystic fibrosis has undergone significant changes in the last few decades. The changing demographics of cystic fibrosis has led to new challenges in both disease management and clinical research. Treatment burden has increased, such that treatments currently require two to four hours a day. The growing adult population encounters more difficulties balancing the symptom and treatment burden of the disease with work, education, or family demands. Therefore, there is an increasing requirement to examine and manage the psychosocial impacts of cystic fibrosis. Another challenge is posed by the relative healthiness of the modern cystic fibrosis population resulting in traditional endpoints in clinical trials such as forced expiratory volume in one second (FEV1) and frequency of pulmonary exacerbations having reduced sensitivity. A possible solution to these challenges is to monitor and collect data on health-related quality of life (HRQoL) and patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs). This Special Issue features a wide range of research papers on improving HRQoL, mental health issues, and capturing PROMs in pediatric and adult patient populations with cystic fibrosis.

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