



## The Burden of COVID-19 in Workers

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### Message from the Guest Editors

The number of SARS-CoV-2 infections is still increasing worldwide, and to a certain extent, the infection risk is related to work. Health workers experience the highest work-related infection risk as they have close contact to COVID-19 patients. The severity of COVID-19 symptoms depends on the health status of the patient before the infection. Psychological problems in a patient's personal history seem to predict fatigue or memory problems after COVID-19 infection. Return to Work (RTW) after COVID-19 infection and assessment of the fitness for the job is another issue to be addressed.

With this Special Issue, we want to encourage researchers and experts to contribute to the questions of which workers are most commonly affected and how can these workers be assessed after COVID-19 infection so that fair compensation for long-term effects on health, quality of life, and workability can be granted. We aim to stimulate the discussion between experts on occupational health and workers' compensation from different countries with different social security systems facing the same problems concerning work-related COVID-19 infection.





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