



## Methodologies and Applications of Geographic Information Science and Spatial Statistical Analysis in Public Health

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The use of Geographic Information Sciences (GIScience) and spatial statistical analysis has emerged as an innovative component in the field of Public Health. Great attention has been paid to analyzing spatial and spatiotemporal data; locations; and spatial interaction in understanding public health issues. Applying GIScience or/and spatial statistics, spatial epidemiologists, health geographers, biostatisticians and public health professionals have made significant contributions in understanding problems such as disease clusters and environmental risk factors, and targeting interventions to improve public health.

This Special Issue seeks papers that demonstrate original research with innovative methodologies and applications of GIScience and spatial statistical analysis in the field of public health. The aim of this call is to provide a strong overview of the GIScience and technological advances of spatial methodology in public health, invoke new ways of thinking about how public health programs can be better accomplished, and stimulate new ideas to use GIScience and spatial statistics in public health.

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