

## Special Issue

# Chronic Diseases Burden and Risk Factors: What Policy Makers Need to Know?

### Message from the Guest Editors

- Chronic diseases are the largest cause of death in the world, and smoking, harmful alcohol use, poor nutrition and physical inactivity are causing a massive increase in these diseases, including cardiovascular disease, respiratory disease, cancer and diabetes. The global economic burden of these illnesses is staggering.
- Despite growing evidence of the epidemiological and economic impact of these diseases, the global response remains inadequate, and up-to-date evidence related to the nature of the burden of chronic diseases is not in the hands of decision makers. Policy makers need to be fully informed of the burden and risk factors of chronic diseases. Clearer messages on chronic disease burden and the implications are needed, and the advocacy base must be expanded.
- This Special Issue is open to any subject area related to the disease burden of chronic diseases, the interaction of COVID-19 with the continued global rise in chronic illness and the forecasts of chronic disease burden in the future.

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