# **Special Issue**

### Long COVID-19 and Its Impact on Public Health

### Message from the Guest Editors

Long COVID is a complex syndrome representing a significant public health challenge worldwide. It is one of the most frequent long-term effects observed in COVID-19 survivors and impacts the population's quality of life. Neuropsychiatric conditions, including anxiety and stress, are common and debilitating features in this population and are major public health challenges. Understanding their burden and predictors is fundamental for comprehensive care and evidencebased public policies. This Special Issue, titled "Long COVID-19 and Its Impact on Public Health", seeks highquality submissions exploring the multifaceted impacts of long COVID. We specifically invite research on the prevalence, predictors, mechanisms, prevention, public policies, and intervention strategies for anxiety and stress in this context. Articles contributing to our understanding of the syndrome's burden and informing public health responses are particularly welcome.

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