# **Special Issue**

# Environmental and Occupational Health: Exposure to Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) and Gases

# Message from the Guest Editor

Volatile organic compounds are ubiquitously used in multiple industries and vocational sectors, as well as being present in many consumer products. Millions of employees work in occupations known to use VOCcontaining products, indicating a high potential for exposure to VOC and other gases that may be capable of inducing harmful health effects. Similarly, consumers could be exposed to gases and vapors that off-gas from building materials such as carpets, paints, upholstery, or varnishes, or during recreational activities such as pottery, painting, and using candles and scent-emitting products. Health effects associated with gas and vapor exposures can range from acute effects such as headache, nausea, and respiratory discomfort to more serious chronic effects such as persistent neurological effects or, in some instances, cancer. This Special Issue is seeking articles which document environmental and occupational exposure to these chemicals and their health effects.

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