Special Issue

Prenatal Exposures, Fetal Development, Birth Outcomes, and Children's Health

Message from the Guest Editors

Prenatal exposure to chemical, physical, and biological agents has been increasing worldwide as a result of rapid industrialization. Given this increasing exposure and the established capability for some of these exposures to readily transport from pregnant women to fetuses through the placenta, a critical and unresolved public health issue that has emerged is the extent to which prenatal exposure to these ubiquitous pollutants adversely affects fetal development, birth outcomes, and child development.

This Special Issue focuses on the current state of knowledge on the links between prenatal exposures and impaired fetal growth, adverse birth outcomes, postnatal and early childhood growth trajectories, and children's health. We will accept manuscripts from different disciplines dealing with prenatal exposures and fetal and child health, including epidemiology, reports from prenatal or birth cohort or intervention studies, reproductive health, prenatal and children's health, exposure assessment, and risk and health impact assessments. Papers addressing the topics above are welcomed for this Special Issue.

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