Special Issue

Non-alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: From Lifestyle to Environmental Factors

Message from the Guest Editors

Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) is a growing cause of chronic liver disease worldwide. NAFLD is currently the most prevalent liver disease in the population, due to its strong relationship with obesity and its comorbidities. NAFLD represents a spectrum of liver conditions ranging from simple steatosis (a relatively benign condition) to non-alcoholic steatohepatitis, which could result in fibrosis and ultimately to cirrhosis or hepatocarcinoma. It is widely accepted that weight management interventions (i.e., diet and exercise) are the most effective strategies for NAFLD resolution in patients with obesity. In addition, a growing body of evidence suggests that the physiopathology of NAFLD is highly influenced by several exogenous and environmental factors such as aging, excessive intake of calories, processed food, lower intake of anti-oxidant vitamins, and sedentary lifestyle. This Special Issue seeks research papers on the impact of lifestyle and environmental factors on the pathogenesis of NAFLD.

We welcome original research papers using different study designs as well as systematic reviews and metaanalyses.

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