

## Topical Collection

# Occupational Safety and Personal Protective Equipment

### Message from the Collection Editor

Workers are often faced with hazards that cannot be removed, mitigated, or controlled through substitution, technical means of collective protective measures, or work organization. Then, personal protective equipment (PPE) is utilized to decrease exposure and provide some level of protection for workers as a last resort solution.

In recent years, a multitude of interesting concepts and pressing issues in PPE have emerged, including fresh views on PPE programs, use of innovative materials and ideas in PPE design, environmental concerns around disposal of used PPE, or computer-aided predictions of service life and different phenomena taking place while using PPE. Thus, it is my pleasure to invite you to submit to this Special Issue original articles, reviews, and short communications that would advance knowledge in the following areas:

- Selection and safe use of PPE;
- Influence of PPE on task performance and productivity;
- Development of PPE with new or improved properties;
- New materials and technical solutions used in PPE;
- And other PPE related topics.

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