## **Special Issue**

## Periodontal Disease, Association with Systemic Conditions and Periodontal Pathogens

Message from the Guest Editors

Periodontitis is a chronic prevalent non-communicable disease (NCDs) characterized by complex dynamic interactions among specific bacterial pathogens and inflammatory destruction of the tooth-supporting tissues. Over the last decades, a significant body of evidence supports independent associations between severe periodontitis and various systemic conditions, such as diabetes mellitus, cardiovascular disease, obesity, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), Rheumatoid arthritis and adverse pregnancy outcomes. Consequently, the field of "Periodontal medicine" have evolved, to study how periodontal infection/inflammation may impact extraoral health. Therefore, the aim of the current Special Issue of the International Journal of Molecular Sciences is to update on the current knowledge on in the research field of "Periodontal Disease, Association with Systemic Conditions and Periodontal Pathogens" and welcomes both original research articles and review papers that encompasses molecular biology studies on the etiology, diagnosis, prognosis, treatment of periodontitis and periodontal-systemic interactions.

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