

Special Issue

Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD): Risk Factors, Diagnosis and Treatment

Message from the Guest Editor

Peripheral artery disease (PAD), also called peripheral arterial disease, is a common circulatory problem encompassing a range of atherosclerotic and aneurysmal conditions within the extra-coronary circulation. PAD affects millions of people around the world, and significantly increases the risk of cardiovascular events in affected patients.

The risk factors include, but are not limited to, advanced age, physical inactivity, diabetes, obesity, thrombosis and inflammation. PAD can increase the risk of heart attack, stroke, limb amputation, and even death. Doctors diagnose PAD with a physical exam and different tools depending on the disease stage. Treatments include lifestyle changes, medicines, and occasionally surgery. Lifestyle changes include dietary changes and exercise and the medicines used are antihypertensive drugs, statins, antiplatelet drugs, etc. More advanced PAD may require surgical treatment.

This Special Issue aims to include research related to PAD that addresses risk factor analysis, imaging technologies, diagnostic tools, clinical applications, or treatment strategies.

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