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# Long-Term COVID-19: The Lasting Health Impacts of COVID-19

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## Message from the Guest Editors

### Dear Colleagues,

A new SARS-CoV-2 virus causes severe infections resulting in both hospitalization and mortal outcomes or "mild to moderate" infections, for which people with COVID-19 are encouraged to recover at home, often while under little medical supervision. Even though as many as one in ten COVID-19 survivors suffer from long-term sequelae for many weeks or months after clearing the initial infection, this group has not received enough attention in clinical practice and research. The first datasets capturing the COVID-19 health experiences of these self-named "long haulers" were gathered based on these sufferers' own initiative in the early summer of 2020 using social media. However, we still do not have healthcare structures meeting these patients' healthcare demands for long-term follow up and rehabilitation.

Therefore, this Special Issue published in the *Journal of Clinical Medicine* will gather up-to-date information on long-term COVID-19 sufferers and, hopefully, will contribute to greater awareness among clinicians, scientists, and researchers.

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