



State of the Art of Oral Health in Japan and Other Aging Countries

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Message from the Guest Editor

Oral diseases, such as dental caries and periodontal disease, are extremely detrimental to public health, successively known to be associated with various systemic diseases such as cardiovascular diseases, chronic respiratory diseases, diabetes, rheumatism, cancer, etc. It is now widely recognized that oral health cannot be considered in isolation from other health problems.

Japan is facing a super-aging society. To this end, one key issue is “oral health”. The improvement of oral hygiene and chewing ability is known to be effective in reducing aspiration pneumonia and improving activities of daily living (ADL). Furthermore, from a long-term perspective, we have to focus on oral health in children and adolescents, not only to survive the super-aging society, but also to improve the oral and general health of the next generation.

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