

Special Issue

Respiratory Medicine in the Oldest-Old

Message from the Guest Editor

In 2021, the World Health Organization reported the top 10 causes of death, which accounted for 39 million deaths, or 57% of the total 68 million deaths worldwide. Among respiratory disease, beside COVID-19, the fourth, fifth, sixth, and tenth were chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, lower respiratory infections, lung cancer, and tuberculosis, respectively. As patients age, we are required to treat respiratory disease in the context of organ changes, cognitive and physical decline, and other factors. For more than half a century, the linkage between brain or gastrointestinal function and the lungs has been implicated as an etiologic or exacerbating factor in respiratory disease. Aging contributes to its increasing manifestation; therefore, we would like to review respiratory diseases in elderly patients again, clarify various issues, and begin to consider new strategies for them in the oldest-old. In this Special Issue, we welcome authors to submit papers on the clinical advances in respiratory disease in terms of aging pathogenesis, diagnosis, and treatment.

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