

Special Issue

Enhancing Recovery after Intensive Care Medicine in Clinical Practice

Message from the Guest Editor

Millions of patients are treated in intensive care units worldwide every year. In developed countries, up to 20% of in-patient sector-related healthcare costs account for these patients in the acute phase of their disease. Survivors of critical illness frequently suffer from long-term consequences such as cognitive disturbances, impaired physical function, mental illness, and a reduced HRQoL. Frequently, these domains are summarized as post-intensive care syndrome (PICS). The trajectory of critically ill patients during their recovery is influenced by a number of different factors involving the in- and out-patient sector. This issue focuses on prevention, diagnostics, and treatment of critically ill patients with a focus on outcomes, pre-morbid status, preventive measures during the acute phase of illness, diagnostic tools, and tests to evaluate for PICS and post-ICU dysfunctions. All kinds of interventional, diagnostic, and observational studies are welcome.

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