

Special Issue

Diagnosis and Management of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)

Message from the Guest Editor

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is characterised by airflow limitation and persistent respiratory symptoms. Various functional respiratory tests, radiological tests, as well as clinical questionnaires are available to assess the severity and follow-up of COPD. There have been advances in the treatment of COPD, with bronchodilator drugs, LAMA and LAMA, as well as inhaled corticosteroids, and different combinations of these in a single device. In the near future, biological drugs will be incorporated with new therapeutic targets. Non-pharmacological measures, such as respiratory rehabilitation, smoking cessation, oxygen therapy and mechanical ventilation, vaccination, and lifestyle changes have been shown to improve the prognosis of the disease. The aim of this Special Issue is to gather articles focused on improving the diagnosis of COPD, as well as advances in the treatment of this disease, which consider both pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions.

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