

## Special Issue

# Pain Epidemiology

### Message from the Guest Editor

Pain remains one of the most prevalent and disabling health problems worldwide, with chronic pain alone affecting over 20% of adults globally. The heterogeneity of pain conditions—including neuropathic pain, nociplastic pain, headache, migraine, orofacial pain, and low back pain—presents significant challenges for public health surveillance, diagnosis, treatment, and policy development. This Special Issue of *Life*, titled "Pain Epidemiology", seeks to compile high-quality, multidisciplinary research exploring the distribution, determinants, and impact of pain across diverse populations. We welcome original research articles, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, and methodological papers that provide insights into the prevalence, incidence, risk factors, comorbidities, and societal burden of various pain conditions. The goal is to advance understanding of the epidemiological characteristics of chronic and subtype-specific pain and to foster evidence-based approaches to prevention and management.

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