Special Issue

The Digestive System in the Era of COVID-19

Message from the Guest Editors

It is common for SARS-CoV-2 to also infect the digestive system. This type of infection in patients with COVID-19 has a wide symptom range, from asymptomatic expression to some gastrointestinal symptoms that occur with or before respiratory symptoms. Although respiratory infections are known to cause intestinal immune impairment and gastrointestinal symptoms, our knowledge around SARS-CoV-2 and its effect on the digestive system is limited. The aim of this Special Issue is to evaluate and discuss the effect of SARS-CoV-2 infection on the digestive system, including its mechanisms, clinical manifestations, diagnosis, outcome, and management. The scope of the articles includes but is not limited to the following topics: clinical, laboratory, imaging and prevention, and treatment of COVID-19 digestive disease in different age groups, chronic digestive disease, high-risk groups, and predictors of digestive disease severity. We invite colleagues around the world to report their experience and knowledge with original studies, case series or case reports, reviews, or mini reviews on this topic to give support to this fundamental area of clinical practice.

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