

Special Issue

Nutritional Status among Vulnerable Populations

Message from the Guest Editor

Globally, it is estimated 45% of deaths in under-fives are directly or indirectly linked to malnutrition. Children born pre-term and those with low birthweights, congenital anomalies, neurodevelopmental disorders, and disabilities are at high risk of malnutrition and infection in both HICs and LMICs. In LMICs, food insecurity, in addition to poor environmental conditions, make the situation more complex. At the same time, children in countries affected by war or living in conflict zones or refugee camps are exposed to extreme environmental conditions, food insecurity, and inhumane circumstances, making their survival a challenge.

There is an urgent need for population-based observational and experimental studies and translational research in this area to tackle the burden of malnutrition among vulnerable children globally. This Special Issue aims to present a collection of the latest research on issues and initiatives around malnutrition among vulnerable children in both high income countries (HICs) and low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

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