

## Special Issue

# Soil-Transmitted Parasites: Diagnostics and Prevention

### Message from the Guest Editor

Soil-transmitted helminths (STHs) are a critical group of infectious agents and a significant cause of global health problems. The most important STHs are roundworms (*Ascaris lumbricoides*), whipworms (*Trichuris trichiura*), and hookworms (*Necator americanus* *Ancylostoma duodenale*); on a global level, more than a billion people have been infected by at least one species of this group of pathogens. Preventive treatments and chemotherapy are currently the most widely used methods for controlling STH infections, but these methods alone may not achieve elimination goals. Enhancing our understanding of the behavior and significance of STH co-infections in the context of elimination efforts is a crucial step towards reducing the associated disease burden. This Special Issue invites submissions that focus on recent advancements, challenges, and opportunities in the diagnosis, treatment, and control of STH infections. Through this Special Issue, we pinpoint current perspectives on STHs and provide future outlooks.

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