

Special Issue

Exploring the Relationship between Oral Diseases and Candida Infections: *Candida albicans* and Beyond

Message from the Guest Editor

The oral cavity's unique microbiota results in oral dysbiosis and diseases. Some oral diseases may cause dysbiosis, potentially by *Candida albicans*. An attenuated immune system leads to candidiasis, where pathogenic non-*Candida albicans* species dominate. The relation of *Candida* to oral pathologies is debated, with anti-fungal treatment alleviating symptoms. Recent studies focus on pathogenic non-*Candida albicans* species, resistant to antifungal treatment. Oral squamous cell carcinoma is linked to tobacco, alcohol, and potential microbial risk factors like *Candida*. The *Candida*-oral squamous cell carcinoma association is unclear. This Special Issue seeks original articles and systematic reviews with meta-analysis on oral diseases and *Candida*. Prioritized topics include epidemiology, molecular pathology, diagnosis, and treatment of *Candida*-associated oral disease. Prof. Dr. Shankargouda B. Patil

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