

Special Issue

The Built Environment and One Health: Opportunities and Challenges

Message from the Guest Editor

The impact of the built and natural environment on peoples' health and well-being is well documented. In addition, the World Health Organization (WHO) encourages the use of the Health Impact Assessment tool for forecasting the health impact of newly planned projects.

The 'one health' approach has evolved in the last decade, and specifically after the COVID-19 pandemic. This approach sees human health as interconnected with the health of animals, plants, the environment and natural ecosystems. Healthy urban planning should consider the 'one health' approach by extending its list of partners and stakeholders.

This Special Issue invites contributors to share their research on healthy urban planning and its impact on 'one health'. Original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following: walkability and accessibility, for both human beings and animals, and participatory research on urban planning to increase residents' opportunity to be physically active or their access to healthy and affordable food.

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