

## Topical Collection

# Exposure and Effects of Environmental Pollution on Vulnerable Populations

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Environmental pollution is a well-known risk factor for human health, causing more than 10 million deaths every year. Although many studies have been carried out on this issue in recent decades, many gaps exist regarding both exposure and effects related to air, water, and food pollution. Further investigation is necessary for vulnerable populations such as children, pregnant women, elderly individuals, and subjects with pre-existing diseases because exposure and effects may be influenced by the susceptibility and vulnerability of populations. In this Special Issue, original research articles, narrative and systematic reviews, meta-analyses, and short communications are welcome. Research areas may include (but not be limited to) the following: real-life or modeled exposures to environmental pollutants of highly susceptible and vulnerable populations (children, pregnant people, elderly individuals, subjects with pre-existing diseases, etc.) and real-life or estimated adverse effects associated with environmental pollution exposure of vulnerable and susceptible populations.

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