



## Schistosomiasis in Endemic Countries and in Travelers—Two Sides of the Same Coin

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### **Message from the Guest Editors**

Schistosomiasis is one of the most common, but still neglected, infectious diseases prevalent in many tropical countries. Due to increase travel and migration, it is seen with increasing frequency in non-endemic areas around the world. Despite the passage of over 150 years since the description of the pathogen causing the disease, there are still deficiencies in terms of sensitive and specific diagnostic tests, efficient treatments for both acute and chronic infection, tests of cure, and programs for control and prevention, both in endemic areas and in traveler populations.

In this Special Issue we will try to summarize the existing data, current research, and the lacunae in our knowledge of the clinical spectrum, disease evolution, diagnostic methods, treatment modalities and indication, and prevention for this parasitic infection. In many cases, consideration of both the questions and the answers will differ when examining the situation in endemic regions as compared to traveler- and migration-associated infection. We hope this Issue will help to provide guidance to providers of health care.

