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Occupational Infectious Disease—Global Challenges and Local Solutions

Message from the Guest Editor

Occupational settings represent critical but often overlooked sites for the emergence, transmission, and control of infectious diseases. Workers in diverse industries—ranging from healthcare and agriculture to mining, and service sectors—face heightened risks of infection shaped by local environments and global patterns of labor mobility. This special issue of *Tropical Medicine and Infectious Disease* seeks to redress this gap by examining the global challenges and locally tailored solutions that define the field.

We ask authors to consider challenges that include surveillance, the globalized nature of labor, and structural barriers. In many low- and middle-income countries, occupational health is still narrowly defined in terms of physical safety. Even where policies exist, enforcement can be inconsistent, and workers in informal or precarious employment often fall entirely outside regulatory protections. Additionally, Migration, seasonal work, and international supply chains can spread risks across borders.

At the same time, promising solutions are emerging that we ask authors to present, evaluate and generalize to other populations or industries.

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