

Special Issue

Inequality in Immunization 2023

Message from the Guest Editors

While overall in the world, immunization rates stagnated prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, and declined in 2020 and 2021, this is neither uniformly the case for all types of vaccines, nor for all population sub-groups for any individual vaccine. In this Special Issue, we will explore the latest evidence on various types of immunization across the life course at global, regional, national and subnational levels. We encourage submissions that explore various dimensions of inequality—such as economic status, subnational geographic regions, sex, maternal education—and other categories (like migrant status or occupation), or that shed greater analytical or methodological light on priority population subgroups, namely, populations facing gender barriers, rural residents, the urban poor, and populations living in conflict areas. We encourage submissions that compare various country contexts or that assess trends over time, and those that draw from geographies where the evidence has been limited to date, such as Low and Middle-Income Country contexts. Communications that describe the impacts of inequality monitoring of immunization are also welcome.

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Vaccines (ISSN 2076-393X), founded in 2013, now has a firm history of publishing peer-reviewed, state-of-the-art research papers on vaccines and vaccination in the broadest sense. Areas covered include, but are not limited to, novel and emerging vaccine technologies, building on in-depth knowledge of what constitutes a protective immune response. These can be new vaccines for old diseases, or old vaccines for new diseases. Vaccines against cancer and autoimmune diseases explicitly are also within the scope of the journal. Because public opinion and even government policies towards vaccines and vaccination have changed, vaccine policy and public health issues are major concerns. Climate change will also have an impact on the spread of infectious diseases, and thus also on vaccine and vaccination policies worldwide.

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