

## Special Issue

# Strategies for Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy

### Message from the Guest Editor

Vaccine hesitancy, or the delay in accepting or refusing vaccines despite the availability of vaccination services, is a significant contributor to health disparities. Vaccine hesitancy is often caused by misinformation and disinformation, especially among medically underserved populations and those with low levels of health literacy. Vaccine awareness and education are important. Combating misinformation; supporting health literacy; vaccine access; vaccine champions for training, education, and advocacy; and innovative learning strategies can surmount vaccine hesitancy. This Special Issue will focus on laboratory and clinical vaccine research, utilization, and immunization strategies to reduce vaccine hesitancy, which may include long-term, cost-effective approaches to reduce vaccine-preventable disease burden. Circumstances within the scope of *Vaccines* that affect vaccine complacency, convenience, and confidence are of interest.

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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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