

Special Issue

Medico-Legal and Bioethical Implications of Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Control Strategies

Message from the Guest Editors

As recently declared by the World Health Organization, the end of the pandemic COVID-19 is "in sight". It is undeniable that the pandemic caught the health systems of the world unprepared, even the most economically viable. The delicate epidemiological situation that we have faced necessarily constitutes, on the one hand, an opportunity to discuss the bioethical and medico-legal implications of the management and preventive strategies adopted, and, on the other hand, a starting point for formulating strategies and protocols useful for coping with infectious diseases. Hence, this Special Issue of *Vaccines*, entitled "Medico-Legal and Bioethical Implications of Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Control Strategies", aims to open a scientific debate on bioethical and medico-legal issues related to the prevention and management of infectious diseases, as well as possible new applicable strategies.

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