

## Special Issue

# Vaccination Coverage and Vaccine Hesitancy

### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear colleagues, Vaccination represents an effective approach to prevent life-threatening illness/death from infectious agents and infection-related carcinogenesis. In addition, successful vaccination programs with high vaccination coverage may narrow the transmission of pathogens, as well as offer protection to vulnerable subjects that are not suitable candidates for vaccination. Thus, vaccines are key determinants of social and economic benefits in terms of healthcare system resilience, life expectancy, community interaction opportunities and productivity. However, health inequities, age-related differences in vaccine efficacy and a lack of capillary information represent some of the most prominent obstacles towards global immunization against vaccine-preventable diseases. The purpose of this Special Issue is to discuss the relevance and challenges of vaccination in the light of health policies, and possible strategies to overcome vaccine hesitancy and inequalities in vaccine availability/distribution.

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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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