

Special Issue

Allocation of Vaccine Resources in Africa: Challenges, Strategies and Opportunities for Equitable Distribution

Message from the Guest Editors

The allocation of vaccine resources in Africa remains one of the most pressing public health and policy challenges of our time. While remarkable progress has been made in improving immunization coverage across the continent, significant disparities persist in vaccine access, distribution, and uptake. The complex interplay of limited supply, infrastructural constraints, financial barriers, and geopolitical factors continues to shape who gets vaccinated, when, and how effectively. These inequities not only threaten the control of vaccine-preventable diseases but also hinder broader efforts to strengthen health systems and achieve universal health coverage. For this Special Issue, entitled “Allocation of Vaccine Resources in Africa: Challenges, Strategies and Opportunities for Equitable Distribution”, we aim to explore the multifaceted dimensions of vaccine allocation across the continent. Our goal is to foster interdisciplinary dialogue among policymakers, researchers, and practitioners to generate actionable evidence that supports fair, transparent, and resilient vaccine systems across the continent.

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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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