

Special Issue

Vaccine Acceptance and Uptake: Insights from Behavioural and Social Sciences

Message from the Guest Editor

It is well known that it is not enough to simply have safe and effective vaccines in order to achieve high vaccination coverage. Indeed, vaccine hesitancy is a global problem, and behavioural sciences are key to understanding, informing, and guiding research on the acceptance and uptake of COVID-19 vaccines. This Special Issue will gather research focusing on insights from behavioural and social sciences applied to the context of COVID-19 vaccines. Theoretical contributions, reviews and meta-analyses, and original reports are all welcomed.

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