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Pandemic Influenza Vaccination

Message from the Guest Editors

Pandemic influenza vaccines are crucial tools in mitigating the impact of influenza pandemics. These vaccines can also play an important role during the interpandemic period to prevent zoonotic infection with H5 viruses in populations at elevated risk and to respond to isolated outbreaks. The 2009 influenza pandemic and the more recent COVID-19 pandemic have highlighted the importance of pandemic planning and preparedness; this includes having an updated national pandemic plan as well as a deployment and vaccination plan. This also includes strengthening national capacities for the early detection, research, regulatory approval, rollout, and monitoring of pandemic influenza vaccinations. These capacities are crucial for an effective and timely response to an influenza pandemic. In light of the above, this Special Issue will have two significant emphases: 1, the development. production, licensing, and procurement of influenza vaccines; 2. influenza vaccinations during epidemics and pandemics, including preparing for and delivering successful campaigns.

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