# **Special Issue**

# COVID-19 Vaccination Strategies and Perspectives in the United States

## Message from the Guest Editors

In the United States, the response to the COVID-19 pandemic has been marked by political and social conflict, with inconsistent health messages from the government, health agencies and the media. As of December 2021, approximately 62% of the US population has been fully vaccinated. However, regional, state, and county vaccination rates are extremely variable, with some states reporting counties with fewer than 20% and greater than 98% of the population vaccinated. Elected officials and public health agencies have used various strategies to encourage residents to become vaccinated, but vaccine hesitancy remains high in some areas. This issue of Vaccines focuses on the COVID-19 vaccine experience throughout the United States, with emphasis on vaccine hesitancy and acceptance, strategies to enhance vaccination coverage and promote equity, and the health and social consequences of low vaccination rates. We invite you to share your research, review, or opinion papers in any of these areas, with the hope of bringing more understanding to this ongoing issue and to aid in future vaccine efforts.

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