

Special Issue

Decoding the Skin: HIV, STIs, and the Venereologist Perspective

Message from the Guest Editor

The skin plays a pivotal role as a diagnostic interface in infectious diseases, especially in the context of HIV and sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Dermatological manifestations often represent the earliest and most visible clinical clues, sometimes preceding laboratory detection or systemic symptoms. This Special Issue invites authors to explore and highlight the role of the skin as a sentinel organ, the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration, and the need to strengthen venereological expertise in modern infectious disease management. Topics of interest include:

- Cutaneous manifestations of HIV in acute, chronic and post-treatment phases.
- Dermatologic presentations of STIs: syphilis, gonorrhea, HPV, molluscum, herpes, lymphogranuloma venereum.
- The diagnostic journey: skin lesions as early warning signs and their implications in clinical practice.
- HIV-related dermatoses linked to immunosuppression, ART toxicity and inflammatory overlap.
- The venereologist's contribution to screening, prevention and therapeutic strategies in vulnerable groups.
- Public health perspectives: dermatology-based interventions for STI control and HIV awareness.

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