# **Special Issue**

# HIV in the Context of Chronic Disorders and Aging

## Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue, HIV in the Context of Chronic Disorders and Aging, explores the multifaceted health challenges faced by people living with HIV (PWH) as they age. Thanks to antiretroviral therapy, HIV evolved from a fatal disease to a chronic condition, allowing people to live longer. However, with increased longevity comes a higher burden of comorbidities, including cardiovascular disease, metabolic syndrome, renal and hepatic dysfunction, osteoporosis, neurocognitive impairment, and cancer. This Special Issue also examines the complex interactions between HIV, chronic inflammation, immune senescence, and polypharmacy, which contribute to multimorbidity and frailty. Special attention is given to the impact of social determinants of health, stigma, and disparities in care that disproportionately affect aging PWH. This Special Issue will gather original research, reviews, and perspectives addressing clinical management, pathophysiology, and care models tailored to this evolving population. Ultimately, its aim is to inform multidisciplinary strategies to promote healthy aging and improve the quality of life for older PLWH in diverse settings.

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