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Low Back Pain: Recent Advances And Perspectives

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

The prevalence of chronic pain is greater than the total number of individuals in the U.S. with diabetes, heart disease, and cancer combined. Musculoskeletal pain is the most common single type of chronic pain; chronic low back pain is the most prevalent in this category, and is one of the major health problems in the U.S. With these statistics in mind, a Special Issue of *Healthcare* is warranted in order to update many of the recent advances and perspectives of this health problem. A number of topics will be covered: prevalence and epidemiological data; the biopsychosocial perspective of pain, which is now the most heuristic model embraced by clinical researchers; assessment and treatment approaches; and important psychosocial mediators/moderators, such as coping skills, fear avoidance, *etc.*

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