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# **Antibiotic Use and Stewardship in Hospital**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

The increase in antimicrobial resistance, mainly due to antimicrobial use, makes the treatment of infections increasingly complex. In this setting, antimicrobial stewardship programs are essential to optimize antimicrobial use within hospitals. These programs focus on improving the efficacy of antimicrobial treatments, reducing the number of side effects (including the selection of multidrug-resistant microorganisms), and optimizing their cost.

More specifically, related topics include:

- 1. Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on antimicrobial use;
- 2. Implementation of antimicrobial stewardship related activities:
- 3. Initiatives to optimize antimicrobial use in the hospital;
- 4. Antibiotic allergy management;
- 5. New antibiotics placement within hospital formulary;
- 6. Assessment of stewardship metrics: process, outcome, and antibiotic use measures;
- 7. Pharmacology of antimicrobials;
- 8. Antimicrobial related side effects;
- Antimicrobial dosing optimization, including paediatrics, critically ill, elderly, pregnant women, obese, cachectic, and immunosuppressed;
- 10. Antimicrobial related drug-drug interactions.













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# Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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