



## Oral Hygiene and Periodontal Status of Children: Progress and Prospects

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), dental caries is a major public health problem and one of the most common chronic diseases in childhood worldwide, with a high prevalence. More than 530 million children present with this chronic pathology in their temporary dentition. It is considered a non-communicable, non-infectious disease with serious repercussions on children's general health, such as severe pain, facial infections, decreased physical development, and impacted learning abilities and psychological outcomes for both children and their families.

This Special Issue aims to establish the relationship between caries indicators, hygienic–dietary habits, and access to dental care in children. If possible, we also aim to develop a multidisciplinary child oral health program with health, educational, and community participation.

In this Special Issue, original research articles, case report, brief report, review, communication, registered report, protocol, systematic reviews, and meta-analysis are welcome.





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