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## Current Advances in Pediatric Odontology

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### **Message from the Guest Editors**

The caries burden of children and adolescents in industrialized countries has been reduced in recent decades. Between 1994 and 2020, the incidence of caries in 12-year-olds in Central Europe was reduced by more than 80%. This resulted in less need for invasive restorative therapies in the permanent dentition. As a result, the focus of pediatric dentistry was increasingly directed towards other disease patterns.

Gentle caries management based on modern methods of caries diagnosis and minimally invasive intervention with the aim of largely preserving healthy tooth structure has also become increasingly important in recent years. However, children and young people with disabilities, chronic diseases and rare diseases have benefited much less or not at all from this trend. The dental care of this population group represents a particular challenge for dentists.

These positive developments give reason to collect and publish various papers on the subject in a Special Issue with the topic “Current Advances in Pediatric Odontology”. The focus is on the development and optimization of prevention programs for children.

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