



Determinants of Periodontal Disease Among Geriatric Population

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Periodontal disease is an inflammatory disorder that affects and destroys the tissues that support and surround the tooth, and which affects 15 to 20% of the world's population (Dietrich et al., 2019; Nazir et al., 2020). Periodontal disease prevalence is expected to grow even more in the coming years due to the increase in the aging population (Nazir et al., 2020). Periodontal disease has been linked to a higher risk of developing systemic diseases such as diabetes mellitus and cardiovascular disease (Reda et al., 2020).

Most oral diseases have a complex etiology, meaning that biological, social, economic, cultural, and environmental variables all play a role. A growing amount of research shows that people from low socioeconomic backgrounds have a disproportionately high burden of dental caries and periodontal disease. The socioeconomic determinants of health have an impact on oral health behaviors and access to care. As a result, delivering population-level health promotion measures has had a significant influence on lowering the prevalence of oral disorders. (Schuch et al., 2017)





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