



COVID-19 and Diabetes - Issues and Challenges

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Message from the Guest Editor

Diabetes mellitus is a leading cause of avoidable hospitalizations, amputations, cardiovascular events, renal failure, foetal malformations, and blindness, with certain populations including minority groups most affected. People with diabetes are at significant risk if they become infected with COVID-19 and reports showed that about a tenth of people with COVID-19 had diabetes and those with diabetes have markedly higher mortality and extended length of hospital stay especially if they are hyperglycaemic.

This Special Issue will:

- Describe the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on diabetes care, self-management, and clinical outcomes in primary care in different settings;
- Investigate the potential prognostic factors and impact of various treatments/medication use in diabetes patients with COVID-19;
- Provide evidence about existing decision support tools that can be used to improve “diabetes control” beyond measures that existed prior to the COVID-19 lockdown.





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