



Quality of Life and Outcomes of Patients with Urological Diseases

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Message from the Guest Editor

Urological diseases include a wide variety of conditions affecting the urinary tract, including infections, stones and cancers. Due to the anatomical differences between males and females, an estimated 50% of women report having had a urinary tract infection in their lifetime, compared with 15% of men. However, urinary tract infection also contributes to approximately 40% of nosocomial infections, which are mainly caused by urinary catheterization, whereas urolithiasis is mainly associated with lifestyle. For both genders, urinary incontinence and nocturia are common signs of many health conditions that may or may not involve urological diseases, and are commonly multifactorial in etiology. In the new era of medicine, the emphasis on quality of life and advancements in technology have largely improved the management strategies and outcomes of patients with urological diseases.

In this SI, we focus on the epidemiology and etiology of urological diseases, particularly regarding the link between health, outcomes, and the quality of life of patients with urological diseases. Papers on instrument development and psychometric measures related to the topic are also welcome.





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