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Benefits of Physical Activity and Exercise to Human Health

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Message from the Guest Editors

Recent estimates point to a high prevalence of physical inactivity and sedentary behavior in modern societies. Physical inactivity is one of the leading risk factors for chronic non-communicable diseases and all-cause mortality worldwide. Alternately, physical activity and exercise provide multiple health benefits, reducing the risk of all-cause mortality. More research is needed to better understand the factors underlying regular physical activity/exercise.

This Special Issue is dedicated to studies that investigate how physical activity and exercise interventions contribute to human health and well-being across all age groups. The topic of interest includes, but is not limited to the following:

- Determinants of physical activity and exercise adherence: barriers and facilitators
- Strategies to improve physical activity levels and exercise adherence
- Physical activity and exercise in disease prevention and management
- Physical activity and exercise on physical and mental health

We are particularly interested in experimental and observational studies, systematic reviews, meta-analyses, and study protocols.



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