



Greening Cities for Improved Health

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Cities are widely recognized as risky environments for human beings. Risks to health and wellbeing are measured in three groups of indices: physiological, emotional and cognitive. The environmental factors that are analyzed in studies include physical factors like noise, thermal load, and air pollution, and social factors like sense of discomfort, crime, transportation, and access to health services. Some studies even argue that stress and risk to health are intrinsic to urban environments and that restoration is intrinsic to green environments. Additional discussion then develops about the spaces that can be greened and their effect on city environments. The effect of size and distribution of parks, vegetation on houses walls and roofs, and the effects of different types of vegetation are also discussed.

The purpose of this Special Issue is to add knowledge to the knowhow regarding greening of our cities. We invite authors to raise awareness on different aspects of the problem or to contribute relevant knowledge to any of the aspects of this issue as mentioned in the introduction.





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