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# Vaccines in the Age of the Infodemic: Vaccine Knowledge and How to Improve Health Literacy

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

An infodemic occurs when there is an overabundance of information, something that becomes increasingly frequent when an epidemic or pandemic arises, such as the COVID-19 pandemic that we are currently experiencing. The information available regarding this pandemic varies in its accuracy and validity, information that spreads among the population, in a process similar to an epidemic, through physical and digital information systems. This makes it difficult for the public to find reliable sources and guidance when such information is necessary for making informed health care decisions, such as the decision to be vaccinated, and thus an understanding of the benefits of vaccination is vital. People must have access to accurate public health information during epidemics and act according to this information to protect themselves, their families, and their communities from infections. At the same time, addressing vaccine and health literacy issues is a critical pillar of public health responses.













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