



Special Issue on Chronic Diseases Research

Call for Papers

The spectrum of disease has changed since the middle of the 20th century from predominantly communicable diseases to chronic diseases, which have chronic cause and low cure rate, consume a lot of health resources and compromise the quality of life of the sufferer greatly, also burden the society. Common chronic diseases include heart disease, arthritis, stroke, diabetes, chronic respiratory diseases, asthma, cancer, Alzheimer's disease, kidney diseases and etc.

Chronic diseases constitute a major cause of mortality and the World Health Organization (WHO) reports chronic non-communicable conditions to be by far the leading cause of mortality in the world. The presence of chronic diseases is related to biological, social(e.g., socioeconomic status, education level, and race/ethnicity), environmental and many other factors, some of which are serious but modifiable risk factors by interventions and programmes, such as physical inactivity, unhealthy behaviour . These conditions might be prevented by behavioral changes, such as quitting smoking, adopting a healthy diet, and increasing physical activity. Public health programs are important in educating the public to promote healthy lifestyles and be aware of chronic diseases.

In this special issue, we are going to invite front-line researchers and authors to submit original research and review articles that explore **Discogenic Lumbar Disease**. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Prevalence rate of chronic illnesses
- Risk factors for chronic diseases
- Public health care
- Prevention and cure

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