# **Special Issue**

## Rare Diseases Epidemiology Research: The State-of-the-Art and Future Perspectives

## Message from the Guest Editor

This special issue of International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health (IJERPH) aim to present:

- excellent research activities working on a particular rare disease, to improve epidemiology, to understand and facilitate diagnosis, and develop new therapies for rare diseases
- model of high-quality, cost-effective healthcare, including prevention
- relevant source of information system available for rare diseases (example registries, shared knowledge platforms, research network)
- key rare diseases policy documents and legislation
- tools, standards, guidelines and data sharing that adheres to the interoperability principles
- case study of active involvement of patient as partner and as expert in epidemiological research studies.

Papers addressing these topics are invited for this Special Issue, with the overall aim not only map the state of art but also outline likely future developments in this rapidly developing field of complex medicine, such as rare diseases.

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