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Message from the Guest Editor

During pregnancies, women may encounter complications, including preterm births, spontaneous or artificial abortion, gestational hypertension and diabetes. For the rest of their lifetime, they may face problems that potentially threaten their health, such as endometriosis, polycystic ovarian syndrome, genital prolapse, and gynecologic cancers. In addition, fertility, contraception, the effect of environmental hormones (endocrine disruptors) on women's diseases, and health disparities of females are all important issues. In many countries, women are disadvantaged by discrimination rooted in sociocultural factors which prevent them from benefiting from quality health services, including unequal power relationships between genders, social norms that decrease education and paid employment opportunities, an exclusive focus on women's reproductive roles, and potentially physical, sexual, and emotional violence. This Special Issue solicits original contributions and reviews that explore the natures of diseases and health impact on women in different countries and communities. Studies discussing health issues of global women mentioned above are welcomed.

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