Special Issue on
Care for Alzheimer's Disease

Call for Papers

Cognitive decline accompanying Alzheimer's disease (AD) deprives those afflicted with the disease of their autonomy and their ability to take care of themselves, making them dependent on care provided by formal and informal resources. Moreover, as the disease progresses, behavioral and psychological symptoms (BPSD) may occur. BPSD are often troublesome to both caregivers and the patients themselves.

Currently available treatments for AD are limited to alleviating some disease symptoms and are not able to reverse the pathological progress. Therapeutics for BPSD, which are critical for the well-being of the patients and caregivers, are also limited in their effectiveness. The number of those suffering from dementia is increasing worldwide. It is urgent to find effective caregiving strategies or care management programs targeted to enhance the well-being of those with AD and their caregivers.

In this special issue, we are interested in papers which address the topic of caregiving for dementia patients. The issue is not limited to AD patient care. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Detection of Alzheimer's disease or dementia in the community
- Liaison among medical, nursing, and care professionals
- BPSD management
- Caregiver burdens
- Factors associated with transitions to care facilities
- Terminal care in advanced dementia

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