



Cardiac Rehabilitation

Dear Colleagues,

Cardiovascular diseases are rapidly increasing due to the spread of lifestyle diseases in the world. In particular, along with the aging population is the increase in the number of elderly patients with cardiovascular diseases.

These patients with cardiovascular diseases may be forced to restrict their activities of daily living and lower health-related quality of life due to sedentary behaviour, together with lower physical function and physical activity. In addition, environmental factors may also be related to these factors.

The improvement of these several abilities in cardiovascular disease patients by cardiac rehabilitation may contribute not only to the improvement of their exercise capacity and life prognosis but also to their health-related quality of life, subsequent cardiac events, mortality, and costs.

This Special Issue is not only looking for papers reporting original data from epidemiologic studies, but also systematic reviews and meta-analyses are welcome.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Reviews in Cardiovascular Medicine was launched in 2000 by MedReviews, LLC, in New York, NY. This journal was conceived to fill a critical gap for clinicians who were struggling with a rapidly expanding knowledge base in cardiovascular medicine with the convergence of basic science, clinical epidemiology, and therapeutic clinical trials. The founding co-editors were David P. Faxon, MD, past president of the American Heart Association, and Norman E. Lepor, MD, who is considered a luminary in interventional cardiology. The contributing editorial board grew over time and Dr. Peter A. McCullough, MD, MPH ascended from contributing, to associate, to co-editor of the Journal. In 2018, the Journal took its next big step under the leadership of Dr. McCullough as editor-in-chief to become a truly international publication. Its offices moved to IMR Press in Hong Kong, and the editorial board was made more inclusive and representative of the world-wide contributors in academic cardiology. Additionally, the journal brought on expertise in translational medicine to help face the future of molecular medicine and its role in cardiovascular disease. Today Reviews in Cardiovascular Medicine is considered a top tier journal in cardiology with timely and comprehensive reviews covering all aspects of cardiovascular medicine including atherosclerosis, myocardial disease, arrhythmias, and valvular heart disease. The scope of papers ranges from population science, applied basic investigation, in-vitro diagnostics, and evidence-based strategy and therapeutic trials involving both pharmacologic intervention and interventional devices. The highly integrative style of the Journal anchored with evidence tables and instructive figures has garnered many citations over the years and many guidelines documents have relied upon works published in Reviews in Cardiovascular Medicine. Supplement and focus issues have been very popular among the readership and often are viewed as the most up-to-date compilations of new knowledge in cardiology and related specialities. The future is bright for academic cardiovascular medicine and Reviews in Cardiovascular Medicine is well positioned alongside the clinician-investigator in the years to come as a trusted source of critical information and analysis.

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