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## Oral and Systemic Implications of Periodontal Disease – an Integrated Approach

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Dear Colleagues,

Over the past few decades, periodontology has set itself as a modern dental specialty, not only by offering a comprehensive insight into the pathogenic and clinical characteristics of periodontal disease, but also by providing reliable and predictable treatment protocols for systemic affected patients. Extended research has proved that, while the accumulation of subgingival bacterial biofilm triggers the periodontal inflammatory reaction, a set of local and systemic risk factors can significantly influence its evolution and clinical outcome. In addition, the emerging, complementary, field of "periodontal medicine" has shown that the implications of periodontal disease extend further than the oral cavity, illustrating the existence of significant by-directional connections between the periodontal pathology and systemic diseases, such as diabetes mellitus, cardiovascular conditions, hepatic diseases and others

The oral and systemic implications of periodontal disease require continued extensive research. Thus, we invite you to contribute your research results to this Special Issue and to share your valuable scientific expertise.











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