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Climate Change and Health Security

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Climate change is an urgent and growing threat to global health security. Even with immediate and drastic intervention, average global temperatures will continue to rise for decades, resulting in rising sea levels, altered disease vector ranges, and weather extremes that will amplify existing health hazards and result in the emergence of new health threats. Heat waves, droughts, floods, and more frequent extreme storms are already affecting human health. Changing vector ranges are altering the transmission of infectious diseases. Rising sea levels are intensifying coastal flooding and storm surge. In addition, extreme weather is disrupting the delivery of health services by damaging healthcare facilities and the infrastructure—such as energy and transportation—on which they depend.

A special feature of *Health Security* will be devoted to climate change and health. The Journal seeks papers that address the wide range of policy, practice, and research issues at the intersection of health and a changing climate. Examples might include articles related to emerging and reemerging infectious disease surveillance, insect vector control, healthcare facility readiness for storms and floods, and mitigation strategies for large-scale heat-related illness. We are especially interested in articles that address important aspects of local, national, and international public health policy, such as the development, implementation, or evaluation of strategies to mitigate, prepare for, or respond to the health effects of climate change.

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