INTRODUCTION: 3rd Conference on Public Health for Tropical and Coastal Development (COPH-TCD)

This special issue of Annals of Tropical Medicine and Public Health (ATMPH) contains papers which were presented at the 3rd International Conference on Public Health for Tropical and Coastal Development (ICOPH-TCD). This conference was held virtually by Faculty of Public Health Universitas Diponegoro (FPH UNDIP), Semarang, Indonesia on 29-30th September 2020. This special issue focuses on general topic of the conference, i.e. Lifestyle and Environmental Changes: Challenges on Public Health for Tropical and Coastal Areas to Support SDG’s Achievement. The area covered are health management, health policy, biostatistics and population study, maternal and child health, epidemiology, entomology on public health, health promotion, public health nutrition, environmental health, occupational health and safety, the effect of Covid-19 pandemic on lifestyle changes, new normal lifestyle in Covid-19 pandemic and other topics related to tropical and coastal development.

The papers in this special issue are of interest in the area of public health. Some of them have identified the gaps in the previous published literatures on causes and consequences of public health issues among the communities worldwide related to many aspects in social context. Therefore, these findings will motivate researchers, students, stakeholders, and policy makers to develop their future research and observations regarding the topics. We hope that more novelty and interdisciplinary studies are conducted through this work and upcoming fourth ICOPH-TCD.

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