

Coronavirus now-a-days: what does it mean?

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Opinion

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Coronavirus (COVID19) is a major epidemiological problem of Public Health now-a-days due to a particular reason: the sudden explosion of a severe pneumonia, often fatal, which has occurred when epidemiological preventive measures had not yet been put in place, a similar factor characterizing SARS and EBOLA.

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What does the disease mean? It is a pneumonia that causes a severe respiratory failure, which may be often fatal, with serologically a diagnostic profile that allows an accurate diagnosis. No effective therapy still exists. How is the cardiovascular system affected?

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Undoubtedly there is no direct effect of the virus on the heart, but, however, a pre-existing cardiac impairment, primarily heart failure, is a strongest risk factor affecting negatively the prognosis of those individuals with this viral disease.

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