The COVID Pandemic: Selected Work

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FROM THE EDITOR

Similar to many academic journals, we have received a number of submissions over the past months that directly address the current pandemic. In the early months, we saw an unprecedented number of poetry submissions from physicians who seemed to be turning to verse as a way to memorialize what was happening, to find ways of healing from the devastating number of dying patients, and to capture the exhaustion and anxiety of caring for others day after day without respite.

For this issue, we have selected several critical essays, book reviews, and poems from all of those submissions to mark a sad but hopeful first anniversary of COVID. To our colleagues who have been caring for patients, teaching and mentoring students, and contributing to our understanding and awareness of this crisis, thank you for your resilience and your compassion.

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