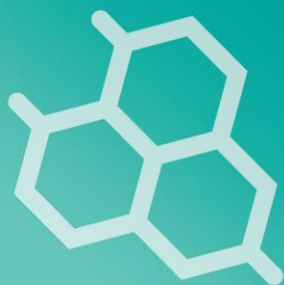


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### ABSTRACT

Zoonotic viral infection is a major public health concern affecting all the Countries. Monkeypox is currently spreading throughout the world, mainly among the MSM community. Although monkeypox has not yet affected Bangladesh, it may do so in the future due to sexual intercourse among the MSM community and cross-border relations with infected regions. Evidence of rapid increases in STDs among sex workers, the MSM community, and drug users imposes a potential risk of sexual transmission of monkeypox in Bangladesh. A multidisciplinary and integrated strategy and international collaboration are necessary for the cost-effective prevention and control of monkeypox in Bangladesh.



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