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Antibody-Based Therapeutics: Where Are We and Future Perspectives?

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Message from the Guest Editors

There is a growing interest in the use of immunotherapy approaches for the treatment of cancer, which has been promoted by the clinical results obtained against various types of malignancies using anti-PD-1 and anti-PD-L1 antibodies. The activation of the immune system for a selective removal of tumor cells is the goal of this therapeutic approach, which can be achieved by using two classes of bifunctional products: (i) antibody-based targeted therapeutics (e.g., antibody-cytokine fusions) and (ii) bispecific antibodies. Antibody-based cytokine targeting represents a valuable strategy to increase the therapeutic index of active payloads, such as cytokines. In this Special Issue, we summarise the current state of the art and consider the future perspectives for these therapeutic approaches.









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