



Hormones and Oxidative Stress

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Message from the Guest Editor

An imbalance between the production of ROS and the capability of the antioxidant defense system results in the induction of oxidative stress, which is involved in different pathological events. The regulation of cellular antioxidant defenses may be influenced by different factors, such as age, organ specificity, and hormonal state. Some hormones, such as melatonin, insulin, and estrogen, act as antioxidants and/or exert an impact on the various enzymatic and non-enzymatic components of the defense system, while others, including thyroid hormones, corticosteroids, and catecholamines, promote the generation of ROS and oxidative stress. Moreover, any alterations in the hormonal milieu can exhibit significant effects on ROS production and oxidative stress, possibly leading to pathological conditions. For this Special Issue, we aim to better understanding the complex relationship between hormonal conditions, redox states, and oxidative stress in living systems in both physiological and pathological conditions.





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