



The Global Need for New Antimicrobial and Antibiofilm Agents

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Message from the Guest Editors

New antimicrobials that are able to hit resistant pathogens and biofilm are strongly needed. It is time for action in order to address antibiotic-resistant strains, especially carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), *Acinetobacter baumannii* (CRAB) and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* (CRPA), which are resistant to last-resort antibiotics. This Special Issue is aimed at researchers who focus their scientific interest on drug discovery strategies to develop new molecules with antimicrobial action and antibiofilm. Potential topics may include but are not limited to antimicrobial peptides of various organisms, natural substances, nanoparticles of microbial origin, and small synthetic organic molecules. Topics such as strategies aimed at improving the efficiency of conventional antibiotics through nano/micro-release and micro-release systems with functionalized polymers are also welcome.

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There are very few fields that attract as much attention as scientific endeavor related to antibiotic discovery, use and preservation. The public, patients, scientists, clinicians, policy-makers, NGOs, governments, and supra-governmental organizations are all focusing intensively on it: all are concerned that we use our existing agents more effectively, and develop and evaluate new interventions in time to face emerging challenges for the benefit of present and future generations. We need every discipline to contribute and collaborate: molecular, microbiological, clinical, epidemiological, geographic, economic, social scientific and policy disciples are all key. *Antibiotics* is a nimble, inclusive and rigorous indexed journal as an enabling platform for all who can contribute to solving the greatest broad concerns of the modern world.

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