

## Special Issue

# Ionic Liquids as Novel Antimicrobial Agents

### Message from the Guest Editors

☒Ionic liquids (ILs), which are organic salts with melting points below 100 °C. One property of ILs was their antimicrobial, antifungal and virucidal activity. The great advantage of ILs in this context is the strong correlation between their chemical structure and physicochemical properties such as bioavailability, biodegradability, solubility and antimicrobial activity. On the flipside, the possibility of synthesizing > 1018 new ILs by structural variation makes traditional screening with experimental studies unfeasible to identify new compounds with the desired properties. It is necessary to identify structure–activity relationships (SARs) to predict IL antimicrobial activity and to elucidate their mode of action at the cellular level. This Special Issue invites studies that not only report antimicrobial activity data of novel ILs but also contribute to a deeper understanding of the correlation between IL structure and their mechanism of action at the molecular level.

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