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Rethinking Tuberculosis Treatment: Integrating Antimicrobial Compounds, Host Responses, and Comorbidities

Message from the Guest Editors

Tuberculosis (TB) continues to pose a major global health challenge, underscored by the limited efficacy of current therapeutic regimens, the rapid emergence of drug-resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis strains, and heterogeneous treatment outcomes across patient populations. The failure to effectively integrate antimicrobial drug discovery with host immune modulation, vaccine development, and diseaseassociated comorbidities has contributed to persistent gaps in TB control. This Special Issue focuses on recent advances in anti-tubercular antimicrobial compounds, resistance mechanisms, and therapeutic strategies that extend beyond conventional pathogen-centered approaches. Emphasis is placed on the development of novel drugs, optimization of existing antibiotics, and host-directed therapies that enhance treatment efficacy and shorten disease duration. In parallel, contributions addressing vaccine strategies and the influence of TBassociated comorbidities are welcomed. By integrating mechanistic insights with translational perspectives, this Issue aims to highlight innovative and realistic therapeutic pathways for improved TB management in the era of antimicrobial resistance.

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