# **Special Issue**

# Diagnostic Concepts of Urinary Tract Infection and Antimicrobial Treatment

# Message from the Guest Editor

Urinary tract infections are among the most frequent bacterial infections and comprise benign infections. Novel diagnostic concepts include symptomatic assessments in benign and severe infections, point of care microbiology investigations, up to rapid susceptibility testing. In the future, molecular-based assessments might be able to better profile and classify urinary tract infections. Rapid, point of care diagnostic concepts will lead to improved diagnostic accuracy and increased adequate treatment approaches. This will help decrease morbidity, duration of the infection and help to include antimicrobial stewardship aspects in the therapeutic regimens. Antimicrobial treatment is currently the primary treatment regimen in urinary tract infections, strategies to decrease the emergence of antimicrobial resistance and negative impact on the microbiome are necessary. This Special Issue welcomes research on new diagnostic and evaluation concepts in all kinds of urinary tract infections, including point-of-care test systems, their impact on therapy, and therapeutic concepts minimizing the risk of emergence of antibiotic resistance and microbiome damage.

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