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Modulation of Reactive Oxygen Species in Health and Disease

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Reactive oxygen species (ROS) include radical (e.g., superoxide anion and hydroxyl radical) and non-radical (e.g., hydrogen peroxide and hypochlorous acid) oxygen-derived species that regulate numerous physiological processes. ROS play vital roles in signal transduction mechanisms and in the regulation of cellular processes, ranging from cell viability/proliferation to cell death. Not surprisingly, high levels of ROS in biological systems, resulting from either their excessive production and/or a weak antioxidant defences, could lead to the development of pathological conditions, such as diabetes, obesity, and chronic inflammatory, cardiovascular and neurodegenerative diseases. Hence, there is a growing awareness that ROS modulation through various pharmacological and other approaches could be employed to alter normal cellular physiology and/or pathologies.

This Special Issue is dedicated to providing more insight into recent developments in the field. We welcome original and review article contributions on mechanisms of ROS modulation in health and disease. Novel therapeutic intervention approaches targeting ROS formation or elimination are also welcome.



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