

Special Issue

Effect of Exercise on Cardiovascular System

Message from the Guest Editors

Over recent decades, considerable research effort has been expended studying the cardiovascular effects of physical exercise. There is a general consensus that physical exercise can be both a preventive and therapeutic tool against cardiovascular risk; however, the exact mechanisms by which exercise promotes cardiorespiratory fitness and decreases cardiovascular risk are not fully elucidated. Among exercise-induced mechanisms, changes in mitochondrial function as well as restoration and improvement of vasculature are major contributors to cardiovascular health. In the vasculature, nitrogen monoxide (NO) and carbon monoxide (CO) possess anti-inflammatory, vasodilatory, and platelet inhibitory effects. Thus, their role is crucial to the maintenance of cardiovascular homeostasis. Furthermore, myokines released from skeletal muscle during physical exercise also mediate systemic and cardiovascular protective mechanisms. As we invite you to contribute to this Special Issue on the Effect of Exercise on the Cardiovascular System. Original research papers and review articles will be published online in the journal *Applied Sciences*.

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