

Special Issue

Human ABC Transporters in Drug Disposition and Resistance: 50 Years of Progress and Future Perspectives

Message from the Guest Editor

In 1976, the first human ABC transporter, ABCB1 (P-glycoprotein/MDR1), was identified. Since then, a total of 49 human ABC transporter genes have been discovered, representing one of the largest and most diverse transporter families. ABC transporters are crucial for moving diverse substrates, including endogenous metabolites like bile acids and lipids, as well as exogenous drugs and toxins. This broad specificity supports physiological functions but also drives multidrug resistance in diseases like cancer. Following the Human Genome Project, the impact of genetic variations, particularly single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs), on ABC transporter function has gained significant attention. These polymorphisms can alter transporter activity, influencing drug disposition, therapeutic efficacy, and disease susceptibility. This Special Issue, "Human ABC Transporters in Drug Disposition and Resistance: 50 Years of Progress and Future Perspectives," invites original research and reviews on past achievements and future directions. Topics include structural/functional analyses, drug-transporter interactions, regulatory mechanisms, and pharmacogenetics of SNPs.

Guest Editor

Dr. Hiroshi Nakagawa

Department of Applied Biological Chemistry, Graduate School of Bioscience and Biotechnology, Chubu University, 1200 Matsumoto-cho, Kasugai 487-8501, Japan

Deadline for manuscript submissions

31 December 2026



Biomolecules

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 4.8
CiteScore 9.2
Indexed in PubMed



mdpi.com/si/255832

Biomolecules
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
biomolecules@mdpi.com

[mdpi.com/journal/
biomolecules](https://mdpi.com/journal/biomolecules)





Biomolecules

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

Impact Factor 4.8
CiteScore 9.2
Indexed in PubMed



[mdpi.com/journal/
biomolecules](https://mdpi.com/journal/biomolecules)



About the Journal

Message from the Editorial Board

Biomolecules is a multidisciplinary open-access journal that reports on all aspects of research related to biogenic substances, from small molecules to complex polymers. We invite manuscripts of high scientific quality that pertain to the diverse aspects relevant to organic molecules, irrespective of the biological question or methodology. We aim for a competent, fair peer review and rapid publication. Please look at some of the exciting work that has been published in *Biomolecules* so far. We would be delighted to welcome you as one of our authors.

Editors-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Peter E. Nielsen

Department of Cellular and Molecular Medicine, Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences, University of Copenhagen, Blegdamsvej 3C, DK-2200 Copenhagen, Denmark

Prof. Dr. Lukasz Kurgan

Department of Computer Science, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA 23284, USA

Author Benefits

Open Access

– free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), PubMed, MEDLINE, PMC, Embase, CAPIus / SciFinder, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q1 (Biochemistry and Molecular Biology) / CiteScore - Q1 (Biochemistry)