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Molecular Basis of Autoimmune Diseases

Message from the Guest Editor

Autoimmune diseases affect approx. 8% of the world's population and counting. Thus, they constitute a major health concern. The treatment of autoimmune diseases still largely relies on unspecific systemic immunosuppression, which is associated with severe side-effects, including a high susceptibility to infections to which many patients finally succumb. Understanding the pathogenesis of autoimmune diseases at the molecular level is presumably key to develop more specific therapeutic strategies to avoid general, systemic immunosuppression and to define therapeutic strategies tailored to specific subgroups of patients. Both will be instrumental in improving the situation of patients with autoimmune diseases.

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