# **Special Issue**

## The Immune Response to Severe Trauma

## Message from the Guest Editor

Severe trauma remains one of the leading causes of death and disability worldwide, with outcomes often dictated not only by the primary injury but also by the host's immune response. Trauma initiates rapid and profound pro- and anti-inflammatory immunological responses that can protect against infection and aid repair but also predispose patients, in the short and long term, to systemic inflammation, immune suppression, sepsis, and multi-organ failure. Despite progress in resuscitation and critical care, trauma-induced immune dysregulation continues to drive high morbidity and mortality. This Special Issue will explore the molecular mechanisms underpinning post-trauma immune dysregulation as well as the clinical consequences of these immune responses, from early biomarkers of immune dysfunction to therapeutic strategies aimed at modulating immunity for improving patient outcomes. By integrating basic discoveries with translational and clinical research, this collection seeks to advance our understanding of the immediate and long-term immune response to major trauma with the intention of improving the survival and recovery of severely injured patients.

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