

## Topical Collection

# TGF-Beta Signaling in Tissue Fibrosis and Cancer

### Message from the Collection Editors

- TGF- $\beta$ -mediated transcriptional (both SMAD and non-SMAD) networks, genetic reprogramming, and phenotypic responses (e.g., cell plasticity/stemness, cell cycle arrest, proliferation, migration) related to the onset or progression of fibrotic and neoplastic diseases.
- Non-transcriptional (e.g., microRNA, lncRNA, epigenetic) control of TGF- $\beta$ 1 signaling.
- TGF- $\beta$  crosstalk with other receptors (e.g., tyrosine kinases and serine/threonine kinases) or tumor suppressors (e.g., p53, PTEN) in promoting or suppressing fibrotic and oncogenic behavior.
- Novel positive (e.g., inducers) and negative regulators (e.g., suppressors) of TGF- $\beta$ 1 pathways.
- Novel or potential therapeutic approaches (TGF- $\beta$  ligand traps and neutralizing antibodies, signaling networks, or TGF- $\beta$  collateral networks) to target aberrant TGF- $\beta$  signaling in organ fibrosis and cancer.
- TGF- $\beta$ 1-induced metabolic alterations (e.g., glycolysis, Krebs cycle, oxidative phosphorylation, fatty acid oxidation) in tissue fibrosis and cancer.
- TGF- $\beta$ 1 control of inflammatory networks.
- Tissue or organ specificity of TGF-signaling.

### Collection Editors

Dr. Paul J. Higgins

Department of Regenerative & Cancer Cell Biology, Albany Medical College, Albany, NY 12208, USA

Dr. Rohan Samarakoon

Department of Regenerative & Cancer Cell Biology, Albany Medical College, Albany, NY 12208, USA



## Biomolecules

an Open Access Journal  
by MDPI

Impact Factor 4.8  
CiteScore 9.2  
Indexed in PubMed



[mdpi.com/si/33893](https://mdpi.com/si/33893)

*Biomolecules*  
Editorial Office  
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5  
4052 Basel, Switzerland  
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34  
[biomolecules@mdpi.com](mailto: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, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

#### Journal Rank:

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