

Special Issue

Virology 130 Years After Ivanovsky—A Theme Issue Commemorating the Discovery of Viruses by Dmitri Ivanovsky

Message from the Guest Editors

Dmitry Ivanovsky made the first discovery of viruses in 1892. For this Special Issue, we welcome primary research papers, conceptual articles, and reviews on the scientific biography of Ivanovsky and the subsequent history of virus research; the definition and nature of viruses (e.g., are viruses life forms?); the current state of the art on Tobacco the Mosaic Virus, the virus discovered by Ivanovsky that became one of the classic models of virology and molecular biology; diversity, evolution, and origin of viruses; different approaches to virus classification and the current state of virus taxonomy; ecology and biogeochemical roles of viruses; and other subjects in virus research that can be of interest to a broad audience of biologists.

We expect that this collection will become a timely overview of virus research, uniting its historical and contemporary aspects, which will educate biologists on the history and major concepts of virology and stimulate further research.

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