

Special Issue

Role of Mitochondrial Metabolism in Kidney Disease

Message from the Guest Editor

Mitochondrial metabolism is increasingly recognized as a key regulator of kidney health, with growing evidence linking metabolic dysfunction to the progression of kidney disease. As the powerhouse of the cell, the mitochondria in kidney tubular cells play a pivotal role in meeting the high metabolic demands for renal function, particularly under pathological conditions. Mitochondrial metabolites, such as TCA cycle intermediates and their precursors, not only control ATP production but also act as signaling molecules that regulate oxidative stress, hypoxic responses, DNA methylation, chromatin modification, and immune modulation. These processes enable mitochondria to maintain functional harmony with the rest of the cell. The aim of this Special Issue is to showcase original research and comprehensive reviews that delve into the role of mitochondrial metabolites in kidney disease development. We hope that contributions from expert laboratories will deepen our understanding of how mitochondrial metabolism shapes kidney health and inspire further exploration in this critical field. We look forward to your contributions.

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