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Molecular and Cellular Mechanisms of Type 1 Diabetes (T1D)

Message from the Guest Editors

Type 1 diabetes (T1D) is an extremely complex disease, where pathogenesis is highly debated. Many different genetic meta-analyses and full-genome sequencing have divulged a wide range of genetic risk factors, where single-nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs) and other anomalies have been associated with the disease. However, many of these mutations have not been properly connected towards how precisely they contribute to pancreatic beta cell destruction on a molecular or cellular level. It is also unclear how exactly environmental pressures and pathogens contribute as triggers of an autoimmune response towards beta cells. The connection between both genetic and environmental triggers towards T1D development needs to be better identified and how on a mechanistic level do these two factors lead towards pancreatic cellular destruction.

This Special Issue will highlight recent findings on how both the genetic and environmental factors contribute towards T1D and how do they contribute towards targeting pancreatic beta cells on a cellular level.

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