

Special Issue

Cellular and Molecular Pathways in Immune Tolerance and Autoimmune Regulation

Message from the Guest Editor

We are excited to invite you to contribute to this Special Issue of *Cells*, entitled “Cellular and Molecular Pathways in Immune Tolerance and Autoimmune Regulation”. The immune system walks a fine line: it must defend against external pathogens while not attacking the body's own tissues. Recent advances have revealed the complexity of immune tolerance, involving both classical and emerging immune checkpoint molecules and their ligands, such as PD-1/PD-L1 and CTLA-4/CD80-CD86, LAG-3, TIM-3, TIGIT, and VISTA. These regulatory molecules coordinate complex networks of immune cell interactions, cytokine signalling, and feedback mechanisms that collectively shape immune responses in both healthy and pathological contexts, thereby preserving self-tolerance and maintaining immune homeostasis. For this Special Issue, we welcome original research articles and insightful reviews that explore cellular and molecular mechanisms of immune tolerance, translational models, and strategies for modulating autoimmune responses. We especially encourage contributions that investigate novel checkpoint pathways, regulatory circuits, and immune dynamics in healthy and disease states.

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