Special Issue

Ras Family of Genes and Proteins: Structure, Function and Regulation

Message from the Guest Editors

RAS research is now entering its fifth decade behind multiple prior discoveries including the pioneering isolation and characterization of the canonical HRAS, NRAS and KRAS oncogenes and their cellular counterparts, the demonstration of their malignant activation by point mutation, the preferential association of specific RAS oncogenes with certain tumor types, or the characterization of the essential roles played by different RAS proteins in cellular signaling processes controlling proliferation, differentiation or survival. The aim of this Special Issue, in this era of renovated optimism in the RAS field, is to assemble original data and reviews fostering a deeper knowledge about the structure, function and regulation of all members of the RAS superfamily of genes and proteins, as well as their cellular modulators of the GAP and GEF families. It is likely that any new progress concerning basic knowledge on these issues will also be quickly translated into improvements in diagnostics, prognostics or treatments of RAS-driven tumors.

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