Special Issue

Autoimmune Diseases: Molecular Mechanisms and Therapies

Message from the Guest Editors

Autoimmune diseases are caused by the breakage of self-tolerance and the appearance of pathogenic antibodies against normal tissue proteins. These autoantibodies may have a direct, damaging effect on their target tissues, or the autoantibodies may stimulate and activate receptor molecules and induce aberrant downstream effects. Autoimmune diseases target various tissues, such as the epidermis, thyroid, neuromuscular junction, myelinated nerves or the pancreas.

The purpose of this Special Issue is to provide an overview of the molecular mechanisms of human autoimmune diseases and their therapies. We especially welcome manuscripts addressing novel molecular mechanisms of treatments for autoimmune diseases, as well as the characterization of autoantibody effects on their target cells and cellular responses induced by autoantibodies, including signaling. We encourage submission of review articles and original research papers of any length. Our aim is to provide a comprehensive update on autoimmune diseases, their pathomechanisms and therapy options.

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