Topical Collection

Cystic Fibrosis: Cells, Physiopathology and Emerging Therapies

Message from the Collection Editors

Even though CFTR has long been described as a chloride channel expressed at the apical membrane of epithelial cells, more recent studies have convincingly shown that in addition to airway epithelial cells, the protein is expressed in cells involved in inflammatory responses (neutrophils, macrophages, different subsets of lymphocytes, etc.), fibroblasts, pancreatic islet cells, bone cells, and many others. Therefore, it remains essential to improve our understanding of CF pathophysiology in each impacted cell type to develop new therapeutic strategies.

This present Topical Collection aims at shedding light on cell types and subtypes impacted by the presence of CFTR mutations; the value of cell-based models to study CF physiopathology and to quantify efficacy of emerging therapies; and how novel CF therapeutic strategies rescue CFTR-dependent cell processes.

We look forward to your contributions.

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