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Nonalcoholic Fatty Liver Disease: From Mechanisms to Therapeutics

Message from the Guest Editors

Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease (NAFLD) represents a spectrum of liver disease ranging from simple steatosis to steatosis with lobular inflammation and evidence of cellular injury (non-alcoholic steatohepatitis or NASH), liver fibrosis, cirrhosis, and hepatocellular carcinoma. The onset of simple steatosis is associated with insulin resistance and metabolic dysregulation, while in NAFLD. progression involves several pathways, including oxidative stress, fibrosis, and inflammation. Furthermore, NAFLD does not involve only the liver but other organs and tissues such as the intestine and adipose tissues. All molecular pathways involved in NAFLD onset and progression and the complex interplay among them as well as among the several impaired organs and tissues are not fully understood. Thus, the main aim of this Special Issue is to further characterize the already known mechanisms and to identify new molecular pathways dysregulated in NAFLD in order to identify novel molecular mediators that could represent future therapeutical targets.

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