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Molecular and Cellular Advances in Gut-Brain Axis

Message from the Guest Editors

The gut-brain axis is bidirectional and influences a plethora of (patho)physiologies including, but not limited to, obesity, inflammatory bowel disease, functional gastrointestinal diseases, mood disorders, neurodegenerative diseases, cardiovascular health. cancers, and reproductive health. Biological sex. diet. and early-life stressors are some of the most important variables that influence normal physiology and disease outcomes but remains vastly understudied. Advances in "omics" have been crucial in elucidating the mechanisms behind the actions of the gut microbiome. This Special Issue seeks original research articles addressing omics, physiological, behavioral, molecular, and cellular aspects of the gut-brain axis in basic and translational research. Review articles will also be considered.

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