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Prospects in GSK-3 Signaling: From Cellular Regulation to Disease Therapy

Message from the Guest Editor

Glycogen synthase kinase-3 (GSK-3) participates in diverse biological processes and plays different roles in different contexts. Yet, it is a promising drug discovery target in treating multiple pathological conditions. Perhaps, the sophisticated mechanisms in which GSK-3 is integrated into cellular networks is key in our understanding of the therapeutic benefits achieved with GSK-3 inhibition. The role of GSK-3 in the pathogenesis of diseases such as diabetes, psychiatric disorders and Alzheimer's disease has been demonstrated, more connections describing GSK-3 with cellular targets and biological responses are uncovered in present studies. Another 'hot' topic to be mentioned is the efforts in understanding the (potential) distinguished functions of GSK-3 isozymes, GSK-a and GSK-b, an issue that remains somewhat elusive. **Keywords:**

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