

Special Issue

Cilia-Mediated Signaling Pathways

Message from the Guest Editors

Cilia are evolutionarily conserved organelles that extend from cells to provide critical sensory, signaling, and motility properties. Cilia are restricted compartments, and their functions are defined by the proteins that are targeted to and enriched in the ciliary membrane and cytosol. Numerous signaling pathways are mediated by cilia in response to diverse external signals, such as photons, peptides, chemicals, protons, and lipids. Cilia-mediated signaling is critical for proper cellular function, and in humans, defects in ciliary signaling are associated with many genetic diseases, collectively termed ciliopathies, that impact a wide range of organ systems. This Special Issue invites original research and review papers that focus on cilia-based signaling pathways. The scope is broad, and papers can cover ciliary signaling pathways in diverse model organisms (unicellular, invertebrate, or vertebrate) and systems (tissues or cell culture), irrespective of the functional output.

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