Special Issue

NK Cell Modulation by Human Cytomegalovirus

Message from the Guest Editor

Extensive research into the interaction between NK cells. and HCMV have revealed that HCMV has evolved a number of virally-encoded NK cell immunomodulatory functions. Furthermore, HCMV shapes the NK cell repertoire of infected individuals. Mounting evidence of the immunogenetics of the HCMV-host interaction highlights the impact of host and viral genetics (HLA antigens, killer cell immunoglobulin-like receptors, viral genetic variants) on immune modulation and impact on the NK cell repertoire. This special issue aims to explore current research concerning NK immunomodulatory functions encoded by HCMV and the impact of HCMV/host genetics on the NK cell response. We invite submission of manuscripts concerning, but not limited to, the following key words regarding modulation of the NK cell response by HCMV.

- HCMV
- Natural Killer cell
- immunomodulation
- host genetics
- KIR
- HCMV genetic variation

We are pleased to invite you to contribute original articles, reviews, and communications, etc. We are looking forward to your contributions to this Special Issue.

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