Special Issue

Stromal Cells—Structure, Function and Therapeutics Development

Message from the Guest Editor

Stromal cells are the connective tissue cells of any organ and play a fundamental role in health and disease. In recent years, we have made tangible progress in our understanding of stromal cell biology. Stromal cells' phenotype and function are dependent on the specific tissue microenvironment; at the same time, they could shape the organization, integrity, and dynamics of their microenvironment. The structure of stromal cells and their functions in different biological processes has attracted more and more research interest, such as for tissue development, immune responses, cancer, and other pathologies. Furthermore, stromal cells are also increasingly used as therapeutic tools, including in the fields of gene therapy, translational tissue engineering, and regenerative medicine. We welcome original manuscripts and reviews on any of the aforementioned aspects of stromal cell biology.

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