

## Special Issue

# Advanced Communications in Cardiovascular Disease: Small Vesicles and Cell Identity Theft

### Message from the Guest Editors

Mitophagy is an autophagic response that targets damaged mitochondria. As the mitochondria are essential to cardiovascular homeostasis in health and disease, maintaining a healthy mitochondrial balance is required and rebalancing the quality and quantity of dysfunctional mitochondria is involved in various therapeutic strategies. In addition, autophagy and mitophagy also play a pivotal role in diabetic cardiovascular diseases, including diabetic cardiomyopathy. In order to update the new insights on and the intimate connection between autophagy and mitophagy in cardiovascular disorders, we will introduce the genetic and epigenetic role of regulatory factors and maneuvers that alter autophagy and mitophagy flux in various types of cardiomyopathy and cardiovascular diseases. This Special Issue welcomes manuscripts from original investigations and comprehensive reviews demonstrating new and advanced research viewpoints on the mechanisms of regulating autophagy and mitophagy flux in cardiovascular disease with or without diabetes.



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