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Growth Factors and Stem Cells in Development, Homeostasis, Disease and Repair after Injury

Message from the Guest Editors

Fibroblast growth factors (FGFs) are a family of growth factors, which possess multifunctional proteins with a wide variety of effects, including cellular proliferation, survival, migration, and differentiation. At the cellular level, the secretion of FGFs plays a dual role in modulating fundamental cellular processes such as metabolism, proliferation, survival, migration, and differentiation of stem cells. On another hand, stemcell-based tissue engineering has become more and more appealing to solve clinical challenges, including COVID-19. At the molecular level, cell-specific responses are triggered and the scaffold integration with the surrounding is enhanced. An in-depth understanding of the mechanisms FGFs strategies use to affect stem cells and tissue regeneration will accelerate the tissue remodeling/regeneration progression and minimize the graft\(\times\)versus\(\times\)host reactions (immune and fibrotic responses). Both original research articles and reviews will be considered.

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