Special Issue

Mechanisms of Action of Therapies for Multiple Sclerosis

Message from the Guest Editors

In recent years, the number of treatment options for multiple sclerosis (MS) patients has grown significantly and includes (i) sphingosine 1-phosphate modulators (fingolimod, siponimod, ozanimod and ponesimod), (ii) oral therapies (teriflunomide, dimethyl fumarate), (iii) Bruton's tyrosine kinase inhibitors (evobrutinib and tolebrutinib), and (iv) cell-depleting therapies such as cladribine, anti-CD20 monoclonal antibodies (ocrelizumab, ofatumumab), and anti-CD52 monoclonal antibodies (alemtuzumab). Each of these therapies has a distinct mechanism of action that may explain the beneficial effects of the drug in the disease, ranging from different degrees of immunomodulation to significant cell depletion. Manuscripts addressing the topic of the mechanism of action of the abovementioned therapies for MS are invited for this Special Issue. They can include but should not be restricted to in vitro and ex vivo immunophenotyping studies as well as omics approaches in peripheral blood and cerebrospinal fluid samples from treated MS patients. Studies relating changes in biomarker levels and the therapeutic response to therapies are also welcome.

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