

Special Issue

Biomarkers in Interstitial Cystitis/Bladder Pain Syndrome (IC/BPS)

Message from the Guest Editors

Interstitial cystitis/bladder pain syndrome is a poorly understood syndrome of lower urinary tract dysfunction. The lack of appropriate biomarkers, the divergent definitions of the disease, and the comparatively low prevalence of IC/BPS, ranging from 52 to 500/100,000 in females and 8 to 41/100,000 in males, hamper research into IC/BPS. In part, this could be due to confusing IC/BPS with chronic prostatitis. Therefore, gender-specific biomarker panels might be necessary for optimal performance. Another problem is the lack of prognostic and predictive biomarkers. The aim of this Special Issue is to collect recent knowledge on IC/BPS biomarkers for improving diagnostics and to promote emerging, new therapeutic options. We also invite manuscripts elucidating the molecular background of biomarkers, helping to better clarify the etiology and physiology of IC/BPS. Original work, as well as reviews, is welcome. For further information about the special issue, please click [here](#) **For planned papers, a title and short abstract (about 100 words) can be sent to the Editorial Office for announcement on above website.**

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