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# Laboratory Diagnosis of Tuberculosis

# Message from the Guest Editor

Tuberculosis (TB), caused by the microorganism Mycobacterium tuberculosis (MTB), is the second leading infectious killer globally, following COVID-19. It remains a persistent threat, leading to new infections and re-infections on a worldwide scale. Compounding this challenge is the emergence of new strains of multidrug-resistant (MDR) and extensively drugresistant (XDR) TB, which continue to be identified. Recent advances in TB diagnosis, including culturing techniques, protein assays, and nucleic acid tests, have significantly elevated the precision of TB detection and treatment. Notably, innovations in point-of-care and decentralized TB tests have broadened the scope of TB diagnosis to reach new patients and access critical resource-challenged environments. In this Special Issue on TB, we invite the submission of manuscripts focusing on MTB detection and laboratory enhancements in TB diagnosis. This encompasses a wide range of topics, including, but not limited to, laboratory-based and pointof-care TB diagnostics, along with methodologies for identifying drug susceptibility markers from clinical samples. Your contributions are invaluable in advancing our understanding of TB.

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