Special Issue

Crustacean Health, Stress and Disease

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue, "Crustacean Health, Stress and Disease," centers on the interconnected dynamics of health regulation, stress responses, and disease pathogenesis in crustaceans, aiming to provide a comprehensive and cutting-edge overview of this critical research field. We are particularly interested in the physiological, molecular, and ecological mechanisms underlying crustacean health maintenance, the cascading effects of stressors on their biological systems, and the emergence, transmission, and impact of diseases. We emphasize the integration of these three pillars (health, stress, disease) in order to reveal holistic insights into crustacean wellbeing. This Special Issue will focus on the core mechanisms of crustacean health, stress, and disease, covering a range of crustacean groups (including decapods, isopods, and amphipods) across various habitats. It should be explicitly clarified that, due to research emphasis and economic relevance, our current focus leans toward decapods with significant economic value (such as shrimp, crabs, and lobsters), given their extensive research foundation and practical importance.

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