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The Immune Response in the Time of Omics Research

Message from the Guest Editors

The immune system has evolved to protect organisms from pathogens. A multiplicity of cells and molecules act together in a dynamic and complex network capable of specifically recognizing and eliminating an apparently limitless variety of foreign invaders. The complexity of the defensive system reaches its maximum in the higher vertebrates where the two aspects of immunity, innate and adaptive, are closely connected with the only objective to restore the equilibrium present in the organism before the pathogen enters. However, we have a limited understanding of how components of these two immune interact and work together. The rapid emergence of high-throughput omics methodologies has made it possible to capture global changes in the host that are induced by an antigenic stimulus. The analysis and integration of datasets hold the promise of providing a broader and deeper understanding of the complex defensive mechanisms. In this Special Issue, we invite you to submit either original research or review articles that use genomic and functional approaches to unraveling basic topics that contribute to knowledge of the complex molecular mechanisms of the vertebrate immune response.

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