



Advanced Research Progress of Blood-Brain Barrier

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The blood–brain barrier (**BBB**) is a complex dynamic interface between the blood and the central nervous system (**CNS**), which plays the critical role of regulating the homeostatic, nutritive and immune environments of the CNS, as well as the exchange of informational molecules between the CNS and periphery. BBB impairments have been strongly associated with the onset and progression of many neurological disorders, while also representing a major hindrance to CNS drug delivery. There is a need to further our understanding of the molecular mechanisms regulating BBB functions, including its physiological and pathological responses to bloodborne substances and xenobiotics, which also comprise putative brain-targeting therapeutics.

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