

## Special Issue

# Novel Therapeutic Strategies and Targets in Rheumatoid Arthritis

### Message from the Guest Editors

The scope of this Special Issue covers the interaction between exogenous agents or substances and the cells and molecules that drive tissue inflammation and damage in the joints of patients with rheumatoid arthritis (RA), and/or the manifestations of RA in other organs.

Bioactive components may be environmental factors that affect the risk of RA, alterations in host microbiomes or diet that influence the onset and course of RA, or the properties of novel therapeutic vehicles such as nanoparticles in the treatment of RA. This topic includes human RA and its animal models. To present and review advances in RA research that could influence future treatment and outcomes of RA.

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