## Special Issue

## Rare Diseases and Neuroscience

## Message from the Guest Editors

A rare disease (RD) is defined as one that affects fewer than five per 10,000 persons in the European Union (EU) or fewer than 200,000 persons in the United States. Despite their relative rarity, about 7000 RDs have been identified worldwide, affecting approximately 7% of the general population (approximately 30 million people in the EU). Rare neurological diseases (RNDs) constitute a significant proportion of RDs. Approximately 80% of RDs are caused by genetic anomalies, and over half of the cases affect the central and/or peripheral nervous system, either isolated or in combination with other systems, and may begin in childhood. These are all good reasons as to why young generations of scientists and physicians should be aware of RNDs. In the current Special Issue, we present the latest updates on the diagnosis, semeiology, and management of this vast array of conditions.

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