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Genomics and Epigenetics of Stem Cell: An Update

Message from the Guest Editor

Stem cells maintain a delicate balance between selfrenewal and differentiation, guided by transcription factor networks and dynamic epigenetic regulation. Chromatin remodeling, DNA methylation, histone modifications, and microRNAs collectively regulate stem cell fate, ensuring reversible gene expression patterns essential for development and tissue homeostasis. This Special Issue examines how genomic and epigenetic mechanisms govern stem cell self-renewal, fate determination, and differentiation, including intrinsic/extrinsic signaling pathways that sustain stemness. A deeper understanding of these features promises to define novel therapeutic strategies for regenerative medicine and disease intervention. We invite original research and reviews addressing genomic and epigenetic regulation in stem cells, with emphasis on chromatin dynamics, epigenetic crosstalk, and molecular pathways shaping cellular identity. Submissions exploring epigenetic interventions, particularly those that deepen our understanding of how altered epigenetic mechanisms enable the development of bioengineered stem cell-based regenerative therapies for diseases, are especially encouraged.

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