Special Issue

Molecular Pathways and Genetics in Neurodevelopmental Disorders

Message from the Guest Editors

Recent evidence showing that b-amyloid precursor protein (APP) abeta blockers can reduce the progression of Alzheimer's Disease (AD) has inspired renewed interest in the role of APP in neurodevelopmental disorders. Certainly, APP must serve other purposes than to simply contribute to AD. Indeed, besides promoting neurogenesis and neuron viability. APP has been linked to pediatric disorders including autism spectrum disorders, and to largely single-gene syndromes (e.g., Fragile X, Down, Angelman and Rett). The aim of this Special Issue, "The Role of Amyloid in Neurodevelopmental Disorders", is to synthesize knowledge about APP's molecular influence on neurodevelopment and APP's role when neurodevelopment goes awry. Special attention will be paid to potential targets for therapy strategies and pharmacological intervention. We warmly welcome original research and review articles using either human samples or animal models of disorders.

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