

Special Issue

Calcium Homeostasis in Skeletal Muscle Function, Plasticity and Disease

Message from the Guest Editors

Whether in health or in disease, calcium as a second messenger, plays a very important role in muscle development, regeneration and function. Like any other field of human research, aging is one of the hot topic in skeletal muscle studies. However, muscle weakness can occur not only in old age but accompanying phenomenon is many myopathies and the role of Ca^{2+} in these processes should be clarified. Fortunately, new technological challenges and innovations on the use of calcium sensors appears time-to-time and opens new possibilities to deepen our knowledge about the role of calcium in muscle physiology. The aim of the present special issue is to collect novel data regarding the role of calcium in the functions of skeletal muscle. We specifically encourage the submission of manuscripts presenting innovative approaches to identify novel strategies to maintain and/or improve muscle functions in aging and in myopathies. **Keywords:**

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