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Novel Heterocyclic Bioactive Compounds: Design, Synthesis and Biological Evaluation

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Heterocyclic compounds are among the most important scaffolds in medicinal chemistry, providing the structural framework for numerous biologically active molecules. This Special Issue, entitled "Novel Heterocyclic Bioactive Compounds: Design, Synthesis and Biological Evaluation", focuses on recent progress in the design and synthesis of new heterocyclic compounds with potential pharmacological applications and the elucidation of their mechanisms of action. We welcome the submission of original research articles and reviews addressing synthetic methodologies, structure-activity relationship investigations, computational approaches, and molecular-level biological evaluations that emphasise the correlation between chemical structure and biological activity and provide insights into the potential mechanisms of action. This Special Issue aims to highlight innovative research into the rational design and synthesis of novel heterocyclic scaffolds, together with their comprehensive biological evaluation as potential therapeutic agents.

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