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Molecular Mechanisms and Functions of Extracellular Vesicles

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Extracellular vesicles (EVs) are cell-derived lipid vesicles in the size range of 30-1000 nm and play crucial roles in cellular communication via transport of their cargoes, including non-coding RNAs, genetic material and proteins. As EVs can be isolated from a range of body fluids, their potential as clinical biomarkers in various pathologies is widely recognized. Research into molecular mechanisms and functions of EVs in pathobiological as well as normal physiological processes is therefore of great importance—to increase current understanding of EV function, to aid biomarker discovery and to develop treatment strategies aimed at modulating EV mediated communication. The Special Issue, Molecular Mechanisms and Functions of Extracellular Vesicles, invites research contributions from the EV community to further current understanding on EVs in cellular communication, welcoming original research articles, reports and reviews.

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