Special Issue

Anti-inflammatory Effects of Glucagon-Like Peptide-1

Message from the Guest Editors

Glucagon-like peptide-1 (GLP-1) is an incretin hormone which regulates glucose homeostasis and is mainly produced by intestinal epithelial endocrine L cells. The use of GLP-1 analogous, GLP-1 receptor (GLP-1R) agonists, as well as dipeptidyl peptidase-IV (DPP-IV) inhibitors, is well established in the treatment of type 2 diabetes. GLP-1R is widely expressed in several tissues, and therapies based on GLP-1 are of great clinical interest not only regarding its effects at the level of the beta cells, but also the biological actions exerted in other tissues. Among them, anti-inflammatory activity seems to be a common mechanism through which these therapies achieve beneficial effects. The focus of this Special Issue is any aspect of pancreatic and extrapancreatic anti-inflammatory effects of GLP-1. The implication not only for diabetes, but also for other diseases is of particular interest.

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