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# From Discovery to Clinic: Overcoming Barriers in Antimicrobial Peptide Development

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Antimicrobial peptides (AMPs) are at the forefront of the fight against antibiotic-resistant pathogens, offering hope as next-generation anti-infective agents. However, despite decades of promising laboratory research, very few AMPs have successfully transitioned into clinical use. This Special Issue aims to provide a comprehensive forum for addressing the multifaceted challenges and emerging solutions in the translation of AMPs from bench to bedside.

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