Special Issue

Skeletal Muscle and Metabolic Disorders

Message from the Guest Editors

Skeletal muscle, the largest organ in the body, mainly provides mobility, protects and maintains the skeleton, and controls the body's temperature and glucose homeostasis. It is the core metabolic tissue of the alucose homeostasis regulator and is responsible for approximately 80% of postprandial glucose uptake from the blood circulation. Skeletal muscle is crucial for metabolism, both because of its role in glucose uptake and its importance in exercise and metabolic disorders. In addition, skeletal muscle is recognized as an endocrine and paracrine organ. Muscle-derived secretive proteins, known as myokines, mediate the connections between skeletal muscle mass and other tissues, such as the liver, adipose tissue, pancreas. bone, and cardiovascular system. Decreased levels of physical activity and skeletal muscle loss (sarcopenia) are associated with physical fatigue and impairment during aging, leading to several metabolic diseases. This Special Issue will highlight new research broadly on metabolic disorder associated with skeletal muscle using state-of-the-art techniques. Original research papers and reviews on these and related topics are welcome.

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