

Special Issue

Bacterial Carbohydrates: Structures, Applications, and Structure/Activity Relationships

Message from the Guest Editor

The bacterial polysaccharides include cell-wall polymers, such as lipopolysaccharides (LPSs), extracellular polymers, both exopolysaccharides (EPSs) and capsular (CPSs), and intracellular polymers. The different matrices where they are embedded, like cells, growth media, biofilms and extracellular vesicles, necessitate different challenges during the purification steps. Finally, the high grade of variability about the polysaccharides primary structure makes this work tricky and fascinating. Bacterial carbohydrates polymers are involved in many cellular functions and host-interaction relationships. However, their structural determination is still a challenge for chemists.

The aim of this Special Issue is to collect, as many as possible, papers addressing the structural determination of bacterial carbohydrates polymers, together with the methodologies for their purification and structural characterization. Both reviews and original research papers are appreciated. In addition, reviews and discussion papers underlying problems and drawing future perspectives about the methodologies used for establishing carbohydrates structures/activity relationships are especially invited.

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