

Special Issue

Heart Failure and Transplant Cardiology: Latest Advances and Prospects

Message from the Guest Editor

Heart failure is a clinical syndrome consisting of typical symptoms and signs. Most commonly, HF is caused by coronary artery disease, pathology of the valves, hypertension, pericardium or endocardium diseases, and abnormalities of heart rhythm. Moreover, congenital heart disease and storage or metabolic disorders can cause HF. Many patients, despite optimal medical treatment, progress to advanced heart failure. In these cases 1-year mortality varies between 25 and 75%. Therapeutic options in advanced heart failure include escalation of pharmacological treatment to intravenous drugs, mechanical circulatory support, or heart transplantation. Post-transplant 1-year survival is around 90%. The main limitations of transplantation are the deficit of donors and medical conditions that temporarily or permanently disqualify individuals from transplantation. This Special Issue will focus on advanced heart failure, diagnosis, treatment, indications for transplantation, and therapeutic advances.

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