Special Issue

Current Concept and Emerging Treatments of Bullous Skin Diseases

Message from the Guest Editor

Over the past two decades, biologic drugs have significantly improved the prognosis of autoimmune bullous skin diseases (ABSDs). However, there remains a constant need to search for new therapies. Proteins that determine the proper connection between epidermal cells or between the epidermis and dermis are targets for pathogenic autoantibodies in ABSDs. These proteins are encoded in genes whose mutations cause congenital bullous skin diseases (CBSDs). Therefore, specialists dealing with the pathogenesis of ABSDs gain knowledge by following the progress of research on CBSDs and vice versa. Modern treatment strategies for CBSDs include correction of mutations, protein replacement or the use of various cell therapies that alleviate the course of this group of diseases, but these approaches are not yet effective enough. Recent studies provide evidence for the involvement of the immune system and the production of pro-inflammatory cytokines in the pathogenesis of CBSDs. Therefore, some treatment strategies of ABSDs may prove useful in relieving symptoms of CBSDs. This Special Issue encourages submissions include reviews, original research, or clinical trials related to ABSDs or CBSDs.

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