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Marine-Derived Vaccine Adjuvants

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

An immunological (vaccine) adjuvant is a substance or complex of substances that is added to vaccines to boost immune responses to the target antigens. Adjuvants allow one to overcome this problem by enhancing the immunogenicity of antigens and improving the effectiveness of vaccines. Therefore, adjuvants also provide the increased economic effect of vaccination. There are different types of adjuvants: aluminum-based adjuvants, emulsions, lipid-based, and polymeric particles, etc. In spite of a wide arsenal of available adjuvants, only few of them are suitable for medical and veterinary vaccines. Hence, the elaboration of new adjuvants, which are more effective and safer, is an urgent problem of vaccinology. Marine organisms are abundant in biologically active substances. Some of them possess an adjuvant activity. The main goal of this Special Issue is to summarise the achievements in the field of the search for substances of marine origin and their semi-synthetic derivatives that possess adjuvant activity. Research articles and reviews devoted to mechanisms of actions of such adjuvants are also welcome.

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