



Conotoxins

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Dear Colleagues,

This special issue will focus on structural-activity and pharmacological studies of conotoxins. Conotoxins have created much interest in the last two decades because of their exquisite potency and selectivity for a variety of membrane receptors, transporters, and voltage-gated ion channels that has made them exciting targets as drug leads. One conotoxin is currently on the market for neuropathic pain and several others are in preclinical or clinical development. This issue brings together a collection of articles that describes recent developments in the field from leading experts.

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