

## Special Issue

# Updates on Fibromyalgia Research

### Message from the Guest Editor

Fibromyalgia syndrome (FMS) is one of the most common conditions causing chronic widespread pain worldwide. In the last decade, more than four diagnostic criteria have followed one another (especially due to the absence of diagnostic biomarkers), and there is still lack of consensus regarding FMS aetiopathogenesis.

However, increasing awareness has been paid to FMS in recent years, and many new discoveries have been made in clinical and preclinical research. FMS has been linked with central alterations (altered central nervous system activation and brain connectivity, neuroinflammation, cognitive-emotional influence) and peripheral abnormalities (small fiber neuropathy, altered activation of immune cells, altered intestinal microbiota). In addition, a recent preclinical study showed the possibility of the presence of specific autoantibodies in FMS patients' sera.

The purpose of this Special Issue is to present new insights into FMS diagnosis, epidemiology (e.g., symptom presentation and monitoring in men), aetiopathogenesis and treatment, by means of clinical and preclinical studies.

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