

Special Issue

Nephrotic Syndrome: Challenges and Perspectives

Message from the Guest Editors

Nephrotic syndrome (NS) constitutes the most common glomerular disease observed in childhood with an annual incidence of 1-7/100,000 children in US and European cohorts. The initial presentation of the disease is well defined, consisting of massive proteinuria, hypoalbuminemia, clinical oedema, and dyslipidemia. Nephrotic syndrome may be idiopathic or secondary to genetic defects in glomerular split diaphragm or podocyte skeleton. Exploration of treatment regimen aiming at the avoidance of disease-related complications (thromboembolic episodes, recurrent severe infections, etc.) and the reduction in albumin infusion requirements has recently attracted research interest. The idiopathic form of the disease, which represents up to 90% of pediatric cases, includes minimal change disease and focal segmental glomerulosclerosis.

In this Special Issue, we encourage manuscripts in the form of original research papers, systematic reviews, mini reviews, clinical trials, case reports, and all other types accepted by the journal related to epidemiology, pathogenesis, treatment, outcome, and prognosis in both genetic and idiopathic forms of the disease.

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