

## Drug Permeability and Metabolism in the Gut

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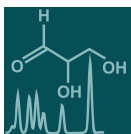
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### Message from the Guest Editor

Intestinal permeability is a crucial factor for orally administered drugs, and can in some cases be assisted by uptake transporters or limited by efflux transporters and metabolic enzymes in the gut. It is crucial to identify gut enzymes that induce the biotransformation of orally administered drug molecules as well as intestinal transporters and their pharmacokinetic, pathophysiological, and pharmacogenetic roles in drug transport. Besides scenarios where regional-dependent intestinal permeability occurs, lately, regional differences in human intestinal drug metabolism have been identified as well. While drug metabolism in the liver has been widely researched, the pharmaceutical research has further to go in terms of adopting a standardised approach for the characterisation and quantitative prediction of intestinal metabolism. In this Special Issue, work which focuses on intestinal drug permeability as well as intestinal metabolism is of great interest. Authors are welcome to contribute both original research and review articles.





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