Special Issue Bacterial Communication

Message from the Guest Editor

The fabulous adaptability of bacteria is attributable in large part to their ability to communicate with each other as well as with their environment. In response to abiotic, eukaryotic or prokaryotic stimuli, bacteria emit responses to coordinate and modulate their behaviour. This dialog is essential to preserve their niches or to conquer new habitats. Understanding the mechanisms of bacterial communication is therefore one of the major issues in microbiology. Indeed, knowledge on the mechanisms related to signal perception or emission by bacteria is a prerequisite for the optimisation of future biocontrol strategies. This Special Issue of *Microorganisms* welcomes researchers to contribute research articles, reviews and opinions addressing the latest knowledge on interbacterial communication, quorum sensing, and plant-bacteria or animal cellbacteria interactions, both in fundamental research and its applications.

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