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Gene Analysis in *Bacillus subtilis*

Message from the Guest Editors

Bacillus subtilis is an important model organism for the study of Gram-positive bacteria thanks to its phylogenetic proximity with important human pathogens, its ability to induce important environmental adaptations, its use in the industry, and the numerous genetic tools available. This Special Issue offers the opportunity to share recent advances in gene analysis in *B. subtilis* from chromosome organization, to new genes acquisitions (by horizontal gene transfer, for example), to the expression/regulation/function of genes. This Special Issue will also consider advances in synthetic biology and metabolic engineering in *B. subtilis*.

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