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Recognition, Detection and Theranostic Study of Peptides

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Peptides are found in all living organisms and perform a wide range of essential functions for maintaining homeostasis and health. At the same time, the aggregation of misfolded or intrinsically disordered peptides plays a key role in the development of several diseases. Consequently, the recognition, detection, and modulation of the peptides is of great value for the diagnosis and treatment of diseases. On the other hand, given their facile synthesis, structural modifications, and attractive properties, peptides also represent an excellent starting point for the design of molecular tools, including sensors, therapeutic agents, and drug delivery systems. This Special Issue aims to provide an up-todate overview of the latest findings in the sensing, imaging, and regulation of peptides in diseases. Both original research and reviews on the above-mentioned topics are welcome.

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