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Antiviral Drug Development for the Treatment of Human Coronavirus

Message from the Guest Editors

Viral infections still represent one major threat to human health. The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic has already claimed the lives of more than three million people worldwide and had a huge impact on everyone's daily lifestyle. Chiefly, similar to other RNA viruses, high mutation rates will make SARS-Cov-2 so cunning as to evade the attack of antibodies. According to a recent study, more than 12,000 mutations in SARS-CoV-2 genomes have been identified. Therefore, developing antiviral agents against SARS-CoV-2 is still in high demand. In this Special Issue, we aim to collect a series of high-quality reviews and research papers on antiviral drug development against human coronavirus. The scope includes but is not limited to structure-activity relationship studies, drug screening, drug repurposing, diagnosis and mechanism of action. In addition, we know that most of the institutions do not have the facility to conduct the activity test for highly pathogenic viruses such as SARS-Cov-2, so research papers dealing with any human coronavirus are also welcomed, especially the ones reporting broad-spectrum antiviral activities.

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