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Peptide-Lead Drug Discovery

Message from the Guest Editor

Peptides represent an attractive class of molecules for the design of new drugs, lead structures, drug carriers, and excipients. Over the past decade, peptide drug discovery has experienced a revival of interest and scientific momentum, as the pharmaceutical industry has come to appreciate the role that peptide therapeutics can play in addressing unmet medical needs and how this class of compounds can be an excellent complement or even a preferable alternative to small-molecule and biological therapeutics. This Special Issue of *Molecules* welcomes submissions of review and research articles in the field of peptide drug discovery and development.

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