

Special Issue

Nanomaterials for the Development of Chemical and Biological Sensors for Hormones and Environmental Pollutants

Message from the Guest Editor

Hormones play essential roles in the human body in regulating metabolism, in responding to stress and external stimuli, and as signaling molecules in numerous pathways. When hormone levels become imbalanced, diseases such as cancer and osteoporosis, as well as several other negative effects. Hormones have a wide variety of structures and can be classified into the categories of steroid hormones, peptide hormones, and amino acid-derived hormones. Determining the levels of these hormones involves assaying a range of bodily fluids, including blood, sweat, urine, and saliva. Recent decades have seen rapid growth in the development of chemical or biological sensors for hormones using electrochemical, optical, magnetic, and gravimetric methods. The modification of the surfaces of these sensors with nanomaterials to provide a greater surface area and encourage activity for improvement in the detection of hormones has become an active research area.

This Special Issue will focus on the application of nanomaterials to improve the chemical and biological sensing of hormones in the full range of bodily fluids and in natural water samples.

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