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Bacterial Pathogens— Strategies for Dissemination, Infection, and Persistence Within a Host

Message from the Guest Editor

This Research Topic aims to provide a comprehensive platform for exploring the diverse strategies of bacterial pathogens, fostering cross-disciplinary collaboration among microbiologists, immunologists, clinical researchers, and bioinformaticians. We welcome contributions that address key questions, including but not limited to: How do bacterial pathogens optimize their dissemination and colonization strategies in different hosts? What are the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying host-pathogen interactions during acute and chronic infections? In what ways do pathogens exploit or manipulate host immunity to ensure persistence? How does the host microbiota influence pathogen invasion and survival? What innovative approaches can elucidate the complexities of bacterial pathogenesis and inform the development of new therapeutics? Submissions may encompass original research articles, reviews, and perspectives.

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