Special Issue

Oral Microbes and Oral Diseases

Message from the Guest Editors

Oral microbes play a crucial role in maintaining oral health but are also responsible for a range of oral diseases such as dental caries, periodontitis, oral cancer, and other microbe-associated diseases. This Special Issue focuses on the intricate relationships between oral microbial communities and their host, as well as the pathological consequences that arise from microbial dysbiosis. Submissions are encouraged from studies that explore novel insights into the pathogenic mechanisms, microbial interactions, host immune responses, and innovative therapeutic strategies for managing oral diseases. Contributions that highlight advances in microbiome research and new diagnostic or treatment modalities are particularly welcomed.

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