Special Issue

Innate Immune Response and Pathogen Dynamics

Message from the Guest Editor

The innate immune response is the body's immediate and non-specific defense against a variety of pathogens. It is the first line of defense that is activated upon pathogen invasion and it also plays a crucial role in activating the adaptive immune response. The dynamics between the innate immune system and pathogens are complex, involving various cellular components and mechanisms such as complement activities in response to pathogens, NK activation in response to microbes, neutrophil phagocytosis, NETosis by neutrophils, monocytes/macrophages, CD4-CD8-NK, eosinophils, etc. This Special Issue delves into the multifaceted aspects of innate immunity, focusing on how it interacts with and responds to different types of pathogens. We are hoping that many contributors will enjoy this topic and share their findings and insights into the intricate dynamics between the innate immune system and a wide range of pathogens.

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