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Listeria monocytogenes: Strategies for Survival and Pathogenicity

Message from the Guest Editor

Listeria monocytogenes is a deadly food-borne pathogen renowned for its remarkable way to withstand a wide variety of environmental stressors, including food processing systems and the mammalian gastrointestinal tract. Its unique ability to survive fluctuations in temperature, pH, oxygen levels, and other hostile conditions makes it a persistent threat to both human and animal health. This Special Issue delves into the latest research on how *L. monocytogenes* leverages sophisticated stress response mechanisms to evade lethal challenges, including its strategies for escaping the immune system. By advancing our understanding of these survival tactics, we aim to uncover new approaches for controlling this dangerous pathogen.

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