Special Issue

Advances in Yersinia Infection: Epidemiology, Omics Diagnosis and Control/Prevention

Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleague, Yersiniosis is an infectious disease caused by bacteria of the genus Yersinia. Yersinioses are zoonotic infections of domestic and wild animals; humans are considered incidental hosts that do not contribute to the natural disease cycle. The genus Yersinia comprises 18 species, 3 of which are important human pathogens: Yersinia pestis (biothreat agent) and the two enteropathogenic Yersinia species Y. enterocolitica and Y. pseudotuberculosis. On a genomic level, Y. pestis is highly similar to the enteropathogen Yersinia pseudotuberculosis: however, a series of gene gain and loss events have led to the appearance of markedly different mechanisms of disease as well as niche preferences and lifestyle. This Special Issue will contribute to a better understanding of the infectious process of Yersinia and related omics, which is systematically crucial for the development of more effective strategies for diagnosis, control, and prevention of its diseases. We hope you will participate by submitting a high-quality research paper or review article for inclusion in this Special Issue.

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