Special Issue

Recent Advances and Challenges in Tuberculosis Research

Message from the Guest Editors

Tuberculosis (TB) is an infectious disease caused by Mycobacterium tuberculosis (Mtb) that mainly affects the lungs but can affect other organs as well. The disease became a new challenge in 1985 after the emergence of HIV. According to WHO in 2019, 1.4 million patients died due to TB and close to 2 million people died due to COVID-19 in the year 2020. TB persists in two disease forms, asymptomatic latent TB and symptomatic active TB. With the evolution of drugresistant strains and extremely drug-resistant strains, the global control of TB has become increasingly challenging. All research articles, reviews, minireviews, case reports, clinical cases, meta-analyses, and perspectives will be considered for publication after rigorous peer review. Potential topics include but are not limited to the following:

- Co-infection with COVID-19 and TB:
- Mechanisms of intracellular survival of pathogenic mycobacteria;
- Immune responses to pathogenic mycobacteria;
- Mycobacterial regulation of cell death;
- Advances in vaccine development and therapeutics against tuberculosis.

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