

Special Issue

Cannabinoids as Medicines

Message from the Guest Editor

The last three decades have seen real advances in the characterization of the body's endocannabinoid system, with detailed knowledge of cannabinoid receptor subtypes, endocannabinoid metabolic pathways and their cell signaling pathways. In parallel, advocacy, and some sanction, of the use of medicinal marijuana, often based on anecdotal evidence, has become a pertinent topic of societal and scientific debate. At a scientific level, interest has tended to shift away from use of Δ^9 -tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), due to its psychoactive intoxicant effects, towards alternative plant-derived phytocannabinoids or synthetic cannabinoids and their potential therapeutic applications. Despite some high-profile clinical failures, recent well-controlled clinical trials have begun to advance non-THC cannabinoids towards human therapeutic use. Authors are invited to submit original and review articles of basic science, preclinical and clinical findings contributing to the understanding of the current state of play and future potential for cannabinoids as medicines to be published in this Special Issue of *Pharmaceuticals*.

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