

## Special Issue

# New Pharmacologic Approaches to Study and Intervene in Epithelial to Mesenchymal Transition (EMT) and Fibrosis

### Message from the Guest Editors

Fibrosis is a general mechanism of response to a wide range of insults and is characterized by abnormal production and remodeling of extracellular matrix proteins. This process is regulated by a number of extracellular mediators and deeply impacts cell behavior through changes in mechanosensing, cellular plasticity and cell-to cell communication.

Importantly, due to the incomplete ability of endogenous mechanisms to remove the fibrotic deposits, and since no resolutive therapies are available to date, the persistence of profibrotic conditions may cause scarring and thickening of the affected tissue with persistent organ damage and loss of function.

The journal *Pharmaceuticals* invites both reviews and original articles shedding light on the challenges and opportunities of pharmacological treatment of every aspect of fibrosis. Topics include rational of pharmacological treatment for EMT–MET dynamics, control of fibrosis by autophagy, oxidative response, hypoxia, epigenetic mechanisms, new drugs, and new methods of pharmacological delivery, including nanomedicine.

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