Special Issue

Zebrafish as a Powerful Tool for Drug Discovery

Message from the Guest Editor

It has been widely recognized that zebrafish can be powerful tools in the drug discovery field, given advantages such as high fecundity, ease of drug administration, similarity to mammals in terms of structures and functions of various tissues, and suitability for the 3Rs. Using genome-editing technologies, genetic abnormalities observed in human diseases can be mimicked in zebrafish to make a disease model. The phenotypes of the disease model zebrafish can be used to identify novel compounds and/or new indications for old drugs that ameliorate the abnormal phenotypes of the zebrafish disease models. The toxicity of compounds can also be assessed using zebrafish. In fact, the International Council for Harmonization has considered including developmental toxicity testing using zebrafish in their guidelines. Zebrafish can also be integrated to validate the efficacy and toxicities of compounds that are identified as novel therapeutics by other approaches, such as computational drug discovery using big data. In this Special Issue, we invite authors to contribute articles focusing on zebrafish as powerful tools for drug discovery.

Guest Editor

Prof. Dr. Yuhei Nishimura

Department of Integrative Pharmacology, Mie University Graduate School of Medicine, Tsu 514-8507, Japan

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (30 September 2019)



Pharmaceuticals

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 4.8 CiteScore 7.7 Indexed in PubMed



mdpi.com/si/18466

Pharmaceuticals
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
pharmaceuticals@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/ pharmaceuticals





Pharmaceutica

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 4.8 CiteScore 7.7 Indexed in PubMed



About the Journal

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Because of your expertise in the field of drug sciences, I kindly invite you to consider publishing your current work, in the form of a research article or a review, in the open access electronic journal *Pharmaceuticals*. *Pharmaceuticals* is characterized by an active editorial board and a dynamic editorial staff. Manuscripts are peer-reviewed and a final decision is provided to authors within 4–6 weeks after submission. Papers are published on the web immediately after acceptance. For details on the submission process or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We hope to handle your contribution to *Pharmaceuticals*.

We hope to handle your contribution to *Pharmaceuticals* soon.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Amélia Pilar Rauter

Departamento de Química e Bioquímica (DQB) e Centro de Química Estrutural (CQE), Institute of Molecular Sciences, Faculdade de Ciências, Universidade de Lisboa, Lisboa, Portugal

Author Benefits

Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), PubMed, PMC, Embase, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q1 (Pharmacology and Pharmacy) / CiteScore - Q1 (Pharmaceutical Science)

