Special Issue

Symmetry in the Framework of Molecular Biology and Microbial Biotechnology

Message from the Guest Editor

Symmetry is a characteristic that we can find throughout nature. It is a parameter common to almost all sciences, from physics to biology through to mathematics. chemistry, and even social sciences. In the field of biology, it is common to associate the concept of symmetry with the shape of living organisms, either at the macroscopic level (animals, plants, etc.) or at the microscopic level (bacteria, protozoa, etc.). However, if we go down to the level of molecular biology, this symmetry can also be observed in a multitude of macromolecules such as proteins, DNA, lipids, and sugars. Furthermore, we can extend this symmetry to biological reactions and processes that take place in living organisms. On many occasions, this symmetry or its absence is responsible for the functionality or versatility of a biological process. The main objective of this Special Issue is to emphasize the importance of symmetry in the field of biological processes at the molecular level, as well as its relevance when using microbiology as a biotechnological tool.

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Symmetry is ultimately the most important concept in natural sciences. It is not surprising then that very basic and fundamental research achievements are related to symmetry. For instance, the Nobel Prize in Physics 1979 (Glashow, Salam, Weinberg) was received for a unified symmetry description of electromagnetic and weak interactions, while the Nobel Prize in Physics 2008 (Nambu, Kobayashi, Maskawa) was received for the discovery of the mechanism of spontaneous breaking of symmetry, including CP symmetry. Our journal is named *Symmetry* and it manifests its fundamental role in nature.

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