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Venoms of Aquatic Organisms: Biochemistry, Evolution, and Future Perspectives

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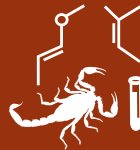
Marine and freshwater ecosystems are some of the most diverse environments on Earth, where adaptive traits such as venom have evolved and flourished across speciose groups such as cephalopods, cnidarians, echinoderms, fish, mollusks, and nemertean. Research investigating the venom of aquatic organisms pales in comparison to their terrestrial counterparts. However, in the past decade, there has been an exciting increase in investigations involving venomous aquatic organisms, partly due to major advancements in -omics technologies; this progress has engendered the discipline-specific methodologies of venomics. However, research on aquatic venom continues to lag behind, and thus efforts to better understand the venom and venom systems of these organisms are of great importance. This Special Issue aims to provide a broad research perspective regarding the venom of aquatic organisms. I welcome investigations that address venom biochemistry, bioprospecting, evolution, ecology, envenomation, morphology, and future perspectives within the field. I look forward to receiving your submissions and hope that we can advance this research field together.

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