

Special Issue

Pasteur, Toxins/Pathogenicity, Anti-toxins, a Bicentennial Contribution

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is dedicated to L. Pasteur in celebration of the bicentenary of his birth. L. Pasteur was a chemist and one of the founding fathers of microbiology. Certain microorganisms were found to be responsible for specific diseases, and L. Pasteur developed the concept that attenuated pathogens can induce a protective response. Later, his collaborators identified that some pathogenic bacteria secrete soluble factors, named toxins, which are responsible for the symptoms and lesions of diseases. The aim of this Special Issue is to trace the long history of L. Pasteur and the contribution of Institut Pasteur scientists in the field of toxins.

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