# **Special Issue**

# Bacterial Toxin-Antitoxin Systems: Biological Functions and Mechanisms of Action

# Message from the Guest Editors

Bacterial toxin–antitoxin (TA) systems encode a toxic protein and an antitoxin, which is either a protein or an RNA that counteracts the toxin. They are abundant in bacterial chromosomes and in extra-chromosomal genetic elements. In this Special Issue, we will describe the characterized TA systems, their targets and mechanisms of action, their evolution and their roles in post-segragational killing, growth control, and programmed cell death. Potential topics for this Special Issue will include, but are not limited to, the following:

- toxin-antitoxin systems
- toxic protein
- antitoxin
- bacterial toxins

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