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Message from the Guest Editor

The ability to modulate the immune response has received a great deal of research focus recently. Examples include the use of adjuvants to increase immunogenicity of vaccines, nanoparticles to deliver SARS-CoV-2 mRNA vaccines, the use of recombinant cytokines to boost antiviral responses, and checkpoint inhibitors to enhance immune responses against infectious agents in immunocompromised individuals. Other factors can be used to control and overexuberant or misguided immune response. Examples include the use of cytokine-neutralizing antibodies, steroids, and inhibitors of targeted pathways (e.g., inflammasomes, toll-like receptors, cytokine receptors). Researchers are now well positioned to utilize these methods to better understand the mechanisms behind maintaining a fine balance between controlling pathogens and limiting collateral damage. This will allow for the more rapid development of immunomodulatory therapeutics that will advance human health. This Special Issue of *Vaccines* is dedicated to highlighting studies that focus on modulating the immune response against infectious agents.



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