## **Special Issue**

# Recent Scientific Advancements towards a Vaccine against Group A Streptococcus

## Message from the Guest Editors

Group A Streptococcus (GAS) is a major global pathogen, disproportionately affecting low- and middleincome countries, particularly through autoimmune sequelae such as acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease (RHD). The World Health Organization has highlighted the need for a GAS vaccine, with a particular focus on reducing the burden of pharyngitis as a precursor to the prevention of RHD. The focus of this Special Issue is to bring together exciting developments and considerations for vaccine development against GAS, including epidemiological justification for vaccination or support for particular antigens. We invite you to submit your original research, reports or reviews towards the progression of a vaccine against GAS. Topics can include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) candidate antigens, (ii) correlates of protection, (iii) novel delivery methods, (iv) mucosal immunity, (v) field studies of natural infections, (vi) assay development, and vii) infection models. Dr. Helen Alexandra Shaw

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