

## Special Issue

# Role of Next Generation Vaccines in Immunotherapeutics

### Message from the Guest Editor

Vaccines have been instrumental in combating diseases, and next-generation vaccines represent a transformative leap forward in preventing infections and advancing immunotherapeutics. Next-generation vaccines encompass nucleic acid vaccines (DNA and RNA), viral vector vaccines, protein subunit vaccines, and recombinant vector vaccines. They offer several advantages over traditional vaccines, such as rapid development, stability, and the ability to elicit specific immune responses. Nucleic acid vaccines, particularly mRNA vaccines, gained global attention during the COVID-19 pandemic for their rapid development and high efficacy. Viral vector and protein subunit vaccines are also being explored for their potential to develop targeted and less reactive vaccines. Next-generation vaccines also show promise in treating chronic diseases, cancers, and autoimmune conditions. They can target specific tumor antigens in cancer immunotherapy and modulate immune responses in autoimmune diseases and allergies. We invite you to contribute a research or review article linking different components of the virus or vaccine to immune responses and clinical or preclinical data.

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*Vaccines* (ISSN 2076-393X), founded in 2013, now has a firm history of publishing peer-reviewed, state-of-the-art research papers on vaccines and vaccination in the broadest sense. Areas covered include, but are not limited to, novel and emerging vaccine technologies, building on in-depth knowledge of what constitutes a protective immune response. These can be new vaccines for old diseases, or old vaccines for new diseases. Vaccines against cancer and autoimmune diseases explicitly are also within the scope of the journal. Because public opinion and even government policies towards vaccines and vaccination have changed, vaccine policy and public health issues are major concerns. Climate change will also have an impact on the spread of infectious diseases, and thus also on vaccine and vaccination policies worldwide.

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