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Humoral and Cellular Response After Vaccination

Message from the Guest Editors

Efficient vaccination relies on inducing a robust adaptive immune response, both cellular and humoral, each playing a specific role in preventing or controlling infection. The challenge in developing an effective vaccine lies in finding the right balance between the different types of immune response required. To evaluate a vaccine, a range of methods have been developed. Immunization markers are constantly evolving, and sometimes newer markers from large data sets, identified through principal component analysis, replace traditional ones. In addition to the polarization of the immune response, the impact of immunization on innate immunity (trained immunity) calls for the use of additional instruments and concepts to assess vaccine effectiveness. This special issue seeks to provide an overview of the current methodology for evaluating vaccines, from the design phase to clinical trials. The proposed articles aim to offer relevant insights into these concepts in the field of modern vaccination.

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