Special Issue

mRNA Vaccine Development against Tropical Diseases

Message from the Guest Editor

Vaccination is the most effective way to prevent infectious diseases. However, complex pathogens such as Plasmodium (Malaria), Trypanosoma cruzi (Chagas), Trypanosoma brucei (African Sleeping Sickness), Leishmania, Zika, and others have not been vet effectively tackled with conventional vaccines, mRNA vaccines for COVID-19 demonstrated how plasticity can accelerate the development of new vaccines for complex diseases. We are pleased to announce this Special Issue on "mRNA Vaccine Development against Tropical Diseases". The issue centers on (1) screening and identifying suitable vaccine candidates using novel in vitro techniques and assays, which allows for a better understanding of the biological and immunological complexities of pathogens, infection, and disease; (2) progress in nucleic acid delivery technology and how it improves vaccine potency and safety; and (3) the regulatory and manufacturer challenges to implementations in the regions (Asia, Africa, Latin America).

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