# **Special Issue**

# Viral Enzymes

### Message from the Guest Editors

Depending on their complexity, viruses encode a varying number of enzymes that are fundamental to their unique replication cycles. These viral enzymes play diverse roles, including polynucleotide synthesis (transcription and replication), mRNA maturation, polypeptide processing, cell wall/membrane breakdown, and protein modifications to aid host immune evasion, to name a few. A vast range of scientific methods have been used to discover viral enzymes involved in these and other processes, uncover detailed reaction mechanisms, and develop methods to inhibit their functions. For this Special Issue, we invite submissions in the form of original research articles, methodological advances, or reviews that address any aspect of viral enzymes. The viruses in this Special Issue are not limited to any particular viral order or viral host. The goal of this Issue is to compile an exciting collection of manuscripts showcasing the broad work performed on viral enzymes using techniques from genetic approaches all the way to structural biology.

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