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Interferon Signaling in Viral Pathogenesis

Message from the Guest Editor

Recent findings have revealed the dual roles of IFN-I signaling in virus infection and pathogenesis: it plays a critical role to suppress acute virus infection and to set the host immune anti-viral program. During chronic infection, however, persistent IFN-I signaling contributes to virus-associated hyper-inflammation, immune exhaustion, and virus persistence. In this Special Issue, we will focus on the most recent advances in understanding the mechanism of virus-host cell interaction in IFN induction, with a special emphasis on how IFN-I may play both a positive and a negative role during acute and persistent virus infection. We will also focus on new developments on targeting IFN signaling in modulating immunotherapy of virus infection, autoimmune diseases, and cancer.

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