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Epigenetics of Fragile X and Other Neurodevelopmental Disorders

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Message from the Guest Editors

In recent years, the field of epigenetics has seen a tremendous expansion as testified by the number of published papers and even the creation of dedicated journals. Epigenetics is a set of regulatory mechanisms affecting gene activity and a signature thereof, acting primarily through DNA methylation and histone acetylation. Mutations impinging on these mechanisms can cause genetic diseases. At the same time, the reversibility of epigenetic marks opens the way to the possibility of treating these diseases through drugs that affect these marks.

More recently we have witnessed the extension of epigenetics to the RNA world. The activity of mRNAs can be affected by adenosine methylation, and transcriptomewide methylation mapping is providing a methylation profile of cellular RNAs, known as the epitranscriptome.

The purpose of this Special Issue is to host research and review papers on current molecular understanding of the role epigenetic derangements in causing heritable neurodevelopmental disorders and its corollaries towards the establishment of "epigenetic therapies".













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