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Genetics and Genomics of Antimicrobial Resistance

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Antimicrobial resistance is a widespread medical threat that renders drugs ineffective and increases the risk of bacterial infection. Genetics and genomics approaches applied to study mechanisms of antimicrobial resistance have transformed both human and veterinary medicine in recent decades. Still, there is a lot of work ahead. Understanding the epidemiology, transmission, heritance, and variations of antimicrobial-resistant bacteria will benefit us all.

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