



Host-Pathogen Interactions and Monoclonal Antibody Therapeutics

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Message from the Guest Editors

Since the description of the first reliable methodology for developing monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) by Köhler and Milstein in 1975 using the hybridoma technique, tremendous advances in their generation, characterization, engineering and expression have been made.

The hybridoma methodology is still used today by several investigators, but new technologies have been developed and described. These new technologies have further increased the importance of mAbs even today, especially during the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic, where a plethora of SARS-CoV-2-specific mAbs have been reported in the literature as potential therapeutic tools.

Suggested topics for this Special Issue include, but are not limited to, new mAbs against infectious pathogens, the host immune response, the identification of potential viral antigens and epitopes, and new techniques for mAb discovery, development, production and engineering. There is no limitation on the type of contribution; original articles, brief communications, case reports, and reviews are all welcome. Your valuable input will enrich the current state of knowledge and contribute to the control of infectious diseases.





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