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Nucleic Acid Therapeutics (NATs): Advances and Perspectives

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Message from the Guest Editors

The field of nucleic acid therapeutics (NATs) has attracted a tremendous amount of interest in the past few decades. The increasing number of approved nucleic acid drugs demonstrates the potential of these therapies to treat a variety of diseases from neuromuscular disorders to cancers. Nucleic acid therapeutics act via multiple mechanisms of action, including gene silencing, activation, modulation, replacement, or editing. Continuous advances in the chemistry and design of these cutting-edge genetic drugs have led to numerous successful clinical applications, eliciting even more interest from researchers, including both academic groups and drug development companies.

The aim of this Special Issue is to cover recent advances in the field of nucleic acid therapeutics, including antisense oligonucleotides, small interfering RNA conjugates, lipid nanoparticles, and RNA and gene-editing technologies. We would like to put emphasis on their broad therapeutic potential due to the variety of mechanisms of action and the different tissues and diseases they can target. We invite contributions in the form of original research articles and reviews.

We look forward to your contributions.



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