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Genetics and Genomic Advances in Rare Diseases and Common Challenges

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Genetic and genomic analyses have revolutionized clinical diagnosis for rare disorders, evolving from initial locus identifications to sophisticated technologies such as genome sequencing. Over the last decades, advances in the field have facilitated variant identification and interpretation across many rare diseases. However, these advances present new challenges.

This Special Issue aims to dissect the latest advances and hurdles in the genetics of rare diseases, emphasizing breakthroughs and limitations encountered in this field. Submissions are encouraged to focus on, but are not limited to, the following areas: advancements in genome sequencing techniques; novel genes and/or variants associated with rare diseases; insights from larger and more diverse disease/reference cohorts; challenges of noncoding variation; as well as the complexities stemming from limited or non-uniform phenotyping.

Authors are invited to submit reviews, original articles, and communications, aiming to pave the way for innovative solutions and advancements in the genetics of rare diseases.







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