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Redox Modulation of Respiratory Muscles in Health and Disease

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Message from the Guest Editors

Redox disturbance is a common feature of respiratory disorders such as obstructive sleep apnoea and chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder. Perturbed redox signalling as a result of increased reactive oxygen species production or decreased endogenous antioxidant capacity can lead to adaptive and maladaptive changes in cellular function. In the context of respiratory muscle, redox imbalance can disrupt cellular homeostasis, culminating in diminished respiratory muscle force-generating capacity and decreased resistance to fatigue. Strategies aimed at promoting redox balance in respiratory muscles are attractive as adjunctive therapies for respiratory disease.

This Special Issue welcomes original research articles and literature reviews concerning respiratory muscle redox modulation and novel approaches aimed at targeting redox imbalance across the spectrum of health and disease.













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