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Cellular Mechanisms of Cardiovascular Disease

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Message from the Guest Editors

Cardiovascular diseases (CVD), particularly coronary artery disease (CAD) and stroke, remain the major cause of mortality and disability worldwide. CVD burden is now recognized to be aggravated due to the growing population of cancer survivors treated with cardiotoxic cancer therapies or radiotherapy, which has fostered the development of a new field of research—cardio-oncology.

In fact, multiple molecular pathways converge in cardiac remodeling as well as aorta and mitral valve disease, including cardiomyocyte loss, extracellular matrix alterations, inflammation, oxidative stress, defective calcium homeostasis, intercellular communication, and metabolic abnormalities. Therefore, a major future challenge in cardiovascular medicine lies in understanding the molecular basis of cardiac and valvular remodeling, paving the way to the identification of more efficient diagnostic and therapeutic tools.

This Special Issue intends to bring together the latest findings in the field of cardiovascular biology and cardiooncology, involving both cell-based studies and animal models of CVD aiming to identify novel mechanisms underlying cardiac remodeling and dysfunction.



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