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Message from the Guest Editor

Many metals are essential for maintaining proper body functions through a number of biological processes. Hence, imbalanced metal homeostasis either by deficiency or by overload of metals is associated with organ dysfunction that leads to various disorders. In contrast, non-essential metals can exert toxic effects even at low levels. However, the precise mechanisms of metal toxicity are not clear. Interestingly, there has been rapid progress in disease detection and therapy using novel metal-based drugs and technologies, but their efficacy and safety remain to be fully understood and clarified.

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