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Cellular and Molecular Basis of Epilepsy

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Epilepsy is a heterogeneous group of neurological disorders characterized by recurrent unprovoked seizures, caused by abnormal electrical activity of the whole brain or one of its structures. The etiology of epilepsy is complex and includes structural and metabolic abnormalities, genetic factors, and unknown causes. The mechanism of epileptogenesis, i.e., the process of structural and functional changes transforming the normal brain to one that can generate abnormal neuronal activity, is also multifactorial and unclear. Treatment of epilepsy is still a challenging issue. Pharmacotherapy continues to be the mainstay of epilepsy treatment but about 1/3 of patients remain resistant to the treatment. Moreover, the currently available antiseizure drugs possess only symptomatic activity and they do not suppress epileptogenesis.

This Special Issue will collect original research articles and reviews on the cellular and molecular mechanisms underlying the pathophysiology of seizure, epilepsy and epileptogenesis. Papers on the development of new antiseizure drugs and treatment strategies will be also considered.



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