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Molecular and Cell Basis of Skin Diseases and Aging

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

As the major physical barrier of the body, the skin plays an essential role in both stimuli sensing and defense against environmental insults and pathogens. To fulfill these important functions, the skin is a complex organ that harbors a plethora of cell types, as well as different skin appendices such as hair follicles and glands.

Keratinocytes, fibroblasts and adipocytes are the major cellular components of skin layers. In addition, other cell present in the skin (melanocytes, types are mechanoreceptors, sensory neurons, highly specialized dermal cells, etc.). Besides, an immune cell compartment is at the crossroad of the complex dialog between skin microbiota and the host. With aging, accumulated damage leads to alterations that affect the skin, increasing the susceptibility to inflammatory conditions and neoplastic lesions, and entailing a decline in cosmetic features.

This Special issue is aimed at reviewing the state-of-the-art and presenting groundbreaking research findings that contribute to understand the molecular and cellular cutaneous changes associated with skin pathologies and aging.

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