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Primary Cilia in Health and Diseases

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Through the cilium, cells and tissues adapt to changes in the extracellular environment by regulating cell cycle, cellular function, cell shape, and movement. For the cilium to work as an antenna, a variety of receptors, transporter proteins, ion channels, and effector molecules are localized to the cilium. Moreover, signaling pathways orchestrated by primary cilia play important roles in development, proliferation, differentiation and cell survival. Therefore, loss of primary ciliogenesis is highly linked with genetic diseases, known as ciliopathies, which show a large spectrum of anomalies in multiple organ systems. In addition, recent evidence suggests that dysregulation of primary cilia is also associated with various human diseases, including cancer, metabolic diseases, and neurodegenerative diseases.

This Special Issue will discuss the role of primary cilia in development, survival, death, and pathophysiological conditions. We encourage you to contribute to this Special Issue of *Cells* and submit a research article, a review article, or a perspective and opinion article that is dedicated to primary cilia.



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