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Message from the Collection Editor

The complex interplay of sugar metabolism and protein glycosylation and the impact of protein glycosylation on protein sorting for their targeted transport to cellular destinations are increasingly attracting our attention. These challenging topics are related to cellular functions at higher organizational levels, such as receptor-mediated cell signaling (refer to glycosylation as main regulator of growth and death factor receptor signaling and to VEGFR in endothelial cells), which is regulated by receptor glycosylation or via altered raft sorting.

Another topic of high research actuality refers to rare *O*-glycosylation types and their regulatory influence on cellular pathways (*O*-GlcNAc), on cell–cell interactions (*O*-mannosylation of cadherins) and cell–matrix interactions (*O*-mannosylated lecticans in the perineural net). What is the functional implication of glycans exhibiting the protein-specific, peripheral sugar modulation LacdiNAc (e.g., in self-renewal of embryonic stem cells by regulating LIF/STAT3 signaling)?

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