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State of the Art and Recent Advances in Pediatric Rheumatology

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear colleagues,

The study of childhood-onset rheumatic diseases involves several medical fields: general pediatrics, immunology, genetics, orthopedics, dermatology, gastroenterology, neurology, and adult rheumatology, to name some of them. Pediatric rheumatology is expanding thanks to the increasing knowledge on inflammation and immunological pathways. New therapeutic options for diseases such as juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA), juvenile systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE), and other connective tissue diseases are emerging. The recent discovery of inborn errors of the innate immune system defining new monogenic illnesses, the so-called autoinflammatory disorders, has widened the field of pediatric rheumatology further. Nowadays, this concept has been broadened to genetically complex conditions, such as systemic-onset juvenile idiopathic arthritis (SoJIA). Long-lasting treatments of childhood-onset rheumatologic conditions might result in several consequences, many of which still need to be clarified.

The present Special Issue aims to explore the current knowledge on and advances in pediatric rheumatology.



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