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Contribution of Genetic Factors in Immune-Pathogenesis of Multiple Sclerosis

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Message from the Guest Editors

Multiple sclerosis (MS) is the most well-known immunemediated disorder of the central nervous system, and a significant cause of disability.

The factors underlying the manifestation of multiple sclerosis are still elusive. Multiple Sclerosis is known for its heterogeneity, from age of onset to treatment response. Novel therapies are constantly being tried and administered, in an attempt to slow disease progression, but a large number of patients do not show the expected improvement. Further understanding the interplay between genetics and the immune system will help to shed light on the disease pathogenesis and possibly aid in developing new therapeutic agents, predicting which patients will respond to each treatment, and even reaching an earlier diagnosis. Therefore, it is of paramount importance that more emphasis be put on these immune-related genetic factors.

Following this train of thought, this Special Issue of Genes, titled "Contribution of Genetic Factors in Immune-Pathogenesis of Multiple Sclerosis", calls for relevant original articles and reviews on this very interesting topic.













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