



## CRISPR-Based Diagnostics for Detection of Microorganisms and Beyond

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Unlike CRISPR Cas9, Cas12 and Cas13 possess trans-cleavage activities against single-stranded nucleic acids, the activities of which have been employed to develop the next-generation CRISPR diagnostic (CRISPR-Dx) systems. So far, dozens of CRISPR-Dx systems have been successfully created, most of which are used in the detection of infectious diseases, non-infectious diseases, SNPs and non-nucleic acid targets. Although CRISPR-Dx technologies have shown merits in accuracy, sensitivity, rapidness and portability, there is still a lot of room for improvement in the detection of microorganisms.

As the Guest Editor of this Special Issue, I invite you to submit research articles, review articles, and short communications related to CRISPR-based technologies for the detection of microorganisms and beyond.

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