



## Host–Pathogen Interactions in *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*

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Tuberculosis (TB) caused by the *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* (*Mtb*) complex remains one of the most prevalent and deadly infectious diseases, responsible for 10 million cases and 1.45 million deaths worldwide in 2018. After a primary infection stage, in most subjects, *Mtb* persists in the macrophages, thus, escaping the host immune system, a condition known as latent tuberculosis (LTBI). Therefore, a better understanding of the mechanisms leading to the development of the disease is urgently needed to develop efficient strategies against TB.

For this Special Issue of *Pathogens*, authors are invited to submit an original research article or a review focusing on new insights of the host–pathogen interactions in *Mtb* infections and how they would translate to the clinical setting to enable improved management of TB patients.





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