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# Host-Pathogen Interaction Involved in Trypanosoma cruzi Infection

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**Message from the Guest Editors** 

Dear Colleagues,

Chagas disease, or American trypanosomiasis, caused by the protozoan parasite *Trypanosoma cruzi*, is a silent, underdiagnosed and life-threatening disease. It constitutes a significant public health issue not only in Latin America, but also worldwide.

The probability of acquiring the disease depends on multiple factors: the parasite, the vectors, the mammalian hosts (including the human being), and socioeconomic aspects. Particularly, the host–pathogen interaction is a key factor determining the probability of infection and establishment of the disease. Thus, studying these different aspects is essential to understanding the pathogenesis of the disease and to improving the diagnostic and therapeutic tools for *Trypanosoma cruzi* infection.

Therefore, for this Special Issue of *Pathogens*, we invite you to submit your contributions in the form of original research articles, review papers, and short communications about host–*Trypanosoma cruzi* interactions.

We look forward to your contributions and thank you very much for your collaboration.

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