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## Biological Treatment for Rheumatic Diseases

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The implementation of biological drugs into the treatment of rheumatic diseases has opened new possibilities in the management of diseases. The development of "targeted" therapies that are more effective at inhibiting bone and joint destruction has significantly improved the life quality of patients. However, not all patients respond positively to biological therapy. Moreover, the long-term use of biological drugs may be associated with a decrease in their efficacy as well as the occurrence of side effects related to the potential immunogenicity of these medicines. This is because biological drugs can induce an immune response and the synthesis of anti-drug antibodies. Therefore, it is important to understand the detailed mechanisms through which metabolic changes occur when using biological drugs. In this Special Issue, our goal is to bring together the results of expert research in this field, allowing us to better understand the effects of biological drugs on metabolic processes occurring in the body and provide an opportunity for medicines to be used more effectively in treating rheumatic diseases.





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