

Special Issue

Protease-Based Drug Discovery

Message from the Guest Editors

This issue will focus on protease inhibitors as potential drugs for a large variety of diseases. Hundreds of proteases are known. They can be divided into four main groups, based on their catalytic machinery (serine-, cysteine-, aspartic- and metalloproteases). This issue provides a glance at this exciting field of proteases as drug targets for the treatment of different diseases. It samples different types of proteases and a variety of diseases associated with protease activity. It sheds light on the difficulties confronting protease-based drug development and strategies to overcome them—and, on a positive note, it convincingly shows the therapeutic potential of development of protease inhibitors for the well-being of humanity. Based on your scientific record, we are delighted to invite you to join us and contribute to this important and timely issue.

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