



***Bordetella pertussis* Infection and Vaccination**

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Pertussis or whooping cough is an acute infection of the respiratory tract caused by the bacterium *Bordetella pertussis* (Bp). Despite good vaccination coverage, it remains a disease with one of the highest residual morbidity and mortality, and it is especially dangerous for infants and young children. At present, not only is the number of pertussis cases increasing, but the Bp carriership in the human population also remains high. Several attempts have been made to improve current vaccination strategies, such as optimizing the composition of current acellular vaccines or testing alternative vaccination routes. This Special Issue of *Vaccines* focuses on research that aims to understand immune responses to Bp infection and vaccination, which can shed light on the high pertussis incidence and provide strategies for better pertussis management at the population level. Submissions to this Special Issue can be studies that either evaluate current pertussis vaccines or are aiming to improve them. Research in both human and animal models are welcome.

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