

Special Issue

Cell Signalling in the Cardiovascular System

Message from the Guest Editor

Heart valve disease (HVD) and heart failure (HF) are major health issues that are steadily increasing in prevalence in Western populations. In addition, ageing of the population will make incidence and prevalence of HVD and HF rise inexorably, unless effective preventive therapy is applied. No therapy targeting pathophysiological mechanisms, such as fibrosis or inflammation, is available for clinical use. In this sense, the purpose of this Special Issue of *Cells* is to provide the reader with a collection of original research articles, reviews, and communications addressing the molecular and cellular basis of fibrosis and inflammation in HVD or HF. We aim to highlight the key involvement of cardiovascular cells in the pathophysiology of fibrosis and inflammation. Moreover, we aim to study molecules involved in the processes of fibroblast differentiation to myofibroblasts, collagen synthesis over degradation balance, collagen maturation, and/or valve cells pathophysiology. We are looking forward to your contributions to this Special Issue.

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