

## Special Issue

# Targeting the $\beta$ -Catenin/Wnt Signaling for Cancer Therapy

### Message from the Guest Editor

The Wnt signalling pathway plays a critical role in cell proliferation, migration, polarity and self-renewal at all stages of life, from early development during embryonic stages to adult tissue homeostasis. Consequently, aberrant and disarrayed Wnt signalling is observed in the majority of cancers, and therefore, Wnt signalling components are attractive therapeutic targets when considering the treatment of various cancers. Natural antagonists of the Wnt pathway, were also made use of to trigger apoptosis in cancer cells. Studies on repurposing existing drugs have shown that nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) may reduce the risk of developing colorectal cancer by lowering the levels of nuclear  $\beta$ -catenin and triggering its degradation. These recent developments in this field and the concomitant understanding of the Wnt/B-catenin signaling pathways have kindled new-found hope for cancer treatment. This Special Issue, entitled "Targeting  $\beta$ -catenin/Wnt Signalling for Cancer Therapy", aims to sum up and highlight the latest fundamental, clinical and conceptual developments in this field.

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