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New Insights into Neutrophil Biology

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Our understanding of the roles played by neutrophils in health and disease continues to grow as we discover more about the functionality of these critical innate immune cells. Neutrophils are rapidly recruited to sites of infection, inflammation and injury and subsequently carry out an array of effector functions to counteract the initial insult. These cellular actions primarily serve to limit bacterial invasion, but can also promote healing in sterile tissues. However, dysregulated neutrophil responses can lead to significant tissue damage and non-resolving inflammation as observed in chronic diseases of the airway, vasculature, gut and other systems. Targeting neutrophils as a potential therapeutic strategy continues to be an area of intense research.

The aim of this Special Issue is to present the latest insights on neutrophil biology in health and disease, covering areas including migration, immunity, pathogen interactions, cell death programmes, plasticity, cancer, inflammation (and inflammation resolution) and wound healing.













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