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Next-Generation Antivenoms: Discovery, Development, and Manufacturability

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Message from the Guest Editors

The dire scarcity of efficacious and affordable antivenoms necessitates a significant overhaul in how we approach envenoming therapeutics. A key paradigm shift lies in the change of focus from plasma-derived antivenoms to targeted therapeutic molecules neutralizing (only) medically relevant toxins. Indeed, recent advances have investigated therapeutic molecules, which are either inherently broadly specific against certain toxin (sub-)families (e.g., some enzymatic inhibitors) or scaffold molecules, which can be easily adapted to neutralize multiple targets (e.g., antibodies or similar scaffold proteins).

The focus of this Special Issue of *Toxins* will be on next-generation antivenoms. This includes novel screening approaches, in vitro functional assays, the discovery of new toxin binders and neutralizers, innovative strategies towards the production of antitoxins, and bioinformatic tools to aid these processes



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