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- Viral lung infections (RSV, influenza)
  bacterial pneumonia
  eczema & cancer immunotherapy
- Few treatments exist for viral infections
- Antimicrobial resistance is an increasing global threat
- Host Defence Peptides (HDP) are critical components of innate host defence HDP properties:
  - Antiviral / Antibacterial
  - Anti-endotoxic
  - Protective inflammation enhancing
  - Wound healing promotion
  - Cell differentiation modulation
  - Immunomodulation
  - Cell death modulation
- HDP are translatable targets for novel interventions – by inducing endogenous expression or using peptide therapies

## Host Defence Peptides as antimicrobial modulators of inflammation & immunity in infectious diseases

