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The Biological Diversity and Therapeutic Implications of Medulloblastoma Metastases and Recurrence

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Message from the Guest Editor

Medulloblastoma is the most common malignant childhood brain tumour. For patients with recurrent medulloblastomas following current standard-of-care protocols, the disease is almost universally fatal (<10% survival rate), and therefore, represent some of the most significant unmet clinical challenges in paediatric oncology. Medulloblastoma subgroups remain unchanged at recurrence; however, the divergent clonal selection from primary disease to metastases and recurrence is complex. Little is understood about the molecular drivers required for medulloblastoma metastasis and survival within the leptomeningeal space. Given the lack of human data at the level of metastasis and recurrence, the refinement of preclinical models may improve our understanding of resistance mechanisms, and suggest new treatment strategies for subsequent clinical trials.

This Special Issue, entitled 'The Biological Diversity and Therapeutic Implications of Medulloblastoma Metastases and Recurrence', aims to highlight the complexities of medulloblastoma through primary, metastatic, and recurrent disease progression, as well as prioritizing strategies to implement in future clinical trials.













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