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# New Insights into Upper Tract Urothelial Carcinoma: What Changed?

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Upper-tract urothelial carcinoma (UTUC) is an aggressive disease that is managed by radical or organ-sparing surgery. Upper-tract urothelial cancer (UTUC) lacks highquality evidence to appraise current patterns of presentation, diagnosis, treatment and outcomes as a result of disease rarity and patient heterogeneity. The goal is to obtain a curative setting after diagnosis and primary surgery for UTUC, which can be achieved through accurate and close FU. The impact of standardized regular surveillance on better oncological prognosis has already been investigated in several malignancies, including primary urothelial cancer of the bladder. This again considers the objective for regular surveillance in UTUC to achieve a better outcome based on early recurrence detection. To achieve this, the implementation of prospective randomized studies remains unfeasible, thus giving retrospective studies with standardized strict followup protocols a key imperative role.

This Special Issue presents up-to-date summaries related to the pathogenesis, diagnosis, prognostic assessment and management of UTUC.







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