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Targeting Tumor Microenvironment in Cancer: Promises and Challenges

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The tumor microenvironment (TME) is the environment surrounding a tumor, and it plays a critical role in cancer progression. The TME is made up of a variety of cells, including tumor cells, immune cells, and stromal cells. These cells interact with each other in a complex way to create an environment that is favorable for tumor growth and metastasis. Traditional cancer treatments, such as chemotherapy and radiation therapy, can be effective at killing tumor cells. However, these treatments can also damage healthy cells, and they often lead to the recurrence of the cancer. By targeting the TME, it is possible to disrupt the interactions between tumor cells and the other cells in the microenvironment, preventing tumor growth and metastasis. This targeting is achieved via drugs that target specific molecules. Another approach to targeting the TME is to use cell-based therapies, where engineered immune cells could be used to attack tumor cells. This Special Issue will provide an overview of the tumor microenvironment and the different ways to target it. The Special Issue will also discuss the challenges and opportunities associated with TME-targeted therapy.













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