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Message from the Guest Editors

Ovarian Cancer is the most lethal gynecological disease and is characterized by heterogeneity, a high risk of relapse and the development of chemoresistance; Genetic and epigenetic factors and microenvironment characteristics influence the progression of the disease and its response to therapy. The cornerstone of treatment has been maximaleffort surgical cytoreduction combined with cytotoxic chemotherapy, mainly represented by combinations of carboplatin and paclitaxel, both in adjuvant and metastatic settings. An estimated 80-85% of patients with OC who achieve full remission following first-line platinumbased therapy will develop disease recurrence, and the median survival for these patients ranges from 12 months to 24 months. Except for bevacizumab and poly ADP-ribose polymerase inhibitors, there are few other options for women with platinum-resistant OC. It is, therefore, particularly important to deepen the pathobiology of the tumor itself, and further understand how it is influenced by the microenvironment and by the genetic heterogeneity present not only in cancer from different patients, but also within a single cancer.













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