



## Pediatric Cancer Research from Genetics and Morphology to Experimental Therapy

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### Message from the Guest Editor

*Dear Colleagues,*

Among the pediatric population (ages 0 to 19 years), the most common types of cancer are leukemias, followed by CNS tumors, lymphomas, neuroblastoma, kidney tumors, and malignant bone tumors. The incidence of pediatric tumors varies in different racial and ethnic groups, reflecting a biologic as well as an environmental basis for the ethnic disparity. Malignant tumors have a complex biology that is characterized by rapid proliferation, spectrum of cellular differentiation, and association with developmental genes. The genome is unique with a high prevalence of specific structural variations and predisposing germline variants. This unique genome translates to a unique morphology, microenvironment, and clinical behavior. Traditional and novel therapeutic regimens are burdened by therapy resistance and tumor progression. Genetic and epigenetic tumor sequencing has opened new opportunities for patients to be included in clinical trials. This Special Issue aims to highlight recent advances in pediatric tumor research, including pathology, tumor microenvironment, novel treatment, and cellular and genetic landscapes.





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