



The Role of Hypoxia Inducible Factor (HIF) in Cancers

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Hypoxia being a consequence of rapid tumors proliferation that outgrows surrounding vasculature, is a common feature of most cancers, and current understanding of the underlying molecular interactions governing cancers cells' adaptation to this insult limits their therapeutic utility. The activation of cellular hypoxia signaling relies on the accumulation of transcriptionally functional complexes of hypoxia-inducible factors (HIF-1 and HIF-2 and HIF-3) that interact with hypoxic-response elements (HREs) in the promoters and enhancers of their numerous target genes and serve as master regulators of cancer growth, metabolism, survival as well as metastasis and invasiveness. Hence, approaches that exploit HIF-based signaling networks are an attractive strategy for the treatment of cancer, however, its utility in therapy has been limited in scope.

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