



Liver Cancer: Improving Standard Diagnosis and Therapy

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Message from the Guest Editors

Liver cancer is a common malignancy worldwide, responsible for 5% of all newly diagnosed cancers.

The treatment option is guided based on the Barcelona Clinic Liver Cancer (BCLC) stages. For BCLC A, curative treatments such as radiofrequency ablation, surgical resection, and liver transplantation are indicated. Long-term survival rates of liver cancer patients remain poor, and how to preserve liver function reservoir and how to prevent recurrence of tumor are challenging tasks in the field. For the patients with BCLC B and C, transarterial chemoembolization or systemic chemotherapy is indicated. Newly developed molecular targeted agents (MTA) and immuno-oncology drugs are now available. Several anti-programmed death receptor-1, anti-programmed cell death ligand 1, and anti-cytotoxic lymphocyte antigen 4, are currently being investigated and their combinations with MTA are expected to bring better clinical outcomes. Direct and indirect biomarkers for the prediction and stratification are being vigorously investigated and are expected to be applied in daily clinical practice.

In this Special issue, we focus on recent basic and clinical cancer research into liver cancer.





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