



## New Era of Cancer Research: From Large-Scale Cohorts to Big-Data

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Cancer is the second leading cause of incidence and mortality globally, leading to a wide range of inequalities within countries. Population-based cancer cohorts and registries constituted the first step towards building reliable and comprehensive cancer data that could be translated into clinical practices, public health policies and methodological frameworks for chronic diseases. Nowadays, the discussion has turned towards big data, linking all types of data with these large-scale cohorts.

Big data provide an unprecedented opportunity to understand cancer and contribute to treatment decisions based on evidence and knowledge extracted from these massive collections of data. With the evolution of big data, machine learning and artificial intelligence approaches are now at the forefront of these tools and methodologies.

This Special Issue aims to “map” recent trends in cancer epidemiology and clinical research, derived from large-scale cohorts, population-based registrations and, most importantly, big data.

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