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## **Advances in Uveal Melanoma**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

Uveal melanoma (UM) is a rare form of melanoma, accounting for approximately 5% of all melanoma cases in the United States. Despite successful treatments of primary UM, up to 50% of UM patients subsequently develop systemic metastases, which spread predominantly to the liver.

Over the last decade, major discoveries have been made in the field of UM, including the identification of  $G\alpha_{q/11}$  mutations as driver mutations and BAP1 and SF3B1 mutations as epigenetic determinants. Advances in technology also resulted in two treatments being approved by the US FDA, namely T-cell engager, tebemtafusp-tebn (Kimmtrak<sup>TM</sup>), and percutaneous hepatic perfusion with HEPZATO KIT<sup>TM</sup> (melphalan for injection/hepatic delivery system). These approaches totally changed the landscape of treatment for metastatic uveal melanoma (MUM).

In this Special Issue, we aim to envision the current status of our understanding of UM and discuss the future directions of translational research projects. We hope that this Special Issue will guide researchers in the field of UM to identify a curative approach for MUM patients.













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