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The Role of Alternative Splicing in Cancer

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Since the original discovery in 1994 that the canonical isoform of the *FAS* gene bound to the mitochondrial membrane is pro-apoptotic, while a soluble isoform is antiapoptotic, many examples of alternative splicing have been found in which both oncogenic and suppressor isoforms may be produced from the same gene. Aberrant splicing may, therefore, result in oncogenicity in otherwise normal tissue. Due to these circumstances, a great interest in the relationships between alternative splicing and cancer has arisen in the last few years.

I am pleased to invite you to contribute to this Special Issue o f *Cancers*, which tries to gather relevant papers supporting the increasing importance of those relationships. Both reviews and original manuscripts on mechanisms of alternative splicing, detection and analysis of isoforms, their value as diagnostic and/or prognostic factors, and splicing-related therapeutic approaches will be welcome. We hope that both basic and clinical oncologists will be interested in this exciting field of cancer research.

We are looking forward to receiving your contributions.

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