



## Diagnosis and Treatment of Upper and Lower Gastrointestinal Malignancies: Current Advances and Future Prospects

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Cancers of the upper and lower gastrointestinal tract constitute a high global burden, with gastric and esophageal cancers representing the fifth and sixth most common cancers worldwide, respectively. Despite improvements in screening, diagnosis, and radiation, surgical, and systemic therapies, global survival rates remain unsatisfactory, and the disease remains incurable in advanced stages.

The focus of this Special Issue is to highlight global research efforts to improve outcomes in patients with upper and lower gastrointestinal cancers. We recognize that dramatic improvements in the management of these malignancies in recent decades have resulted from a multidisciplinary evaluation and treatment of patients. As such, we invite colleagues from across all disciplines, epidemiology, basic and translational science, genetics, nutrition, surgery, surgical oncology, hematology and oncology, radiation oncology, radiology, interventional radiology, gastroenterology, palliative care, and pathology, to highlight recent advancements in their respective fields that have contributed to the global care of patients with upper and lower gastrointestinal cancers.





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