

## Special Issue

# Emerging Strategies Targeting Solid Tumors and the Tumor Microenvironment

### Message from the Guest Editors

Cancer is a complex and heterogeneous disease that represents a significant global health burden, being one of the main causes of death worldwide. Despite significant improvements in our understanding of cancer etiology and the markers and cellular mechanisms behind its progression and aggressiveness, cancer remains a significant threat. In recent years, innovative and personalized therapeutic approaches have increased life expectancy for patients with cancer, but continuous efforts from researchers worldwide are still essential to tackling malignancies. The aim of this Special Issue is to synthesize the latest contributions describing potential new therapeutic approaches to treating cancer. These strategies may include, but are not limited to, small-molecule agents, nanotechnologies, antibody–drug conjugates (ADCs), theragnostic agents, non-coding RNAs and drug repurposing. We are also interested in pharmacological studies aimed at identifying biochemical and metabolic pathways that could potentially be targeted to arrest cancer progression. Both original articles and reviews are welcome.

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