



Advances in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Pancreatic Cancer

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Message from the Guest Editors

The prognosis for patients with pancreatic cancer is dismal, and surgery is the only chance for a cure. Patients with borderline resectable (BR) and locally advanced (LA) pancreatic cancers were previously not considered surgical candidates, but current combination regimens in the neoadjuvant setting have demonstrated significant clinical responses such that these patients are increasingly undergoing operative resection. Even patients with limited metastatic disease who demonstrate excellent tumor biology may now be considered for locoregional therapies, including pancreatectomy. Advances in surgical techniques and peri-operative care, including increasingly complex resections and reconstructions, minimally invasive approaches, and adjunct therapies such as irreversible electroporation, ablative radiation therapy, metastatectomy, heated intraperitoneal chemotherapy, and others, have broadened the treatment spectrum for this aggressive disease. The goal of this Special Issue is to provide information on novel and innovative approaches to the diagnosis and treatment of pancreatic cancer and better defining of patient selection for advanced therapies.





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