



Diagnosis, Treatment and Management in Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Head and neck squamous cell carcinoma (HNSCC) is the 6th leading cause of cancer death worldwide. Cases of this cancer are most often diagnosed at a locally advanced stage and require complex and multimodal management. Tumor development and its treatment can impact crucial functions (breathing, speech, swallowing) as well as patient quality of life. Whereas the incidence of tobacco/alcohol-related HNSCC is progressively declining in Western countries, we are currently observing a drastic increase in the incidence of human papilloma virus (HPV)-induced oropharyngeal carcinomas (OPCs). HPV-related OPCs exhibit a better prognosis than non-HPV-related OPCs, and determination of the tumor HPV status is therefore a critical issue. The impact of tumor HPV status on the therapeutic strategy is highly discussed, and there are several ongoing studies investigating the role of therapeutic de-escalation in patients with HPV-positive OPC.

For this Special Issue, I invite authors to submit studies focusing on the diagnosis, treatment and multidisciplinary management of patients with HNSCC.

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