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The Latest Advances and Challenges in Viral Hepatitis

Message from the Guest Editors

Viral hepatitis is a field of medicine where we have faced enormous advances in the last ten years. Antiviral therapy for hepatitis C and wide implementation of the HBV vaccine in infants are promising a new era without chronic hepatitis in the nearest future. Yet there are challenges remaining; insufficient screening and linkage to care in many countries that are still leaving untreated patients to develop cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma, since patients treated during the advanced fibrosis stages can develop HCC as well. In some risk populations, HCV reinfection is occurring, and we still do not have a cure for hepatitis B. In this Special Issue, we would like to emphasize the importance of recent advances in the field but also address each of the remaining challenges, as well as state-of-the-art research strategies.

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