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Novel Therapeutic Targets in Melanoma

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear colleagues,

Melanoma is the deadliest form of skin cancer. During the last ten years, melanoma has been a figurehead for targeted therapies and immunotherapy development. Currently, the 5-year overall survival rate for BRAF-mutated patients treated with first-line therapies targeting BRAF^{V600E} and MEK is only around 30 percent, and for patients treated with immunotherapies, it is around 40 percent for anti-PD1 alone and 50 percent for anti-PD1 plus anti-CTLA4. Unfortunately, even if targeted therapies and immunotherapies have seen huge progress, we have now arrived at a plateau.

In this Special Issue, we want to highlight different new potential strategies regarding the melanoma cells themselves and the tumor microenvironment to bypass resistance and smash this glass ceiling.

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