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### **Advances in Cancer Photomedicine**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

The current standards of care for cancer treatment in general include surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, and immunotherapies. However, these modalities are not sufficient to curb the grim cancer statistics summarized above.

Cancer photomedicine, with photodynamic therapy of cancer (PDT) and photochemical internalization (PCI) as its most prominent representatives in the clinic, is currently underrated and mainly limited by the poor penetration of light into tissue.

Photomedical cancer treatments are cross-disciplinary, spanning synthetic chemistry, photochemistry, photobiology, bio- and nano-engineering, chemi-/bio-luminescence, photogenerated reactive oxygen species and redox systems, and clinical research, among other disciplines. In addition, several hybrid/combinatorial treatment modalities are emerging as of late.

This Special Issue aims to provide an overview of the state of the art in cancer photomedicine across disciplines and also provide an outlook into future trends and prospective clinical applications.













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