

## Special Issue

# The Role of Opioid Therapy for Cancers

### Message from the Guest Editors

Almost 40 years ago, the World Health Organization first proposed the WHO analgesic ladder to improve and provide adequate pain relief for cancer patients. The ladder was part of a wider programme called the WHO Cancer Pain and Palliative Care Program, which included education programmes and strategies to improve management and support for people with cancer-related pain. The mainstay of the therapies described in the original ladder and its subsequent versions promoted the use of opioids as the gold standard treatment for cancer pain.

This Special Issue will highlight the role of opioid therapy in cancer, exploring the current state of the art in pre-clinical and clinical research, and seeks to yield future avenues towards improving care for cancer patients.

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