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State-of-the-Art Strategies for Non-Coding RNA Function Detection and Regulation in Cancer

Message from the Guest Editors

One fundamental conceptualization in the post-genomic era is the observation that 90% of the human genome is transcriptionally active, yet less than 2% of its sequence encodes for proteins. Extensive research has revealed numerous examples of functional non-coding transcripts, broadly categorized as short or long noncoding RNAs based on transcript length, highlighting the complexity of RNA-mediated regulation in maintaining physiological homeostasis or inducing its pathological manifestation. Since their discovery, non-coding RNAs have been associated with cancer initiation, progression or inhibition. Their functional complexity, combined with their cancer-specific regulation and detection in the body fluids of patients, highlight them as sensitive and non-invasive diagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic biomarkers. This Special Issue will emphasize the role of non-coding RNAs along with their associated predisposing regulatory mutations, focusing on novel strategies designed to unveil their molecular function and utilization as non-invasive biomarkers for ribodiagnostic, prognostic and therapeutic application against human tumors.

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