Special Issue

Targeting the Tumor Microenvironment in Blood Cancer

Message from the Guest Editors

To date, it is widely established that the tumor microenvironment plays a pivotal role in the development of blood cancers, sustaining tumor progression, angiogenesis, immune suppression, and drug resistance. Increasing studies are currently investigating novel "players" (e.g. cytokines, deregulated pathways, immune system, epigenetics, miRNAs, extracellular vesicles, and, metabolites) involved in the mutual crosstalk that remodel the tumor milieu, creating a pro-survival niche. Therefore, targeting the tumor microenvironment represents an attractive strategy to enhance the efficacy of tumor-targeting drugs and to prevent pharmacological escape, improving patients' outcome. This Special Issue will focus on the novel preclinical and clinical therapeutic strategies able to target the tumor microenvironment in order to overcome its protective effect in hematological malignancies. For this Special Issue, authors are encouraged to submit original research, systematic reviews, and review articles.

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