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Oxidative Phosphorylation System Dysfunction Role and Mechanisms in Cancer and Its Therapies

Message from the Guest Editors

OXPHOS dysfunction, which can be also caused by mtDNA copy number and expression alterations or by mito-nuclear mismatch, directly impacts ATP and ROS production and can have, among others, effects on metabolic remodeling, on the control of apoptosis or on gene expression through epigenetic modifications. These effects can drive the transformation process or facilitate cancer cell adaptation to its microenvironment, having consequences in all stages of tumorigenesis, including the escape from immune surveillance or response to treatment. Integration of different data types, from high-throughput analysis comparing tumor and non-tumor cells in large patient cohorts to the identification of relevant associations and candidate mutations/variants, to single detailed functional studies of particular mutations in specific cancer types, will be needed to elucidate the involved pathways and mechanisms. This knowledge will help us to design more efficient therapeutic strategies. The aim of this Special Issue is to present and review advances in the understanding of the molecular mechanisms that explain the multiple influences of OXPHOS dysfunction in the carcinogenesis process.

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