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Recent Developments in Proton Therapy of Head and Neck Cancer

Message from the Guest Editors

Head and neck cancer is a broad term, encompassing malignancies ranging from the paranasal sinuses, nasal cavity to the hypopharynx. Advancements in radiation technology, organ-preserving surgical techniques and the use of multimodality therapy have led to a paradigm shift in management, with the goal of toxicity reduction and possibly improved efficacy in select scenarios. Proton therapy is an emerging treatment modality for head and neck malignancies owing to its unique ability to spare critical organs in the head and neck using the Bragg-peak. This SI aims to highlight novel advancements in proton radiation that could improve long-term toxicity and outcomes in head and neck cancer management. The goal is to have a balanced view on proton therapy on the pros and cons for each disease subsite within the head and neck, reviewing the current evidence-based literature. In addition to the benefits of proton therapy, we will also address the complications associated with this technology and ongoing efforts to mitigate these toxicities.

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