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Cancers Hijack Immune Surveillance and Tumor Microenvironment Leading to Immune Evasion

Message from the Guest Editors

Tumors employ various mechanisms to evade or counteract attack by immune response components. Some of these mechanisms involve changes in the manifestation of tumor cells, others modulate the immune cells directly, and some affect the tumor microenvironment. The following are examples of such mechanisms:

- Changes in tumor cells can include the loss of antigens, the loss of HLA components, and danger signals; alterations in the expression of immunomodulatory ligands on the cancer cell surface; defects in damage-associated molecular pattern (DAMP).
- Direct modulation of immune cells includes a reduction in pro-inflammatory cytokine signaling and inhibition of the recruitment of immune components to inhibit anti-cancer immune attack; the release of factors that dampen the function of immune cells, and promotion of the activity of immunosuppressive cells.
- Mechanisms that affect the tumor microenvironment include metabolic reprogramming, which may cause alterations in the cancer cell cytokine and metabolite secretion.

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