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Therapies of Uveal Melanoma

Message from the Guest Editors

Uveal melanoma (UM) is the most common intraocular malignant tumor in adults. Primary tumors are treated with conservative strategies, such as brachytherapy or proton-beam therapy but sometimes require enucleation. Even if local treatment is very efficient, up to 50% of patients will eventually suffer metastatic recurrence. Risk of metastatic recurrence can be estimated with TNM staging, as well as transcriptomic or genomic signatures. When metastatic, UM is associated with poor prognosis. Until recently with the positive results of two clinical trials with tebentafusp, no treatment had previously shown clinical efficiency on metastatic UMs. Various inhibitors have been tested in clinical trials to target GNAQ/GNA11-activating mutations, including MAPK and PKC, with limited, if any, clinical benefit. Cytotoxic drugs and immune checkpoint inhibitors are associated with limited activity, although some exceptional responder patients have been reported.

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