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Evolving Role of the Thoracic Oncologic Surgeon in the Era of Molecular and Immune-Targeted Therapies for Lung Cancer

Message from the Guest Editor

The advent of molecular-targeted therapy and immune checkpoint inhibitors has revolutionized the treatment of patients with advanced-stage lung cancer over the past 10 years. Recent promising studies have now begun to investigate the use of immunotherapy and drugtargeted oncogenic driver mutations in patients with operable lung cancer. With the expansion of these treatments to the neoadjuvant setting, it will be critical for the thoracic oncologic surgeon to understand and incorporate preoperative molecular testing and define clinical algorithms aimed at reducing surgical risk in patients who have undergone treatment with molecular targeted therapy and immunotherapy. Special Edition of the Cancers journal will highlight original research and comprehensive reviews related to preoperative tumor molecular characterization, as well as the incorporation of targeted therapy and/or immunotherapy in the treatment of patients with lung cancer undergoing curative resection.

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