

Special Issue

Molecular Mechanism and Therapeutic Opportunities of Cholangiocarcinoma

Message from the Guest Editors

Cholangiocarcinoma (CCA) is a rare and often fatal cancer that includes a heterogeneous group of liver tumors, originating from neoplastic proliferation of epithelial cells lining the bile ducts (colangiocytes), in the extrahepatic or intrahepatic segments. CCA represents the second most common primary liver cancer, after hepatocellular carcinoma. The incidence and mortality rates of CCA are increasing worldwide, and there is no effective treatment for the advanced forms of this tumor. Indeed, prognosis is poor, with a 5-year survival rate that is lower than 20%. To reduce global mortality from cholangiocarcinoma, efforts must be multifaceted and focus on prevention, early identification of high-risk individuals, and prompt diagnosis, as well as molecular-based targeted therapies for established disease. Given the importance of CCA in the field of medicine and research, *Cells* is launching this Special Issue to pinpoint the identification of novel therapeutic targets and thus inhibit CCA progression.

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