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Diagnostics of Thyroid Diseases: Advances and Perspectives

Message from the Guest Editors

Thyroid diseases are frequently encountered in daily clinical practice, and their diagnosis and assessment rely on laboratory medicine, imaging and pathology disciplines. However, the substantial progress in our understanding of molecular interplays that characterize thyroid diseases are now generating important multidisciplinary convergences, leading the way to a new frontier referred to as *integrated diagnostics*. Specific strategies are needed, such as planning the major integration of existing information systems or developing innovative ones, combining bioinformatics and imaging informatics and providing interpretative comments in integrated reports, and developing and using expert systems and neural networks for generating multidisciplinary teams and integrated diagnostic algorithms. The aim of this Special Issue is to provide updated information and address future perspectives on the role of laboratory medicine, structural and molecular imaging, and cytopathology/pathology in characterizing thyroid diseases.

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