

## Special Issue

# Cancer Cell Proliferation, Differentiation and Metastasis

### Message from the Guest Editor

Traditionally, much of translational cancer research relates to the identification of mutations, amplifications, deletions, differential gene expression or epigenetic silencing of oncogenes and tumour suppressor genes. However, the functional consequences of such altered genes on tumour tissues remain much more poorly understood than the precise details of genetic events. How do activated oncogenes change the phenotypic behaviour of tumour cells in the context of living cancer tissues? What is their impact on dynamic processes such as tumour cell proliferation versus differentiation, invasion, and penetration of lymph and blood vessels? What is their impact on tumour dormancy, survival of cancer stem cells, therapy failure, and relapse?

In this Special Issue, we primarily encourage articles that link genetic and molecular events with functional insights into complex tumour biology. We specifically invite also contributions that introduce novel in vitro or in vivo model systems and assays to elucidate gene functions, or perform target validation, ideally directed towards the unmet clinical needs of personalized cancer medicine and therapy.

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