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Glioma Diagnostics in the Genetics Era

Message from the Guest Editor

Integrating genetics into the diagnostic work-up of cancer has become commonplace, and indeed necessary, across many oncology fields. However, the rapid expansion of genetic methods and new discoveries exceeded the speed at which new diagnostic guidelines could be published. As a result, this spurred a period of uncertainty as to how best to diagnose a tumor in an accurate, timely, and costeffective manner.

An integrated approach leveraging the clinical presentation, morphological features, and genetic results likely reflects the most logical solution. However, this integrated approach has, at this time, not been formalized. Here, we'll provide editorials from stakeholders of different elements of this integrated approach: clinical oncologists, neuropathologists, clinical geneticists, and laboratorians. We'll provide examples of the important blind-spots each strategy can address. In this respect, we hope to continue the on-going dialogue of how best to integrate the plethora of data now available to clinicians to provide the most accurate diagnosis and care to our patients.

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