



## **Palliative Care for Hematologic and Oncologic Diseases**

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### **Message from the Guest Editor**

Palliative medicine has a wide-ranging role in the spectrum of comprehensive cancer care. While the entire multidisciplinary health care team plays a role in providing palliative care, an effective palliative medicine and hematology/oncology collaboration improves patient care and quality of life. Palliative medicine plays an essential role in symptom management, distress relief, family and caregiver support, and advance care planning. The integration of palliative medicine with hematology and oncology improves patient outcomes and decreases healthcare costs. The early involvement of palliative medicine after an advanced cancer diagnosis is supported by several national and international society guidelines. Despite clear evidence for the fundamental need for palliative medicine services in the practices of hematology and oncology, the integration of these medical specialties remains clinically challenging for many reasons. This Special Issue aims to address the specialty role and issues regarding the application of palliative medicine and challenges for the integration of palliative medicine in both the fields of hematology and oncology.





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