



## Unconventional Anticancer Metallodrugs and Strategies to Improve their Pharmacological Profile

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For the past forty years, metal-based drugs have been widely used for the treatment of cancer. Cisplatin and follow-up drugs carboplatin and oxaliplatin have been the gold standard for metallodrugs in clinical settings as antineoplastic agents. While effective, these drugs have faced a number of clinical challenges resulting from their limited spectrum of activity, high toxicity leading to significant side effects, resistance, poor water solubility, low bioavailability and short circulating time. In parallel to the synthesis of coordination and organometallic compounds comprising many different metals and unconventional platinum-based derivatives, researchers are focused in optimizing mechanistic and pharmacological features of promising drug candidates. This Special Issue aims to highlight the latest advances in anticancer metallodrugs with a focus on unconventional anticancer agents, as well as novel activation, targeting and delivery strategies aimed at improving their pharmacological profile.

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