



## Emerging Treatments for Malignant Pleural Mesothelioma

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Malignant pleural mesothelioma (MPM), which is closely related to asbestos exposure, is a rare and aggressive malignancy. Since no prospective randomized controlled trial for comparing the surgical methods for MPM has been performed, standard surgical procedures are still controversial. Although meta-analyses of MPM treatment have been reported, the bias associated with the analysis is inevitable. On the other hand, many reports demonstrated that the morbidity and mortality of lung-sparing surgery (pleurectomy/decortication (P/D) and extended P/D) were better than those of lung-sacrificing surgery (extrapleural pneumonectomy). Lung-sparing surgery may become the standard treatment in the future, and better treatment results may be obtained. Promising results have been obtained with immunotherapy, such as immune checkpoint inhibitors and chimeric antigen receptor-T cells recognizing mesothelin (CART-meso cells). It is necessary to fully understand each characteristic and select the best treatment method in the best combination. What can we do to improve outcomes for this disease?

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