



## Evolution and New Horizons of Endoscopy in Inflammatory Bowel Diseases

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis are chronic inflammatory bowel diseases (IBDs) requiring periodic monitoring to assess disease activity. To date, endoscopy is the gold standard for the management of IBD patients. It makes it possible to evaluate disease activity, to define the response to therapy, and to predict disease relapses and negative outcomes such as surgery and hospitalization. Furthermore, patients with IBD have a greater risk of developing colorectal cancer, and endoscopy plays a key role in colorectal cancer screening. This Special Issue is devoted to articles that review the new endoscopic approaches in the field of IBD, focusing on chromoendoscopy techniques and on the application of artificial intelligence in clinical practice. In addition, this Special Issue will also highlight recent advances in bowel preparation and the role of available endoscopic scores in the follow-up of IBD patients. Data from clinical trials and real-life studies will be reported in order to provide clinicians with practical suggestions and to highlight unmet needs and future challenges.





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