

Special Issue

Uncovering the Links between Inflammation and Recurrence in Cancer Patients

Message from the Guest Editors

A relationship between inflammation and prognosis has been reported in several types of cancer. At the systemic level, elevated inflammation is consistently associated with poor outcome in many solid tumors. Furthermore, circulating growth factors can enhance cancer stem cells that are highly resistant to current treatments and are responsible for repopulating the tumor after treatment, causing local and systemic recurrence. Therefore, the elucidation of bidirectional cross-talk between local and systemic inflammatory responses in cancer patients still represents an important challenge for clinical oncologists to optimize treatment allocation.

The aim of this Special Issue is to provide recent findings in understanding how host inflammatory status affects tumor aggressiveness to improve therapeutic options and to develop new criteria to evaluate cancer patient prognosis.

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