



## Interventional Pulmonology: An Exciting New Subspecialty Within Pulmonary Medicine

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Interventional pulmonology (IP) has emerged as a developing subspecialty within pulmonary medicine over the last several years. It has addressed a critical need in terms of the minimally invasive evaluation, diagnosis, and management of pulmonary pathology. Indeed, significant advancements have been made in lung cancer staging, the diagnosis of peripheral lung nodules, central airway obstruction, the evaluation of the pleural space, and the bronchoscopic management of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, among other areas. This Special Issue will provide an overview of the various procedures within interventional pulmonology, including endobronchial ultrasound, robotic bronchoscopy, pleuroscopy, rigid bronchoscopy, airway stenting, thermal and cryotherapy, and endobronchial valves. We will additionally review the history of interventional pulmonology as well as the development of formal subspecialties fellowship training in IP. With this Issue, it is our aim to increase knowledge and awareness of the significant utility of the various branches of interventional pulmonology in patient care.

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## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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