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Nanomaterials for Drug Delivery and Cancer Immunotherapy

Message from the Guest Editor

Nanomaterials have revolutionized drug delivery and cancer immunotherapy by enabling targeted, controlled, and efficient therapeutic strategies. Their unique physicochemical properties allow for precise engineering to improve drug solubility, protect therapeutic agents from degradation, and enhanced permeability and retention (EPR) effect. Functionalized nanocarriers can be tailored to deliver chemotherapeutics or immunomodulatory agents directly to tumor cells or the tumor microenvironment. In cancer immunotherapy, nanomaterials serve as delivery vehicles. These systems can reprogram immune cells, including tumor-associated macrophages (TAMs) and dendritic cells (DCs), to convert the tumor milieu from immunosuppressive to immunostimulatory. This reprogramming enhances the recruitment and activation of cytotoxic T cells, leading to improved antitumor responses. Integrating nanotechnology with immunotherapy boosts therapeutic efficacy and significantly reduces systemic side effects, paving the way for next-generation precision medicine in oncology.

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