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Prostate Cancer and Erectile Dysfunction

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Message from the Guest Editor

Prostate cancer (PCa) is the second most common cancer in males, and it represents the first cause of cancer death for cancer in this population. It is known that PCa treatments such as radical prostatectomy, radiotherapy, and castration therapy impact sexual function with different action mechanisms. However, the psychological distress related to cancer diagnosis, and specifically prostate cancer diagnosis, might add a particular burden on erectile function in a subset of patients that may already have some initial erectile difficulty due to the aging further compromising quality of life. Here I would like to investigate with mini-reviews the state of the art of the following related topics:

- Prostate cancer diagnosis and psychological distress: impact on erectile function;
- Radical prostatectomy and minimally invasive prostate cancer treatment: impact on erectile function;
- Radiotherapy and hormonal treatment: impact on erectile function;
- Rehabilitation after prostate cancer treatment: which is the right program?
- New sexual rehabilitation tools after prostate cancer treatments: an overview.



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