# Special Issue

# Leveraging Immune Checkpoint Blockades-Based Combined Therapy to Overcome Adaptive Immune Resistance

# Message from the Guest Editor

Tumors employ various tactics to adapt to and eventually resist immune attack, collectively called adaptive immune resistance (AIR). Despite the recent success of immune checkpoint blockades (ICBs) that were found to induce systemic regression of tumors and prolong survival. AIR has held the field back from wider success. As ICBs can treat subsets of 'inflamed' cancers infiltrated by pre-primed tumor-reactive T cells. several novel approches (such as CAR-T, oncolytic virus, and cancer vaccines) have the potential to newly prime tumor-reactive T cells. Therefore, combining ICBs with novel immunotherapy would lead to enhanced treatment of a larger fraction of human cancers in the near future. Based on your expertise in cancer immunotherapy, you are invited to contribute a research paper or review in this Special Issue to highlight the remaining challenges for translation medicine to achieve a selective and durable anti-tumor immune response in advanced cancer patients. Studies focusing on ICBs and adaptive immune resistance through both clinical and pre-clinical investigations are welcome.

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