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Neuroendocrine Tumors: From Diagnosis to Therapy

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Message from the Guest Editors

Neuroendocrine neoplasms are considered rare tumors with a wide spectrum of behaviors, manly indolent, but are highly dependent on the presence of high-risk clinical features. Diagnoses, using a dual morphological and functional approach in NENs, are based on histology and imaging.

However, from the limited tissue sampling, in the case of tumor biopsy, to the bias linked to the subjective assessment of medical images. Furthermore, based on the assessment of response to therapy, the morphological RECIST 1.1 criteria could be reductive and not appropriate. In this context, quantitative imaging has acquired relevance as a supporting tool for clinicians in order to overcome the limits associated with the conventional approach, especially in prediction prognosis and in response to therapy. Thus, to outline a structured therapeutic path, one of the future landscapes of NEN management may be the integration of quantitative imaging with conventional evaluations.

This Special Issue will highlight the main strengths and limitations in the management of NENs, from the diagnosis to the response to therapy, and will investigate the emerging role of quantitative biomarkers.













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