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Preoperative Optimisation in Patients Undergoing Cancer Surgery

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

For selected patients presenting with cancer, surgery with or without chemoradiotherapy is the mainstream treatment option, with the main aim of removing all cancer cells. Despite the improved survival benefits, postoperative morbidity is still high.

Recently, prehabilitation was introduced to enhance general health before cancer surgery. There is some evidence suggesting that preoperative medical, physical, nutritional and psychological interventions may reduce postoperative morbidity rates, facilitate recovery and improve subsequent quality of life. However, the evidence around the effectiveness of preoperative optimisation is still in an embryonic phase.

This Special Issue will cover all aspects of preoperative optimisation, including but not limited to:

- 1. Original studies or systematic reviews evaluating the effectiveness of preoperative interventions;
- 2. Measures of association between preoperative factors;
- 3. Evidence gaps in prehabilitation, including research priorities and limitation of the current evidence;
- 4. Applicability of different prehabilitation modes, including telehealth interventions.

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