



Ovarian Cancer: Clinical Advances and Challenges

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Ovarian cancer (OC) is the most lethal gynecological malignancy. Early-stage detection and diagnostic tools for OC screening are not efficient. To date, almost 75% of patients are diagnosed at an advanced stage of disease, with a five-year overall survival of about 30%.

Recently, a consequence of the knowledge of different molecular pathways influencing OC is that personalized surgery and target therapies are now a realness. Neoadjuvant chemotherapy before interval debulking surgery (IDS) and adjuvant treatment are considered a valid alternative to PDS in selected patients.

There is an increasing interest in using anti-angiogenic drugs, PARP-inhibitors (PARPi), and immunomodulation. Moreover, minimally invasive surgical (MIS) techniques have been increasingly used in ovarian cancer, considering they provide several benefits compared to the open approach. The MIS approach is under investigation in selected cases of early-stage OC, IDS, and recurrent disease.

Our purpose is to report the most recent knowledge on the management of ovarian cancer, with a look at the different surgical approaches and new therapies to investigate a more accurate, individualized approach.





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