

Highlights in hepatocellular carcinoma

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We are glad to tell you that *Chinese Clinical Oncology* will launch a special issue on hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) by the end of 2013, which studies HCC in different specific circumstance given due consideration. Our Guest Editor for this special issue is Prof Ghassan K. Abou-Alfa, from Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, USA.

In this special issue, known experts worldwide in related field are getting together to share their knowledge in terms of diagnosis and treatment of HCC. Apart from the up-to-date review in HCC, You will also be able to learn the status of HCC in a wide geographic background including Asia, Europe and America. We hope you will enjoy this special issue.

The outline for this special issue is as follows:

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Maya Gambarin-Gelwan/USA

❖ **A review of hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) staging systems**

Somasundaram Subramaniam, Robin K. Kelley, Alan P. Venook/USA

❖ **Management of liver cirrhosis in patients with hepatocellular carcinoma.**

Bahaa Eldeen Senousy Ismail, Roniel Cabrera/USA

❖ **Hepatocellular carcinoma in the modern era: transplantation, ablation, open surgery or minimally invasive surgery? A multidisciplinary personalized decision**

Ioannis Constantinidis, Yuman Fong/USA

❖ **Percutaneous therapies of hepatocellular carcinoma—an update**

Julius Chapiro, Jean-François Henri Geschwind/USA

❖ **Systemic therapy for hepatocellular carcinoma**

James Harding, Ghassan Abou-Alfa/USA

❖ **Features and treatment options of Chinese hepatocellular carcinoma**

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❖ **Status of hepatocellular carcinoma in South Korea**

Hoo Guen Chun/Korea

❖ **Current status of hepatocellular carcinoma in Japan**

Masafumi Ikeda, Shuichi Mitsunaga, Satoshi Shimizu, Izumi Ohno, Hideaki Takahashi, Hiroyuki Okuyama, Akiko Kuwahara, Takuji Okusaka/Japan

❖ **Hepatocellular carcinoma in India**

G. S. Bhattacharyya, K. Govind Babu, Hemant Malhotra, A. A. Ranade, Shaiqua Murshed, Debasis Datta/India

❖ **Status of hepatocellular carcinoma in gulf region**

Kakil Ibrahim Rasul/Qatar

❖ **Risk factors for developing hepatocellular carcinoma in Egypt**

Ashraf Omar, Ghassan K. Abou-Alfa, Ahmed khairy/Egypt

❖ **Status of HCC in Europe**

Alexa Childs, James O'Beirne, Tim Meyer/UK

❖ **Current status of hepatocellular carcinoma in the United States**

Andrew Zhu/USA

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