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Special Issue on
Innovation in the Early Detection, Endoscopic Treatment, and Palliation of Pancreatic Cancer

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The number of new pancreatic cancer cases estimated in the United States is 53,070 in 2016 according to the American Cancer Society. The estimated number of deaths is 41,780 in 2016, with pancreatic adenocarcinoma remaining the fourth leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States. Certain prediction models suggest that pancreatic cancer may become the top cause of cancer related mortality in the next few decades. Difficulty in early detection and lack of effective screening methods invariably result in advanced stage at presentation and poor prognosis. Significant advances have been made in the understanding of the molecular pathways that lead to carcinogenesis and these mechanisms are beginning to be translated to pancreatic cancer treatment. Gastroenterologists will be increasingly at the forefront of treatment decisions in pancreatic cancer. This issue will focus on present and upcoming innovations in the areas of early detection, treatment selection, and palliation.

Potential topics include but are not limited to the following:

- Molecular imaging in early detection of pancreatic cancer
- Theranostic markers in pancreatic cancer biopsies
- Endoscopically delivered therapy in pancreatic cancer
- The role of sequencing and omics data in selection of therapy in pancreatic cancer
- Advanced endoscopic palliation of pancreatic cancer
- Ablation of pancreatic cancer as an alternative or adjunct to surgery

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