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Adaptive Radiotherapy for Head and Neck Cancer

Message from the Guest Editor

Adaptive radiotherapy has been introduced to correct the radiotherapy dose plan for changes in the target volume and organs at risk during treatment. Initially, focus was placed on physics-associated aspects of geometry and anatomy. Today, it is much more than that; it involves tailoring radiotherapy to changing biological tumor characteristics based on functional MRI and PET scanning as well as early response adaptations to concomitant systemic therapies. Much of the pioneering work in adaptive radiotherapy is done in head and neck cancer. The anatomy of the head and neck area is complex, with close proximity of the tumor and vulnerable organs and tissues essential to swallowing and speech. Important biological aspects of head and neck cancer include hypoxia, tumor cell repopulation, and responsiveness to chemotherapy and targeted therapies.

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