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Cancer in Females: A cutting-edge research platform for multidisciplinary collaboration in women's health and oncology

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Female cancer, a term referring to malignant tumours occurring within the gender-specific reproductive and urinary systems, as well as other organs, poses a significant threat to women's health globally. Annual diagnoses of malignant tumours run into the millions, profoundly impacting women's health and quality of life. Global data for 2020 indicates 9.23 million new cases of female cancer, of which 2.26 million were breast cancer, far exceeding other female cancers. The top three gynaecological malignancies- cervical, endometrial, and ovarian cancers, ranked 4th, 6th and 8th respectively, accounting for nearly 15% of all new female cancer cases. The same year saw 4.43 million female cancer fatalities worldwide, with breast cancer accounting for 680, 000, making it the deadliest cancer. Cervical and ovarian cancers, both reproductive tract malignancies, ranked 4th and 8th respectively, contributing to 12.4% of all female cancer deaths.

Distinct gender differences exist between female and male cancers in terms of physiology, pathology, and molecular biology. Investigating and summarising these disparities can guide the understanding of etiology, diagnosis, and treatment, offering theoretical support for personalised medicine. Furthermore, managing and treating female cancer demands a multidisciplinary approach, encapsulating basic science, clinical medicine, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, surgery, mental health, and supportive care. This necessitates a platform that fosters collaboration among researchers from diverse fields, promoting interdisciplinary communication and cooperation. Such a platform can stimulate advances in the prevention and early detection of female cancer, spark innovation in treatment methods and strategies, and ultimately boost research progress and therapeutic outcomes in female cancer, thereby championing women's health.

In light of the current landscape, we are proud to launch "Cancer in Females" (CF), an anticipatory, authoritative, international, and professional journal. Under the stewardship of Academician of China Engineering Academy, Prof. Lang Jinghe from the Department of

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Obstetrics and Gynaecology at Peking Union Medical College Hospital, CF aspires to benchmark the world's leading medical journals. As an open-access, peer-reviewed, English academic journal, CF will be published quarterly, maintaining rigorous peer review processes and publishing standards to ensure high-quality development.

CF is dedicated to focusing on women's health, addressing the critical challenges of major female diseases, and filling a notable void in the realm of English language journals in this field. By concentrating on the latest research in the monitoring, prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of female cancers, CF strives to enhance physicians' and scientists' understanding of female cancer diseases. We aim to foster interest and expertise in related fields, including diagnosis and treatment, nursing, research, education, and public policy. By gathering distinguished scholars from this field both domestically and globally, we aim to build a premier academic platform, playing a pivotal role in shaping the community of global health.

Our journal will feature key sections including commentaries, expert forums, monographs, abstracts, guidelines and

consensus, reviews, experience exchange, short reports, case reports, innovation and debate, experience sharing, academic trends, and continuing education. Looking ahead, our goal is to establish a world-class academic journal rooted in the Asia-Pacific region but with a global reach. We invite you to peruse our journal and trust you will find our publication engaging and informative.

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