Unraveling HPV-Associated Cancer Complexity: From Molecular Insights to Innovative Therapies

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Abstract

Human cervical, vaginal, vulval, penile, anal, and oropharyngeal cancers are all caused by the human papillomavirus (HPV). This review article focuses on HPV biology, virus-host interactions, cell transformation, cancer progression, and its co-infection with HIV, HSV, EBV, and other bacteria in cancer development. It explores HPV vaccination's role in preventing high-risk HPV infections and cancers, emphasizes early detection and screening methods, discusses emerging strategies like specialized therapies and immuno-based interventions, and considers personalized medical care for HPV-linked cancers. Comprehensive coverage includes HPV-associated cancer epidemiology, regional variations, and India's unique challenges. The cumulative efforts of scientists facilitate groundbreaking approaches toward reducing the adverse consequences of HPV-related malignancies among people and communities.

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