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Aims and Scope
Psycho-oncology is concerned with the psychological, social, behavioral, and ethical aspects of cancer. This subspecialty addresses the two major psychological dimensions of cancer: the psychological responses of the patients to cancer at all stages of the disease, and that of their families and caretakers; and the psychological, behavioral and social factors that may influence the disease process. Psycho-oncology is an area of multi-disciplinary interest and has boundaries with the major specialties in oncology; the clinical disciplines (surgery, medicine, pediatrics, radiotherapy), epidemiology, immunology, endocrinology, biology, pathology, bioethics, palliative care, rehabilitation medicine, clinical trials research and decision making, as well as psychiatry and psychology.

This international journal is published twelve times a year and will consider contributions to research of clinical and theoretical interest. Topics covered are wide-ranging and relate to the psychosocial aspects of cancer and AIDS-related tumors, including: epidemiology, quality of life, palliative and supportive care, psychiatry, psychology, sociology, social work, nursing and educational issues.

Special reviews will be offered from time to time. There will be a section reviewing recently published books. A society news section will be available for the dissemination of information relating to meetings, conferences and other society-related topics. Summary proceedings of important national and international symposia falling within the aims of the journal will be presented.

Editorial Policy
Manuscripts should be confined to work relating to cancer and AIDS-related tumors. The criteria for publication are originality, high scholarly quality as determined by peer review, interest to a wide audience of those concerned with psycho-oncology.

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